

8. The Role of the Internal Quality Review (IQR) Panel

The Pro-Rector for Quality Assurance will appoint an IQR panel which will normally comprise:

- a. One or more members of staff from the Quality Assurance Committee (QAC) and/or Quality Support Unit (QSU);
- b. Two student representatives external to FICS undergoing the PPR process;
- c. Two Deans or Directors nominated by the Rector and who are external to FICS. These will also be part of the Stakeholders' Committee.

The Pro-Rector for Quality Assurance or their delegate will act as Chair. The primary role of this panel is to drive the PPR process and ensure that the quality and standards of all UM programmes are maintained. In liaison with the Pro-Rector for Quality Assurance, the IQR panel shall organise an initial meeting with the FICS PPR Committee to discuss and clarify the PPR process as well as provide guidance on how the information will be collected, analysed, interpreted and used for the purpose of continuous enhancement. The role of the IQR panel will also include:

1. ensuring that the PPR process follows a genuinely developmental approach which provides an opportunity for FICS to review and, in partnership with the PPR Committee, identify ways of enhancing current practices, systems and structures;
2. ensuring that UM's policies and procedures are operating as intended to safeguard academic standards and are providing a high-quality learning experience for all students;
3. meeting in a timely manner with FICS for an initial meeting to discuss the PPR process;
4. keeping the FICS PPR Committee informed and providing guidance as required throughout the whole PPR process;
5. reviewing the effectiveness of the FICS self-evaluation mechanisms in sustaining quality enhancement of the programmes;
6. reviewing and evaluating the Self-Evaluation Document (SED) submitted by the FICS;
7. preparing the PPR report with clear commendations and recommendations;
8. reviewing and evaluating the FICS enhancement action plan;
9. organising and hosting the Stakeholders' Meeting (SM) in liaison with the Pro-Rector for Quality Assurance and FICS.