



Governance and Systems

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Our Governance

Arden University Ltd is a UK registered company limited by shares. Company Registration Number: 2450180. Registered address: Midland Management Centre, 1A Brandon Lane, Coventry, CV3 3RD

Arden University shares are wholly owned by AU Bidco Ltd Company, which is in turn fully owned by Global University Systems B.V.

Arden University is governed by our Board of Directors and our Academic Board, and managed by our Senior Management Team (SMT). Our policies, principles and philosophies are governed by the standards of our committees.

Our Board of Directors is responsible for the management of the organisation including the strategic direction and governance, financial and legal matters, and annual performance management against agreed targets.

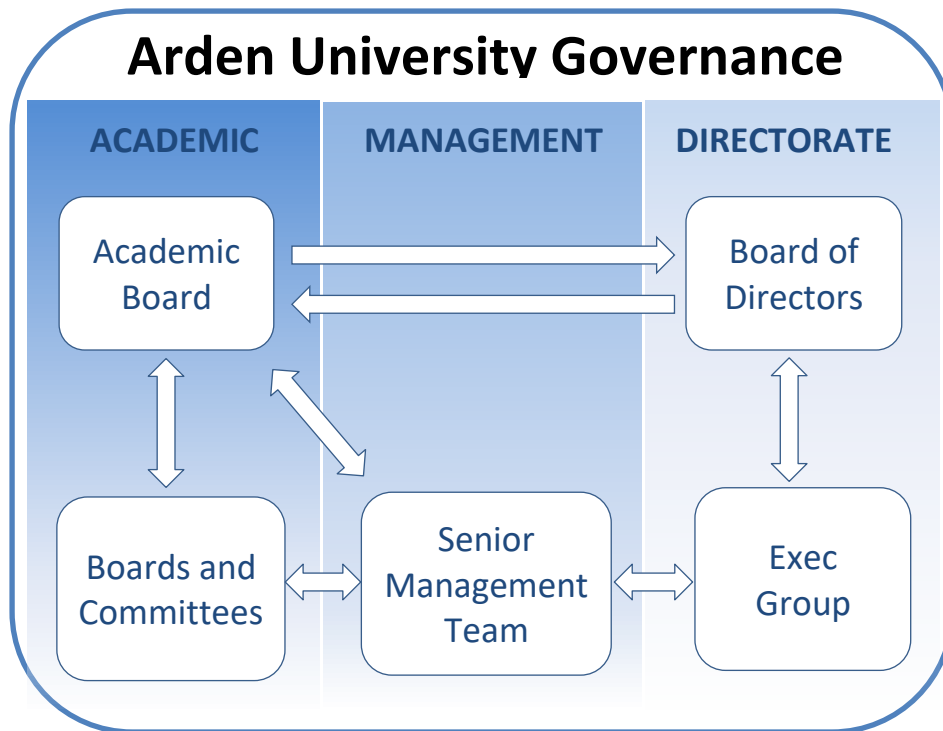
Our Academic Standards and Ethics Committee, a sub-committee of the Board of Directors, provides independent oversight of the Academic Board to provide assurance to the Board of Directors that appropriate academic quality and standards are being maintained.

The Board of Directors also convenes: a Nominations Committee to ensure good practice in the nomination, selection, induction, evaluation and re-election of non-executive Board members and the appointment of senior executive officers; a Remuneration Committee to advise the Board on the framework and policy of remuneration for University employees; a Finance and Resources Committee to advise the Board in respect of budgets, treasury and external financing matters; and an Audit Committee which oversees implementation of a five year Audit Plan.

Our Academic Board is the custodian of academic standards and quality and is responsible for delivering Higher Education and awarding degrees in accordance with Arden University's Regulatory Framework and relevant legislation relating to the delivery of UK Higher Education.

Our Executive Group has strategic oversight of Arden University and provides the leadership required to achieve the University's strategic objectives and goals. It regularly assesses and monitors the University's strategic risks and makes decisions that ensure the efficient and successful direction of the University, providing feedback, advice and input and receiving direction from the Board of Directors.

Our Senior Management Team (SMT) is the management body that is responsible for the operational management of Arden University, monitoring performance to delivery of strategic objectives and goals, and for providing feedback, advice and input and taking direction from the Executive and the Academic Board. The SMT will from time to time establish sub-groups or working groups with delegated powers to support it in discharging its responsibilities.



Our Vision

To be known as the University that made Higher Education more accessible, engaging and beneficial to people everywhere.

Our Values...

We support people. Together, we create a nurturing environment for our students and employees. We care about people and the positive difference we can make to their lives.

We do the right thing. Integrity is at the heart of everything that we do – that means we are completely honest and never compromise on quality.

We innovate. We value open-mindedness, dynamism and the ability to think differently. We will always drive for progress, improvement and new ways to do things.

We take ownership. By each committing to contribute our best, we will achieve our ambitions and together excel in our performance.

Regulatory Framework

Our Regulatory Framework sets out the regulations and procedures governing taught programmes of study leading to an Arden University award. They are supported by further levels of regulation and guidance:

- Validation Handbook
- Student Handbook
- Quality Assurance Documentation

Committee Structure

Arden University's committee structure is designed to ensure that the appropriate decision-making and plan-implement-review-audit processes are undertaken and recorded. The main committees are:

Academic Board

- Learning and Teaching Committee
- Quality and Standards Committee
- Admissions Committee
- Research Committee
- Access and Participation Committee
- Examination Boards

Exec Group

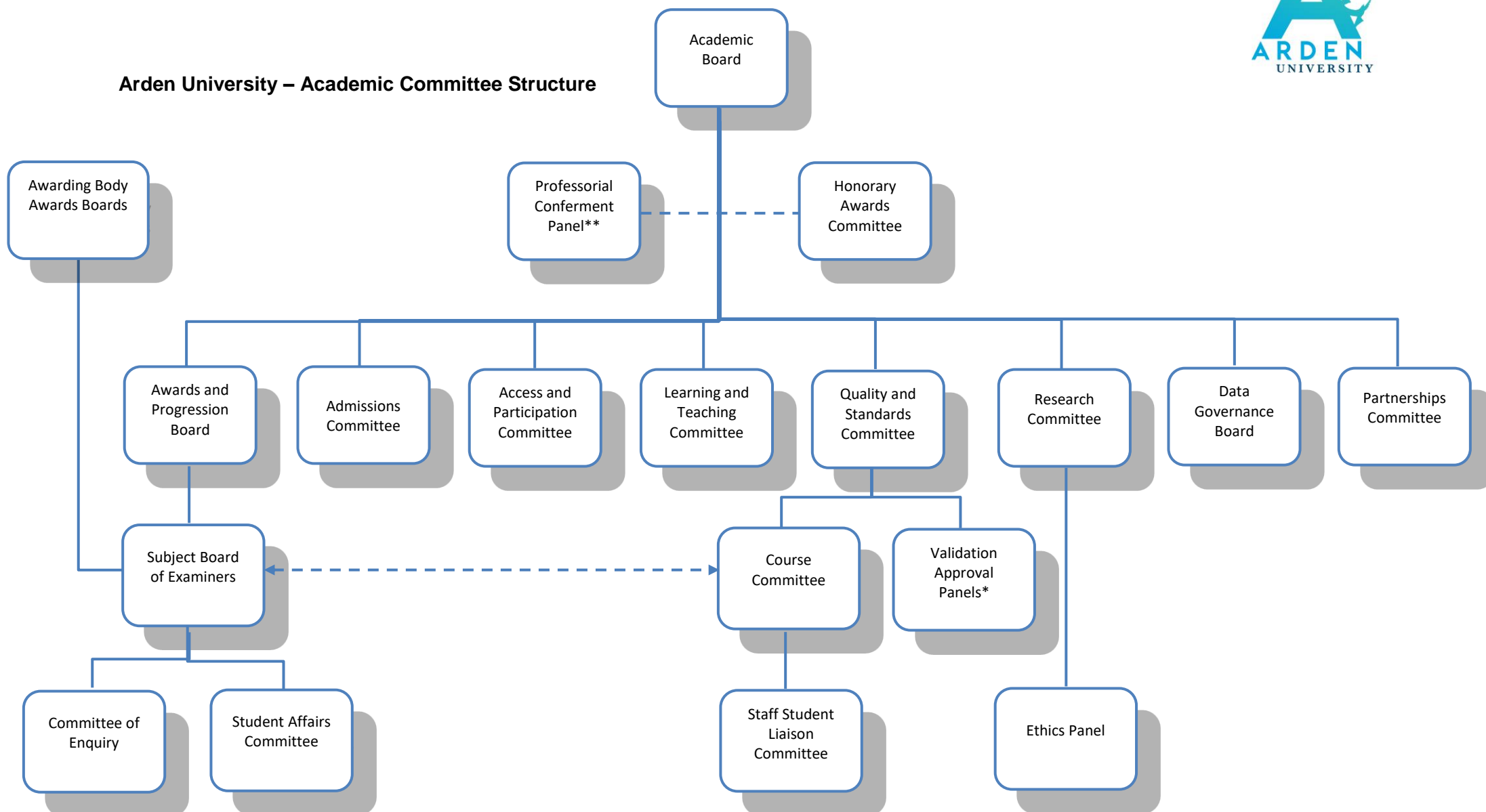
Senior Management Team

- Programme Development Group
- Blended Learning Management Group
- International Study Centres Project Group
- IT Steering Committee
- HR Policy Group

Board of Directors

- Academic Standards and Ethics Committee
- Audit Committee
- Finance and Resources Committee
- Remuneration Committee
- Nominations Committee

Arden University – Academic Committee Structure



*Validation Approval Panels operate in accordance with requirements set out in the **Validation Handbook**

** Professorial Conferment Panels operate in accordance with the requirements set out in the **Professorial Conferment Procedure**

Arden University – Board of Directors and Management Committee Structure

