

Maynooth University

Research Committee

Terms of Reference

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The role of the Academic Council Research Committee is to make recommendations to Academic Council on matters of strategy and policy in relation to research, scholarship, innovation and knowledge transfer and to oversee, on behalf of Academic Council, the development, implementation and review of the research strategy for the university, within the overall framework of the University Strategic Plan, The remit of the Academic Council Research Committee, reporting to and subject to oversight and review by Academic Council, is to:

- promote and encourage research and scholarship, individual and collaborative, in the university;
- develop and recommend to Academic Council policies to support and enhance, and where appropriate regulate and govern, research and scholarship, including areas such as research ethics, research integrity, intellectual property, and internal management systems;
- promote and support knowledge transfer, commercialisation of research outputs and protection of intellectual property;
- align strategy and policy for the library, knowledge management and information technology to the research mission and goals of the university;
- develop appropriate forms of inter-disciplinary research collaboration between departments and institutes within the university;
- oversee the strategy and performance of the university research institutes;
- support the development of appropriate forms of inter-institutional research collaboration;
- review annually the research metrics and research performance of the university;
- receive and comment on reports from support units relevant to the research, innovation and knowledge transfer missions of the university;
- advise the Vice-President for Research and the University Executive on the management of the research activities, supports and infrastructure of the university.