

United New Zealand Limited

ELT / Academic Board / Unitec Board Meeting 24 September 2020

Title	Academic Board Minutes for August and updates from September meeting
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Recommendation

That the Board receives this paper.

Purpose

The purpose of this paper is to provide the approved Academic Board Minutes for August 2020 and the Chair's summary of the September 2020 meeting for your information.

Key Points from the September meeting

The Learning and Teaching Strategy 2020-2022 was approved and will go to ELT for approval.

A report was presented on the *Impact of Historic Enrolment Practice on Qualification Completion Rates (QCR)*. Over 2007-2018 Unitec enrolled a large number of young International Chinese Students into Unitec courses in the Bachelor of Business and Bachelor of Architecture Studies in order to allow them access to Unitec's Moodle resources. This was as part of an arrangement whereby Unitec staff and resources were used in teaching at partner Universities in China. Approximately 2,000 students were enrolled part-time for Moodle access, although they were never taught as Unitec students and never intended to complete Unitec courses or qualifications.

The impact of this practice on Unitec's QCR rate, particularly for International and Under-25 students, has been significant and will continue through to 2022. Unitec's recorded QCR rate is 53.8%. Excluding those students produces a 'revised' QCR of 57.2%. The impact of this has been on Unitec's EPIs, but has had no impact on TEC funding as all students are International.

The Student Success Strategy was received, following approval at ELT. It will come back to Academic Board for further discussion and approval.



The Academic Recovery Committee has reconvened to support COVID-19 related decision-making.

Attachments

Final Academic Board Minutes August 2020