

Major change visitors' report

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	University of Essex
Programme title	BSc (Hons) Biomedical Sciences (Integrated)
Mode of delivery	Full time
Relevant part of the HCPC Register	Biomedical scientist
Date of submission to the HCPC	26 April 2017
Name and role of HCPC visitors	Ian Davies (Biomedical scientist) Doreen Shanks (Biomedical scientist)
HCPC executive	Mandy Hargood

Section two: Submission details

Summary of change

SET 3: Programme management and resources

SET 5: Practice placements

SET 6: Assessment

The education provider has informed the HCPC of changes to the programme spanning several areas of the programme. The changes include an increase in student numbers, a new placement provider, the introduction of an industrial placement year and a new external examiner.

The following documents were provided as part of the submission:

- Major change notification form (completed by the HCPC executive)
- Context pack
- Major change SETs mapping document (completed by education provider)
- HCPC supporting evidence document
- Staff summary and curriculum vitae

- NHS Staff summary
- Research facilities

Section three: Additional documentation

- ☒ The visitors agreed that no further documentation was required in order to make a recommendation.
- ☐ The visitors agreed that additional documentation was required in order to make a recommendation. The standards of education and training (SETs), for which additional documentation was requested, are listed below with reasons for the request.

Section four: Recommendation of the visitors

To recommend a programme for ongoing approval, the visitors must be assured that the programme meets all of the standards of education and training (SETs) and that those who complete the programme have demonstrated an ability to meet our standards of proficiency (SOPs) for their part of the Register.

The visitors agreed to recommend to the Education and Training Committee that:

- ☒ There is sufficient evidence to show the programme continues to meet the standards of education and training and that those who complete the programme will continue to demonstrate an ability to meet the standards of proficiency.
- ☐ There is insufficient evidence to determine if or how the programme continues to meet the standards of education and training listed. Therefore, a visit is recommended to gather more evidence and if required place conditions on ongoing approval of the programme.

Section five: Visitors' comments

During their reading of the documentation the visitors noted a discrepancy between the information on the education provider's website, and the documentation relating to the HCPC approved programme. The visitors advise the education provider that all documentation and electronic media are revised to ensure the programme title matches the HCPC approved programme title to ensure that the correct information is available for students on the programme.