

Schedule Four

ACADEMIC PARTNER COMMITTEES

1 Application

- i) This Schedule describes the local representative structures in academic partners that are included within the Association's remit.
- ii) Structures to which this Schedule applies are those within the following academic partners:
 - a. Argyll College UHI
 - b. Highland Theological College UHI
 - c. Lews Castle College UHI
 - d. Moray College UHI
 - e. NAFC Marine Centre UHI
 - f. North Highland College UHI
 - g. Orkney College UHI
 - h. Scottish Association for Marine Science UHI
 - i. Shetland College UHI
 - j. West Highland College UHI
 - k. Inverness College UHI
 - l. Perth College UHI
- iii) The Schedule does not apply to the structures of the independently constituted students' associations at the following academic partners:
 - a. Sabhal Mòr Ostaig UHI

2 Remit

- i) Academic Partner Committees (APCs) shall be responsible for matters of students' association business and activity that are solely applicable within their academic partner.
- ii) Academic Partner Committees shall be chaired by the Depute President or their nominee and will appoint all student members of the committees and working groups within their academic partner.
- iii) The members of the Academic Partner Committees shall hold the Depute President and any other Academic Partner Committee officers to account for their work and performance. The Depute President will abide by the Officer Protocol.
- iv) Academic Partner Committees will appoint all members from their academic partner to relevant Association bodies, with the exception of the Executive Committee. This will include the Further Education Regional Committee (except in circumstances where the academic partner does not deliver further education) and the Higher Education Regional Committee (except in circumstances where the academic partner does not deliver higher education).

3 Officers

- i) The Academic Partner Committees will comprise the following officers.
 - a. A Depute President (Academic Partner), who shall be the Academic Partner Committee's lead officer and a full voting member on the Executive Committee and Regional Student Council, and who shall be elected according to Schedule Six.
 - b. Any other officer positions devised by the committee as appropriate.

4 Structures and duties

- i) The Academic Partner Committees will operate at their own discretion but can be supported, where requested, by wider Association resources. It will create a structure that represents the interests of students at its academic partner and which suits the nature of the curriculum, student population and geographical nature of the academic partner. The Academic Partner Committees may also be supported in the organisation and administration of meetings by a member of staff at the academic partner.
- ii) The Academic Partner Committees and any other sub-committees it creates will have any duties deemed fit by the Academic Partner Committees within the context of 1.2 i) above, but those duties must include:
 - a. Holding the Depute President and any other Academic Partner Committee officers to account for their work and performance.
 - b. Being the recognised representative link between the academic partner and its students.
 - c. Being the recognised representative link between the Association and its students.