# **Staff-Student Action Log**





Purpose	The core purpose of the academic representation system, which aligns with the revised UK Quality Code, is to achieve positive change that improves the educational experience of students at Royal Holloway and engages students as partners in the development, assurance, and enhancement of their learning.
Reports to	School Education Committee – UG and PGT School Research Student Oversight Committee - PGR
Department	
Regular meetings per year	3-6
Quorum	5

Attendance Monitoring

	Date and Time	Location	Attendance
November Meeting (compulsory)	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> November @ 12:30-1400	McCrea 1-18	Attended: Cody Braunschweig (Course Rep) Emma Dadge (Course Rep) Layla Fenton (Course Rep) Minwoo Kwon (Course Rep) Olga Angelpoulou (Course Director) Kinga Boulton (Academic Skills) Victoria Gilyatt (Secretary) Eva Garcia Grau (Library Liaison) Saqib Kakvi (PGT Director EPMS)  Apologies: Marie Cordingley (School Rep) Tracey Berry (Vice Dean EDI) Lizzie Coles-Kemp (HoD) Jassim Happa (Course Director) Rikke Jensen (Director of Teaching) Cj White (Student Union)
December Meeting (optional)	N/A	N/A	
February Meeting (compulsory)			
March Meeting (optional)			
April Meeting (compulsory)			
May Meeting (optional)			

#### **Actions**

Action No.	Agreed Action (Include reason for agreed action)	Date Action Agreed	Responsible	Due	Date Action Completed	Outcome
ISG/17N OV/01	CS5900 students only received information a week before their presentation.	17 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Module Leader- David Tena Cucala		25 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Module Leader informed about the issues via email. They confirmed that all information was provided by the latest on week 8, two weeks before the ISG presentations (which are happening 25 <sup>th</sup> November).
ISG/17N OV/02	Queens Lecture theatre there is a lot of reflection from the screen and the projection is very bright.	17 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Maintenance		24 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Logged a Maintenance ticket. AV to attend the lecture theatre
ISG/17N OV/03	YII Students are feeling discouraged and abandoned in finding a placement. The events appear like they are more for the company's profile than finding a job.	17 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Olga			Olga to have a meeting on Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November to discuss a way forward for YII placement students. Will report back to the students following on from the meeting.
ISG/17N OV/04	Students are looking for exam preparation and in particular past exam papers.	17 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Victoria Gilyatt	December 2025		VG to provide past exam papers to the Library prior to the Christmas break
ISG/17N OV/05	IY5502 the material is heavy and often there are a number of slides to go through prior to the lectures.	17 <sup>th</sup> November 2025			17 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Module Leaders are aware and making changes.
ISG/17N OV/06	Was asked to pass onto the SU the following two points of feedback:	17 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Student Union		25 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Student union confirmed the following: Next term, I will be releasing an education piece as well videos explaining the Local Transport in Egham as

			part of my Priority 8 project 'Cheaper and Frequent Local Transport'.

# Notes:

Feel free to use this space to make note of anything of importance, in addition to the actions above, that don't require an action.

	Notes
Meeting 1-17 <sup>th</sup>	Academic Staff Update
November 2025	<ul> <li>Main update is the Year in Industry (YII). Olga has a meeting on Wednesday to discuss a way forward for YII students. There appears to have been a lot of students struggling to find placements this year and with December deadlines coming up there is uncertainty.</li> <li>ISG have set up an MS Teams Channel to post upcoming activities and networking opportunities and encouraging student to engage on the channel to get the most from the events. Networking activities help find students placements so is strongly encouraged for</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>YII students.</li> <li>The department have no control over when the exams are scheduled and the resit exams for international students, which appears a particular concern for students.</li> <li>The department is taking part in a portfolio review of their offerings and reviewing how they are being delivered and having a general refresh.</li> </ul>
	Academic Rep Update
	Advanced Student Feedback was provided via email in advance of the meeting please see the Action Log above for outstanding Action points. The feedback has been saved onto the RHSU Academic Representation ISG PGT MS Team Channel and the folder can be here: <a href="Student Feedback">Student Feedback</a>
	EDI Update
	<ul> <li>Working on Actions from Athena Swan applications.</li> <li>Looking at next Athena Swan application</li> </ul>
	Library Update
	Accessibility project In November 2024, we interviewed 14 students with lived experience of disability or neurodivergence, and asked them to tell us about using the library. We used what they told us to make changes, which have made the library a better place for everyone. You can find more

information on the <u>Student Feedback page</u> or by picking up a leaflet at the Library entrance, but the main improvements were:

- Creating the Whisper Zone on the first floor of the Library, which includes a trial of bookable study spaces
- Significant updates to the <u>Access For All guide</u>. These updates include information about parking on campus and access routes to the building; a list of our services in a single place to make them easier to find; and information about study spaces to help guide students to a space that works for them.
- Increasing the amount of ergonomic equipment available from the Library for loan to all students.
- Bookable library tours were launched in the Autumn term

#### Support available from the Library this term

This academic year we are offering the following support for students. Please feel free to let other students know about these!

#### **Library Lunch and Learns**

These short online sessions will take students through a specific area of library support. These include resources, research skills, and referencing. Booking is essential and students can do that here: <a href="https://rhul.libcal.com/calendar/lunchandlearn">https://rhul.libcal.com/calendar/lunchandlearn</a>

#### Referencing drop ins

These take place throughout the term. Teaching and Engagement Librarians will be available to help students with any referencing queries they have. The dates for the rest of this term are Wednesday 12 November 13:00-15:00 and Tuesday 2 December 10:00-12:00. There's no need to book, students can find us at the Library Entrance in the Emily Wilding Davison Building.

#### Bespoke support

Students are welcome to book a 1-1 appointment with their TEL for support with any library skills, including using information efficiently and ethically, referencing, and specific support for assignments such as systematic review searches. Appointments are available online and students can book through Your Teaching and Engagement Librarian.

#### Coffee and cake event

On the 11th November, from 10 to 12, come to the Library for a free hot drink and a piece of cake or a biscuit!

#### **Academic Skills Update**

- Optional support available with Maths & Stats
- > Optional support through Skill for Academic Success Moodle page includes one-to-one tutorials for support on writing, communication skills, maths, and statistics.

### <u>SS1001</u>

SS1001-Academic Integrity Module is a mandatory module needs to be completed by all 01<sup>st</sup> Year Students by the 05<sup>th</sup> December 2025 in order to progress to next year of study. Emails have been sent out with the link to the quiz which must be passed.

## <u>AOB</u>

VG -Posed the following Questions to the students:

Is there a need for more information on progression for students? Do you know what you need to achieve in order to progress to the next year of your degree. D``o you know what you need to do to graduate?

> Easy reference link to the handbook and summary of progression.

Meeting 2	
Meeting 3	

Meeting 4	
Meeting 5	
Meeting 6	