Public Statement - CITY College, University of York Europe Campus

CITY College has been granted the status of University of York Europe Campus. This relationship aligns with the <u>University's International Campus Policy</u>. Through the Europe Campus of the University of York, we will reflect the <u>vision</u> and inclusive ambitions of both institutions.

The strategic alliance between CITY College and the University of York typifies their shared commitment to outstanding and empowering student experiences, to curiosity-driven and action-oriented research, and to partnerships and engagement at local, regional and global scales. We are committed to public good and strive to create an inclusive international community where we can learn from each other and develop with each other.

CITY College is the Europe Campus of the University of York and offers students in the region of South-Eastern Europe and adjacent countries access to University of York degree awards, reflecting the University's international mission to increase access to high quality British Education. Undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in the fields of Business Studies, Computer Science, Psychology, and English Studies are delivered by CITY College at the main campus in Thessaloniki, Greece. A range of programmes are also offered at eight other locations across the wider region.

There is also a hugely exciting Pan European MBA, which the Europe Campus offers as a Dual Degree with the Faculty of Economics and Management of the University of Strasbourg. This offers a fantastic educational opportunity for executives and business professionals and reflects the international ambitions of all involved.

Based at their <u>South-East European Research Centre (SEERC)</u>, CITY College's research staff are collaborating with the York Graduate Research School on developing joint research projects and <u>co-supervision of PhD students</u>. SEERC and staff from CITY College's <u>Neuroscience Research Centre</u> (<u>NEUREC</u>) work together with York researchers to develop joint research projects.

CITY College, University of York Europe Campus is academically integrated within the University of York while maintaining its legal and financial independence. Widely recognised for its academic excellence, CITY College is a unique international institution located in Greece with satellite activities in eight countries. The establishment of the European Campus provides a gateway for the whole University to connect with academic, government and corporate networks throughout SEE and Europe, and supports the University's international mission to expand access to high quality education and research opportunities.

CITY College, University of York Europe Campus is the first such alliance for York and extends far beyond validation of degrees. It provides a foundation for the European campus to continue to flourish and develop in areas such as interdisciplinary research and teaching, student and staff mobility, joint summer schools and shared professional practice.

Learning and teaching

CITY College, University of York Europe Campus students will graduate with a University of York degree and become part of the University of York Alumni community.

We have a shared commitment to meeting the highest quality and standards and have students' teaching and learning experience at the heart of everything we do.

There is close collaboration between academic departments and professional services at York and

the Europe Campus and assurance of the quality and standards of all validated programmes are assured through <u>effective quality</u> and <u>regulatory frameworks</u>, overseen by the <u>University of York</u> <u>Teaching Committee</u>.

All members of our community are responsible for ensuring that good practice is shared and collaborative and research opportunities are explored. CITY College teaching staff hold honorary positions at York. This synergy is reflected in shared opportunities: continuing professional development; staff and student mobility; and ambitions to develop and enhance joint teaching and research activity.

Research

<u>Joint PhDs</u> - PhD students will be enrolled and study with the University of York while being hosted and supported by CITY College's <u>South-East European Research Centre (SEERC)</u> for the duration of their study. Projects will be jointly supervised by academics at both SEERC and University of York. Research projects are offered in a broad range of areas including Computer Science, Language and Linguistic Science, Management and Psychology studies.

As well as co-supervising PhD students the partnership will collaborate to develop joint research projects and publications.

Working in Partnership

While the University of York and CITY College retain their independence as separate legal entities, they maintain close alignment and integration through representation on each other's senior management committees.

The development of the partnership will continue to be driven by the senior joint strategy groups.

Professional services cooperate on the delivery of an outstanding student experience through the provision of support, services and resources.

Approved partners

CITY College, Europe Campus and the University of York's relationship also includes select quality European institutions (University of Strasbourg, the New Bulgarian University, Athens Tech College and the Romanian-American University) to offer a wide range of programmes leading to awards from the University of York.