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# Academic and **Programme Regulations**

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## Coronavirus (Covid-19) Addendum

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Section 1.6 of these regulations allows for Academic Board to change these regulations with immediate effect in order to implement changes that are in your best interests. Due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the following temporary amendments to these regulations have been approved in order to support students.

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For more information about UCEM's response to Coronavirus (COVID-19) visit the Coronavirus section on the VLE Help page.

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#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1. These regulations apply to you if you are studying on an undergraduate or postgraduate programme (FHEQ levels 4 to 7). (More information about FHEQ levels, including their definition, is available in <a href="mailto:section 2.2.4">section 2.2.4</a>). If you are studying on a level 3 programme, your regulations are available on the UCEM website (opens new window).
- 1.2. The version of the regulations that applies to you is the latest version that was published on our website at the time of your last registration or re-registration. If you started your programme before September 2020 then the relevant Transition Regulations appendix also applies to you (Undergraduate Transition Regulations are in Appendix C and Postgraduate Transition Regulations are in Appendix D).

The purpose of these regulations is to make sure:

- We (University College of Estate Management (UCEM)) keep high quality and standards across all our (UCEM's) awards;
- there are consistent outcomes across programmes; and
- you are treated equally and fairly throughout your studies with us (UCEM).
- 1.3. These regulations do not cover admissions. For admissions please read the <u>UCEM</u>
  <u>Code of Practice chapter on Admissions and Recognition of Prior Learning</u>
  (opens new window).
- 1.4. You must make sure you understand these regulations and any changes that are made during your studies because they apply to all aspects of your studies with us.
- 1.5. The Academic Board approves these regulations and can make changes to them. (The Academic Board is our highest academic governing board.)
- 1.6. The Academic Board can change these regulations, so we can:
  - meet the requirements of regulatory, external professional and/or accrediting bodies (for example the Office for Students (OfS) or the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS));
  - b. keep to changes in the law; and/ or
  - c. make changes for your benefit, following consultation with student representatives. If urgent changes for your benefit are required, and therefore there is limited time to complete consultation, student representatives will instead be informed.
- 1.7. We will notify you of any changes to these regulations before they happen through announcements on the <u>Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) (opens new window)</u> and our <u>website (opens new window)</u>.
- 1.8. We will normally only implement changes to these regulations at the start of each academic year.

- 1.9. However, emerging external requirements or circumstances may make it necessary to make changes with immediate effect. In this case we will inform you and other students via the VLE and email before these changes come into effect.
- 1.10. The Board of Examiners is allowed to vary the standards set out in these regulations in your interest, in consultation with external examiners. Normally variation will only occur if there is sufficient evidence that you have been successful on programme, or that your studies have been affected by circumstances beyond your control, and either:
  - a. you are at a borderline grade boundary;
  - b. you are close to award; or
  - c. you are at risk of having your studies terminated.

The variation to the regulations cannot be made if it means that programme learning outcomes are not being met.

- 1.11. These regulations are supported by other important documents which you also have a responsibility to understand. If you have questions about any regulations or policies, please contact the Student Engagement Team via <u>Student Central (opens new window)</u>. A glossary of terms that we use is available on the <u>VLE (opens new window)</u>.
- 1.12. All of these important documents can be accessed on the **Student Policies page** (opens new window) of the Student Hub on the VLE and on our website.
  - Terms and Conditions of Contract (opens new window)

The legal document that sets out the terms and conditions that apply to your study with us. You will receive these when we invite you to register for your programme.

UCEM Student Charter (opens new window)

Written in partnership with students, this charter outlines what you can expect from us while you are studying with us, as well as your responsibilities and duties.

• UCEM Code of Practice (opens new window)

A series of chapters with accompanying documentation, which set out our academic policies and procedures.

• UCEM Student Protection Plan (opens new window)

Details the measures that we have put in place to protect your interests and assure continuity of study.

Student Handbook (opens new window)

Introduces you to your studies with us and the resources that are available to you.

Assessment Handbook (opens new window)

A guide to assessment.

1.13. Any dispute, whether under these regulations or any other regulations or codes of conduct or any contract between you and UCEM will be governed by, and interpreted under, English Law.

### 2. Your programme

#### 2.1 Introduction

- 2.1.1. Your programme, and everything related to it, is conducted in English.
- 2.1.2. Your programme is delivered by supported online learning. Your programme content is delivered through our Virtual Learning Environment (VLE). Teaching and support are also provided online. You must keep to the <a href="VLE Terms of Use">VLE Terms of Use (opens new window)</a>.
- 2.1.3. Important information about your programme is available in your programme specification. Examples of the type of information you can find in your programme specification include award details, programme aims and structure, programme learning outcomes, module summaries and accreditation details. Your programme specification (opens new window) is available on our website and on your programme page of the VLE (opens new window). You should refer to the programme specification which relates to the academic year when you started your programme with us, unless we have notified you of any updates. If you started your programme before September 2020, please refer to the relevant Transition Regulations for more information relevant to you (Appendix C (Undergraduate) or Appendix D (Postgraduate)).
- 2.1.4. Your programme has a final award associated with it. To be given this award you must achieve the minimum number of credits as outlined in the relevant award appendix (unless you have been granted an exemption) (Undergraduates see <a href="Appendix A">Appendix A</a> and Postgraduates see <a href="Appendix B">Appendix B</a>) and fully meet any extra requirements outlined in the relevant award appendix, and your programme specification. See section 2.2.5 to learn more about "credits".
- 2.1.5. If you end your studies with us before you meet the requirements for your final award, you may qualify for an intermediate exit award. This is an award that requires fewer credits than the final award for your programme. If intermediate exit awards are available on your programme this will be outlined in your programme specification. The Progression and Award Board (see <a href="section 5">section 5</a>) will decide whether you qualify for an intermediate exit award at the next available opportunity. See <a href="section 6.3.7">section 6.3.7</a>, the relevant award appendix (<a href="A. Undergraduate Awards">A. Undergraduate Awards</a> or <a href="B. Postgraduate Awards">B. Postgraduate Awards</a>) and your programme specification for information on what exit awards you could achieve.
- 2.1.6. If you have been given an intermediate exit award but still qualify to progress to a higher award within the same programme, you can apply to return. This is not an automatic right. You must apply for permission to return in line with the <u>UCEM Code of Practice chapter on Admissions and Recognition of Prior Learning (opens new window).</u> If you are offered a place you must return your intermediate exit award and meet any conditions set out in your offer letter. The time gap between your intermediate exit award and your return will be included in your maximum period of registration (see <a href="section 2.3">section 2.3</a>).

#### 2.2 Modules

- 2.2.1. Your programme is made up of module(s).
- 2.2.2. A module will be either:
  - core you must study this specific module;
  - elective you must choose one module from a selection.
- 2.2.3. You will only be exempt from studying a module if this was agreed during your admission under the <u>UCEM Code of Practice chapter on Admissions and</u> Recognition of Prior Learning (opens new window).
- 2.2.4. Modules are given an academic level based on national guidance. See the Quality Assurance Agency (QAA) <u>'Framework for Higher Education Qualifications in England, Wales & Northern Ireland (FHEQ)' (opens new window)</u>, in the UK Quality Code for Higher Education.

Level	Notes
Level 4	Certificate of Higher Education level
Level 5	Diploma of Higher Education and Foundation Degree level
Level 6	Bachelor of Science level
Level 7	Master's level

- 2.2.5. Modules are given a credit value. ("Credit" is a simple way of indicating, using numbers, the amount of learning required.) To be given this credit you must meet the requirements as outlined in section 6.1 or 6.2.
- 2.2.6. Important information about a module is available in the **module descriptor**. Module descriptors (opens new window) are available on your programme page of the VLE. You must refer to the descriptor that is active when you register/ re-register, unless we have notified you of any updates. The module descriptor:
  - confirms the credit value for that module;
  - defines the syllabus for that module;
  - defines the learning outcomes for that module;
  - defines the assessment(s) in that module and will clearly state what percentage each piece of assessment counts for in your overall module mark;
  - confirms the recommended learning hours required for that module. (Learning hours refers to the time spent studying to achieve the module's learning outcomes and will vary from student to student. We calculate this number by equating one credit to ten learning hours.)
- 2.2.7. You may need to meet specific academic requirements to be allowed to study certain modules. For example, you may have to study a certain module before being allowed to study another. These requirements will be outlined in the module descriptor and programme specification.

- 2.2.8. For some modules it can help to have certain knowledge prior to starting the module. You will be advised of this in the module descriptor and programme specification.
- 2.2.9. You will normally study a maximum of 40 credits per semester. This credit total excludes your 40-credit project module which will be studied in addition to your normal modules. Resubmissions do not count towards this credit total.
- 2.2.10. If you are on an undergraduate programme, you can request to study a maximum of 60 credits per semester (including your 40-credit project module but excluding resubmissions), but this is subject to approval. You can find details on how to request this in the Student Handbook.
- 2.2.11. If you are on the full-time route of an undergraduate programme, including on the FdSc/ Dip HE/ Cert HE Surveying or Construction Practice programme, you will normally study 60 credits per semester. You do not need to request this. Resubmissions do not count towards this credit total.
- 2.2.12. If you are on a postgraduate apprenticeship programme, you can request to study a maximum of 80 credits per semester (including your 40-credit project module but excluding resubmissions), but this is subject to approval, and is also dependent on you being able to study at least one module in each of the remaining semesters of your programme (not including any agreed Breaks in Learning). You should contact your Apprenticeship Outcomes Officer if you and your employer are interested in this.

### 2.3 Maximum Period of Registration

2.3.1. There is a time limit within which you must complete your programme. This is called the "maximum registration period". From the start date of your programme, your normal maximum registration period is as follows:

Award	Number of credits	Maximum registration period
Certificate of Higher Education*	120	4 years
Diploma of Higher Education*	240	7 years
BSc (Hons)*	360	9 years
Postgraduate Certificate*	60	3 years
Postgraduate Diploma*	120	4 years
Master's (MBA, MSc)*	180	6 years
Certificate of Personal and Professional Development (CPPD)	20	Refer to your programme specification

<sup>\*</sup>If you started your programme before September 2020, please refer to the relevant Transition Regulations for details of your maximum registration period (Appendix C (Undergraduate) or Appendix D (Postgraduate)).

- 2.3.2. Any time when you have taken time out from your studies (see <a href="section 3">section 3</a> for non-apprenticeship students) or a break in learning (see <a href="section 4">section 4</a> for apprenticeship students) is included in your maximum registration period.
- 2.3.3. Normally, your maximum registration period cannot be extended even in the case of mitigating circumstances.

2.3.4. We will monitor your progress towards completing your programme within the maximum registration period and offer advice as appropriate. If you do not complete your programme within the specified time, your studies will be terminated (see section 10).

### 2.4 Changing your programme

- 2.4.1. If you are interested in transferring to a different programme we offer, please contact the Student Engagement Team via **Student Central (opens new window)**.
- 2.4.2. If the programme onto which you want to transfer is still accepting new students and the entry requirements of your current programme and the programme onto which you want to transfer are the same, and you have not previously withdrawn, or had your studies terminated from, the programme onto which you want to transfer, then your request will be approved.
- 2.4.3. If the programme onto which you want to transfer is not accepting new students, or the entry requirements are different, or you previously withdrew from the programme onto which you want to transfer, your request will be assessed by our Admissions team and the Programme Leader of the programme onto which you want to transfer.
- 2.4.4. If you had your studies terminated from the programme onto which you want to transfer then your request to transfer will not be approved.
- 2.4.5. If your request to transfer is approved you will be allowed to transfer to your new programme starting from the next semester. Transfers during a semester are not normally allowed.
- 2.4.6. If any of the modules you have studied **match exactly** those of the programme onto which you want to transfer then your marks and credits will be transferred to your new programme.
- 2.4.7. If any of the modules you have studied **do not match exactly** those of the programme onto which you want to transfer, it may still be possible to transfer credit (but not marks) to your new programme. The Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) panel will assess whether this is possible based on the learning outcomes of the modules in question.
- 2.4.8. Credit can only be transferred for full modules.

# 3. Time out from your studies (For non-apprenticeship students only)

## 3.1 Registration

- 3.1.1. There is a registration deadline for each semester. You can request to change the number of modules you study per semester at any time before this registration deadline. (See <a href="section 2.2.9">section 2.2.9</a>, <a href="2.2.10">2.2.10</a> and <a href="2.2.11">2.2.11</a> for the maximum number of modules you can study).
- 3.1.2. You can choose not to register for any modules in a semester if you were registered for at least one module in the previous semester (including if you registered and then suspended (see section 3.3)).
- 3.1.3. There are some circumstances we may allow you not to register for any modules for two semesters in a row. You must contact us before the registration deadline to request this and it is subject to approval. Examples of the types or circumstances that we might consider can be found in the Student Handbook.

- 3.1.4. If you choose not to register for any modules, or cannot register due to debt, for two semesters in a row you will be considered to have withdrawn (unless approved via section 3.1.3). See section 9 for more information on withdrawal.
- 3.1.5. After the registration deadline you cannot register on any more modules for that semester. If you have registered on a module but you no longer wish to study it that semester, if the module commencement date has not yet passed you can contact us to unregister from that module. If the module commencement date has passed you cannot reduce the modules you are studying, except by deferring (see <a href="section 3.2">section 3.2</a>) or suspending (see <a href="section 3.3">section 3.3</a>).
- 3.1.6. You can switch elective modules at any time before the registration deadline.
- 3.1.7. After the registration deadline you can ask to switch elective modules but your Programme Leader will not approve your request if they think it is not in your best academic interests. As part of this decision your Programme Leader will consider how much time you will have missed on the new module.
- 3.1.8. The order in which core modules are delivered is structured to support your learning. Therefore, requests to switch the core module you are studying in a specific semester with another core module on your programme will not be allowed unless agreed by Your Programme Leader.

#### 3.2 Deferral

- 3.2.1. Deferral is an option where you have started a module (i.e. the module commencement date has passed) but you decide that you are not able to complete the study of that module during the semester. Instead, you can decide to 'defer' that module and restart the module at the next available opportunity. If you want to stop studying all your current modules, please refer to section 3.3 on Suspension.
- 3.2.2. You will not be given a refund for a deferred module and you must continue to pay any outstanding fees until you have paid the module fees in full. However, you will not be charged a fee to study the module again if you re-join the module at the next opportunity (except for 40 credit project modules). If you defer your 40 credit project module you must pay 50% of the module fee if you re-join the module at the next opportunity. For all modules, if you do not return to study the deferred module at the next opportunity available you will be charged the full fee for the module when you do return.
- 3.2.3. You must submit your request to defer a module on the relevant form (available via Student Central from the Student Engagement Team) no later than two weeks before the due date of the final assessment submission for the module.
- 3.2.4. Your request to defer will normally be approved, except you will only be allowed to defer a module more than once in exceptional circumstances.
- 3.2.5. If your request to defer a module is approved:
  - a. You will receive written notification.
  - b. Your VLE access for the deferred module will be "read-only". This means that you can still view learning materials, but you cannot engage. For example, you cannot submit assessments, participate in forums or download e-Books.
  - c. You are not allowed to participate in the resubmission period for the deferred module. Instead, you should join the next delivery of the module.
  - d. Any pass standard assessment marks (see <u>section 6.1</u> or <u>6.2</u>) that you have achieved in a deferred module will automatically be carried forward to the next time you study the module, unless the module descriptor has changed.

- 3.2.6. If your request to defer a module is refused you will receive written notification and will be expected to continue studying and submit all assessments for that module as normal.
- 3.2.7. If you started your programme before September 2020, please refer to the relevant Transition Regulations for more information relevant to you (Appendix C (Undergraduate) or Appendix D (Postgraduate)).
- 3.2.8. You can also be required to defer a module, if this is considered necessary for yours or others wellbeing, in line with <a href="UCEM's Fitness to Study Procedure (opens new window)">UCEM's Fitness to Study Procedure (opens new window)</a>.

### 3.3 Suspension

- 3.3.1. Suspension is when you are allowed to interrupt your programme of study for the current semester and suspend all your current modules (i.e. stop work for all modules where the module commencement date has passed).
- 3.3.2. You can only suspend in a semester where you have registered for module(s). See section 3.1 for information on choosing not to register for any modules in a semester. If, after suspending in one semester, you wish to continue not studying any modules in the next semester you can do so in line with section 3.1.2.
- 3.3.3. You will not be given a refund for suspended modules and you must continue to pay any outstanding fees until you have paid the module fees in full. However, you will not be charged a fee if you re-join the module at the next opportunity (except for 40 credit project modules). If you suspend your 40 credit project module you will be required to pay 50% of the module fee if you re-join the module at the next opportunity. For all modules, if you do not return to study the suspended modules at the next opportunity available you will be charged the full fee for the modules when you do return.
- 3.3.4. You must submit your request to suspend on the relevant form (available via Student Central from the Student Engagement Team) no later than two weeks before the due date of the final assessment submission for the module.
- 3.3.5. Your request to suspend will normally be approved, except:
  - You will only be allowed to suspend a module more than once in exceptional circumstances.
  - You will only be allowed to suspend two semesters in a row in exceptional circumstances.
- 3.3.6. If your request to suspend your studies is approved:
  - a. You will receive written notification.
  - b. You will still be subject to these regulations when your studies are suspended.
  - c. Your VLE access for the suspended modules will be "read-only". This means that you can still view learning materials, but you cannot engage. For example, you cannot submit assessments, participate in forums or download e-Books.
  - d. You are not allowed to participate in the resubmission period for suspended modules. Instead, you should join the next delivery of the module.
  - e. Any pass standard assessment marks (see <u>section 6.1 or 6.2</u>) that you have achieved in a module during the semester in which you suspend your studies will

- automatically be carried forward to the next time you study the module, unless the module descriptor has changed.
- f. Any periods of suspension will still count towards your maximum registration period (see <u>section 2.3</u>).
  - g. If you do not re-register for the next semester, this will not be considered an extension of your suspension. Instead, see <a href="mailto:section3.1">section 3.1</a> for information on the rules regarding registration.
- 3.3.7. If your request to suspend your studies is refused you will receive written notification and will be expected to continue studying and submit all your assessments for all your registered modules as normal.
- 3.3.8. If you started your programme before September 2020, please refer to the relevant Transition Regulations for more information relevant to you (<u>Appendix C (UG)</u> or <u>Appendix D (PG)</u>).
- 3.3.9. You can also be required to suspend your studies, if this is considered necessary for your or others wellbeing, in line with <a href="https://www.ucentrologies.com/linewith-ucentrologies.com/">UCEM's Fitness to Study Procedure (opens new window)</a>.

# 4. Break in learning (For apprenticeship students only)

- 4.1 A "break in learning" is defined as a break in training where you are not continuing with your apprenticeship but you have told your employer beforehand that you intend to resume your apprenticeship in the future.
- 4.2 A break in learning may be agreed in relation to medical treatment, parental leave or leave for other personal reasons. Annual leave, public holidays and short-term absences (up to four weeks) cannot be agreed as a break in learning.
- 4.3 If you want to go on a break in learning, you must first discuss this with your employer. If your employer is supportive of a break in learning, your employer should contact your Apprenticeship Outcomes Officer to discuss the request. Your Apprenticeship Outcomes Officer will log the request in Student Central.
- 4.4 Your VLE access for any modules you registered for in the semester you took your break in learning will become "read-only". This means that you can still view learning materials, but you cannot engage. For example, you cannot submit assessments, participate in forums or download e-Books.
- 4.5 You will still be subject to these regulations during your break in learning.
- 4.6 Any breaks in learning will still count towards your maximum registration period.
- 4.7 You are not allowed to participate in the resubmission period for a module that you started before your break in learning. Instead, you should join the next delivery of the module.
- 4.8 Any pass standard assessment marks (see <a href="section 6.1 or 6.2">section 6.1 or 6.2</a>) that you have achieved in modules that you started before your break in learning will automatically be carried forward to the next time you study the module, unless the module descriptor has changed.

### 5. Assessment

#### 5.1 Introduction to assessment

- 5.1.1. Assessment is how you show that you have met a module's learning outcomes. Learning outcomes are the skills, understanding or aptitudes that you should gain from studying a module.
- 5.1.2. Assessments can be either:
  - a. Diagnostic assesses existing knowledge. Does not count to your final mark.
  - b. Formative feedback on your performance in the assessment is provided to help you learn and improve. Does not normally count to your final mark.
  - c. Summative contributes to your overall module mark.
- 5.1.3. The type of assessment(s) used in each module is in the module descriptor. The types of assessments used will include coursework (such as essays, reports, portfolios, reflections, problem or short questions or video presentations), computer based assessments, and computer marked assessments (CMAs).
- 5.1.4. The <u>Alternative Assessment Procedure (opens new window)</u> outlines the circumstances where we would consider setting an assessment that is different to the original set for the module.
- 5.1.5. It is your responsibility to read and follow these regulations relating to assessment as well as:
  - the procedures in the <u>Assessment Handbook (opens new window)</u>;
  - the <u>UCEM Code of Practice chapter on Academic and Behavioural Conduct</u> (opens new window) and the <u>Academic Misconduct Procedure</u> (opens new window) (see <u>section 12</u>).
  - the assessment rules specific to each assessment which are published before the assessment.

### 5.2 Submission

- 5.2.1. You must check whether your assessments have a word count. The word count will be defined in the module descriptor and in the assessment brief. If you exceed a word count this may limit the marks you can gain, as outlined in the <a href="#">Assessment Handbook (opens new window)</a>.
- 5.2.2. You must follow all instructions on the <u>module page on the VLE (opens new window).</u>
- 5.2.3. It is your responsibility to make sure that you submit your assessment in the appropriate format using online submission by the required deadlines.
- 5.2.4. Assessments submitted by a different method to the method stated in the assessment brief will not be accepted unless under exceptional circumstances.
- 5.2.5. You must keep copies of your assessment and confirmation of receipt.

- 5.2.6. All assessment submissions are checked for plagiarism. Please see <a href="UCEM"><u>UCEM"s Code of Practice Chapter on Academic and Behavioural Conduct and the Academic Misconduct Procedure (opens new window)</u> for further details on plagiarism. It is your responsibility to make sure that your work is your own and that the contribution of others is properly acknowledged and referenced. You can learn about referencing and plagiarism in the <a href="Study Skills section of the VLE">Study Skills section of the VLE (opens new window)</a> and using the <a href="UCEM Guide to Referencing and Citation (opens new window)"><u>UCEM Guide to Referencing and Citation (opens new window)</u></a> available on the VLE.
- 5.2.7. For certain dissertation and/or project modules assessments may take the form of research-based reports. There are particular requirements for their submission:
  - You must submit a digital copy via Turnitin. The copy may be retained within our Library.
  - If you wish us to restrict access to your dissertation and/or research-based project, due to the confidential nature of any of its content, you must request this in writing at the time of submission.

#### 5.3 Extensions and late submissions

- 5.3.1. You are allowed one seven-day extension per module. However, you are not permitted to use this extension if:
  - the assessment is a CMA or portfolio; or
  - the assessment is a resubmission.
- 5.3.2. If you wish to use this extension you must request this no later than the submission deadline.
- 5.3.3. Extensions beyond seven days will only be allowed if you have valid mitigating circumstances (see <a href="section 7">section 7</a>) or you have an Additional Support Plan indicating this.
- 5.3.4. 5.3.1, 5.3.2 and 5.2.3 do not apply to you if you have an Additional Support Plan which provides automatic extensions on all assessments. For more information see **Disability and Additional Needs Procedure (opens new window).**
- 5.3.5. For all marked assessments (except CMAs and resubmissions), if you do not submit your assessment by the required deadline your mark will be penalised (see table below in 5.3.8 for penalty details). In all cases (including for students with extensions and Additional Support Plans) you are not allowed to submit more than 21 days after the original submission deadline. If you do, you will receive a mark of zero.
- 5.3.6. If you do not submit your CMA by the required deadline you are no longer allowed to submit and you will receive a mark of zero.
- 5.3.7. If you do not submit any resubmission assessments by the required deadline (see section 6.4) you are no longer allowed to submit and you will receive a mark of zero.

5.3.8. Late submission penalties for all marked assessments (except CMAs and resubmissions):

	Time after deadline or extended deadline				
	Up to 24 hours	1 – 7 days	8 – 14 days	14 - 21 days	21+ days
No extension	If your mark in the assessment is equal to or above the module pass mark: 5 marks will be taken off, but this will not take your mark below the module pass mark (see section 6.1.3).  If your mark in the assessment is below the module pass mark: No penalty will be applied.	If your mark in the assessment is equal to or above the module pass mark: 10 marks will be taken off, but this will not take your mark below the module pass mark (see section 6.1.3).  If your mark in the assessment is below the module pass mark: No penalty will be applied.	If your mark in the assess above the module pass macapped at the module pass of the pass of the module pass	mark: your mark will be mark (see <u>section 6.1.3</u> ).	You are not allowed to submit, and you will receive a mark of zero
7-day extension	If your mark in the assessment is equal to or above the module pass mark: 5 marks will be taken off, but this will not take your mark below the module pass mark (see section 6.1.3).  If your mark in the assessment is below the module pass mark: No penalty will be applied.	If your mark in the assessment is equal to or above the module pass mark: 10 marks will be taken off, but this will not take your mark below the module pass mark (see section 6.1.3).  If your mark in the assessment is below the module pass mark: No penalty will be applied.	If your mark in the assessment is equal to or above the module pass mark: your mark will be capped at the module pass mark (see section 6.1.3).  If your mark in the assessment is below the module pass mark: No penalty will be applied.	You are not allowed to s you will receive a mar	· ·

	Time after deadline or extended deadline				
	Up to 24 hours	1 – 7 days	8 – 14 days	14 - 21 days	21+ days
14-day extension (only available if specified in your Additional Support Plan)	If your mark in the assessment is equal to or above the module pass mark: 5 marks will be taken off, but this will not take your mark below the module pass mark (see section 6.1.3).  If your mark in the assessment is below the module pass mark: No penalty will be applied.	or above the module pass mark: 10 marks will be taken off, but this will not take your mark below the module pass mark (see section 6.1.3).  If your mark in the assessment is below the		eceive a mark of zero.	
21-day extension (only available if specified in your Additional Support Plan)	You are not allowed to submit late, and you will receive a mark of zero.				

### 5.4 Quality assurance of assessment and award

- 5.4.1. We have various processes and boards which ensure that our assessment, progression and award regulations and policies are applied consistently.
- 5.4.2. Before you are given assessments, we hold **Scrutiny Boards** which review the assessments to check that they are in line with:
  - the Assessment Handbook (opens new window):
  - the module's learning outcomes;
  - · the required assessment format;
  - the appropriate FHEQ academic level (see section 2.2.4).
- 5.4.3. Before you are given your provisional marks for each assessment they are moderated. **Moderation** is a process intended to make sure that an assessment outcome is fair and reliable and that assessment criteria have been applied consistently. It may result in an adjustment of the marks. More information about moderation can be found in the **Assessment Handbook (opens new window).**
- 5.4.4. Academic Board is responsible for the standards of its awards. Academic Board gives this responsibility to the Board of Examiners who make decisions on marks, progression and awards. Please see the <u>UCEM Code of Practice chapter on</u> Board of Examiners (opens new window) for more information.
- 5.4.5. All assessment results are provisional until they have been approved by the Board of Examiners and are released as part of your final module mark release.
- 5.4.6. The Board of Examiners is made up of two separate boards:

#### • Module Boards

Confirms and agrees module marks and approves mitigating circumstances panel's recommendations. Your marks may be adjusted at this stage.

#### Progression and Award Boards

Verifies progression through a programme, awards and, where applicable, the classification of awards. All Progression and Award Board decisions are made in consultation with the relevant external examiners. The Progression and Award Board approves awards.

- 5.4.7. Resubmission Boards can combine both Module Board and Progression and Award Board functions.
- 5.4.8. Academic Board receives the decisions of the Board of Examiners for final ratification. (Ratification is defined as making decisions official.) This is the final step in the approval of the award. The decision of the Academic Board is final (subject to appeal, see <a href="section 20">section 20</a>). For information about how and when an award is granted please see <a href="section 8">section 8</a>.
- 5.4.9. Your assessment, module, progression and award results are released to you on set release dates. These release dates are published in advance each year.
- 5.4.10. Results will not be given over the telephone unless the Principal or Deputy Principal, or exceptionally the Academic Registrar in the Principal or Deputy Principal's absence, has given permission.

- 5.4.11. External Examiners are appointed by us to make sure that standards are consistently applied in the granting of awards. They are consulted throughout the quality assurance processes described above. Please see <a href="the UCEM Code of Practice chapter on External Examining (opens new window)">the UCEM Code of Practice chapter on External Examining (opens new window)</a> for more information.
- 5.4.12. In addition, there are two panels that report to the Board of Examiners:

#### Mitigating Circumstances Panel

Makes recommendations to the Module Boards on cases of mitigating circumstances. See <a href="section 7">section 7</a> for more information on Mitigating Circumstances.

#### Academic Misconduct Panel

Reviews cases of suspected academic misconduct and decides if academic misconduct has occurred and whether a penalty should be applied. See <a href="mailto:section12">section 12</a> for more information about academic misconduct.

### 6. Module Achievement

### 6.1 Achieving module credit (marked modules)

- 6.1.1. Your overall module mark is the weighted average of your individual summative assessment marks for that module. The relevant weightings are given in the module descriptor. If this calculation results in a decimal, it will be rounded at the first decimal place to the nearest whole number (decimal places up to four are rounded down, decimal places of five or more are rounded up). For example, 53.49 would be rounded to 53, 53.51 would be rounded to 54.
- 6.1.2. Credit is awarded for a module if you have shown you have met the module's learning outcomes. To show this your overall module mark must be at least the module pass mark.
- 6.1.3. The module pass mark is:
  - 40% for undergraduate programmes;
  - 50% for postgraduate programmes.
- 6.1.4. If you do not meet the requirement set out in <u>section 6.1.3</u> you have failed the module and will not achieve any credits for the module. For information about resubmissions, see section 6.4.
- 6.1.5. Credits cannot be divided.
- 6.1.6. You may request an interim transcript detailing the credits you have achieved at any point in your studies.
- 6.1.7. If you are studying on an undergraduate programme, you must have passed, or received exemptions from, all modules at level 4 before you can progress to level 6. If you started your programme before September 2020, please refer to the relevant Transition Regulations for information on exceptions to this regulation (<a href="Appendix C (Undergraduate">Appendix C (Undergraduate</a>) or <a href="Appendix D (Postgraduate">Appendix D (Postgraduate</a>)).

### 6.2 Achieving module credit (graded modules)

- 6.2.1. For graded modules, the grades available and the grading criteria are outlined in the module descriptor.
- 6.2.2. Occasionally, assessment components or complete modules are not given a numerical mark but instead are graded as Satisfactory or Not Yet Satisfactory. This will be outlined in the module descriptor. A grade of "Not Yet Satisfactory" means you have failed the module.

### 6.3 Number of attempts

6.3.1. You are allowed up to four attempts to complete a module: a sit (i.e. first sit) and a module retake; and in both instances you may have a resubmission.

Attempts	Description
1	(First) Sit
2	Resubmission
3	Retake
4	Resubmission

- 6.3.2. If there are restrictions on the number of attempts allowed on a particular programme or module this will be detailed in the programme specification or module descriptor.
- 6.3.3. A resubmission means resubmitting the assessments identified by the Board of Examiners by a set deadline, as a second attempt after having previously failed the module, or after a retake (see <a href="section 6.4">section 6.4</a>). To retake a module you join the next delivery of the module (see <a href="section 6.5">section 6.5</a>).
- 6.3.4. If you fail an elective module after your second attempt (resubmission), you may choose to switch modules. However, you will only be allowed two attempts at the new module you choose (a sit and, if required, a resubmission) because your previous attempts will count towards your maximum number of attempts.
- 6.3.5. If you have used up all your allowed attempts at a module, you will not normally be allowed to continue with your programme except if you are allowed to continue study towards an exit award as outlined in section 6.3.7.
- 6.3.6. If you have used up all your allowed attempts at a module, you may still qualify for an intermediate exit award. This is an award that requires less credits than the final award of your programme. If there are intermediate exit awards available on your programme this is outlined in your programme specification.
- 6.3.7. If you have used up all your allowed attempts at a module and do not yet qualify for an intermediate exit award, the Progression and Award Board decides if you are allowed to continue to study towards the exit award. If the Board decides you are not allowed to continue study but you already registered and paid fees for modules in the next study session, these fees will be refunded. The table below shows the highest possible exit awards you could achieve if you failed a module(s) at a particular level of study.

Programme	Module level failed	Highest exit award available*
Cert HE	Level 4	No exit award available
Dip HE	Level 4	Cert HE
Foundation Degree	Level 4	Cert HE
	Level 5	Dip HE
BSc (Hons)	Level 4	Cert HE
	Level 5	Dip HE
	Level 6	Ordinary degree
Pg Cert	Level 7	No exit award available
Pg Dip	Level 7	Pg Cert
MSc/MBA	Level 7	Pg Dip

<sup>\*</sup>The actual exit award available to you will depend on the awards outlined in your programme specification and the credit requirements outlined in the relevant award appendix, A. Undergraduate Awards or B. Postgraduate Awards

#### 6.4 Resubmission

- 6.4.1. A resubmission means resubmitting the assessments identified by the Board of Examiners by a set deadline, as a second attempt after having previously failed the module, or after a retake.
- 6.4.2. The rules about achieving credit outlined in <u>section 6.1 and 6.2</u> also apply to resubmissions.
- 6.4.3. You can only resubmit work for modules you have failed (or where allowed by the Board of Examiners due to valid mitigating circumstances in a previous attempt). As outlined in <a href="mailto:section 6.3.1">section 6.3.1</a> you can resubmit work for a failed module after your first sit or after a retake (see <a href="mailto:section 6.5">section 6.5</a> for more information on retakes).
- 6.4.4. If you failed a module overall but achieved the module pass mark (see <a href="section 6.1.3">section 6.1.3</a>) in any of the assessments for the module in your first sit (or retake), this mark will be carried forward to your resubmission and you will not need to resubmit this piece of assessment, unless you tell us otherwise.
- 6.4.5. For individual pieces of assessment either the original or the mark from resubmission, whichever is the highest, will be recorded.
- 6.4.6. The overall module mark you achieve at resubmission will be capped at the module pass mark (see <a href="section 6.1.3">section 6.1.3</a>). This will not affect the final classification of your award other than by the mark awarded. (Capping is where a limit is put on the mark you can achieve and, if you achieve more than this limit, only the limit mark will be recorded. For example, if after resubmitting a module you achieve an overall module mark of 60 but the module pass mark is 40 then your overall module mark will be capped at the module pass mark and recorded as 40.)
- 6.4.7. Individual assessment marks will not be capped except where capping has been applied as a penalty for academic misconduct.

#### 6.5 Retakes

- 6.5.1. You can normally only retake a module if you fail both your first sit and the resubmission (or where allowed by the Board of Examiners due to valid mitigating circumstances in a previous attempt).
- 6.5.2. The rules about achieving credit outlined in <u>section 6.1 and 6.2</u> also apply to retakes.

#### 6.5.3. To retake a module (excluding 40 credit project modules):

- a. You must join the next delivery of the module, unless you choose to take time out from your studies (see <a href="section3">section 3</a> for non-apprenticeship students) or a break in learning (see <a href="section4">section 4</a> for apprenticeship students).
- b. Retaking the module allows you access to all learning material required for the module delivery. It is your responsibility to note any amendments to the module descriptor or to the format of the assessment made since you first studied the module.
- c. Marks from previous attempts of the module are not carried forward.

#### 6.5.4. To retake your 40 credit project module:

- a. You must join the specific shortened "project retake" module.
- b. The project retake module will begin after the release of your resubmission results (i.e. mid-way through the semester after you finished your first attempt), unless you choose to take time out from your studies (<u>see section 3</u> for non-apprenticeship students) or a break in learning (<u>see section 4</u> for apprenticeship students).
- c. If you take time out from your studies or a break in learning you will be registered on the next project retake module available upon your return. If you wish to instead join a full delivery of the project module as your retake (as outlined in 6.5.3) then you must first agree this with the Module Leader before registration. Section 6.5.4.d will still apply.
- d. If you failed the module but achieved the module pass mark (see <a href="section 6.1.3">section 6.1.3</a>) in any of the assessments for the module in your first sit or resubmission, this mark will be carried forward to your project module retake and you will not need to resubmit this piece of assessment, unless you tell us otherwise.
- 6.5.5. A fee will be charged for retaking a module.
- 6.5.6. You can choose to retake a module in combination with new modules, as long as you don't exceed the maximum number of credits allowed per semester (see <a href="section">section</a> 2.2.9, 2.2.10 and 2.2.11).
- 6.5.7. Unless agreed in advance, you must submit the assessment for each module by the due dates.
- 6.5.8. The overall module mark you achieve for a retake will be capped at the module pass mark (see <a href="section 6.1.3">section 6.1.3</a>). This will not affect the final classification of your award other than by the mark awarded. (Capping is where a limit is put on the mark you can achieve and, if you achieve more than this limit, only the limit mark will be recorded. For example, if after retaking a module you achieve an overall module mark of 60 but the module pass mark is 40 then your overall module mark will be capped at the module pass mark and recorded as 40.)
- 6.5.9. Individual assessment marks will not be capped except where capping has been applied as a penalty for academic misconduct.

### 6.6 Academic compensation for undergraduates

- 6.6.1. Academic compensation is only considered after a resubmission of your first sit or a resubmission of your retake.
- 6.6.2. Your overall performance at an academic level can make up for a failed module at the same academic level, so you can progress or be awarded. This is called "academic compensation". Academic compensation is only allowed if:
  - a. Your overall module mark for the failed module is at least 30%; and
  - b. Your average module mark across all modules (including the failed module) at the relevant academic level (without any rounding) is at least 40%.
- 6.6.3. Academic compensation is allowed for a maximum of 20 credits at level 4 and 20 credits at level 5. No academic compensation is allowed at level 6. (Section 2.2.4 defines academic level.)
- 6.6.4. Academic compensation is not allowed on programmes with a target award of a Certificate of Personal and Professional Development (CPPD).
- 6.6.5. Condition 6.6.2.b means that we have to wait until we know your average mark across all modules at the relevant academic level before we know if you are eligible for academic compensation.
- 6.6.6. If we think academic compensation could apply to your failed module(s) (i.e. you meet condition 6.6.2.a and 6.6.2.b), but we do not know your average mark across the relevant academic level yet, your mark for the failed module(s) will be released but your grade will show "On hold" until we know your average mark across all modules.
- 6.6.7. Once we know your average mark:
  - If you meet the average mark required to be eligible for academic compensation then you will automatically be given a "compensated pass", unless you tell us otherwise. This does not change the mark awarded. Your diploma supplement (issued when you are awarded, see <a href="section 8.1.6">section 8.1.6</a>) will note that you were given a "compensated pass" in the relevant module.
  - If you do not meet the average mark required to be eligible for academic compensation this means you have failed any module with a grade of "On hold".
- 6.6.8. You cannot have more than 20 credits per academic level "On hold" at any one time. If you have a module grade of "On hold" and you fail another module which meets the requirements of academic compensation you will be provided advice on which module to keep "On hold", to be assessed for academic compensation at the relevant opportunity, and which module you should retake.
- 6.6.9. If you started your programme before September 2020, please refer to <u>Appendix C Undergraduate Transition Regulations</u> for more information relevant to you.

### 6.7 Academic compensation for postgraduates

- 6.7.1. Academic compensation is only considered after a resubmission of your first sit or a resubmission of your retake.
- 6.7.2. Your overall performance at an academic level can make up for a failed module at the same academic level, so you can progress or be awarded. This is called "academic compensation". Academic compensation is only allowed if:
  - a. Your overall module mark for the failed module is at least 40%; and
  - b. Your average module mark (including the failed module) across 120 credits (excluding your 40-credit project module) at level 7 (without any rounding) is at least 50%.
- 6.7.3. Academic compensation is allowed for a maximum of 20 credits.
- 6.7.4. Academic compensation is not allowed on programmes with a target award of a Certificate of Personal and Professional Development (CPPD).
- 6.7.5. Condition 6.7.2.b means that we have to wait until we know your average mark across 120 credits (excluding your 40-credit project module) before we know if you are eligible for academic compensation.
- 6.7.6. If we think academic compensation could apply to your failed module(s) (i.e. you meet condition 6.7.2.a and 6.7.2.b), but we do not know your average mark across the relevant number of credits yet, your mark for the failed module(s) will be released but your grade will show "On hold" until we know your average mark across the required number of credits.
- 6.7.7. Once we know your average mark:
  - If you meet the average mark required to be eligible for academic compensation then you will automatically be given a "compensated pass", unless you tell us otherwise. This does not change the mark awarded. Your diploma supplement (issued when you are awarded, see <a href="section 8.1.6">section 8.1.6</a>) will note that you were given a "compensated pass" in the relevant module.
  - If you do not meet the average mark required to be eligible for academic compensation this means you have failed any module with a grade of "On hold".
- 6.7.8. You cannot have more than 20 credits "On hold" at any one time. If you have a module grade of "On hold" and you fail another module which meets the requirements of academic compensation you will be provided advice on which module to keep "On hold", to be assessed for academic compensation at the relevant opportunity, and which module you should retake.
- 6.7.9. If you started your programme before September 2020, please refer to <u>Appendix D</u> Postgraduate Transition Regulations for more information relevant to you.

## 7. Mitigating Circumstances

7.1 There may be times when you feel certain circumstances have had, or will have, a negative effect on your performance. If this is the case, you should notify us immediately. Please read <a href="UCEM's Procedure for Mitigating Circumstances">UCEM's Procedure for Mitigating Circumstances</a> (opens new window) for information on how to do this.

### 8. Awards, Certificates and Graduation

#### 8.1 General

- 8.1.1. The classification of awards is calculated from the overall module marks achieved in each module studied. Credits awarded at different levels may be weighted differently towards classification. The details of this for your programme can be found in the relevant award appendix, A. Undergraduate Awards or B. Postgraduate Awards.
- 8.1.2. The final granting of the following awards takes place at an awards ceremony or graduation. This is called conferment and can only occur once. You will not normally be allowed to use the rights and privileges of a degree or any linked award (for example the use of designatory letters) until the award has been formally conferred.
  - Certificate of Higher Education (Cert HE)
  - Diploma of Higher Education (Dip HE)
  - Foundation Degree Science (FdSc)
  - Ordinary Degree (BSc)
  - Honours Degree (BSc (Hons))
  - Postgraduate Certificate (Pg Cert)
  - Postgraduate Diploma (Pg Dip)
  - Master of Science (MSc)
  - Master of Business Administration (MBA)
- 8.1.3. You will wear UCEM academic dress at any awards ceremony or graduation.
- 8.1.4. Professional awards, including the Certificate of Personal and Professional Development, are conferred at the point of ratification by Academic Board (see section 5.4.8). If you receive this award you are not allowed to attend a graduation.
- 8.1.5. Once your award has been conferred, you will be given a certificate as proof of the award received.
- 8.1.6. In addition to the award certificate you will receive a diploma supplement. A diploma supplement is a document that is similar to a transcript, but it also provides a standardised description of your studies with us. This makes sure that it is more easily understood and transparent to employers and higher education institutions outside the UK.
- 8.1.7. Replacement certificates will only be issued if you provide us with a written request. The request cannot be made by anyone else. Replacement certificates will only be issued if the original has been lost, damaged or if any details on the certificate are incorrect. Replacements of lost or damaged certificates will only be issued after payment of the required fee is completed.
- 8.1.8. The name recorded on a certificate or transcript issued by us, or included in any publication, will be the name held on your student record. It is your responsibility to make sure that your personal details are up to date and to inform us of any changes.

- 8.1.9. If we issue you a module certificate, for example as evidence of continuing professional development, this does not represent an award. The associated credits are only an indicator of the learning hours required for the module and cannot be used to contribute to any of our awards without prior agreement and subsequent registration on the relevant programme.
- 8.1.10. If you have successfully completed your programme and your award has been ratified by Academic Board, you cannot register for any more modules to improve your grade.
- 8.1.11. We reserve the right to officially cancel any award given (this is known as revocation of an award) if the evidence shows that you did not meet the requirements for the award, or we discover any other information that would have resulted in a decision not to grant an award if these facts were known at the time of the decision. You can appeal this decision, see <a href="Section 20">Section 20</a>.
- 8.1.12. Further award-specific information can be found in the relevant award appendix, <u>A. Undergraduate Awards</u> or <u>B. Postgraduate Awards</u>.

### 8.2 Professional membership

- 8.2.1. Many of our programmes are accredited by professional bodies and these details are outlined in your programme specification.
- 8.2.2. Sometimes, separate from the accreditation of your programme, your award may meet the requirements outlined by a professional body, in full or in part, for their professional membership or professional qualification. If this is the case, the professional status or qualification will not necessarily or automatically be granted. This decision is at the discretion of the professional body.

### 8.3 Aegrotat awards

- 8.3.1. An aegrotat award is an award given if you are unable to complete the requirements of your programme due to serious illness or other major mitigating circumstances.
- 8.3.2. The decision to give an aegrotat award is made by the Progression and Award Board. The Board will only make this decision if they are satisfied that:
  - a. The case is supported by appropriate evidence;
  - b. Prior performance shows beyond reasonable doubt that you would have passed had it not been for the exceptional circumstance; and
  - c. You are unlikely to return to study at a later date that will be within your maximum period of registration.
- 8.3.3. An aegrotat degree is normally awarded without classification. The Progression and Award Board can, in exceptional circumstances, award a classified aegrotat degree where they believe the evidence of academic achievement justifies this.
- 8.3.4. If you accept an aegrotat award you confirm you will be unable to complete the remaining programme requirements and you **will not** be allowed to complete them at a later date. If you decline the award, you **will** be allowed to complete any outstanding programme requirements (subject to these regulations).

#### 8.4 Posthumous Awards

8.4.1. A posthumous award is an award given where a student dies after completion of a programme, but before graduation, or during study for a programme. A posthumous award is not distinguished in any way from other awards.

- 8.4.2. The decision to give a posthumous award is made by the Progression and Award Board. The Board will use all available evidence, including:
  - a. progression (the student will be expected to have achieved at least two-thirds of the credits required for the award);
  - b. the possible impact of any mitigating circumstances;
  - c. the student's level of commitment and participation; and
  - d. the quality of work submitted by the student.
- 8.4.3. Where it is not possible to grant a posthumous award of the target award of the programme, consideration will be given to granting an alternative, lower level award and/ or providing a formal record of achievement (transcript).

### 9. Withdrawal

- 9.1. You can choose to withdraw from your programme.
- 9.2. As outlined in section 3.1.4., if you choose not to register for any modules, or cannot register due to debt, for two semesters in a row you will be considered to have withdrawn (unless approved via section 3.1.3).
- 9.3. If you withdraw, your registration with us will end and you will no longer have access to the VLE.
- 9.4. Withdrawal is usually permanent. You are allowed to reapply, however this is not an automatic right. Your application will be considered in conjunction with your previous record. If you are offered a place again, you will not necessarily be able to receive exemptions for modules already studied.
- 9.5. If you want to withdraw, please contact the Student Engagement Team via <u>Student Central (opens new window).</u>
- 9.6. The Refund and Compensation Policy (opens new window) outlines any refunds that may be available if you choose to withdraw from your programme.

## 10. Consequences of termination

- 10.1. The <u>Terms and Conditions of Contract (opens new window)</u> outline the circumstances where we can terminate your study on a programme.
- 10.2. If your study is terminated you have the right to appeal (see section 20).
- 10.3. If your study is terminated, your registration with us will end, and you will no longer have access to the VLE. Re-admittance on any of our programmes will not normally be permitted.
- 10.4. The Refund and Compensation Policy (opens new window) outlines any refunds that may be available if your study is terminated. If termination occurs as a result of disciplinary action you will not receive a refund for fees paid or any extra study costs you may incur.

10.5. You may qualify for an intermediate exit award, depending on the credits you have achieved at the point your study was terminated and the nature and scale of the reasons for termination. Please see <a href="UCEM">UCEM</a>'s Code of Practice Chapter on <a href="Academic and Behavioural Conduct (opens new window)">Academic and Behavioural Conduct (opens new window)</a> for more details. This will be considered by the Progression and Award Board at the next available opportunity.

### 11. Exclusion

11.1. You may be temporarily excluded from UCEM on the authority of the Principal or on the authority delegated to the Deputy Principal based on disciplinary grounds. Exclusion is where your access to the VLE is temporarily removed and your right to access any UCEM services is temporarily stopped. This can be appealed (see section 20).

### 12. Academic and behavioural conduct

- 12.1. We expect reasonable standards of behaviour, honesty and integrity from all our students in both their general and academic conduct. These standards are outlined in:
  - the Terms and Conditions of Contract (opens new window);
  - the <u>Code of Practice chapter on Student Academic and Behavioural Conduct</u> (opens new window);
  - the Student Disciplinary Procedure (opens new window);
  - the <u>Academic Misconduct Procedure (opens new window)</u> (Academic Misconduct is defined as cheating, attempts to cheat, plagiarism, collusion and any other attempts to gain an unfair advantage in assessments); and
  - the <u>Apprenticeship Student Conduct Expectations (opens new window)</u> document (for apprenticeship students only).
- 12.2. We may take academic or disciplinary action if you fail to uphold these standards.
- 12.3. UCEM's Code of Practice chapter on Student Academic and Behavioural
  Conduct, the Academic Misconduct Procedure and the Student Disciplinary
  Procedure (opens new window) defines the range of offences and outlines the
  procedure for investigation and the sanctions that could be applied.

### 13. Fitness to Study

13.1. Fitness to study is a student's ability to engage effectively and safely with their studies as a student of UCEM in accordance with the expectations set out in the Student Charter, without unreasonably affecting their wellbeing. This includes reaching the academic requirements of their programme, undertaking the learning and personal development activities required for their programme and engaging with the disability and wellbeing service at the earliest opportunity should the need arise.

13.2. The <u>UCEM Fitness to Study Procedure (opens new window)</u> outlines the procedure that will be followed is there are concerns regarding your fitness to study.

### 14. Intellectual property

- 14.1. We do not automatically own the rights to your intellectual property (as defined in <a href="UCEM's Intellectual Property Policy">UCEM's Intellectual Property Policy (opens new window)</a>). However, we may sometimes request that you assign your intellectual property to us. In this case, we will acknowledge the authorship of the work. If we gain any income from the work, we will share any net income with you, by agreement.
- 14.2. Any original work that you create and submit to us on the VLE is covered by the VLE Terms of Use (opens new window).

### 15. Equality, Diversity and Additional Needs

- 15.1. In accordance with <a href="UCEM's Code of Practice chapter on Equality and Diversity">UCEM's Code of Practice chapter on Equality and Diversity</a> (opens new window), we will treat all students fairly, equally and with respect in order to provide an environment to encourage you to reach you full potential.
- 15.2. We expect you to recognise these rights and act accordingly.
- 15.3. In accordance with <a href="UCEM's Code of Practice chapter on Disability and Additional Needs (opens new window)">UCEM's Code of Practice chapter on Disability and Additional Needs (opens new window)</a>, and the <a href="Code of Practice chapter on Equality and Diversity (opens new window)</a>, we will work to create an environment where students with disabilities and additional needs have access to facilities and a learning environment that is, wherever possible, compatible with that experienced by their peers without disabilities or additional needs.

## 16. Health and Safety

- 16.1. We will take all necessary steps to make sure that, as far as is reasonably practical, we protect your health, safety and welfare, in line with the Health and Safety at Work etc Act (1974) and all other related legislation.
- 16.2. You must co-operate with us on all health and safety matters and follow the information outlined in <a href="UCEM's online health and safety documents">UCEM's online health and safety documents</a> (opens new window).
- 16.3. If you are on our premises or other venues related to your programmes of study you must behave in a way that protects your own safety and the safety of others.
- 16.4. If you have any concerns about health and safety, you must contact the Student Engagement Team via <u>Student Central (opens new window)</u>. If you are an apprenticeship student, please contact your Apprenticeship Outcomes Officer.

### 17. Safeguarding and Prevent

- 17.1. Safeguarding is about protecting people's health, wellbeing and human rights, and enabling them to live free from harm, abuse and neglect.
- 17.2. Under the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act (2015) we also have a responsibility to "have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism" and to make sure that students are aware of the procedures in the event that a concern is raised. This aligns with the <a href="UK Government's Prevent Strategy">UK Government's Prevent Strategy</a> (opens new window).

- 17.3. You must co-operate with us as we fulfil our safeguarding and prevent duties. If you have a concern about your own or another student's health, wellbeing, human rights or relating to extremism, including extremist ideas, you should contact the Designated Safeguarding Lead by emailing safeguarding@ucem.ac.uk.
- 17.4. Further details can be found in the <u>UCEM Code of Practice chapter on Safeguarding and Prevent, the Safeguarding Procedure and the Prevent Procedure (opens new window).</u>

### 18. Freedom of speech

- 18.1. We are committed to the freedom of speech for the benefit of students and staff at the institution.
- 18.2. Please refer to <u>UCEM's Freedom of Speech Policy (opens new window)</u> for further details.

## 19. Privacy and data protection

- 19.1. Any personal information given to us will be treated with the highest standards of security and confidentiality, in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018 and the European General Data Protection Regulation 2016 (GDPR).
- 19.2. Our <u>Privacy Policy (opens new window)</u> and <u>Data Protection Policy (opens new window)</u> is available on our website.

### 20. Complaints and appeals

- 20.1. A complaint is "an expression of dissatisfaction by one or more students about UCEM's action or lack of action, or about the standard of service provided by, or on behalf of UCEM".
- 20.2. You are expected to raise any issues as outlined in the Code of Practice chapter on Student Appeals and Complaints and the Student Complaints Procedure (opens new window).
- 20.3. An appeal is "a request for a review of a decision made by an individual or body (i.e. one of the UCEM committees) charged with determining applications for admission and making decisions about student progression, assessment and awards"
- 20.4. You are expected to raise any appeals as outlined in the <a href="Code of Practice chapter">Code of Practice chapter</a> on Student Appeals and Complaints and the Student Appeals Procedure (opens new window). You must raise appeals within 10 working days of receiving the decision you are appealing against.
- 20.5. If all internal procedures are exhausted and you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of a complaint or appeal, then your case may be eligible for consideration by the Office of the Independent Adjudicator for Higher Education (OIA). Read the relevant procedure for more information about the OIA.

## 21. Further support

- 21.1. If you have any queries, please contact the Student Engagement Team via Student Central by:
  - logging an enquiry in **Student Central (opens new window)** via the VLE.
  - telephoning +(0)44 118 921 4696.

### **Appendix A. Undergraduate Awards**

#### A.1. Introduction

- A.1.1. Information in this section only applies to you if you are on an undergraduate programme.
- A.1.2. General information about achieving credit, number of attempts, academic compensation, resubmissions and retakes can be found in <u>section 6</u>.
- A.1.3. General information about awards, certificates and graduation can be found in section 8.

### A.2. Award Credit Requirements

A.2.1. The table below shows the minimum credit requirements for each award. The awards available to you are dependent upon the programme you have entered and can be found in your programme specification. To qualify for an award you must meet these credit requirements and any extra programme requirements outlined in your programme specification.

You must meet the total credits required as well as the credit requirements at each level. Credits required by level (If allowed by the Board of Examiners vou can use excess credits to meet the credit requirements at a lower academic Total level.) credits Classified/ Level 4\* Level 5\* Level 6\* **Award** Unclassified required\* 120 Certificate of Higher Unclassified/ 120 Education Classified\*\*\* 120 120 Diploma of Higher Unclassified/ 240 Education Classified\*\*\* Classified 260 140 120 Foundation Degree Science\*\* **Ordinary Degree** Unclassified 300 120 120 60 Classified Honours Degree 360 120 120 120 20\*\*\*\* Unclassified 20\*\*\*\* Certificate of Personal and Professional Development (CPPD)\*\*\*\*

<sup>\*</sup> While this is the minimum requirement, the requirements of individual programmes may differ. See your programme specification for details.

<sup>\*\*</sup> A Foundation Degree Science is not an exit award for students studying on higher awards.

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- \*\*\* Classified for Diploma/ Certificate of Higher Education Surveying/ Construction Practice awards only.
- \*\*\*\* This can be at level 4, 5 or 6. See programme specification for details. This award is not named.
- A.2.2. To be eligible for an award, at least one third of the credits making up that award must have been achieved with us.
- A.2.3. Certificate of Personal and Professional Development (CPPD) programmes do not normally have award criteria but where they do, the criteria are outlined in your programme specification.
- A.2.4. If you are on an integrated degree apprenticeship programme, the module descriptor for the End Point Assessment will detail how it is graded and its implications.

#### A.3. Award classification

- A.3.1. The table below outlines the grade requirements for each classification for each award. As outlined in the table, there are two types of calculations we perform to determine your award classification. You will be awarded the highest classification of award you qualify to receive. Note that not all awards are classified (see section A.2.1).
- A.3.2. All weighted averages are calculated based on resubmission and/or retake module marks if applicable (see <a href="section 6">section 6</a>). The average is weighted according to the credit value of each module. Calculations are normally based on the best of your award level, marked module credits (up to a maximum of 120). If the calculation results in a decimal, it will be rounded at the first decimal place to the nearest whole number (decimal places up to four are rounded down, decimal places of five or more are rounded up). For example, 53.49% would be rounded to 53%, 53.51% would be rounded to 54%.

Award	Classification of award	Level	Grade requirements*
	First Class Degree	6	weighted average of [70%+] or [68%+ and at least 50% of credits 70%+]
Honours	Second Class Higher	6	weighted average of [60%+] or [58%+ and at least 50% of credits 60%+]
Degree	Second Class Lower	6	weighted average of [50%+] or [48%+ and at least 50% of credits 50%+]
	Third Class	6	120 credits achieved
Ordinary Degree		Ordinary degree awards are not classified	
Foundation	Distinction	5	weighted average of [70%+] or [68%+ and at least 50% of credits 70%+]
Degree Science	Merit	5	weighted average of [60%+] or [58%+ and at least 50% of credits 60%+]
	Pass	5	120 credits achieved

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Award	Classification of award	Level	Grade requirements*
	Diploma of Higher Education awards are not normally classified, except for the Diploma of Higher Education in Surveying or Construction Practice for which the following rules apply:		
Diploma of Higher	Distinction	5	weighted average of [70%+] or [68%+ and at least 50% of credits 70%+]
Education	Merit	5	weighted average of [60%+] or [58%+ and at least 50% of credits 60%+]
	Pass	5	120 credits achieved
	Certificate of Higher Education awards are not normally classified, except for the Certificate of Higher Education in Surveying or Construction Practice for which the following rules apply:		
Certificate of Higher Education	Distinction	4	weighted average of [70%+] or [68%+ and at least 50% of credits 70%+]
Education	Merit	4	weighted average of [60%+] or [58%+ and at least 50% of credits 60%+]
	Pass	4	120 credits achieved

<sup>\*</sup>Calculation 1: We check if your average grade is above a certain threshold, as outlined in the table above.

Calculation 2: We check if your average grade is above a slightly lower threshold, outlined in the table above, AND if you have achieved above the threshold in at least 50% of your credits, as outlined in the table above. (Remember that credits cannot be divided.)

Example: Student A achieves an average of 70% at level 6. They have met the criteria in calculation 1 so they receive a first class classification. Student B achieves an average of 68% at level 6. They have met the criteria in calculation 1 for a second class higher classification. However, of the 120 credits they completed at level 6, in 60 credits they achieved a grade of at least 70%. This means they have met the criteria in calculation 2 for a first class classification. They are awarded the highest classification they qualify for so they also receive a first class classification.

A.3.1. If you receive a borderline grade (e.g. 68%+) but do not meet the requirement of having 50% of your credits in the higher grade boundary, the Progression and Award Board has the discretion to consider your performance in any graded modules at award level that have not already been used in calculating the classification.

### **Appendix B. Postgraduate Awards**

#### **B.1.** Introduction

- B.1.1. Information in this section only applies to you if you are on an postgraduate programme.
- B.1.2. General information about achieving credit, number of attempts, academic compensation, resubmissions and retakes can be found in section 6.
- B.1.3. General information about awards, certificates and graduation can be found in section 8.

### **B.2. Award Credit Requirements**

B.2.1. The table below shows the minimum credit requirements for each award. The awards available to you are dependent upon the programme you have entered and can be found in your programme specification. To qualify for an award you must meet these credit requirements and any extra programme requirements outlined in your programme specification.

Award	Classified/ Unclassified	Credits Required (at level 7)*
Postgraduate Certificate	Unclassified	60
Postgraduate Diploma	Classified	120
Master's (MBA, MSc)	Classified	180
Certificate of Personal and Professional Development (CPPD)**	Unclassified	20

<sup>\*</sup>While this is the minimum requirement, the requirements of individual programmes may differ. See your programme specification for details.

- B.2.2. To be eligible for an award, at least one third of the credits making up that award must have been achieved with us.
- B.2.3. Certificate of Personal and Professional Development (CPPD) programmes do not normally have award criteria but where they do, the criteria are outlined in the programme specification.

#### **B.3.** Award classification

- B.3.1. The table below outlines the grade requirements for each classification for each award. As outlined in the table, there are two types of calculations we perform to determine your award classification. You will be awarded the highest classification of award you qualify to receive. Note that not all awards are classified (see section B.2.1).
- B.3.2. All weighted averages are calculated based on resubmission and/or retake module marks if applicable (see <a href="section 6">section 6</a>). The average is weighted according to the credit value of each module. Calculations for Master's (MSc/MBA) are normally based on your best 180 credits at award level. Calculations for Postgraduate Diploma are

<sup>\*\*</sup>This award is not named.

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normally based on your best 120 credits at award level. If the calculation results in a decimal, it will be rounded at the first decimal place to the nearest whole number (decimal places up to four are rounded down, decimal places of five or more are rounded up). For example, 53.49% would be rounded to 53%, 53.51% would be rounded to 54%.

Award	Classification of award	Grade requirements at level 7*	
Master's (MSc/MBA)	Distinction	weighted average of [70%+] or [68%+ and at least 50% of credits 70%+]	
	Merit	weighted average of [60%+] or [58%+ and at least 50% of credits 60%+]	
	Pass	180 credits achieved	
Postgraduate Diploma	Distinction	weighted average of [70%+] or [68%+ and at least 50% of credits 70%+]	
	Merit	weighted average of [60%+] or [58%+ and at least 50% of credits 60%+]	
	Pass	120 credits achieved	
Postgraduate Certificate	Postgraduate Certificate awards are not classified		

\*Calculation 1: We check if your average grade is above a certain threshold, as outlined in the table above.

Calculation 2: We check if your average grade is above a slightly lower threshold, outlined in the table above, AND if you have achieved above the threshold in at least 50% of your credits, as outlined in the table above. (Remember that credits cannot be divided.)

Example: Student A achieves an average of 70% at level 7. They have met the criteria in calculation 1 so they receive a distinction classification. Student B achieves an average of 68% at level 7. They have met the criteria in calculation 1 for a merit classification. However, of the 180 credits they completed at level 7, in 100 credits they achieved a grade of at least 70%. This means they have met the criteria in calculation 2 for a distinction classification. They are awarded the highest classification they qualify for so they also receive a distinction classification.

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### **Appendix C. Undergraduate Transition Regulations**

#### **C.1** Introduction

- C.1.1. The regulations in this appendix only apply to you if you started your programme before September 2020.
- C.1.2. The regulations in this appendix take precedence over any conflicting regulations set out in any of the previous sections in these Academic and Programme Regulations.
- C.1.3. The purpose of this section of regulations is to make sure, during the change to the newly validated modules, that:
  - you are not disadvantaged by the changes that have been made to your programme or the regulations;
  - we keep high quality and standards across all our awards;
  - there are consistent outcomes across programmes.

### **C.2** Programme Information

C.2.1 As outlined in <u>section 2.1.3 of the Academic and Programme Regulations</u>, important information about your programme is available in your programme specification. However, your personal programme outline takes the place of the programme structure information shown in the programme specification. Your personal programme outline shows the modules you are required to study and pass to complete your programme.

### C.3 Maximum registration period

C.3.1. As stated in <u>section 2.3 of the Academic and Programme Regulations</u>, there is a time limit within which you must complete your programme. This is called the "maximum registration period". From the start date of your programme, your maximum registration period is as follows:

Award	Number of credits	Maximum registration period
Certificate of Higher Education	120	6 years
Diploma of Higher Education	240	10 years
Foundation Degree Science	260	10 years
BSc (Hons)	360	12 years
Certificate of Personal and Professional Development	20	Refer to your programme specification

- C.3.2. If your expected end date was extended due to the order of new modules you must take, and if you are approaching your maximum registration period, an extension to your maximum registration period may be considered to enable you to complete your programme.
- C.3.3. Any periods of suspension or deferral you had before September 2020 will count towards your maximum registration period.

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# C.4 Progression on BSc (Hons) and RICS Associate 900 Study Hours programmes

- C.4.1. <u>Section 6.1.7 of the Academic and Programme Regulations</u> outlines that you must have passed, or received exemptions from, all modules at level 4 before you can progress to level 6. This requirement will only be waived if your personal programme outline states this.
- C.4.2. If you failed a module before September 2020, you are not able to retake the same module (except in the case of C.4.6). Instead your personal programme outline will show which equivalent new or updated module you must study instead.
- C.4.3. <u>Section 6.3 of the Academic and Programme Regulations</u> outlines the number of attempts you are allowed to complete a module. You are allowed the full number of attempts on all modules you take from September 2020, even if you attempted the equivalent module before September 2020.
- C.4.4. If, before September 2020, you failed a module overall but achieved the module pass mark (see <a href="section 6.1.3">section 6.1.3</a>) in any of the assessments for the module, you may be able to carry forward this mark to your first sit (and, if applicable, resubmission) of the new or updated module. If it is not possible to carry forward your mark, because the module has changed significantly, you will be notified.
- C.4.5. Your first attempt at a new or updated module after September 2020 will not be capped unless due to late submission or academic misconduct penalties. Any subsequent attempts will be capped as outlined in section 6.4 and 6.5.
- C.4.6. If you started studying the PRJ6PRO Project module (commonly known as the one semester project) before September 2020, but either failed or suspended or deferred the module before September 2020, you are allowed to continue studying the same module.
- C.4.7. If you only have the project module left to study in autumn 2020, you will be allowed to register on the PRJ6PRO Project module (commonly known as the one semester project).
- C.4.8. In the case of C.4.6 and C.4.7, sections C.4.3, C.4.4 and C.4.5 do not apply. You have a maximum of three attempts to complete the PRJ6PRO Project module including any attempts at the module prior to September 2020.
- C.4.9. If you are eligible to continue studying the PRJ6PRO Project module, you will also be given the option to switch to study the PRJ6PRA/S Project module (commonly known as the yearlong project).
- C.4.10.If you are eligible to study PRJ6PRO but choose to study the PRJ6PRA/S Project module from the autumn 2020 semester, you are allowed the full number of attempts (four) on the PRJ6PRA/S Project module as outlined in C.4.3. This does not apply if you choose to switch in a later semester.
- C.4.11. Section 3.2 of the Academic and Programme Regulations does not apply if you study PRJ6PRO. You are not allowed to defer or suspend this module. Instead, you can choose to switch to the PRJ6PRA/S Project module (commonly known as the yearlong project). You are allowed to defer or suspend the PRJ6PRA/S Project module in line with section 3.2 and 3.3.

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### C.5 Progression on Foundation Degree Science/ Dip HE/ Cert HE in Surveying/ Construction Practice programmes

- C.5.1. If you failed a module before September 2020, you may not be able to retake the same module. If this is the case, your personal programme outline will show which equivalent new or updated module you must study instead.
- C.5.2. You are allowed up to four attempts at a module as outlined in <u>section 6.3 of the Academic and Programme Regulations</u>.
- C.5.3. Failed attempts at modules before September 2020 (including failed attempts at modules for which you are now retaking a new or updated, but equivalent, module) count towards your total of four attempts. For example, if you failed a module once before September 2020, you are allowed three further attempts: a retake, a resubmission and a further retake. If you failed a module twice before September 2020, you are allowed two further attempts: a retake and a resubmission.
- C.5.4. If, before September 2020, you failed a module overall but achieved the module pass mark (see <a href="section 6.1.3">section 6.1.3</a>) in any of the assessments for the module, you may be able to carry forward this mark to your first sit (and, if applicable, resubmission) of the new or updated module. If it is not possible to carry forward your mark, because the module has changed significantly, you will be notified on your personal programme outline.

### **C.6** Academic compensation

- C.6.1. <u>Section 6.6 of the Academic and Programme Regulations</u> outlines the regulations relating to academic compensation.
- C.6.2. You can compensate a maximum of 20 credits per academic level (<u>Section 2.2.4 of the Academic and Programme Regulations defines academic level.</u>)
- C.6.3. If you:
  - have one or more grades "On hold" when you begin your September 2020 semester, and
  - you fail another module which is eligible for academic compensation, and
  - this puts you over the maximum number of credits eligible for academic compensation (see C.6.2),

then, your original "On hold" grades will be kept, and you must repeat the newly failed module, unless you tell us otherwise. If you choose to retake a module which you studied before September 2020 you must retake the equivalent new or updated module.

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### **Appendix D. Postgraduate Transition Regulations**

#### **D.1 Introduction**

- D.1.1. The regulations in this appendix only apply to you if you started your programme before September 2020.
- D.1.2. The regulations in this appendix take precedence over any conflicting regulations set out in any of the previous sections in these Academic and Programme Regulations.
- D.1.3. The purpose of this section of regulations is to make sure, during the change to the newly validated modules that:
  - you are not disadvantaged by the changes that have been made to your programme or the regulations;
  - we keep high quality and standards across all our awards;
  - there are consistent outcomes across programmes.

### **D.2 Programme Information**

D.2.1 As outlined in <u>section 2.1.3 of the Academic and Programme Regulations</u>, important information about your programme is available in your programme specification. However, your personal programme outline takes the place of the programme structure information shown in the programme specification. Your personal programme outline shows the modules you are required to study and pass to complete your programme.

### D.3 Maximum registration period

D.3.1. As stated in <u>section 2.3 of the Academic and Programme Regulations</u>, there is a time limit within which you must complete your programme. This is called the "maximum registration period". From the start date of your programme, your maximum registration period is as follows:

Award	Number of credits	Maximum registration period
Postgraduate Certificate	60	4 years
Postgraduate Diploma	120	6 years
Master's (MBA, MSc)	180	9 years
Certificate of Personal and Professional Development (CPPD)	20	Refer to your programme specification

- D.3.2. If your expected end date was extended due to the order of new modules you must take, and if you are approaching your maximum registration period, an extension to your maximum registration period may be considered to enable you to complete your programme.
- D.3.3. Any periods of suspension or deferral you had before September 2020 will count towards your maximum registration period.

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#### D.4 Maximum number of credits

D.4.1. Section <u>2.2.9</u>, <u>2.2.10</u> and <u>2.2.11</u> of the Academic and Programme Regulations outlines the maximum number of credits you can take per semester. However, if you are on the accelerated route you are allowed to study a maximum of 60 credits per semester. This credit total includes your 40-credit project module which will be studied in addition to your normal modules. Resubmissions do not count towards this credit total.

### **D.5 Progression**

- D.5.1. If you failed a module before September 2020, you are not able to retake the same module. Instead your personal programme outline will show which equivalent new or updated module you must study instead.
- D.5.2. <u>Section 6.3 of the Academic and Programme Regulations</u> outlines the number of attempts you are allowed to complete a module. You are allowed the full number of attempts on all modules you take from September 2020, even if you attempted the equivalent module before September 2020.
- D.5.3. If, before September 2020, you failed a module overall but achieved the module pass mark (see <a href="section 6.1.3">section 6.1.3</a>) in any of the assessments for the module, you may be able to carry forward this mark to your first sit (and, if applicable, resubmission) of the new or updated module. If it is not possible to carry forward your mark, because the module has changed significantly, you will be notified prior to September 2020.
- D.5.4. Your first attempt at a new or updated module after September 2020 will not be capped unless due to late submission or academic misconduct penalties. Any subsequent attempts will be capped as outlined in <a href="mailto:section 6.4 and 6.5">section 6.4 and 6.5</a>.
- D.5.5. If you started studying the PRJ7PRJ Postgraduate Project module (commonly known as the one semester project) before September 2020, but either failed or suspended or deferred the module before September 2020, you are allowed to continue studying the same module.
- D.5.6. If you only have the project module left to study in autumn 2020, or the project module and one other module, you will be allowed to register on the PRJ7PRJ Postgraduate Project module.
- D.5.7. In the case of D.5.5 and D.5.6, sections D.4.3, D.4.5 and D.4.6 do not apply. You have a maximum of three attempts to complete the PRJ7PRJ Postgraduate Project module including your attempts at the module prior to September 2020.
- D.5.8. If you are eligible to continue studying the PRJ7PRJ Postgraduate Project module you will also be given the option to switch to study the PRJ7PRA/S Postgraduate Project module (commonly known as the yearlong project).
- D.5.9. If you are eligible to study PRJ7PRJ but choose to study the PRJ7PRA/S Postgraduate Project module from the autumn 2020 semester, you are allowed the full number of attempts (four) on the PRJ7PRA/S Postgraduate Project module as outlined in D.4.2. This does not apply if you choose to switch in a later semester.
- D.5.10. Section 3.2 of the Academic and Programme Regulations does not apply if you study the PRJ7PRJ Postgraduate Project module. You are not allowed to suspend or defer your studies of this module. Instead, you can choose to switch to the PRJ7PRA/S Postgraduate Project module. You are allowed to suspend or defer the PRJ7PRA/S Postgraduate Project module in line with section 3.2 and 3.3.

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### **D.6 Academic compensation**

- D.6.1. <u>Section 6.7 of the Academic and Programme Regulations</u> outlines the regulations relating to academic compensation.
- D.6.2. You can compensate a maximum of 40 credits per academic level (excluding the project module) (<u>Section 2.2.4 of the Academic and Programme Regulations</u> defines academic level.)
- D.6.3. You cannot have more than 40 credits "On hold" at any one time. (Section 6.7.6 of the Academic and Programme Regulations defines "On hold".)

#### D.6.4. If you:

- have one or more grades "On hold" when you begin your September 2020 semester, and
- you fail another module which is eligible for academic compensation, and
- this puts you over the maximum number of credits eligible for academic compensation (see D.6.2),

then, your original "On hold" grades will be kept, and you must repeat the newly failed module, unless you tell us otherwise. If you choose to retake a module which you studied before September 2020 you must retake the equivalent new or updated module.

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## Appendix E. Grade codes

The following table will help you understand the grades noted on your results letter.

Name	Code	Description
Pass	Р	You have successfully completed the module and have been awarded the applicable credits.
Fail, Resubmit	FS	You have failed the module and will not achieve any credits for the module. You now have the opportunity to complete a resubmission. Please see <a href="mailto:section 6.4">section 6.4</a> of the regulations for more information about resubmissions.
Fail, Retake	FR	You have failed the module and will not achieve any credits for the module. You will be required to retake any failed modules at the next available opportunity, normally one year later. You will be charged the full module fee for retaking the module. Please see <a "academic="" a="" academic="" an="" at="" awarded.="" be="" called="" can="" compensation".<="" failed="" for="" href="mailto:section.org/sect&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;On hold&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;OH&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;Please note that this grade status is only applicable after a resubmission attempt.&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;Section 6.6 (for undergraduates) and section 6.7 (for postgraduates) of the regulations states that " is="" level="" level,="" make="" module="" or="" overall="" performance="" progress="" same="" so="" td="" the="" this="" up="" you="" your=""></a>
		Academic compensation is only allowed if you meet condition a) and b) outlined in section 6.6 (for undergraduates) or section 6.7 (for postgraduates) of the regulations.
		Your mark currently meets condition a). We do not know your average mark across the relevant academic level yet (condition b) so your grade remains "On hold".
		Regulation 6.6.7 (for undergraduates) or 6.7.7 (for postgraduates) outlines what will happen to your grade when your mark across the relevant academic level is known.
Compensated Pass	СР	Your overall performance at this academic level has made up for a failed module, so you can progress or be awarded. This is called "academic compensation". For more information see <a href="section 6.6">section 6.6</a> (for undergraduates) or <a href="section 6.7">section 6.7</a> (for postgraduates) of the regulations.
Interrupted	IN	This grade indicates that you either suspended or deferred this module in this semester and therefore have not attempted this module.
Deemed not sat	NS	Your attempt at this module has been disregarded. This grade is usually only granted due to mitigating circumstances.

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Name	Code	Description
Failed at Final Attempt	FF	You have been unsuccessful in one or more of your modules and have now reached the maximum number of permitted attempts. Please see <a href="mailto:section6.3">section 6.3</a> of the regulations for information about what happens when you have used up all your allowed attempts at a module.
Condoned Fail	CF	In line with regulation 1.11, the Board of Examiners has excused this failed module. Please note this only occurs in very exceptional circumstances.