



*At the Court at Buckingham Palace*

THE 16th DAY OF JULY 2014

PRESENT,

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY  
IN COUNCIL

Her Majesty has allowed an amendment to the Charter of The University of Surrey as set out in the Schedule to this Order.

*Richard J. Wiseman*

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*SCHEDULE*

AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SURREY

**Delete** Articles 1 to 33 and **substitute:-**

- “1. By this Charter there shall be constituted and founded a University by the name of "The University of Surrey" ("the University").
2. The members of the Council, the Staff, the Graduates, the Students and the Chancellor of the University and all others who shall, pursuant to this Charter and the Statutes of the University, be Members of the University, are constituted and shall remain a single body corporate with perpetual succession and a Common Seal.
3. The objects of the University shall be to advance education, learning and teaching.
4. The University shall be a teaching and research body and shall in furtherance of the objects have the following powers:
  - (a) To award degrees and other academic awards and to withdraw such awards;



- (b) To acquire, own, maintain, manage and dispose of land and other property;
  - (c) To solicit, receive and administer fees, grants, subscriptions, donations, endowments, legacies, gifts and loans of any property whatsoever whether land or personal property;
  - (d) To act as trustee for and in relation to endowments, legacies and gifts;
  - (e) To invest any monies in the hands of the University and available for investment;
  - (f) In so far as permitted by charity law, to give guarantees;
  - (g) In so far as permitted by charity law, to borrow and raise money and give security for loans; and for those purposes the University shall have the authority to enter into any financial instrument which is ancillary or incidental to the exercise of such powers;
  - (h) To take such steps as may from time to time be deemed expedient for the purposes of procuring and receiving contributions to the funds of the University and to raise money in such other manner as the University may determine;
  - (i) To co-operate and collaborate with other institutions and individuals, award joint degrees or other awards, and affiliate or incorporate into the University any other institution and take over its property, rights, liabilities and staff;
  - (j) To enter into engagements and to accept obligations and liabilities in all respects without any restrictions whatsoever and in the same manner as an individual may manage his or her own affairs; and
  - (k) To do anything else necessary or convenient, whether incidental to these powers or not, in order to further the objects of the University as a place of teaching and research.
5. There shall be a Chancellor of the University who shall be entitled to confer Degrees, Joint Degrees and other academic awards of the University.
6. There shall be a Vice-Chancellor of the University who shall be the principal Academic and Administrative Officer of the University and Chair of the Senate and who shall in the absence of the Chancellor confer Degrees and other academic awards.
7. There shall be such other Officers of the University as the Council may from time to time determine who shall perform such functions and duties as may be decided by the Council.

8. There shall be a Council of the University which shall be the governing body of the University and shall have the custody and use of the Common Seal, and shall be responsible for the management and administration of the whole revenue and property of the University and the conduct of all the affairs of the University, both in the United Kingdom and internationally. The Council will be subject to the Statutes of the University.
9. There shall be a Senate of the University, which shall subject to the Statutes and Ordinances of the University and the control and approval of the Council, oversee the Academic Endeavour of the University.
10. There shall be Students' Union of the University in the United Kingdom, and there may be associations of students established at international campuses of the University.
11. The Statutes set out in the Schedule to this our Charter shall remain in force until they have been amended, varied or repealed in the manner prescribed below. The Council may make new or additional Statutes for the University and may amend or repeal existing Statutes. All Statutes which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Our Charter shall be operative and have effect when allowed by Us in Council or by a Committee of Our Privy Council.
12. The Council of the University may make Ordinances and may amend or repeal any Ordinances so made.
13. The Senate may from time to time make, amend or repeal Regulations related to the Academic Affairs of the University. The Senate may request Council to make Ordinances relating to all other matters within the scope of its oversight of the Academic Endeavour.
14. It shall be the duty of the Council to bring before the Senate any matters which in its opinion should be dealt with by that body.
15. The University shall treat students, staff and other people solely on the basis of their merits, abilities and potential, regardless of gender, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, age, socio-economic background, disability, religious or political beliefs, trade union membership, family circumstance, sexual orientation or other irrelevant distinction.
16. The University shall not make any dividend, gift, division or bonus in money to or between any of its members except by way of prize, reward or special grant.
17. The property and funds of the University shall be used only for promoting the University's objects. If the University is dissolved, the assets (if any) remaining after providing for all its liabilities must be applied in one or more of the following ways:



- a) by transfer to one or more other bodies established for exclusively charitable purposes within, the same as or similar to the University's objects;
  - b) directly for the University's objects or for charitable purposes which are within or similar to those objects;
  - c) in such other manner consistent with charitable status as the Privy Council approves in writing in advance.
18. The Council may at any time amend, add to or repeal provisions of this Charter and such amendment, variation, addition or repeal shall when allowed by Us Our Heirs or Successors in Council have effect so that this Charter shall continue and operate as though it had been originally granted and made as so altered, amended, added to or repealed. This Article shall apply to this Charter as amended, added to or repealed.
19. In this Charter "Statutes" means the Statutes set out in the Schedule and any Statutes amending, adding to or repealing them which may be made in accordance with this Charter. "Ordinance" means Acts of the Council of the University under the powers conferred by this Charter to which Our further sanction is not required. "Regulations" except when otherwise required by the context means Regulations made pursuant to this Charter, the Statutes, or the Ordinances. "Academic Endeavour" includes "Academic Affairs", ethical conduct in research and teaching, innovations and intellectual property arising from research and teaching and the consequences of the Academic Endeavour upon the commercial activities of the University; "Academic Affairs" means all matters pertaining to the assessment, progression and conferment and rescission of higher education qualifications, quality assurance and academic standards, and matters relating to the fitness to practice, the conduct and the health and wellbeing of students including the grounds on which a student registration may be suspended or terminated.
20. We reserve unto Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors, the right to appoint by Order in Council a Visitor of the University."