External Examiners' Report

2021/2022

Proforma

General details	
Subject(s)	AMIL - Medical Law, Mental Health Law, Dissertation
Name of external	Sharon Sinclair-Graham
examiner	
Date of report	11 th July 2022

1 Academic Issues		
1.1 Were the standards of the questions set appropriate for Masters	YES	
level?		
Please comment.		
The academic standard of the questions set in the assessment were rigorous but fair and tested the students at a level appropriate to the level 7.		

1.2 Were the assessments well-designed? i.e did they assess	YES
appropriately the learning outcomes set for the course.	

Please comment.

The module was well covered in the questions set and robustly challenged the students understanding of the material whilst ensuring learning outcomes were addressed. There was a good mix of problem questions and essay questions which required the students to be cognisant of the learning outcomes to get a good mark.

Additionally, I questioned some of the answers given and the marker came back to me very quickly which was very reassuring.

I have suggested that it would be appropriate in the next Medical Law assessment to set a compulsory problem question for the exam – this ensures that the students are able to identify legal issues and apply the law to them, testing their critical thinking abilities.

1.3 Was the standard of performance attained by candidates in	YES
general appropriate for Masters level?	
Please Comment	

Yes, the attainment levels were appropriate and as expected for the questions set.

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1.4 Was the marking satisfactory and consistent?		YES
Please Comment		
Yes, in the main the feedback that the markers provided was to a very high standard and was very thorough. There was one paper that I reviewed where the student had just fallen short, and I would have liked to have seen more feedback to give the student an insight as to what they needed to do to get to the next grade.		
2 Administrative Issues: please make any comments you wish to make on:		
2.1 The process of setting assessments.		
Excellent		
2.2 The administration of assessment of coursework and the final examinations.		
Excellent		

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2.6 Any other procedural issues.	
None	

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3 Quality Assurance Issues	
3.1 Were assessment policies and your	YES
duties as external examiner adequately	
explained to you?	
3.2 Did you have adequate access to any	YES
material needed to make the required	
judgements?	
3.3 Were your comments during the	YES
assessment process and at the July	
Examination Board considered	
appropriately	
3.4 Has appropriate action been taken in	YES
respect of comments made in your last	
examiner's report?	

Please make any comments you wish to make on the above points.

The team at UoL are exceptionally well prepared, the marking is consistent with very good feedback provided.

All queries and feedback are always dealt with in an extremely competent manner. It has been a pleasure.

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