

Summary of Updates to Academic Regulations & Policies for 2017/18

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1.	General & Admissions Regulations (approved by AB on 15.06.2017)	
1.i	Throughout the document, “course(s)” or “unit(s)” replaced with “module(s)” or “credit(s)” as appropriate.	
1.ii	Throughout the document, “Head of Registry and Quality” replaced with “Academic Registrar” to reflect the current job title.	
2.	Taught Degree Regulations (approved by AB on 08.06.2016)	
2.i	<u>PGT Common Credit Framework</u>	
2.i.a	Various updates reflecting the new 4*30+60 structure for PGT programmes. (6)	
2.i.b	Credit amounts that are no longer offered (e.g. 18 or 22.5 credits) removed. (7.1)	
2.i.c	Updated classification schemes reflecting the new 4*30+60 structure. (Appendix C)	
3.	Taught Degree Regulations (approved by AB on 15.06.2017)	
3.i	<u>Terminology</u>	
3.i.a	Throughout the document, “course(s)” or “unit(s)” replaced with “module(s)” or “credit(s)” as appropriate.	

- 3.i.b Throughout the document, “Head of Registry and Quality” replaced with “Academic Registrar” to reflect the current job title.
- 3.i.c Reference to Faculty Learning & Teaching Committees removed. (4.1)
- 3.ii Naming of UG exit awards (2.3.4)
- 3.ii.a Correction to the naming convention for two-subject degree exit awards – references to “level 5 or above” removed as not all exit awards include module at level 5 or above.
- 3.iii Open options (7.6 and 7.6.1)
- 3.iii.a Availability of open options to PGT students clarified.
- 3.iv PGT dissertation submission (14)
- 3.iv.a Submission deadline amended to 8 September as previous deadline of 15 September conflicts with the moving-out date for student accommodation.
- 3.iv.b References to hardcopy submission of the dissertation removed.
- 3.v Degrees with no reference to a field of study (Appendix A)
- 3.v.a Paragraph removed as redundant. (formerly A5.7)

- 4. Research Degree Regulations**
- 4.i. References to Faculty Research Committee removed, and responsibilities allocated to Doctoral School Management Group.

- 5. PGT Dissertation Guidelines** (approved by LTQC Chair’s Action on 05.09.2017)
- 5.i References to different PGT structures removed. (1.2 and 1.3)
- 5.ii Clarification of the contribution of the assessed proposal – where relevant – to the overall module mark. (1.2)
- 5.iii Submission deadline amended to 8 September – see 3.iv.a above. (1.4)
- 5.iv Clear split between information on major/minor structures, and information on choice of topic introduced. (2.2 and 2.3)
- 5.v New paragraph added to clarify the relationship between assessed proposal and work plan. (2.8)
- 5.vi Submission information updated in line with Coursework Submission Policy. (4.2)

- 6. Academic Misconduct Policy** (approved by LTQC on 31.05.2017)
- 6.i Addition of new category “Poor Academic Practice”. (2.4)
- 6.ii Clarification of Mitigating Circumstances in relation to any potential academic misconduct. (2.7)
- 6.iii Clarification that retrospective investigation of allegations is possible. (2.11)
- 6.iv Revision of guidance on penalties to include new category of Poor Academic Practice. (5.2 and 6.2)

- 7. Appeals Procedure** (approved by LTQC on 31.05.2017)
- 7.i Clarification that legal representation may be permitted in exceptional circumstances. (1.6)
- 7.ii Clarification on the calling of witnesses. (5.6 and 5.7)

- 8. Attendance Policy** (approved by LTQC on 31.05.2017)
- 8.i New policy.

- 9. Coursework Submission Policy (including Late Penalties)** (approved by LTQC Chair's Action on 05.09.2017)
 - 9.i Clarification that the deduction for late submission is 2 percentage points per day, not 2% (of the mark) per day. (3.1)

- 10. Marking Policy** (approved by LTQC on 26.04.2017)
 - 10.i Thresholds of the contribution of individual assignments to the overall module mark adjusted to 0-10% and 11-49%.

- 11. Maternity & Paternity Policy** (approved by LTQC on 21.02.2017)
 - 11.i New policy.

- 12. Suspension of Academic Regulations Procedure & Form** (approved by LTQC on 31.05.2017)
 - 12.i New procedure.

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