



UNIVERSITY COLLEGE DUBLIN

UMT Sub-Groups - Global Engagement Group (GEG)

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Purpose and Function

The Global Engagement Group (GEG) is established to provide high-level oversight and coordination of the University's globalisation activities and provide advice to the University Management Team (UMT) on matters relating to UCD's global engagement.

Terms of Reference

The GEG shall be empowered to:

- Assist in the development, review, and implementation of UCD's Global Engagement Strategy and to monitor and direct progress in advancing the University's related objectives.
- Comment and advise UMT on proposals and initiatives from UCD's global strategy working groups (e.g. Global Partnerships Working Group).
- Consider and respond to issues referred to the Group by the UMT relating to the University's global engagement activities.
- Recommend to UMT for approval, on an annual basis, the University's plan for international student recruitment targets and to review the progress of this plan.
- Provide strategic oversight and recommendations to UMT on opportunities and proposals for new UCD globalisation activities across a range of areas, including but not limited to:
 - Institutional Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) and Memoranda of Agreement (MOAs)
 - Overseas offices and representatives
 - Overseas campuses
 - International partnerships and associated activities
 - Mobility opportunities
 - Student recruitment pathways
 - On campus activities
- Advise UMT on the strategic oversight of foundation programmes, pre-sessional, and in-session language programmes offered by UCD.
- Contribute to the development and implementation of UCD's regional strategies, including creation and oversight of any working groups or other mechanisms tasked with their advancement.
- Advise UMT on strategic oversight of UCD's 'area studies'¹ activities with explicit recognition that GEG is not competent to provide academic oversight and will coordinate as necessary with the academic bodies to whom that responsibility falls.
- Provide a forum for the development and exchange of good practice in global engagement across UCD's Colleges, Schools, and Units.
- Disseminate information pertaining to global engagement among UCD's Colleges, Schools, and Units.
- Serve as a mechanism for consultation among and input from UCD's Colleges, Schools, and Units into the University's global engagement effort.
- Provide institutional oversight of external environment activities (e.g. policies, regulations) that impact on UCD's global engagement activities and ambitions.
- Exercise delegated authority from UMT as appropriate in line with the purposes of GEG and its terms of reference.

¹ "Area studies" refers to research and scholarship pertaining to particular geographical, national, or cultural regions e.g. Chinese studies

Composition

The following shall be members of GEG:

- The Vice President for Global Engagement or nominee (Chair)
- The Bursar, or nominee
- The Dean of Undergraduate Studies
- The Dean of Graduate Studies
- The Dean of Students
- The Provost or equivalent of each international college in which UCD is involved, or nominee
- The Vice-Principal for Internationalisation from each College
- The Director(s) of UCD Global
- The Director of Global Engagement Strategy
- The Director of Quality
- The Director of Student Recruitment
- Nominee from University Relations Office
- The Director of University Governance
- The Director of Research, or nominee
- The Director of Alumni Development, or nominee
- The Chief Technology Officer, or nominee

The Group may co-opt representatives from across the University as appropriate.

The Group may establish, whether from within its own membership or otherwise, such subcommittees, working groups, and advisory bodies as it deems appropriate in order to advise and report on any matters related to its remit.

Group Support

The GEG shall be supported by the UCD Office of Global Engagement

Conduct of Business

- The GEG shall meet at least four times a year.
- The meetings shall be convened by the Chair with a minimum of seven days' notice of a meeting.
- The members of the Group may nominate others to attend meetings on their behalf with the prior approval of the Chair.
- A quorum will regularly require half the members to be present, but the Chair shall have the discretion to convene without a quorum for discussion of urgent agenda items.

Reporting Responsibility

- GEG shall report to the UMT, with reports indicating items for decision by the UMT and items for communication to the UMT. Items for decision should be accompanied by the recommendation of the Group.