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| Student Dean Forum Term 1 22/23: Fine Art @ CCW | | | |
| Date & Time:  16/11/22  11am | UAL Staff in Attendance:  Sophia Phoca (School Dean)  Roni Brown (DVC) Education | Arts SU Officer in Attendance:  Kim Hughes | Arts SU Staff Facilitator:  Laura Anne Head  Emily Sellon (Minutes) |
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**Theme:**

Course reps were asked to provide feedback from their courses/cohorts on topics centred around their experience of beginning a new course/year, as well as their experiences of Welcome at UAL and the SU; Deans and Students were also asked for any other points they wished to raise on the agenda in advance.

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| **Topic** | **Feedback from Course Reps** | **Response and Suggested Solution** |
| Space in College | * Students finding it difficult to find space to practice due to pressures on small college studio room | * Sophia: At chelsea we scoped out a space in Millbank Towers, looking to occupy that and when we do fine art will be invited to use that space. Transactions going through as we speak, so can’t speak to it now. * Sophia: at Camberwell, aware that space for painting and drawing space has been a huge issue. Talking to the pro-vice chancellor. Offered painters a gallery space just until Christmas to alleviate pressure. |
| Funding/hardship | * Students across the different campuses - Getting access to our funding took a really long time. Didn’t receive funding until this week. * Funding through the uni so problem is administrative on the UAL side. * the hardship forms are difficult to access | * Sophia – will send an email to student finance that this has come up. |
| Housing | * A lot of fellow students hadn’t secured housing yet * Isn’t specific housing designated for masters students * International students had difficulty finding places to live nearby | * Sophia – housing is very difficult. Every student accommodation has 2 emergency rooms that students can use in hardship situations. We are aware, and student accommodation is aware. |
| Onsite/Online teaching | * Having recordings available is important for access and inclusivity. The draw into the colleges is the studios, as opposed to the lectures. * Kim: gap in university culture due to covid; students and tutors may not have same expectations of being in-person. Agreed that there are needs for community-building and in-person, but managing that with accessibility. | * Sophia: Perspective lectures are now in person, but people are also requesting recordings. We will give access to the slides. But ideally would attend in person. But if there is a strong feeling you want a recording, we will have that conversation. |
| Painting techniques tuition | * Lack of learning in new painting methods due to understaffing | * Sophia: brought in teachers for painting techniques workshops, now brought 2 people in and this role will be permanent. Will make note for course leader to make students aware of this. |
| Moodle | * Could we minimise getting communications from places other than moodle as this is confusing * Kim: unclear who to contact on course on Moodle | * Sophia: will take that back to my team * Sophia: will be creating a student-facing contact list (organigram) with photographs |

**Action Log for School Dean & Students’ Union**

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| **Actions for School Dean** | **Update on Progress** | **Response to students** |
| Update on new space provision once confirmed plans | Milbank being set up for PG students  Peckham Levels currently available for PG students  Further spaces being scoped out. | We are scoping out external spaces for 2022-23. These will be occupied by PG students in order to alleviate the space pressures for UG students. |
| Check in with PDs and CLs regarding Moodle communication, feelings on lecture recording and ensuring Students are made aware of progress in staff hiring provision | Staff made aware that Moodle is the key communication tool.  Lectures are now being recorded. | This has been communicated and where possible is being acted on.  This has been addressed. |
| Alert Student Finance as to problems student has experienced with funding delays | Student Finance has been informed | Done |
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