Executing Agreements as Deeds

The University Charter states that the Board of Trustees has the power to direct the use of the University seal. This power is delegated by the Board of Trustees to specified University officers and members of staff. The function of applying the University seal to deeds and other documents is overseen by the Office of the University Secretary.

If you need a document executed on behalf of the University of Bristol as a Deed, please:

1. Give us no less than 2 weeks’ notice - ideally more. Only certain authorised individuals within the University are able to witness the sealing of documents on behalf of the Board of Trustees, we need to be able to ask them to do so with plenty of notice.
2. Ensure your document contains the correct execution wording Attestation Clause.
3. Complete the Sealing Request and Sign Off Form ensuring all fields are completed in full. It is your responsibility to ensure the form is fully completed before being submitted or your sealing request will not be approved.
4. Submit the form and all documentation to the Secretary's Office email: secretaryst-office@bristol.ac.uk
5. We will arrange a sealing date. (Please do not request for a Sealing date to be arranged until your documents are ready for submission)
6. We will inform you once your documents are sealed and ready for collection.