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Sent by email to Anna.hammond@hyms.ac.uk

17 January 2020

Dear Dr Hammond,

Re: Institutional Response: External Examiner Annual Report 2018/19

I am writing further to the receipt of your External Examiner's report for the MBBCh.

Your report does not appear to raise any specific issues that require a more detailed response therefore the School has not been asked to provide a formal response.

Your report will be considered by the School and will also be used to help inform their [Annual Review and Enhancement](#) process and where appropriate, [Periodic Review](#).

The University is pleased to note your positive comments, including:

1. Your positive comments regarding the programme structure, academic standards and assessment process.
2. The ongoing formative assessment with phase 1, encouraging deep learning rather than 'cram and forget'.
3. The responsiveness of the Assessment Team and the detailed written guidance provided.
4. The clear and detailed criteria for ISCE examiner including examiner training every two years and mandatory Equality and Diversity training every three years.
5. The very clear and comprehensive pre-recorded examiner briefing at the beginning of the day for the year 2 ISCE.
6. Arrangements for calibration of the examiners examining the same station on different circuits.
7. The use of safety alerts for examiners to highlight concerns across all domains.



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I hope that you will find this response satisfactory and we thank you for your continued support of the programme.

In order to meet the expectations of the [QAA Quality Code](#), both the External Examiner Annual Report and this Institutional Response will be published on the University's [Public Information website](#) and will be available to all students and staff.

We are most grateful for your comments and for your support in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Wright', written in a cursive style.

Mr Simon Wright
Academic Registrar