

Purpose:

To keep an overview of all matters relating to Tier 4 and Tier 1 compliance.

To offer a level of reporting to senior management.

To provide a collective decision making body when considering CAS requests from applicants/current students.

Some of the key points considered by the Review Group are:

- Personal Statement – Is it reflected within the applicant’s personal statement why they have applied for this particular course, and why do they want to study at Liverpool Hope University in particular? Does the applicant indicate what their future plans are at the end of the proposed course?
- English Language Ability – Does applicant meet UKVI & University English Language requirements? Does English Language used in Personal Statement match academic level achieved?
- Nationality – Is the applicant/current student the national of a country that has a high rate of Tier 4 visa refusals?
- Previous studies in the UK – Why has the applicant chosen to stay in/return to the UK, and is the period of leave required to complete the proposed course within the relevant Tier 4 time limit?
- Previous Immigration History – Does the applicant/current student have any previous curtailments, visa refusals, or have they ever overstayed when previous leave to remain or enter has expired?
- Academic Progression – Is the level of study applied for higher than previous studies? If not, is the new course a deeper specialism of previous studies, or does it relate to career aspirations?
- Break in studies – If the applicant has had a break in studies, why do they want to return to studies at this point?

Membership:

Academic Registrar
Head of Legal Services, Governance and Risk
Member/s of International Student Compliance Team

Frequency:

Meetings are held on an ad-hoc basis.

Reporting:

To Vice Chancellor on an ad-hoc basis.