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Subject: Maths Information Questionnaire response summary

Dear Colleagues,

Thanks to the 22 of you who completed this questionnaire. I think that's a good response rate. The statistics suggest that the information I asked you about is adequate, but as always could be better, and you have made some helpful suggestions about how to improve it, which I will pursue. Here is a very brief summary of your responses.

[School of Mathematical Sciences QMplus Landing Page](#)

68% of you use it automatically. If you don't but would like to then please see [How to set a landing page in QMplus](#).

How well does this landing page provide access to the information you need? Your responses peaked around "mostly".

How could this landing page or access to it be improved? Generally, you think it is "too busy" and you would like it to provide information more specific to you. Please note that if you are logged in and you use the landing page automatically then clicking on the HOME button (at the left of the black horizontal navigation bar) on any page will always take you to the landing page, and if you hold down the Ctrl key and click on this button it will open in a new tab (at least with all browsers I use).

I learnt recently that the underlying landing page structure is being redesigned for next year, which may help with some of the improvements you have suggested.

[Study programme guide 2016–17](#)

Generally, how easy is it to find this study programme guide? Your responses peaked around "easy".

How well does this study programme guide provide the information you need? Your responses peaked around "completely".

How could this study programme guide or access to it be improved? There was no consensus. One of you asked where the overlaps and prerequisites are listed; the answer is with the module details (see below). You can switch the main table of modules between normal and overlap/prerequisite view using the two radio buttons in the Show what? box towards the top of the module details page.

[Module details 2016–17](#)

Generally, how easy is it to find these module details? Your responses peaked around "easy".

How well do these module details provide the information you need? Your responses peaked around "completely".

How could these module details or access to them be improved? Again, there was no consensus, but you raised one or two specific issues that I may be able to fix. One of you asked for "Fewer words and bigger fonts." I don't see how to reduce the number of words in the module details database itself without losing intelligibility, but you can reduce some of the clutter on any QMplus page by clicking on the ZOOM IN button towards the top of the page, which removes the blocks at the sides. I don't generally change the size of text from the QMplus default, but you can make the text bigger by using the zoom facilities provided by your web browser, e.g. in most browsers by pressing Ctrl+ a few times.

Those of you with general Course Administrator access should be able to see all the response. If anyone else would like to see them all then please let me know.

I have released the questionnaire to students with no changes and a deadline of the end of May.

Best wishes, Francis

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