



Board of Management

Learning and Teaching Committee

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Action	For Discussion

1. Recommendations

The Committee are asked to note and discuss this paper.

2. Background and purpose

City Learning 4.0 has been identified as one of the initiatives of the Student Experience Strategy, the key aim of this initiative is to align with the changing nature and diversity of the student body and the requirements of Industry.

The term 4.0 has been used to reflect similar terminology used in the wider sense to highlight a fundamental transformation e.g.; Industry 4.0.

The purpose is to review the current City Learning initiative and develop a new model, which is aligned with the 8 aims set out in the Student Experience Strategy. There are elements that also link with the other four strategies, in particular the People and Culture strategy. Key aims of City Learning 4.0 would be:

- Guide students in defining and achieving their own Learning.
- Develop new models of partnership between students and lecturers.
- Prepare students for citizenship and Industry.
- Cultivate students and lecturers to be lifelong learners.
- Embrace technology as an enabler in the delivery of Learning and Teaching.
- Reactive/Adaptive to internal and external drivers.

3. Consultation.

Through a series of consultations the following actions have been completed:

- Review of Aims from Student Experience Strategy in alignment with CL 4.0.
- Evaluation of current City Learning Model content.
- Creation of a new framework for City Learning 4.0 *See appendix 1.*

4. Current situation

The working group has identified the following actions:

- Increase staff engagement with City learning 4.0 model and more generally the Student Experience Strategy aims.
- Create baseline position of current City learning model within each curriculum team.
- Roll out Catalyst Fund
- Signpost LT Work plans to demonstrate direct support for aims of City Learning 4.0
- Analyse staff skill set
- Support the embedding of Careers Management into Curriculum/Course guidance
- City Learning 4.0 Conference

The group has now finalised the new model and is in the process of branding the content for the City Learning 4.0 conference day planned to take place during the Inter-block week on the 29th of November. The Proposed themes for event are Learning and Teaching **b)** Industry **c)** Access, Equality and Inclusion.

The proposed content of the day will include:

- Keynote speaker/facilitators - to address each of the themes in morning.
- Faculty/Support staff and students invited to knowledge/skill share City Learning workshops in the afternoon.

5. Risks

Risk	Mitigating action
Cultural Shift required supporting initiative.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication of key messages to get staff support • Consultation opportunities. • Develop research to benchmark how each <i>contributor</i> is taken forward.
Resources for delivery.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development time for curriculum and support staff. • Benchmarking of existing examples of good practice. • Clear plan of roll out over the next three years.
Quality standards.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transparent framework of what is a required quality standard. • Mechanisms in place to measure success.
Expectations of students.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clear view of their learner journey. • Flexible learning approaches.

