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Subject: Re: [teaching-staff] Board of Studies Agenda - 2nd November 2016

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Hi,

just to confirm, I've now made the updates James advised to the MSc specialist areas in the MSc Handbook and have advertised the further course choices MSc students have for Semester 2.

Best wishes,

Paul.

On 2 Nov 2016, at 12:04, Paul Jackson <paul.jackson@ed.ac.uk> wrote:

> Hi,

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> I'm looking after updating the specialism web pages and will take care of ensuring the Proposal 1 changes are all implemented in the current guide. Apologies for missing doing this before the year start.

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> Obviously Semester 1 choices have already been made, but Semester 2 choices are not cast in stone. Shortly before the start of Semester 2 I'll advertise these and other updates to the specialist areas and the available courses.

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> Best wishes,

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> Paul.

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> On 1 Nov 2016, at 15:57, James Cheney <jcheney@inf.ed.ac.uk> wrote:

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>> Hi,

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>> Thanks. The new PL MSc specialist area was approved and has been set up (on the web page), so that's all set.

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>> However, the other action (updating existing specialist areas with some new relevant courses) was approved but has not been done, and I'm not sure why (see Kenny Bell's comments below).

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>> In any case, this is something that Paul and Heather (and me if necessary) can discuss and does not need to take up meeting time.

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>> --James

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>>> On Nov 1, 2016, at 2:16 PM, Bjoern Franke <bfranke@inf.ed.ac.uk> wrote:

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>>> Hi Paul, hi James,

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>>> I think we have BoS approval for the setup of this new specialist area, which now need to go in the MSc handbook and also the website. Could you please liaise with Heather about this? I think there's no further BoS discussion necessary.

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>>> Cheers,

>>> Bjoern

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>>> On 01/11/16 09:09, Vicky Swann wrote:

>>>> Thanks, I've copied in Bjoern for information.

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>>>> Kind Regards,

>>>> Vicky

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>>>> On 28/10/2016 09:58, James Cheney wrote:

>>>>> Thanks! This doesn't seem urgent so probably best to hold off now. If there are any reasons not to do this that have come up since the BoS meeting, this could be (briefly) discussed at the Board of Studies meeting.

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>>>>> --James

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>>>>> On Oct 28, 2016, at 9:50 AM, Kenny Bell <k.bell@ed.ac.uk> wrote:

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>>>>>> Hi James/Vicky

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>>>>>> Apologies, I was advised by my line manager to hold off making these changes at the time and it completely fell off the radar. I have copied in Paul Jackson who updated the 2016 MSc handbook. This is my last day at Informatics and unless someone can come and give me very clear instructions of what I need to do then it may be best for Paul to update this.

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>>>>>> Thanks

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>>>>>> Kenny

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>>>>>> On 27/10/2016 17:53, James Cheney wrote:

>>>>>>> HI,

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>>>>>>> I am not sure whether I will attend the meeting. I notice that there is an action assigned to me associated with the MSC Specialist Areas discussion. I discussed them with Kenny Bell at the time and was advised these would not be done right away but would be done when the new MSc handbook was finalized in August (cf. KMRT #941) There wasn't any further correspondence about this and I forgot to check until now.

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>>>>>>>> Proposal 1 would add optional courses to three specialist areas a) EPL, APL, TSPL for Cyber Security and Privacy, b) CT, ES, EPL and APL for Computer Systems, Software Engineering & High-Performance Computing, and c) EPL, APL, ITCS for Theoretical Computer Science.

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>>>>>>>> It looks like this has not been done yet - so perhaps it is too late for this year now?

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>>>>>>> Proposal 3 would create a new specialism Programming Languages and Systems, including CT, EPL, APL, COPT, and PPLS as core courses (CT and EPL optional if already taken by student).  
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>>>>>>> This has been done.  
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>>>>>>> --James  
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>>>>>>> On Oct 27, 2016, at 4:37 PM, Vicky Swann <Vicky.Swann@ed.ac.uk> wrote:  
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>>>>>>> Dear All,  
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>>>>>>> Please be reminded that the Board of Studies will meet next Wednesday, 2nd November, 14.10pm in Room 4.31 Informatics Forum  
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>>>>>>> The agenda can viewed via the link below, but please be aware that the order and timings may change before the meeting.  
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>>>>>>> <http://web.inf.ed.ac.uk/infweb/admin/committees/bos/meetings-directory/2-nov-2016-agenda>  
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>>>>>>> Kind Regards,  
>>>>>>> Vicky  
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>>>>>>> Kenny Bell

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