

ORDINANCE 37(B): General Ordinance for Non-Clinical Undergraduate Degrees (applicable to students who commenced their studies prior to 2011-12)

1. The General Ordinance shall apply to full-time undergraduate degrees at the level of either Bachelor or of Master, listed as being available to students in the Faculties of Arts, Science, Engineering, Veterinary Science and Social and Environmental Studies¹, in accordance with the following provisions.
2. **Faculty of Arts**
Bachelor of Arts (BA)
Bachelor of Science (BSc)
Faculty of Science
Bachelor of Science (BSc)
Master of Chemistry (MChem)
Master of Earth Sciences (MESci)
Master of Engineering (MEng)
Master of Mathematics (MMath)
Master of Physics (MPhys)
Faculty of Engineering
Bachelor of Engineering (BEng)
Bachelor of Science (BSc)
Master of Engineering (MEng)
Faculty of Veterinary Science
Bachelor of Science (BSc)
Faculty of Social and Environmental Studies
Bachelor of Arts (BA)
Bachelor of Science (BSc)
Master of Planning (MPlan)
3. The degree of Bachelor shall be conferred, with or without Honours, in one of the Schools of the Faculty.
4. In order to be admitted to a programme of study leading to a degree of Bachelor or of Master, each candidate must have obtained the necessary entrance qualifications of a standard acceptable to the appropriate Faculty and to the Heads of the Departments concerned, and have reached an acceptable level of literacy and numeracy.
5. The programme of study for the degree shall consist of a number of Years of Study. Years of Study shall be designated Years 0, 1, 2, 3 and 4 (for students undertaking the final year of a programme leading to an integrated Master's Degree or a Bachelor's programme which involves a year abroad or other placement). A programme of study shall commence with Year 1 except as provided for in clause 7. Normally, a student must satisfy the Examiners for each year of study in order to proceed to the next year of study.

¹ The Faculties named have now been re-organised into three Faculties: Health and Life Sciences, Humanities and Social Sciences and Science and Engineering.

6. Subject to the provisions of clauses 7, 8 and 9 of this Ordinance:
 - i) candidates admitted to a programme of study leading to the award of the degree of Bachelor shall be eligible for such award with Honours, following successful completion of a minimum of three years of study at a level prescribed by the appropriate Board of Examiners for the degree with Honours;
 - ii) candidates admitted to a programme of study leading to the award of the degree of Master, shall be eligible for such award, following successful completion of a minimum of four years of study.
7. The appropriate Faculty may prescribe by Regulations conditions under which a programme of study shall commence with Year 0. In this case, the requirements for Year 0 shall also be prescribed by Regulations.
8. The appropriate Faculty may recognise credit obtained at appropriate levels in other Faculties of the University as, in part, qualifying students for graduation.
9. The appropriate Faculty may determine that courses of study and examinations of other approved universities and institutions be recognised as, in part, qualifying students for graduation. The appropriate Faculty may prescribe by Regulations programmes in which some part or all of Years 0 and 1 are followed at an institution approved by the Faculty. The Faculty may recognise the courses of study and examinations undertaken in such an institution as, in whole or in part, satisfying the requirements of the Ordinance as they relate to the Years 0 and 1. The appropriate Faculty may recognise the total time spent in Years 0 and 1 as the equivalent of up to one year's residence in the University.
10. Each Year of Study shall consist of modules which have a total value of 120 credits. The minimum value assigned to a module shall not be less than 7.5 credits. The maximum value assigned to a module shall not normally exceed 30 credits. Modules, which may be designated as mandatory, required, pre-requisite or co-requisite, must be taken in approved combinations. Designation as mandatory requires the agreement of the appropriate Faculty, and shall normally be restricted in any one study year to modules of a total value of 90 credits or fewer. A module which has been passed in one year of study may not be taken in a subsequent year of study.
11. Students shall be assessed in all modules for which they are registered by the end of the year of study. Assessment results shall be determined formally at the end of the second semester in each year of study.
12. In order to complete each year of study satisfactorily (with the exception of the final year and any year followed away from the University for which separate provision may be made), students must:
 - i) pass summative assessments in all mandatory modules;
 - ii) pass summative assessments covering modules totalling at least 90 credits;
 - iii) obtain an overall pass in the summative assessments covering modules totalling 120 credits;
 - iv) achieve a prescribed minimum mark in all modules.
13. Candidates in Years 0, 1 or 2 who fail to complete a year of study satisfactorily at the end of the second semester will normally be required to present themselves in August/September for assessments in modules failed or not examined, unless

excluded from the August/September assessments by the appropriate Board of Examiners. The Year 0, 1 or 2 assessments taken at the end of each semester and in August/September, shall be counted together as one assessment except that, in any year of study in which marks contribute towards the final degree, the mark obtained at the second attempt shall be capped at the pass mark for the purposes of determining the final degree classification.

14. Students who fail the Year 0, Year 1 or Year 2 assessments may be given permission by the Board of the Examiners to re-sit assessments or re-take modules in the following Session. Subject to this provision, and the provisions of clause 13, students who fail a year of study on two occasions shall normally be required to terminate their studies.
15. Candidates for the degree of Bachelor with Honours who fail their final year of study shall be allowed, in accordance with the provisions of the Model for Non-Clinical First Degrees, to re-take the failed modules or re-sit the failed assessments, as appropriate, on one occasion at the next ordinary timing/sitting of those modules/assessments in the following session and, following re-assessment, shall be eligible for consideration for the award of the degree with Honours. The conditions relating to such re-taking of the failed assessments shall be determined by Boards of Examiners in accordance with the provisions of the Model for Non-Clinical First Degrees. Where the assessment is a coursework assignment (including such assignments set in lieu of formal examinations in specific circumstances), the Board of Examiners shall determine the timescale for the submission of the re-taken assignment.
16. Regulations shall determine what opportunities, if any, candidates for the degrees of MChem, MEng, MMath, MPhys and MPlan shall have to re-take failed Year 3 and Year 4 assessments.
17. Regulations shall determine the subjects of examinations and the conditions of attendance required for the degree of Bachelor or the degree of Master.
18. Boards of Examiners shall be empowered to take account of mitigating circumstances affecting students' performance in determining the conditions relating to re-assessments and their final degree results, in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Practice on Assessment and the Mitigating Circumstances Policy.

REGULATIONS: FACULTY OF ARTS

1. The Progress Committee of the Faculty, acting on behalf of the Faculty, shall be empowered to exclude from an examination any students who have not attended to the satisfaction of the Head of the Department or School upon their approved programme of study or studies or who have not properly completed the written or other work allotted to them in connection therewith.
2. The programme of study for candidates admitted under clause 6 of the General Ordinance shall extend over three or four years.
3.
 - a) The programme of lectures, classes and tutorials attended by candidates in the Joint Schools shall not exceed seven hours per week in any one subject.
 - b) The programme of lectures, classes and tutorials attended by candidates in the School of Combined Honours shall not exceed five hours per week in any one subject in Year 1, or seven hours per week in any one subject in Years 2,

3 or 4.

- c) The programme of lectures, classes and tutorials attended by candidates for a degree in Modern European Languages shall not exceed five hours per week in any one subject in Years 1 and 2 and in Year 3 (where three subjects are taken), or seven hours per week in any one subject in Year 3 (where two subjects are taken).
4. Candidates who have passed the Year 1 examination in any School of the Faculty may, if they have taken appropriate modules in Year 1 and with the permission of the appropriate Heads of Departments, Directors of Studies and the Executive Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the Faculty, be allowed to transfer to another School of the Faculty.
 5. Candidates who fail in the Year 1 examination in both June and August/September may:
 - a) be required to terminate their studies; or
 - b) be allowed to repeat the programme of study with attendance in the same School or in another School and submit themselves for the Year 1 examination in the following June, taking all examinations in the modules studied during that year; candidates who fail in the Year 1 examination in June shall be allowed to present themselves again for examination in August/September in the module(s) in which they have failed; or
 - c) be allowed to repeat the programme of study without attendance in the same School and to submit themselves for the Year 1 examination in the following June; candidates who fail in the Year 1 examination in June shall be allowed to present themselves again for examination in August/September in the module(s) in which they have failed.
 6. Except by special permission of the Faculty, granted on the ground of ill-health or for other sufficient reason, the First Part of the Final Examination for the degree must be taken not later than the end of the fourth year, and the Second Part must be taken not later than the end of the fifth year of study in the Faculty.
 7. Dissertations, when required, must be submitted not later than the date specified by individual Schools. No extension of time will be granted except on account of illness or for other grave reason.
 8. Candidates who fail in the First Part of the Final Examination in both June and August/September may, with the approval of the Faculty:
 - a) be required to terminate their studies; or
 - b) be allowed to repeat the programme of study with attendance in the same School or in another School and submit themselves for the First Part of the Final Examination in the following June, taking all examinations in the modules studied during that year; candidates who fail in the First Part of the Final Examination in June shall be allowed to present themselves again for examination in August/September in the module(s) in which they have failed; or
 - c) be allowed to repeat the programme of study without attendance in the same School and to submit themselves for the First Part of the Final Examination in the following June; candidates who fail in the First Part of the Final Examination in June shall be allowed to present themselves again for

examination in August/September in the module(s) in which they have failed.

9. In exceptional circumstances, the Examiners for the First Part of the Final Examination may determine that a candidate who has failed in that examination be permitted **either** to repeat Year 2 in the same School, with or without attendance, **or** to transfer to some other programme of study within the Faculty; all such transfers shall be subject to the concurrence of the appropriate Board of Studies.
10. Candidates in Joint Honours Schools who fail in one subject in the First Part of the Final Examination and achieve an acceptable standard in the other may be permitted by the Examiners, including the External Examiner, in the subject passed, to transfer to the Single Honours School of that subject, repeating the First Part of the Final Examination.
11. The degree of Bachelor of Arts may be awarded with a distinction in the spoken use of a modern foreign language.
12. The requirements in the individual Schools of the Faculty shall be approved by the Faculty and set out in the programme specifications.

REGULATIONS: FACULTY OF SCIENCE

1. Students registered for the programmes 'Biological Sciences', 'Biomolecular Sciences', 'Chemical Sciences', 'Computer Information Systems (UCAS Code G521)', 'Computer Science (UCAS Code G408)', 'Earth Sciences', 'Geography (UCAS Code F808)', 'Life Sciences', 'Mathematical Sciences (UCAS Codes G142 and G108)', 'Physical Sciences' and 'Psychology (UCAS Code C8081)' will be required to commence the programme of study with Year 0. In each session, students will be required to register for programmes or modules of study, and be examined on all programmes or modules for which they are registered.
2.
 - i) In the programmes 'Biological Sciences', 'Biomolecular Sciences', 'Chemical Sciences', 'Computer Information Systems (UCAS Code G521)', 'Computer Science (UCAS Code G408)', 'Earth Sciences', 'Geography (UCAS Code F808)', 'Life Sciences', 'Mathematical Sciences (UCAS Codes G142 and G108)', 'Physical Sciences' and 'Psychology (UCAS Code C8081)', some part or all of Years 0 and 1 may be spent at an institution approved by the Faculty.
 - ii) Students registered for the MChem programmes in Chemistry with a European Language and Chemistry with Industrial Chemistry or the MESci programme in Geophysics (North America) will be required to spend Year 3 following an approved programme elsewhere than in the University. Students registered for the BSc programmes in Applied Biochemistry (Biochemistry with a Year in Research/Industry, from 2005), Applied Biology, Applied Genetics (Genetics with a Year in Research/Industry, from 2005), Applied Molecular Biology (Molecular Biology with a Year in Research/Industry, from 2005), Chemistry with a European Language, Chemistry with Industrial Chemistry, Life Sciences with a European Language and Mathematical Sciences with a European Language will be required to include a year of study abroad or in industry in the programme of study.
3. The programmes and examinations for degrees in other Faculties of this University listed below are recognised as qualifying, in part, for the degree of BSc:
 - i) The first four years of the programme leading to the degrees of Bachelor of

Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery and relevant assessments are accepted as equivalent to Year 1 and 2 and their assessments.

- ii) The first two years of the programme leading to the degree of BVSc and the relevant assessments are accepted as qualifying candidates for entry to Honours Schools of the Faculty of Science.
 - iii) The first two years of the programme leading to the degree of BDS and the relevant assessments are accepted as qualifying candidates for entry to Honours Schools of the Faculty of Science.
 - iv) Such other programmes and examinations as are specially approved by the Board of the Faculty of Science.
4. i) In any year, students register for a combination of modules worth 120 credits as provided for in the relevant programme specification. A module which has been passed in one year of study may not be taken in a subsequent year of study except where permission has been given to repeat a full year of study in accordance with the provisions of the Model for Non-Clinical First Degree Programmes or in the context of a change of programme by the student.
- ii) Students following certain programmes in Science are required to undertake, as a compulsory and integral part of their studies, such vacation and field studies as may be approved by the Faculty.
5. i) The Progress Committee of the Faculty shall be empowered to exclude from an examination any student who has not attended a programme to the satisfaction of the Head of Department concerned, or who has not properly completed the written or other work allotted to him/her.
- ii) A Bachelor of Science (BSc) student who has satisfied the Examiners in Year 3 will be recommended for the award of an Honours degree. The Examiners in Year 3 shall take account of the student's performance in Year 2. In the case of a candidate who has not spent Year 2 in the Faculty of Science, the carry-forward mark shall be calculated as follows:

Intercalating MBChB students

For each completed Special Study Module (SSM), a mark shall be assigned to its grading as follows:

Distinction 75%

Merit 65%

Pass 50%

The carry-forward mark shall then be the average over completed SSMs of the marks assigned.

Intercalating BVSc and BDS students who have completed only two years of study

The average of the Year 2 marks.

Intercalating BVSc and BDS students who have completed three years of study.

The average of the Year 2 and 3 marks.

Others

As shall be agreed by the Executive Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the Faculty or his/her representative.

- iii) A student who wishes to enter Year 3 of a particular BSc, MChem, MEdSci, MMath or MPhys, programme must have taken and satisfied the Examiners in modules approved by the Director of the programme in question. Admission to Year 3 of a programme other than one encompassed by the Year 2 registration will be subject to approval by the Director of the programme in question.
 - iv) A Bachelor of Science (BSc), Master of Chemistry (MChem), Master of Earth Science (MEdSci), Master of Mathematics (MMath) or Master of Physics (MPhys) student who has satisfied the Examiners in Year 2 at a sufficient standard may become a Year 3 BSc, MChem, MEdSci, MMath or MPhys student respectively. A Year 3 MChem, MEdSci, MMath or MPhys student who satisfies the Examiners at a sufficient standard may become a Year 4 MChem, MEdSci, MMath or MPhys student respectively. A Year 4 MChem, MEdSci, MMath or MPhys student who satisfies the Examiners will be recommended for the award of the degree of MChem, MEdSci, MMath or MPhys respectively. The Examiners in Year 4 may take account of the student's performance in Years 2 and 3.
- 6.
- i) The examinations for the Honours degree of BSc and the degrees of MChem, MEdSci, MMath or MPhys are those examinations in Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 as prescribed in clause 5 of the General Ordinance and Regulation 3.
 - ii) The examinations on a programme may include written, practical and oral components and a contribution from continuous assessment. In addition to topics covered by a programme, topics regarded as prerequisites to entry upon a programme may also be subject to examination.
 - iii) A Year 2 MChem, MEdSci, MMath or MPhys student who fails to reach the standard required to proceed as a Year 3 MChem, MEdSci, MMath or MPhys student, but who satisfies the Examiners, may transfer to the degree of BSc with backdating as appropriate.
 - iv) A Year 3 MChem, MEdSci, MMath or MPhys student who fails to reach the standard required to proceed as a Year 4 MChem, MEdSci, MMath or MPhys student may be considered for the award of the degree of BSc with or without Honours on the basis of performance in Years 2 and 3.
 - v) A Year 4 MChem, MEdSci, MMath or MPhys student who fails to satisfy the Examiners may be recommended for the award of the degree of BSc with or without Honours on the basis of performance in Years 2 and 3 (and also 4 if appropriate).
7. A student who entered in 2001-02 or earlier shall not re-sit any examination in Year 3 of a BSc or in Year 3 or 4 of a MChem, MEdSci, MMath or MPhys degree programmes.
8. In the case of students successful in the Year 4 MChem, MEdSci, MMath or MPhys examinations, a classification shall be awarded to each candidate, either: First Class, Second Class (Division 1), Second Class (Division 2), or Third Class.

REGULATIONS: FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

1. The Faculty shall offer programmes of study leading to the award of BEng (Hons), MEng and BSc (Hons). Students who do not reach the standards required for these degrees may qualify for an exit award of a BEng degree with or without Honours (in the case of students who have not met the standard for the MEng degree), or a BEng or BSc degree without Honours, or a Diploma or Certificate in Higher Education, as appropriate.
2. The Faculty shall admit suitably qualified students into Year 1 of four-year MEng programmes, Year 1 of three-year BEng and BSc programmes and Year 0 of four-year BEng ('with foundation year') programmes. The Faculty shall also admit students with approved qualifications into Year 2 of MEng, BEng and BSc programmes.
3. Programme structures may include supplementary activities (e.g. Workshop Practice, Field Course, Flight Test course, Industrial Visits) as part of or in addition to the constituent modules. Some of these may take place over one or more weekends or in the University vacation periods. Unless given exemption by their Programme Director, students are required to attend (paying any associated fees by the stipulated date) and satisfactorily complete these in order to pass the year.
4. In exceptional circumstances, a Programme Director may recommend for Faculty approval that a student be permitted on academic grounds to replace one or more required modules in the approved programme structure with alternative modules.
5. The Progress Committee of the Faculty, acting on behalf of the Faculty, shall be empowered to exclude from an examination any student whose attendance or associated coursework is deemed unsatisfactory by the Head of Department or Chairman of the Board of Studies.
6. Marks gained in Years 0 and 1 do not contribute to the assessment of the final degree classification. The marks gained in Year 2 of BEng or BSc programmes *do* contribute to the degree classification assessment at the end of Year 3. Similarly, the marks gained in Year 2 and Year 3 of an MEng programme contribute to the degree classification assessment at the end of Year 4.
7. Students whose attendance and/or performance in examinations have been substantially affected by a medical or other significant cause shall be considered individually by departmental Mitigating Circumstances committees or equivalent, prior to the formal meeting of the appropriate Board of Examiners.
8. Students who fail the Year 0 examinations after re-sitting in August/September will normally be required to terminate their studies. However, if their attendance and/or performance in examinations are considered by the Mitigating Circumstances Committee to have been substantially affected by a medical or other significant cause, they may be permitted to repeat one or both semesters or just their failed modules in the following session.
9. Progression from Year 2 into Year 3 of the MEng programme: students must normally obtain, at the first attempt:
 - i) an overall average mark of at least 55%; and
 - ii) at least a pass mark (40%) in all modules; and
 - iii) (Civil Engineering only) a pass in professional interview.

Students who marginally fail to satisfy these requirements will be considered individually. Those that fail to satisfy the requirements but meet the requirements to progress into Year 3 of the equivalent BEng (Hons) programme will automatically be re-registered for that programme.

10. Progression from Year 3 into Year 4 of the MEng programme: students must normally obtain:
 - i) an overall average mark of at least 55%; and
 - ii) at least a pass mark (40%) in all modules.

Students who marginally fail to satisfy these requirements or who are excused their absence from one or more examinations for medical reasons or other good cause will be considered individually. Those that fail to satisfy the requirements will be considered for the award of a BEng (Hons) degree by applying the appropriate degree classification scheme.

11. MEng students may, if they wish, terminate their studies at the end of Year 3 and be considered for the award of a BEng degree by applying the appropriate degree classification scheme. If Faculty receives notification of this wish after the June Board of Examiners, the classification will not be considered until June of the following year. Shortly after notifying the Faculty, these students will be entitled to request a transcript of their marks and a reference indicating the expected decision of the Board.
12. Students must normally achieve **at least** a pass mark (40%) in all Year 4 modules. If a candidate meets the criteria for the award of a classified MEng (Hons) degree but has failed a module or modules in their final year, the Board of Examiners, before recommending the award of a classified honours degree, must satisfy itself that the overall learning outcomes of the programme of study have been achieved.
13. Students who, at the end of Year 4, fail to satisfy the requirements for an MEng (Hons) degree will be considered for the award of a BEng degree with or without Honours by applying the appropriate degree classification scheme.
14. A student with the appropriate pre-requisites may be permitted, with the approval of the two Programme Directors, to transfer from one programme into the beginning of the same year of study in another programme. S/he will be required to take all modules in that year of the new programme including any modules already taken (passed or failed); modules re-taken will not be capped.
15. Programmes may require students to undertake an industrial placement after Year 2 that is not assessed as part of the degree. Such placements will normally commence in September and last for at least thirty weeks. Students may be required to register for the Certificate of Industrial Training.
16. A student whose performance in the University has been satisfactory may be permitted to suspend studies to undertake work experience or training appropriate to his/her programme. This period shall normally be one academic year and should normally take place between Year 2 and Year 3.
17. A student may be permitted by the Faculty to suspend his/her academic studies on medical, personal, financial or other substantial grounds. The suspension may last for twelve months or, given appropriate supporting evidence, the student may be permitted to restart the semester or the academic year. Only in exceptional circumstances will students be permitted to extend their period of suspension.

REGULATIONS: FACULTY OF VETERINARY SCIENCE

BSc in Bioveterinary Science

1. The Faculty BSc Progress Committee, acting on behalf of the Faculty, shall be empowered to exclude from an examination any students who have not attended to the satisfaction of the Head of Department or the Programme Director upon their approved course of study or who have not properly completed the written or other work allotted to them in connection therewith.
2. Candidates may be required to undertake a placement as a compulsory part of the course of study.
3. Assessment may be by written and oral examination and by continuous assessment.
4. In order to complete the first and second years of study satisfactorily, candidates must:
 - i) pass examinations in all mandatory modules;
 - ii) pass examinations covering modules totalling at least 90 credits;
 - iii) obtain an overall average mark of not less than 40% in the examination covering modules totalling 120 credits;
 - iv) achieve a minimum mark of 35% in all modules.The pass mark for all examinations is 40%.
5. Candidates who fail to complete the first or second year of study satisfactorily at the end of the second semester will be required to present themselves for re-examination in August/September in all failed modules.
6. Candidates who fail in the re-sit examinations in August/September may, at the discretion of the Faculty Progress Committee, acting on behalf of the Faculty:
 - a) be required to terminate their studies; or
 - b) be permitted to repeat the failed modules with or without attendance in the following session and present themselves for end-of-semester examinations and again in August/September should they fail to satisfy the Examiners at the earlier attempt.
7. In determining the classification of the degree of BSc in Bioveterinary Science with Honours, the Examiners shall count as 30% of the final mark the mark obtained in Year 2 examinations, with any marks obtained at a second attempt at Year 2 being capped at the pass mark of 40%. The Year 3 examinations shall count as 70% of the final mark.

REGULATIONS: FACULTY OF SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

1. The Progress Committee of the Faculty, acting on behalf of the Faculty, shall be empowered to exclude from an examination any student who has not attended to the satisfaction of the Head of the Department upon their approved course of study or who has not properly completed the written or other work allotted to them in connection therewith.
2. In order to complete each Year of Study satisfactorily, students must:
 - i) pass examinations in all mandatory modules;

- ii) pass examinations covering modules totalling at least 90 credits;
 - iii) achieve at least 40% averaged across all modules; and
 - iv) achieve a minimum mark of 35% in all modules.
3. The pass mark for all examinations is 40%. Except in the case of marks which do not contribute towards the final degree classification, the maximum mark obtainable in any re-examination in each August/September is normally 40% and is aggregated with marks obtained the previous June (including marks from first semester examinations) towards satisfying the requirement of Regulation 2.
 4. Candidates who have passed the Year 1 examination in any School of the Faculty may enter the Year 2 of study of that School. Candidates may, if they have taken appropriate modules in Year 1 and with the permission of the appropriate Heads of Departments, Directors of Studies and the Executive Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the Faculty, be allowed to transfer to another School of the Faculty.
 5. Candidates who fail in the Year 1 or 2 examination in both June and August/September may:
 - i) be allowed to repeat the Year 1 or 2 programme of study with attendance in the same School or another School and submit themselves for the Year 1 or 2 examination at the end of the first and second semester following. Subject to the provisions of Regulation 1, candidates who fail in the Year 1 or 2 examination in June shall be allowed to present themselves again for examination in August/September in the module(s) in which they have failed; or
 - ii) be allowed to repeat the Year 1 or 2 course of study with partial attendance or without attendance in the same School and submit themselves for the Year 1 or 2 examination in the failed modules at the end of the first and/or second semester following. In cases of partial attendance candidates may be permitted to substitute new modules for failed modules on academic grounds. Subject to the provisions of Regulation 1, candidates who fail in the Year 1 or 2 examination in June shall be allowed to present themselves again for examination in August/September in the module(s) in which they have failed; or
 - iii) be required to terminate their studies.
 6. A Year 2 MPlan student who fails to reach the standard required to proceed as a Year 3 MPlan student, but who satisfied the Examiners, may transfer to the degree of BA with backdating as appropriate.
 7. Candidates in Year 2 of a programme of study may be permitted to pursue their studies abroad for a period not exceeding one session at an approved institution.
 8. The period of study abroad will be deemed to be equivalent to the corresponding period within the Year 2 programme of study at this University.
 9. Candidates permitted to pursue their studies abroad under Regulation 7 will be required to attend such courses and present themselves for such examinations as may be prescribed for the purpose by the relevant Department or School.
 10. All Year 2 and Year 3 examinations for the degree of Bachelor of Arts with Honours and Year 2, 3 and 4 examinations for the degree of Master of Planning may be, in part, oral.

11. There shall be no August/September examinations in Year 3 of the BA degree or in Year 3 or Year 4 of the MPlan degree programme. The provisions of clause 15 of this Ordinance shall apply to such candidates.
12. A Year 3 MPlan student who fails to reach the standard required to proceed as a Year 4 MPlan student may be considered for the award of the degree of BA with or without Honours on the basis of performance in Years 2 and 3.
13. A Year 4 MPlan student deemed by the Board of Examiners not to have satisfied the requirements for the award of the degree may be recommended for the award of the degree of Bachelor of Arts with or without Honours on the basis of performance in Years 2 and 3 (and also 4 if appropriate).
14. The requirements for individual Schools shall be approved by the Faculty and set out in relevant programme specifications and School/programme handbooks.

The Code of Practice on Assessment (including the Model for Non-Clinical First Degrees, the Degree Classification Systems and the Mitigating Circumstances Policy) can be found at: <https://www.liverpool.ac.uk/aqsd/academic-codes-of-practice/code-of-practice-on-assessment/>