

University of Aberdeen

University Court

Proposed Changes to Resolution No XXX: [Changes in Regulations for Various Degrees]

Notice is today, Thursday 11 May 2017, hereby given under the terms of the Universities (Scotland) Act 1966 that at its meeting of 28 March 2017, the University Court resolved to send to the Senatus Academicus and the Business Committee of the General Council the enclosed Draft Resolution.

Proposed Changes

The Court has agreed to formally consult, as required by statute, on a draft Resolution to give effect to changes to Resolution No XXX [Changes in Regulations for Various Degrees].

This Resolution enacts the changes in Degree Regulations recommended by the Quality Assurance Committee (QAC), the University Committee on Teaching and Learning (UCTL) and Senate.

The majority of these changes reflect (i) typographical amendments to text previously approved or (ii) introductions, amendments and withdrawals of degree programmes, which will be reflected in the relevant supplementary regulations as detailed.

Additional changes included in the regulatory changes are noted as follows:

- (i) The revision of the 'General Regulations for First Degrees' to reflect the decision of the Senate, on the recommendation of the University Committee on Teaching and Learning (UCTL) to remove the requirement to undertake Enhanced Study at levels 3 and 4. Regulation 9.2 stipulates the requirement for students to undertake 60 credit points of Enhanced Study across levels 1 and 2.
- (ii) The amendment of the Postgraduate Study Regulations to reflect existing practice and to remove references to the former College Graduate Schools.

Comments to the University Court

Any other body or person having an interest who wishes to comment on the proposals should lodge such representations (in writing) **by 5pm Friday 9 June 2017** with Mr Bruce Purdon, Clerk to the Court, b.purdon@abdn.ac.uk, University Secretary's Office, Regent Walk, Old Aberdeen, AB24 3FX.

DRAFT RESOLUTION NO OF 2017

[CHANGES IN REGULATIONS FOR VARIOUS DEGREES]

After consultation with the Senatus Academicus, the University Court, at its meeting on < > passed the following Resolution:

1. On the recommendation of the Senatus Academicus, the following changes to Degree Regulations are hereby approved.
2. This Resolution shall come into force on the fifteenth day of September, two thousand and seventeen, but the requirements under it shall also be binding on students proceeding for the first time to First Degree study from the Summer School for Access, or from Programme Year 0 of the MA or BSc with Foundation Studies.

1. General Regulations for First Degrees

Regulation 9.2

Insert new regulation 9.2 as follows:

- '9.2 Except with the permission of the Senatus Academicus, or where other exemption has been granted as specified in the relevant Supplementary Regulations, all candidates, as part of a graduating curriculum, must undertake 60 credit points of Enhanced Study across programme years 1 and 2.'

Re-number the following regulations.

9.2	Except with the permission of the Senatus Academicus, or where other exemption has been granted as specified in the relevant Supplementary Regulations, all candidates, as part of a graduating curriculum, must normally undertake 60 credit points of Enhanced Study across programme years 1 and 2.
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Regulation 22.3

In the existing regulation, following 'Any candidate' **delete** 'enrolled at the University prior to 2003/04'.

In the existing regulation, following 'Undergraduate Diploma in Higher Education (UGDipHE).'
delete 'Candidates first enrolled during or after 2003/04 are required to achieve 240 credit points, including not less than 90 credit points at Level 2 for the award of the Undergraduate Diploma in Higher Education.'

22.3 Any candidate ~~enrolled at the University prior to 2003/04~~ who while registered at the University has obtained not less than 240 credit points, including not less than 90 credit points at Level 2, from courses which can be counted towards graduation with a first degree, and who is not qualified for the award of any other degree, diploma or certificate of the University, other than the Undergraduate Certificate in Higher Education, shall be awarded an Undergraduate Diploma in Higher Education (UgDipHE). ~~Candidates first enrolled during or after 2003/04 are required to achieve 240 credit points, including not less than 90 credit points at Level 2 for the award of the Undergraduate Diploma in Higher Education.~~

Regulation 23

Delete the existing regulation.

- ~~23. Except with the permission of the Senatus Academicus, or where other exemption has been granted as specified in the relevant Supplementary Regulations, all candidates admitted in, or after, Academic Year 2009/10 must, as part of a graduating curriculum, satisfy the Enhanced Study requirements:~~
- ~~(a) 60 credit points achieved in programme years 1 and 2 combined and~~
 - ~~(b) 30 credit points achieved in programme years 3 and above. Except with the permission of the Senatus Academicus, where these courses form part of an Honours Programme, they should normally be drawn from courses offered at level 3 and above~~
 - ~~(c) normally include at least one course designated as 'Sixth Century'~~

2. Supplementary Regulations for the Award of all Master of Arts (MA) Degrees

Regulation 1 (iii)

In the existing regulation, following 'Senatus Academicus' **insert** 'and in accordance with General Regulation 17.1 for First Degrees'.

In the existing regulation, following 'for all degrees' **replace** existing text with '. Those degree programmes marked with an asterisk (*) in the awards list in Supplementary Regulation 6 may only be undertaken by full-time study at Honours level.

In the existing regulation **delete** 'Note' and all subsequent text.

- (iii) *Candidates for the degree by a combination of both part-time and full-time study: such period as may be determined in individual cases by the Senatus Academicus [and in accordance with General Regulation 17.1 for First Degrees.](#)*

In terms of General Regulation 4 for First Degrees, part-time study is permitted at levels one and two for all degrees, ~~except those~~ [degree programmes](#) marked with an asterisk (*) in the awards list [in Supplementary Regulation 6 may only be undertaken by full-time study at Honours level.](#)

~~Note: —~~

~~Candidates attending courses of 15 credit points in 2 six-week consecutive blocks will fulfil the 30 credit point requirement for the half session as determined in General Regulation 4. Attendance not conforming to this definition is deemed part-time study.~~

Regulation 4

In the existing regulation **delete** 'Entrepreneurship' and 'Health Studies', 'Literature in a World Context' and 'Scottish Cultural Studies'.

4. The Designated Degree of Master of Arts may be awarded in the following disciplines:

Accountancy, Anthropology, Applied Mathematics, Archaeology, Behavioural Studies, Business Management Studies, Celtic & Anglo-Saxon Studies, Computing, Divinity, Economics, English, ~~Entrepreneurship~~, Film & Visual Culture, Finance, French Studies, #Gaelic with Education (Primary) (UHIMI), #Gaelic with Education (Secondary) (UHIMI), #Gaelic with Educational Studies (UHIMI), Gaelic Studies, Geography, German Studies, ~~Health Studies~~, Hispanic Studies, History, History of Art, Information Systems & Management, Language &

Regulation 6.1

Subsection (i)

In the existing regulation, after '*Computing (also available)', **insert** 'as MSci'.

In the existing regulation **delete** 'German Studies (Mode B), Hispanic Studies (Mode B)' and Literature in a World Context.'

6.1 *Degree of Master of Arts with Honours*

(i) Single Honours

Accountancy, Anthropology, Applied Mathematics, Archaeology, *Behavioural Studies, Business Management, Celtic & Anglo-Saxon Studies,*Computing (also available [as MSci](#) with Industrial Placement), Divinity, Economics, English, English and Scottish Literature, English with Creative Writing, European Studies, Film & Visual Culture, Finance, French Studies, French Studies (Mode B), Gaelic Studies, Geography, German Studies, ~~German Studies (Mode B)~~, Hispanic Studies, ~~Hispanic Studies (Mode B)~~, History, History of Art, Language & Linguistics, ~~Literature in a World Context~~, Mathematics, Mental Philosophy, Natural Philosophy, Politics and International Relations, *Psychology, Real Estate, Religious Studies, Sociology.

Regulation 6.1

Subsection (ii)

In the existing regulation **delete** all programmes containing 'German Studies (Mode B) and Hispanic Studies (Mode B)'

6.1 (ii) Joint and Combined Honours:

Accountancy-Business Management, Accountancy-Economics, Accountancy-Finance, Accountancy-French, Accountancy-German, Accountancy-Hispanic Studies, Accountancy-Legal Studies, Accountancy with French, Accountancy with German, Anthropology-Archaeology, Anthropology-Celtic & Anglo-Saxon Studies, Anthropology-English, Anthropology-Film & Visual Culture, Anthropology-French, ~~Anthropology-French (Mode B)~~, Anthropology-Gaelic Studies, Anthropology-Geography, Anthropology-German, ~~Anthropology-German (Mode B)~~, Anthropology-Hispanic Studies, ~~Anthropology-Hispanic Studies (Mode B)~~, Anthropology-History, Anthropology-International Relations, Anthropology-Philosophy, Anthropology-Politics, *Anthropology-Psychology, Anthropology-Religious Studies, Anthropology-Sociology

Regulation 7

Delete the existing regulation.

Re-number the following regulations.

7. Candidates shall not be admitted to any Honours programme unless they have complied with the prerequisites for entry to that programme as prescribed by the Senatus Academicus.

Regulation 8

In the existing regulation, for 'academic year' **substitute** 'session or half-session'.

In the existing regulation, following 'their Degree Classification.' **insert** 'Such proposals must be approved by the relevant Head of School'.

87. Candidates shall not be admitted to a two year Honours programme unless they have obtained a minimum of 240 credit points at levels 1 and 2, including all ~~courses prescribed and prerequisite courses for the degree programme for which the candidate is registered~~ **required to graduate**. The Convenor of the Students' Progress Committee (Arts and Social Sciences), on the recommendation of the Head of School concerned, may exempt candidates from this requirement.

Regulation 9

In the existing regulation, for 'academic year' **substitute** 'session or half-session'.

In the existing regulation, following 'their Degree Classification.' **insert** 'Such proposals must be approved by the relevant Head of School'.

89. Candidates who choose to take more than 120 credit points in any of their Honours years must, at the outset of the relevant ~~academic year~~ **session or half-session**, stipulate in writing the courses that will be included toward their Degree Classification. **Such proposals must be approved by the relevant Head of School.**

Regulation 11

In the existing regulation, for 'academic year' **substitute** 'session'.

1044. Candidates are normally required to complete and submit all prescribed degree assessment by the end of their senior Honours ~~session~~ **academic year**. The Convenor of the Students' Progress Committee (Arts and Social Sciences), on the recommendation of the Head of School concerned, may exempt candidates from this requirement.

Regulation 12

In the existing regulation, following 'Honours degree may.' **insert** 'normally'.

In the existing regulation, following 'joint subject areas' **insert** 'unless granted approval from the Senatus Academicus on the recommendation of the Head(s) of School concerned'.

1142. Candidates for a joint Honours degree may normally only complete one Dissertation in one of their joint subject areas unless granted approval from the Senatus Academicus on the recommendation of the Head(s) of School concerned.

Regulation 13

In the existing regulation, for 'with Industrial Placement shall, on satisfactory completion of the requirements for that degree, be awarded the Degree of Master of Science (MSci)' **substitute** 'who have achieved all prescribed courses for this degree programme, shall be eligible to apply for an Internal Transfer to the Degree of Master in Science (MSci) in Computing with Industrial Placement. Such applications must normally be made no later than the end of programme year 3'.

1243. Candidates for the Degree of Master of Arts with Honours in Computing who have achieved all prescribed courses for this degree programme, shall be eligible to apply for an Internal Transfer to the Degree of Master in Science (MSci) in Computing with Industrial Placement. Such applications must normally be made no later than the end of programme year 3.~~with Industrial Placement shall, on satisfactory completion of the requirements for that degree, be awarded the Degree of Master in Science (MSci).~~

Regulation 15

Insert new regulation 14 as follows:

'14. Candidates registered on Master of Arts Degrees in Languages who wish to undertake an independent plan for their residency abroad requirement must obtain written permission from the relevant Head of School before the commencement of programme year 3.'

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2. Supplementary Regulations for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws (LLB)

Throughout the existing regulations, for 'Regulations' **substitute** 'Supplementary Regulations'.

3. Supplementary Regulations in the Degree of Bachelor of Laws and French Law (LLB and French Law)

Throughout the existing regulations, for 'Regulations' **substitute** 'Supplementary Regulations'.

Regulation 16

In the existing regulation, following 'Regulation 16' **delete** '(supra)'.

4. Supplementary Regulations for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws and German Law (LLB and German Law)

Throughout the existing regulations, for 'Regulations' **substitute** 'Supplementary Regulations'.

Regulation 25

In the existing regulation, **delete** '(supra)'.

5. Supplementary Regulations for Degrees of Bachelor of Laws and Belgian Law (LLB and Belgian Law)

Throughout the existing regulations, for 'Regulations' **substitute** 'Supplementary Regulations'.

Regulation 34

In the existing regulation, **delete** '(supra)'.

6. Supplementary Regulations for Degrees of Bachelor of Laws and Spanish Law (LLB and Spanish Law)

Throughout the existing regulations, for 'Regulations' **substitute** 'Supplementary Regulations'.

Regulation 43

In the existing regulation, **delete** '(supra)'.

6. Supplementary Regulations for Degrees of Bachelor of Laws and European Legal Studies (LLB and European Legal Studies)

Throughout the existing regulations, for 'Regulations' **substitute** 'Supplementary Regulations'.

Regulation 53

In the existing regulation, **delete** '(eupra)'.

7. Supplementary Regulations for Degrees of Bachelor of Laws (LLB) Accelerated

Regulations 56 to 60

Insert the following regulations:

- '56. The degree of Bachelor of Laws (LLB) will be conferred as the Degree of LLB. The degree shall not be conferred honoris causa tantum. The Degree of LLB may be awarded with Commendation or Distinction.
57. Subject to the provisions of Supplementary Regulations 58 to 59 every candidate for the Degree of LLB must obtain a minimum of 360 credit points. Candidates already in possession of a degree before registering for the LLB Accelerated will be awarded 120 credits of recognitions upon entry to the Degree. Candidates will be awarded 90 Level 1 unspecified recognitions, and 30 Level 3 unspecified recognitions. Candidates first enrolled during or after 2003/2004 must obtain a minimum of 60 credit points at level 3, with 30 credits in LS courses and 30 credits of Level 3 unspecified recognitions. Every candidate must be in attendance on classes for the following minimum periods, unless granted exemption by the Senatus Academicus, before applying for the degree.
- (i) Candidates for the degree by full-time study only: not less than two sessions.

58. Every candidate must include in their curriculum and have passed the prescribed degree assessment in the compulsory courses for their particular degree programme as listed in the programme prescription.
59. The minimum 360 credit points required for the award of the Degree must not include credit points from the course LS2533 Business Law.
60. Candidates who have fulfilled the requirements of Supplementary Regulations 57 to 59 and of the General Degree Regulations shall be entitled to apply for the Degree of LLB.'

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(i) Candidates for the degree by full-time study only: not less than two sessions.

58. Every candidate must include in their curriculum and have passed the prescribed degree assessment in the compulsory courses for their particular degree programme as listed in the programme prescription.

59. The minimum 360 credit points required for the award of the Degree must not include credit points from the course LS2533 Business Law.

60. Candidates who have fulfilled the requirements of Supplementary Regulations 57 to 59 and of the General Degree Regulations shall be entitled to apply for the Degree of LLB.

8. Supplementary Regulations for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws with English Law (LLB) Accelerated

Regulations 61 to 65

Insert the following regulations:

- '61. The degree of Bachelor of Laws (LLB) will be conferred as the Degree of LLB.. The degree shall not be conferred honoris causa tantum. The Degree of LLB may be awarded with Commendation or Distinction.
62. Subject to the provisions of Supplementary Regulations 63 to 64 every candidate for the Degree of LLB must obtain a minimum of 390 credit points. Candidates already in possession of a degree before registering for the LLB Accelerated will be awarded 120

credits of recognitions upon entry to the Degree. Candidates will be awarded 120 Level 1 unspecified recognitions. Candidates first enrolled during or after 2003/2004 must obtain a minimum of 60 credit points at level 3 or above in LS courses. Every candidate must be in attendance on classes for the following minimum periods, unless granted exemption by the Senatus Academicus, before applying for the degree.

(i) Candidates for the degree by full-time study only: not less than two sessions.

63. Every candidate must include in their curriculum and have passed the prescribed degree assessment in the compulsory courses for their particular degree programme as listed in the programme prescription.
64. The minimum 390 credit points required for the award of the Degree must not include credit points from the course LS2533 Business Law.
65. Candidates who have fulfilled the requirements of Supplementary Regulations 62 to 64 and of the General Degree Regulations shall be entitled to apply for the Degree of LLB.

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(i) Candidates for the degree by full-time study only: not less than two sessions.

63. Every candidate must include in their curriculum and have passed the prescribed degree assessment in the compulsory courses for their particular degree programme as listed in the programme prescription.

64. The minimum 390 credit points required for the award of the Degree must not include credit points from the course LS2533 Business Law.

65. Candidates who have fulfilled the requirements of Supplementary Regulations 62 to 64 and of the General Degree Regulations shall be entitled to apply for the Degree of LLB.

Renumber the following regulations.

9. Supplementary Regulations for Degrees in Science

Regulation 2

In the existing regulation, following 'MChem', insert 'MEng'.

2. Every candidate for the degree must, unless granted a concession in accordance with General Regulations for First Degrees Regulation 14, attend during one of the following minimum periods, as applicable, approved courses of instruction in the University of Aberdeen:
- (i) *Candidates for the degree by full-time study only:* not less than three sessions in the case of the Degree of a Bachelor's or Designated Bachelor's Degree; not less than four sessions in the case of a Bachelor's Degree with Honours; not less than five sessions of full-time study including an industrial placement in programme year 4 in the case of the Degree of Master in Science (MSci); nor less than five sessions of full-time study including an extended research project or industrial placement in the final year in the case of other Undergraduate Master's Degrees.
 - (ii) *Candidates for the degree by part-time study only:* not less than five sessions in the case of a Bachelor's Degree, not less than six sessions in the case of a Designated Bachelor's Degree and not less than eight sessions in the case of a Bachelor's Degree with Honours.
 - (iii) *Candidates for the degree by a combination of both part-time and full-time study:* such period as may be determined in individual cases by the Senatus Academicus.

In terms of General Regulations for First Degrees 4, part-time study is permitted at all levels for the degrees of MChem, MEng, MGeol and MPhys. For the degree of MSci, part-time study is not permitted during the Industrial Placement. Candidates wishing to undertake part-time study during any part of the MSci Honours programme must seek guidance/approval from the Head of the appropriate School.

Regulation 4.1 Group A

In the existing regulation, delete 'Centre for Lifelong Learning (Flexible Science portfolio)', 'Land Management', 'Soil Science' and 'Tropical Biology'.

Regulation 4.1 Group B

In the existing regulation, for 'KL' substitute 'CO'.

4.1 Courses for the degrees are divided into two groups as under:

Group A: Degree courses in Anatomy, Archaeology, Biochemistry, Biology, Biomedical Sciences, Biotechnology, ~~Centre for Lifelong Learning (Flexible Science portfolio)~~, Chemistry, Computing Science, Developmental Biology, Ecology, Engineering (courses at levels 1 and 2 only), Environmental Science, Forestry, Genetics, Geography, Geology-Petroleum Geology, Geoscience, Health Sciences, History and Philosophy of Science, Immunology, ~~Land Management~~, Marine and Coastal Resource Management, Mathematics, Mathematical Sciences, Microbiology, Molecular Biology, Pharmacology, Physical Sciences, Physics, Physiology, Plant Science, Psychology, School of Medical Sciences, ~~Soil Science~~, Sports Science, Statistics, ~~Tropical Biology~~, Zoology.

Group B: Degree courses in any other discipline to include ~~KCOL~~ Counselling Skills.

Unnamed recognitions granted in respect of previous studies may be awarded in Group A or Group B as appropriate. Credits achieved from Sixth Century courses may be counted towards the total required from Group A, provided that except with the permission of the Senatus Academicus a graduating curriculum may not include in the Group A total more than 60 credit points from Sixth Century courses achieved in programme years 1 and 2 combined, nor more than 30 credit points achieved in programme years 3 and above.

10. Supplementary Regulations for Award of a designated Bachelor's Degree

Regulation 6.1

In the existing regulation **insert** 'Biotechnology', 'Computing Sciences-Mathematics' and 'Environment and Forest Management'.

In the existing regulation, **delete** 'Geology' and '# Programme subject to the Supplementary General Regulations governing Combined Degrees which lead to an award in Initial Teacher Education.'

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| 6.1 | <p><i>Designated Degree of Bachelor of Science in Pure Science (BSc):</i> Animal Behaviour, Applied Mathematics, Archaeology, Archaeology with Chemistry, Archaeology-Geography, Archaeology-Geoscience, Behavioural Biology, Behavioural Studies, Biochemistry, Biology, Biological Sciences, <u>Biotechnology</u>, Chemistry, Chemistry with Mathematics, Chemistry with Physics, Computing Science, Computing Science and Physics, <u>Computing Science- Mathematics</u>, Conservation Biology, Ecology, <u>Environmental and Forest Management</u>, Environmental Science, Exercise and Health Science, Forest Sciences, Genetics, Geology, Geography, Geography-Geoscience, Geology-Petroleum Geology, Geology-Physics, Human Embryology & Developmental Biology, Immunology, Immunology & Pharmacology, Information Systems, Marine Biology, Mathematics, Mathematics and Engineering Mathematics, Mathematics with French, Mathematics with Gaelic, Mathematics with German, Mathematics with Spanish, Mathematics-Physics, Microbiology, Molecular Biology, Neuroscience with Psychology, Pharmacology, Physical Sciences, Physics, Physics with Chemistry, Physics with Geology, Physics with Modern Languages, Physics with Philosophy, Physiology, Plant and Soil Science, Psychology, Psychology with French, Psychology with Gaelic, Psychology with German, Sports & Exercise Science, Zoology.</p> <p># Programme subject to the Supplementary General Regulations governing Combined Degrees which lead to an award in Initial Teacher Education.</p> |
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11. Supplementary Regulations for Award of a Bachelor's Degree with Honours

Note

In the existing note, for 'These' **substitute** 'The'.

In the existing note, following 'Honours' **insert** 'years of these degree'.

In the existing note, following 'full-time study' **insert** 'except with the permission of the Senatus Academicus'.

Note:	Regulations 9 to 13 below are framed with the candidate for the Degree with Honours wholly by full-time study in mind. They also apply <i>mutatis mutandis</i> to candidates combining both part-time and full-time study for the degree.
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* These Honours years of these degree programmes can be taken only by full-time study, except with the permission of the Senatus Academicus-

Regulation 9.1(i)

In the existing regulation **insert** 'Biological Sciences', 'Business Management and Information Systems' and 'Environment and Forest Management'.

Regulation 9.1(ii)

In the existing regulation, **delete** 'Biology-Environmental Humanities' and 'Geology'.

In the existing regulation, following 'Computing Science and Physics' **insert** 'Computing Science-Mathematics'.

9.1 *Degree of Bachelor of Science in Pure Science (BSc) with Honours*

(i) Single Honours: Animal Behaviour, Applied Mathematics, Archaeology, Behavioural Biology, Behavioural Studies, Biochemistry*, Biochemistry (Biobusiness)*, Biology, Biological Sciences, Biotechnology (Applied Molecular Biology)*, Biotechnology (Applied Molecular Biology and Biobusiness)*, Business Management and Information Systems, Chemistry, Computing Science*, Conservation Biology, Ecology, Environmental and Forest Management, Environmental Chemistry*, Environmental Science, Exercise and Health Science, Exercise and Health Science (Biobusiness), Forest Sciences, ~~Geology*~~, Genetics*, Genetics (Biobusiness)*, Genetics (Immunology)*, Genetics (Immunology & Biobusiness)*, Geography, Human Embryology & Developmental Biology*, Human Embryology & Developmental Biology (Biobusiness)*, Immunology*, Immunology (Biobusiness)*, Information Systems*, Marine Biology, Mathematics, Mathematics and Engineering Mathematics, Microbiology*, Microbiology (Biobusiness)*, Molecular Biology*, Molecular Biology (Biobusiness)*, Oil and Gas Chemistry*, Pharmacology*, Pharmacology (Biobusiness)*, Physical Sciences, Physics, Physiology*, Physiology (Biobusiness)*, Plant and Soil Science, Psychology*, Sports & Exercise Science*, Sports & Exercise Science (Biobusiness)*, Zoology.

(ii) Joint Honours: Archaeology-Geography, Archaeology-Geoscience, ~~Biology-Environmental Humanities~~, Computing Science and Physics, Computing Science- Mathematics, Geography-Geoscience*, Geology-Petroleum Geology*, Geology-Physics, Immunology and Pharmacology*, Immunology and Pharmacology (Biobusiness)*, Mathematics-Physics.

12. Supplementary Regulations for an Undergraduate Master's Degree

Regulation 16.5

In the existing regulation, following 'Computing' **insert** 'Computing Science'.

16.5 The *Degree of MSci* may be conferred with the following designations, suffixed in each case by "with Industrial Placement": Biochemistry, Biochemistry (Biobusiness), Biological Sciences, Biomedical Sciences (Anatomy), Biomedical Sciences (Anatomy & Biobusiness), Biomedical Sciences (Developmental Biology), Biomedical Sciences (Developmental Biology & Biobusiness), Biomedical Sciences (Molecular Biology), Biomedical Sciences (Molecular Biology & Biobusiness), Biomedical Sciences (Pharmacology), Biomedical Sciences (Pharmacology & Biobusiness), Biomedical Sciences (Physiology), Biomedical Sciences (Physiology & Biobusiness), Biotechnology (Applied Molecular Biology), Biotechnology (Applied Molecular Biology & Biobusiness), Computing, **Computing Science**, Exercise and Health Science, Exercise and Health Science (Biobusiness), Genetics, Genetics (Biobusiness), Genetics (Immunology), Genetics (Immunology & Biobusiness), Human Embryology and Developmental Biology, Human Embryology and Developmental Biology (Biobusiness), Immunology, Immunology (Biobusiness), Immunology and Pharmacology, Immunology and Pharmacology (Biobusiness), Information Systems, Microbiology, Microbiology (Biobusiness), Molecular Biology, Molecular Biology (Biobusiness), Neuroscience with Psychology, Neuroscience with Psychology (Biobusiness), Pharmacology, Pharmacology (Biobusiness), Physiology, Physiology (Biobusiness), Sports & Exercise Science, Sports & Exercise Science (Biobusiness)

Regulation 17

In the existing regulation, following 'MChem' **insert** 'MEng'.

17. In terms of General Regulations for First Degrees 16.1 (e), except with the permission of the Senatus Academicus, candidates may not proceed to programme years 3, 4 or 5 of the degree of MChem, **MEng**, MGeol or MPhys, or in the case of the degree of MSci or MMedSci to an Honours programme, unless they have obtained the approval of the Head of the appropriate School, and complied with the requirements of Regulation 11 or Supplementary Regulation 16 for the Degree of Master of Arts (MA), as appropriate to their intended Honours programme.

Regulation 19

In the existing regulation, following 'programme years 3, 4 and 5' **insert** 'of an MChem, MEng, MGeol or MPhys'.

19. In determining the award of an Undergraduate Master's degree, the examiners will take into account the candidate's performance in the first attempt at the degree assessment for courses in programme years 3, 4 and 5 **of an MChem, MEng, MGeol or MPhys**, or in the case of the degree of MSci the first attempt at the degree assessment for courses within an Honours programme. In addition, consideration may be given to the performance in such other tests and assessment of a candidate's previous work as the examiners, with the approval of the Senatus Academicus, may from time to time require.

12. Supplementary Regulations for the Degree of Master of Engineering (MEng)

Regulation 9.4

In the existing regulation, following 'The situation of students' insert 'will be reviewed at the end of each academic year.'

In the existing regulation, delete 'who are in programme year 3 will be reviewed following receipt of the results for the second half-session. The situation of students who are in programme year 4 will be reviewed following receipt of the results for the first and second half- session'.

- 9.4 The situation of students ~~will be reviewed at the end of each academic year. who are in programme year 3 will be reviewed following receipt of the results for the second half-session. The situation of students who are in programme year 4 will be reviewed following receipt of the results for the first and second half-session.~~ Those students deemed by the Head of Engineering not to have reached a sufficiently high level of performance may be required to transfer to the Degree of Bachelor of Engineering or the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Engineering. The level of performance which will be expected by the Head of Engineering will be made publicly available to students in the School of Engineering Undergraduate Student Handbook.

13. Supplementary Regulations for the Degree of Bachelor of Engineering (BEng)

Regulation 4

In the existing regulation, **delete** 'Engineering (Civil with European Studies)'.

4. All candidates who are admitted to the degree or to the Honours Programme must be registered for one of the following degree programmes:

Engineering
Chemical
Engineering
(Civil)
~~Engineering (Civil
with European
Studies)~~
Engineering (Civil
and Structural)
Engineering (Civil
and
Environmental)
Engineering
(Electrical and
Electronic)
Engineering
(Electronic and
Software)
Engineering
(Mechanical)
Engineering (Mechanical
with European Studies)
Engineering (Mechanical
and Electrical)
Engineering (Mechanical
with Oil and Gas Studies)
Petroleum Engineering

14. Supplementary Regulations for the Degree of Master of Arts (Honours) in Education

Throughout the existing regulations, for 'MA' **substitute** 'Master of Arts'.

Regulation 1

In the existing regulation, **delete** 'Designated Degree of Master of Arts'.

In the existing regulation, following 'Master of Arts with Honours' **insert** 'a Designate Degree of Master of Arts'.

In the existing regulation, for 'In accordance with regulation 4' **substitute** 'in accordance with Regulation 5'.

1. The Degree of Master of Arts in Education may be conferred as a ~~Designated Degree of Master of Arts~~, Master of Arts with Honours, ~~a Designate Degree of Master of Arts~~ or as the Degree of Master of Arts in Educational Studies. Candidates who have completed satisfactorily a programme accredited by the General Teaching Council for Scotland shall be awarded either Designated ~~d~~ Degree of Master of Arts in Education or the Degree of Master of Arts (Honours) in Education, ~~i~~—in accordance with ~~R~~regulation ~~5~~4.

Regulation 4

In the existing regulation, following 'or where' **insert** 'General'.

Regulation 4(a)

Re-number the existing regulation, '4.1'.

Regulation 4(b)

Re-number the existing regulation, '4.2'.

In the existing regulation, **delete** 'Honours'.

In the existing regulation, **delete** the following:

'from programme year 2 to Designated programme year 3 unless they have accumulated, by award or recognition, at least 210 credit points at levels 1 and 2 [including, by award, recognition or exemption those required to enter programme year 3 for the degree programme for which they are currently registered]; or'.

Regulation 4(c)

Re-number the existing regulation, '4.3'.

In the existing regulation, **delete** 'Honours'.

In the existing regulation, **delete** the following:

'from programme year 3 to Designated programme year 4 unless they have accumulated, by award of recognition, at least 330 credit points at Levels 1, 2 and 3 [including by award, recognition or exemption those required to enter programme year 4 for the degree programme for which they are currently registered].

- (d) from programme year 3 to Designated programme year 4 unless they have accumulated, by award of recognition, at least 330 credit points at Levels 1, 2 and 3 [including by award, recognition or exemption those required to enter programme year 4 for the degree programme for which they are currently registered].'

Re-number the last paragraph as 'Regulation 5'

~~4. Except with the permission of the Senatus Academicus, or where General Regulation 17.1, applies candidates may not —progress;~~

4.1 from programme year 1 to programme year 2 unless they have accumulated, by award or recognition, at least 90 credit points at level 1 [including, by award, recognition or exemption, those required to enter programme year 2 for the degree programme for which they are currently registered]; or

~~4.2~~ from programme year 2 to ~~Honours~~ programme year 3 unless they have accumulated, by award or recognition, at least 240 credit points at levels 1 and 2 [including, by award, recognition or exemption those required to enter programme year 3 for the degree programme for which they are currently registered]; or

~~4.3~~ ~~from programme year 2 to Designated programme year 3 unless they have accumulated, by award or recognition, at least 210 credit points at levels 1 and 2 [including, by award, recognition or exemption those required to enter programme year 3 for the degree programme for which they are currently registered]; or~~

from programme year 3 to ~~Honours~~ programme year 4 unless they have accumulated, by award of recognition, at least 360 credit points at Levels 1, 2 and 3 [including by award, recognition or exemption those required to enter programme year 4 for the degree programme for which they are currently registered].

~~— from programme year 3 to Designated programme year 4 unless they have accumulated, by award of recognition, at least 330 credit points at Levels 1, 2 and 3 [including by award, recognition or exemption those required to enter programme year 4 for the degree programme for which they are currently registered].~~

~~a. from programme year 3 to Designated programme year 4 unless they have accumulated, by award of recognition, at least 330 credit points at Levels 1, 2 and 3 [including by award, recognition or exemption those required to enter programme year 4 for the degree programme for which they are currently registered].~~

5. Candidates for the Degree of ~~MA- Master of Arts~~ (Honours) Education must successfully achieve 480 credit points and the completion of all prescribed elements, as listed in the programme prescription, to be awarded the Degree. Candidates who have failed to achieve the standard for the award of the Degree with Honours, but who have passed all required elements for the Degree as contained in the programme prescription, may be awarded the Designated Degree of ~~MA- Master of Arts~~ in Education. The Designated Degree of ~~MA- Master of Arts~~ in Education is recognised as a qualification which entitles the holder to be provisionally registered with the General Teaching Council for Scotland.

Re-number the following regulations.

Regulation 6

In the existing regulation, **substitute** the following:

- '6. Candidates for the Degree of Master of Arts (Honours) Education who have failed to meet the standard for progression into level 4, in accordance with regulation 4.3, but who have successfully completed all other required elements of the programme and have achieved at least 360 credit points including 60 credit points at level 3, will normally be recommended for the award of Degree of Master of Arts in Educational Studies. The Degree of Master of Arts in Educational Studies is not recognised as a qualification which entitles its holder to be provisionally registered with the General Teaching Council for Scotland.'

~~5.6. Candidates for the Degree of Master of Arts (Honours) Education who have failed to meet the standard for progression into level 4, in accordance with regulation 4.3, but who have successfully completed all other required elements of the programme and have achieved at least 360 credit points including 60 credit points at level 3, will normally be recommended for the award of Degree of Master of Arts in Educational Studies. The Degree of Master of Arts in Educational Studies is not recognised as a qualification which entitles its holder to be provisionally registered with the General Teaching Council for Scotland. Candidates on the Designated-Degree who have been deemed by the School to have fulfilled the requirements for an Honours classification may be awarded an Honours degree.~~

Regulation 6

In the existing regulation, following 'Candidate' **insert** 'at level 3 of the Master of Arts in Education programme'.

In the existing regulation, for 'allowed' **substitute** 'required'.

In the existing regulation, **delete** 'further'.

In the existing regulation, **delete** 'in May/June'

In the existing regulation, following 'in May/June' **insert** 'Candidates who successfully complete the resit placement will, provided they meet the requirements of regulation 4.3, be permitted to progress into level 4.'

In the existing regulation, following 'successfully complete' **insert** 'the resit'.

In the existing regulation, for 'component 2 in Level 3 but', **substitute** 'may be offered a further, non-placement, resit opportunity to be agreed by the Programme Coordinator. Candidates'.

In the existing regulation, following 'who' **insert** 'successfully complete the second, non-placement, resit attempt and who'.

In the existing regulation, for 'successfully completed all other required elements of the programme and have achieved at least 360 credit points including 60 credit points at level 3,' **substitute** 'met the requirements of Regulation 6'.

In the existing regulation, for 'be required to transfer to the Degree of MA (Educational Studies) and complete studies on that programme' **substitute** 'be recommended for the award of Degree of Master of Arts in Educational Studies. Candidates who fail to successfully complete Placement Component 2 by the end of programme year 3 may be required to discontinue attendance on the programme, except where General Regulation 20.2 applies'.

~~6.7. Candidates at level 3 of the Master of Arts in Education programme whose performance is judged to be unsatisfactory during Placement Component 2 at Level 3 will normally be allowed required to take a further resit placement in May/June. Candidates who successfully complete the resit placement will, provided they meet the requirements of regulation 4.3, be permitted to progress into level 4. Candidates who fail to successfully complete the resit Placement component 2 in Level 3 may be offered a further, non-placement, resit opportunity to be agreed by the Programme Coordinator. Candidates, but who successfully complete the second, non-placement, resit attempt and who have met the requirements of Regulation 6, successfully completed all other required elements of the programme and have achieved at least 360 credit points including 60 credit points at level 3, will normally be recommended for the award of Degree of Master of Arts in Educational Studies. Candidates who fail to successfully complete Placement Component 2 by the end of programme year 3 may be required to discontinue attendance on the programme, except where General Regulation 20.2 applies, be required to transfer to the Degree of MA (Educational Studies) and complete studies on that programme~~

Regulation 7.1

Delete the existing regulation.

~~7.1 Candidates who fail to successfully complete the Level 4 placement component 1 and 2, but who have satisfactorily completed all other required elements of the programme, and have achieved at least 360 credit points including 60 credit points at Level 3, will normally be recommended for the award of Degree of MA (Educational Studies).~~

Re-number the following regulations.

Regulation 8(i)

In the existing regulation, following 'Candidates' **insert** 'at level 4'.

In the existing regulation, for 'on' **substitute** 'of'.

In the existing regulation, **delete** 'progress and'.

Regulation 8.3

Insert new regulation 8.3 as follows:

'8.3 Candidates whose performance is judged to be unsatisfactory in School Experience 1 and 2, as detailed in the programme prescription, but who have met the requirements of Regulation 6, will normally be recommended for the award of Degree of Master of Arts (Educational Studies).'

~~(i) 8.1~~ Candidates ~~at level 4 or~~ of the Master of Arts in Education programme whose performance is judged to be unsatisfactory during School Experience 1, as detailed in the programme prescription, may be allowed to ~~progress and~~ make good any unsatisfactory performance in School Experience 2. If performance is judged to be satisfactory in School Experience 2, credit will be awarded for School Experience 1.

~~8.2 (ii)~~ Candidates whose performance is judged to be unsatisfactory in School Experience 2, as detailed in the programme prescription, and whose performance was judged to be satisfactory in School Experience 1, will normally be given the opportunity to repeat that period of School Experience with the permission of the Senatus Academicus.'

~~8.3~~ Candidates whose performance is judged to be unsatisfactory in School Experience 1 and 2, as detailed in the programme prescription, but who have met the requirements of Regulation 6, will normally be recommended for the award of Degree of Master of Arts (Educational Studies).

Regulation 9c

In the existing regulation, for 'have obtained not fewer than 360 credit points towards the degree including at least 60 credit points at Level 3' **substitute** 'met the requirements of regulation 6'.

In the existing regulation, for 'MA (Educational Studies)' **substitute** 'Master of Arts in Educational Studies'.

9. Except with the permission of the Senatus Academicus candidates for the Degree of ~~MA- Master of Arts~~ (Honours) Education who either:

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- have failed to complete the requirements for this degree within five calendar years of the date of their first matriculation for this degree, or
- can no longer do so (e.g. are deemed unfit to practise) or:
- ~~have indicated in writing to the Senatus Academicus that they no longer wish to pursue a curriculum leading to the degree of MA- Master of Arts but who, (in each case),~~ met the requirements of regulation 6 have obtained not fewer than 360 credit points towards the degree including at least 60 credit points at Level 3 may, on application, be awarded the ~~_-Degree of Master of Arts in Educational Studies MA (Educational Studies)~~

Regulation 10

Delete the existing regulation.

Renumber the following regulations.

Regulation 11

In the existing regulation, following 'in terms of' **insert** 'the'.

In the existing regulation, for '6' **substitute** 'for First Degrees 1.3, 8, 12'.

In the existing regulation, for '8' **substitute** '16'.

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| 10. In terms of <u>the</u> General Regulations <u>for First Degrees 1.3, 8, 12</u> and <u>16-8</u> , the function of the Head of School shall be exercised by the Programme Director. |
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Regulation 13

In the existing regulation, **insert** 'Notwithstanding General Regulation 1.3,'.

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| 13. <u>Notwithstanding General Regulation 1.3</u> . Candidates who accrue two or more absences from ten workshop attendances may have their Class Certificate withheld. This would prevent candidates from completing their course. |
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Regulation 14

In the existing regulation, **insert** 'Notwithstanding General Regulation 7,'.

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| 14. <u>Notwithstanding General Regulation 7</u> . Candidates who are absent for five days or more during a block of School Experience placement may be required to undertake a further period of School Experience or re-sit placement and assessment. |
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14. Supplementary Regulations for the Degree of Bachelor of Music (BMus)

Regulation 1

In the existing regulation, **renumber** second paragraph as Regulation 2.

In the existing regulation, **delete** 'and would also normally be required to attend for interview and practical examination mid-way through the second year of study.'

1. The Degree of Bachelor of Music (BMus) may be conferred as a Designated Degree of BMus or as BMus with Honours, or a Designated Degree of BMus (Education) or BMus with Honours (Education), or Designated Degree of BMus (Music and Communities) or BMus with Honours (Music and Communities). Candidates for the Degree with Honours who have completed satisfactorily a programme accredited by the General Teaching Council for Scotland shall be awarded the Degree of BMus with Honours (Education).
- ~~2.~~ Before being admitted to the Honours programme (levels 3 and 4) leading to the degree of BMus with Honours (Education) or BMus with Honours (Music and Communities), all candidates must, in addition to satisfying any academic requirements for admission, satisfactorily complete a Protection of Vulnerable Groups (PVG) check, ~~and would also normally be required to attend for interview and practical examination mid-way through the second year of study.~~

Renumber the following regulations.

Insert new Regulation 3 as follows:

'Candidates on the BMus with Honours (Education) would also normally be required to attend for interview and practical examination mid-way through the third year of study'.

- ~~2.3.~~ **Candidates on the BMus with Honours (Education) would also normally be required to attend for interview and practical examination mid-way through the third year of study.**

Renumber the following regulations

Regulation 4

In the existing regulation, **delete** 'appended'.

~~3.4.~~ The programme of study leading to the degree of BMus with Honours (Education), which is accredited by the General Teaching Council for Scotland, shall be as approved by the Senatus Academicus and is contained in the programme prescription ~~appended~~. The Honours programme for the degree comprises programme years 3 and 4.

15. General Regulations For Taught Postgraduate Awards

For the existing regulations, **substitute** the following:

NOTE: In relation to the Professional Graduate Diploma in Education Regulations 1-6 and 9 of the General Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Awards are applicable.

DEFINITIONS OF POSTGRADUATE AWARDS

1. Taught programmes of study at postgraduate level may lead, as appropriate, to the award of an advanced Certificate or Diploma (based on satisfactory completion of a prescribed programme of study at levels 1 to 4), a Postgraduate Certificate (based on accumulation of not less than 60 credit points including at least 40 at level 5), a Postgraduate Diploma (based on accumulation of not less than 120 credit points including at least 90 at level 5), or an appropriate Master's Degree (based on accumulation of not less than 180 credit points including at least 150 at level 5, normally including a dissertation or individual research project). The requirements for the award of a Postgraduate Certificate, Postgraduate Diploma or Master's Degree are considered to be equivalent to periods of 15, 30 or 45 weeks of full-time study and assessment, respectively. To be awarded a qualification, candidates must also attain such level of performance in each course which is part of a programme, and in a programme overall, as Senatus Academicus may specify in the Calendar Entry for that programme. For the purpose of this and of succeeding regulations, the terms 'course', 'credit point', and 'programme' shall have the meaning attached to the terms 'course', 'credit point' and 'degree programme', respectively, in the General Regulations for First Degrees. The University also awards a Postgraduate Certificate in Research Methods, a Postgraduate Diploma in Research Methods, and the Degree of Master of Research under the provisions of General Regulation 7 for Research Degrees. In the case of advanced Certificates and Diplomas, which are based wholly on courses below level 5 (Postgraduate), the powers accorded in Regulations 1 to 6 shall be exercised by Senatus Academicus; and Regulations 7 to 11 shall not apply.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

2. Before being admitted to a taught postgraduate programme candidates must possess one of the following sets of qualifications in an appropriate discipline:
 - (a) either (i) a degree, at second class honours or above, of a University in the United Kingdom or the Republic of Ireland; or (ii) a degree of a university or college elsewhere recognised for the purposes of this Regulation by Senatus Academicus; or
 - (b) for entry to an advanced Certificate or Diploma, a recognised first diploma or undergraduate certificate in an appropriate discipline, based on a 2-year programme of full-time education, combined with a subsequent minimum of 1 year's relevant work experience in employment, technology or education; or
 - (c) such other qualifications and/or experience as in the opinion of the Senatus Academicus on the recommendation of the Head(s) of the School(s) concerned afford sufficient evidence of their ability to profit from the course they propose to pursue.Students must in addition comply with such more specific requirements as are prescribed by Senatus Academicus in respect of the programme which they wish to pursue.

PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS

3. The specific entrance requirements, syllabus and method of assessment for each taught postgraduate programme, and for all postgraduate courses at level 5, shall be prescribed by Senatus Academicus, which may also specify the maximum and/or minimum duration of any programme. Candidates must comply with any supplementary requirements of the programme and courses for which they are registered. Candidates may not normally include in a taught postgraduate programme material which has formed part of a programme previously taken by them at undergraduate level. The courses at level 5 (Postgraduate) which are part of a programme shall each be assessed either by course work, by written examination or by a combination of these, as Senatus Academicus shall prescribe. A summative examination covering the whole programme, and oral examination, may also be required. Unless otherwise specified, programmes must be pursued entirely in the University of Aberdeen or in such other institutions as the Senatus Academicus on the recommendation of Senatus Academicus has designated for this purpose. Students may not normally be admitted to a course after two weeks of teaching for that course has been completed, although some Schools may set earlier limits where in their academic judgement this is desirable.

FULL AND PART-TIME STUDY

4. All candidates from the outset of their programme shall be registered as undertaking either full-time or part-time study, and shall normally be permitted to complete their degree programme by that mode of study, unless Senatus Academicus has agreed that a particular programme may be undertaken by full-time study only. Any change in the terms of such registration may only be made with the permission of Senatus Academicus. Candidates registered for part-time study may not:

- (a) if currently registered for a Postgraduate Certificate, enrol for more than 40 credit points in any half-session;
(b) if currently registered for a Postgraduate Diploma, enrol for more than 80 credit points in any academic year, nor more than 50 credit points in any half-session;
(c) if currently registered for a Master's degree, enrol for more than 120 credit points in any 12-month period, nor more than 60 credit points in any half-session.

Except with the permission of Head of the relevant School, any period of part-time study must normally be continuous and not exceed three times the period of study permitted for completion of that or an equivalent taught programme (or that part of it being undertaken by part-time study) as a full-time candidate. Except with the permission of Senatus Academicus, full-time candidates may not register for more than 90 credit points in any half-session. The requirements of this Regulation shall apply also to students registered for courses at taught postgraduate level who are not registered for an award of the University. All full-time candidates must be registered for a minimum of 30 Credit points in each half-session.

Notes:

- (1) For students enrolled on programmes which include a requirement for study during the Summer Vacation, that period counts for the purposes of this and other Regulations as a half-session.
(2) In-Service Education and other courses with a flexible start date are classified for the purpose of this and other Regulations as having been enrolled for the half-session in which a candidate commences to study on them.

CLASS CERTIFICATES

5. A Class Certificate is confirmation that a candidate has attended and duly performed the work prescribed for a course. The validity of a class certificate as an entitlement to admission to an end of course assessment shall be limited to the academic year in respect of which it is awarded and to the academic year immediately following. Notwithstanding this definition, a student who has been validly registered by their programme coordinator for a course, and who has not withdrawn from the course before the last day of teaching (or been deemed to have withdrawn, in accordance with Regulation 6, or to have had their class certificate refused), is regarded as having obtained a Class Certificate for that course automatically. There is no actual physical certificate.
6. Validity of Class Certificates: Except with the permission of Senatus Academicus, candidates shall not be permitted to present themselves for an end of course assessment in any course unless they have obtained a class certificate. Unless good cause is demonstrated, students absent who have not duly performed the work prescribed for the course (e.g. absent from classes for period of time that the School has determined) will not be able to demonstrate achievement of the learning outcomes for the courses concerned. Such students will be refused a Class Certificate. Students not granted a class certificate under these circumstances will be barred from appearing for the initial or subsequent end-of-course assessments or receiving credit for the course. It shall be for Senatus Academicus to determine what constitutes good cause for absence.

LIMITS TO CREDIT TRANSFER

7. The Senatus Academicus may, on the recommendation of the relevant course organiser, recognise as qualifying towards an award, or as exempting from part of the requirement for an award, attendance and/or qualifications gained before entry, providing that (a) candidates shall not be eligible for the award of any Postgraduate Certificate in the discipline of Education unless they have obtained a minimum of 30 credit points at level 5 obtained while registered for that award in the University of Aberdeen; (b) candidates shall not be eligible for the award of the

Postgraduate Certificate in Health Economics (by distance learning) unless they have attained a minimum of 45 credits at level 5 obtained while registered for that award in the University of Aberdeen; (c) candidates shall not be eligible for the award of a Postgraduate Certificate in any other discipline, or any Postgraduate Diploma or Master's Degree, unless they have obtained a minimum of 60 credit points at level 5 obtained while registered for that award at the University of Aberdeen; (d) only a maximum of 30 credit points can be recognised from previous study towards a PGDE carried out an external institution ; (e) no more than 60 credit points at level 5 may be counted as common to the award of two different Master's degrees and/or diplomas at the University of Aberdeen.

TERMINATIONS

8. The Senatus Academicus shall have the power to terminate at any time a person's candidature, whether on the recommendation of the relevant Head of School or Programme Co-ordinator or otherwise, on being satisfied that there is sufficient reason to do so.

INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL EXAMINERS

9. The examiners for each taught postgraduate award shall be the Professors, Readers and Lecturers in the University whose courses qualify for that award together with such external examiners as the University Court may appoint. Where a programme is delivered in whole or in part by the staff of another institution, the staff of that institution may also act as internal examiners.

RE-SUBMISSIONS & MISSED ASSESSMENTS

10. Candidates who fail to complete satisfactorily a prescribed assessment on account of illness or other good cause at the time prescribed shall be required to submit themselves for assessment at the next available opportunity, and shall be permitted to count the result of that assessment towards progression and programme award.
11. In no circumstances shall any candidate be permitted to submit themselves for assessment in any element more than twice. If the failure is the result of absence or non-submission for any other cause, the candidate shall be awarded a grade of G3 for the assessment concerned and will also be required to resit.
12. In no circumstances shall any candidate be permitted to resit a course more than twice. Resits are not permitted for the project/dissertation. If a candidate fails the project/dissertation then they will not normally be allowed a further opportunity for reassessment. The grades that can be awarded for a reassessment will be either RP, for a pass, or RF, for a fail.
13. In order to be eligible to take a resit, a candidate must hold a valid class certificate. The validity of a class certificate is limited to the academic year in which it is awarded and to the academic year immediately following.
14. In exceptional circumstances, at the recommendation of the exam board, an external examiner may confirm at the exam board meeting the award of a Masters to a student notwithstanding a marginal fail in up to 30 credits. Should the external examiner confirm the award of a Masters the student will be awarded up to 30 Level 3 credits to bring the total number of credits to 180. This may only be considered if all of the following apply:

(a) The student must have gained passes in courses amounting to 150 credits at Level 11

(b) The student must have a grade point average equivalent of at least C3

(c) The student must have either had MC or GC in their first opportunity to sit the course and marginally failed the resit first attempt or have marginally failed their first attempt at the course and had MC or GC for the resit diet. The next available opportunity for the student to resit the course is not until the next academic year following completion of the programme. A marginal fail is called as a grade of either E1, E2, or E3.

A student who meets all the above will not automatically be awarded with an MSc. This decision rests with the exam board and external examiner and is at their discretion. When determining whether to confirm the recommendation, the External examiner may seek further evidence of the student's general performance including, if considered appropriate, a viva with the student.

The above is also applicable to the award of a Postgraduate Diploma or Postgraduate Certificate. In the case of a Postgraduate Certificate, only 20 Level 3 credits can be awarded.

SUBMISSION OF DISSERTATIONS

15. Dissertations must be submitted at a date and time determined by the Head of the relevant School, normally not later than the end of the final calendar month of a candidate's registration. They may be submitted later in individual cases, specifically approved by the Head of the relevant School: but in no case may the date of submission be later than the end of the ninth month following the end of a candidate's registration.

COMMENDATIONS & DISTINCTIONS

16. Advanced Diplomas, Postgraduate Diplomas and taught Master's degrees may be awarded with Commendation or Distinction, on the recommendation of the examiners concerned.

REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION

17. The degree shall not be conferred on candidates unless:
(a) they have completed the requirements specified under Regulation 1;
(b) they have paid the tuition fees required.

16. Supplementary Regulations for the Professional Graduate Diploma in Education (PGDE)

Regulation 1

In the existing regulation, for 'and is accredited by the General Teaching Council for Scotland (GTCS).' **substitute** 'The Professional Graduate Diploma in Education is recognised as a qualification which entitles the holder to be provisionally registered with the General Teaching Council for Scotland.'

1.The Professional Graduate Diploma in Education (PGDE) of the University of Aberdeen, is awarded on successful completion of a one year (36 weeks) full-time programme (or the equivalent for part-time programmes). The Professional Graduate Diploma in Education is recognised as a qualification which entitles the holder to be provisionally registered with the General Teaching Council for Scotland. ~~and is accredited by the General Teaching Council for Scotland (GTCS).~~

Regulation 2

In the existing regulation, insert 'The degree may also be conferred as the Professional Graduate Diploma in Education (DLITE). Candidates who have completed satisfactorily a programme accredited by the General Teaching Council for Scotland shall be awarded the Diploma in accordance with Regulation 4.'

1. The Professional Graduate Diploma in Education may be conferred in either Primary or Secondary Education. The Secondary route may be completed with designation in a cognate subject or a combination of two cognate subjects as listed in annex A. The degree may also be conferred as the Professional Graduate Diploma in Education (DLITE). Candidates who have completed satisfactorily a programme accredited by the General Teaching Council for Scotland shall be awarded the Diploma in accordance with Regulation 4.

Regulation 6

In the existing regulations, for 'in terms of' **substitute** 'in line with'.

6. The assessment for each course within the Diploma shall be determined by the Senatus Academicus. ~~In terms in line with~~ of Regulation 96 of the General Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Awards, the examiners in respect of periods of School Experience will normally include designated staff of the schools concerned.

Regulation 8(i), 8(ii) and 8(iii)

Renumber the existing regulations.

In the existing regulations, following 'School Experience 1' **insert** '[1A and 1B inclusive]'.

- 8.1 ~~(i)~~ Candidates on the Professional Graduate Diploma in Education programme whose performance is judged to be unsatisfactory during School Experience 1 [1A and 1B inclusive], as detailed in the programme prescription, may be allowed to progress and make good any unsatisfactory performance in School Experience 2. If performance is judged to be satisfactory in School Experience 2, credit will be awarded for School Experience 1.
- 8.2 Candidates whose performance is judged to be unsatisfactory in School Experience 2, as detailed in the programme prescription, and whose performance was judged to be satisfactory in School Experience 1 [1A and 1B inclusive], will normally be given the opportunity to repeat that period of School Experience with the permission of the Senatus Academicus.
- 8.3 Candidates whose performance is judged to be unsatisfactory in both School Experience 1 [1A and 1B inclusive], ~~4~~ and School Experience 2 will normally be recommended for termination of their candidature.

Regulation 10

In the existing regulation, for '[includes Orientation; 1A, and 1B]' **substitute** '[1A and 1B inclusive]'.

In the existing regulation, **delete** '[includes 2A and 2B]'.

10. Candidates who are absent for five days or more during a block of School Experience placement (School Experience 1 [1A and 1B inclusive] ~~includes Orientation; 1A, and 1B]~~ or School Experience 2 ~~[includes 2A and 2B])~~ may be required to undertake a further period of School Experience.

Regulation 11

In the existing regulation, following 'within three years' **insert** 'and must do so by UCAS application'.

In the existing regulation, **delete** 'and must do so by UCAS application'.

11. Candidates who have failed the PGDE Programme, or a different Programme of Initial Teacher Education

at the University of Aberdeen or elsewhere, or withdraw whilst making unsatisfactory progress, will not be allowed to reapply within three years and must do so by UCAS application. If reapplying candidates must provide evidence, prior to interview, that they have taken action to address previously unsatisfactory performance, prior to interview.

Regulation 12

In the existing regulation, for 'have suspended their studies must have their conditions of readmission agreed by the Programme Director at the time of suspension' **substitute** '.withdraw from study while making satisfactory progress may apply internally for readmission in the academic year in which they withdraw or the academic year immediately following. Thereafter candidates will be required to reapply for admission through UCAS application.'

12. ~~Candidates who have suspended their studies must have their conditions of readmission agreed by the Programme Director at the time of suspension. withdraw from study while making satisfactory progress may apply internally for readmission in the academic year in which they withdraw or the academic year immediately following. Thereafter candidates will be required to reapply for admission through UCAS application.~~

17. Supplementary Regulations for Postgraduate Study

Insert new Regulation 3 as follows:

'Candidates will not be permitted to submit a thesis to the University of Aberdeen for examination that has been examined, or is intended to be examined, at another Higher Education Institution, unless there is a collaborative agreement between the two institutions.'

3. Candidates will not be permitted to submit a thesis to the University of Aberdeen for examination that has been examined, or is intended to be examined, at another Higher Education Institution, unless there is a collaborative agreement between the two institutions.

Renumber the following regulations.

Regulations 4 and 5

In the existing regulations, for 'the appropriate Graduate School Officer' **insert** 'the Senatus Academicus'.

In the existing regulations, for 'Senate' **insert** 'the Senatus Academicus'.

Regulation 6

Delete the existing regulation.

~~6. Graduate School Officers~~

~~Graduate School Officers for each of three Graduate Schools have been appointed on the nomination of Heads of Colleges and have delegated authority to act on behalf of Senatus Academicus in all matters relating to the admission, progress and examination of individual students. This includes the power to approve examiners' reports where these are unanimous, and to recommend the award of degrees to the Senatus Academicus.~~

Renumber the following regulations.

18. Supplementary Regulations for Postgraduate Diploma in Physician Assistant Studies

Rename the existing regulations 'Master of Science in Physician Associate Studies'

In the existing regulations, for 'Postgraduate Diploma in Physician Assistant Studies' or 'Diploma' **substitute** 'Master of Science in Physician Associate Studies' or 'Masters'.

In the existing regulations, for 'Senate' or 'Academic Standards Committee (Postgraduate)' **substitute** 'Senatus Academicus'.

18. Schedule A – General Regulations For Research Degrees

In the existing regulations, for 'the relevant Postgraduate Officer' or 'the Graduate School Officer' **substitute** 'the Senatus Academicus'.

In the existing regulations, for 'Senate' **insert** 'the Senatus Academicus'.

Regulation 2(h)

In the existing regulation for '12' **substitute** '13'.

In the existing regulation for '13' **substitute** '14'.

In the existing regulation for '14' **substitute** '15'.

Insert the following new Regulation 3 as follows:

<p>3. <u>Candidates may not be concurrently registered at the University of Aberdeen and another Higher Education Institution unless there is a collaborative agreement between the two institutions.</u></p>

Renumber the following regulations.

Regulation 12(i)

In the existing regulation, for '60' **substitute** '72'.

Regulation 12(iii)

In the existing regulation, for '84' **substitute** '96'.

In the existing regulation, for '60' **substitute** '72'.

Regulation 12(iv)

In the existing regulation, for '60' **substitute** '72'.

Regulation 12(v)

In the existing regulation, for 'or 60' **substitute** '72'.

Regulation 12(vi)

In the existing regulation, for '42' **substitute** '48'.

Regulation 12(vii)

In the existing regulation, for '36' **substitute** '48'.

NORMAL MINIMUM PERIODS OF STUDY

132. The period specified under Regulation 7(ii) shall be as follows:

- (e) For the degree of Doctor of Philosophy – not less than 36 months full-time or ~~7260~~ months part-time
- (ii) For the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (by publication) – for current members of academic staff – not less than 12 months part-time
- (iii) For the degree of Doctor of Engineering – not less than 48 months full-time or ~~9684~~ months part-time [36 months full-time or ~~7260~~ months part-time for students admitted directly to the Project stage of the programme]
- (iv) For the degree of Doctor of Education – not less than 36 months full-time or ~~7260~~ months part-time
- (v) For the degree of Doctor of Practical Theology – ~~or 6072~~ months part-time
- (vi) For the degree of Master of Philosophy – not less than 24 months full-time or ~~4842~~ months part-time
- (vii) For the degrees of Doctor of Medicine and Master of Surgery – not less than 24 months full-time or ~~4836~~ months part-time
- (viii) For any other Master's degree – not less than 12 months full-time or 24 months part-time.

The Senatus Academicus shall have power to recognise as counting towards this period study undertaken elsewhere, provided that in no case shall the period of registration in the University of Aberdeen for any degree be less than 12 months (full-time) or 24 months (part-time).

Regulation 14

In the existing regulation for '10' **substitute** '13'.

In the existing regulation for '11' **substitute** '14'.

In the existing regulation for '11' **substitute** '13'.

In the existing regulation for '12' **substitute** '14'.

In the existing regulation for '11' **substitute** '13'.

In the existing regulation for '12' **substitute** '14'.

In the existing regulation for '14' **substitute** '16'.

In the existing regulation for '15' **substitute** '17'.

NORMAL MAXIMUM PERIODS OF STUDY

154. A thesis must normally be presented within the period specified under Regulation ~~40~~13, read with Regulation ~~44~~14 for the PhD, MPhil or any other Master's degree. Students funded by one of the UK Research Councils, or other funding bodies, must comply with the requirement of their funding body as regard length of period of study and deadline for submission of thesis. The period of study for a student funded by one of the UK Research Councils, or other funding bodies, will be equal to the period for which they are in receipt of funding, be it tuition fees or maintenance. For the degree of EngD a thesis must be presented for examination by the end of the period specified under Regulation ~~44~~13, read with Regulation ~~42~~14.

A student will not normally be permitted to submit their thesis for examination if they are not fully registered at the University.

Extensions beyond the period specified under Regulation ~~44~~13, read with Regulation ~~42~~14, can be sought under the terms specified in Regulation ~~44~~16 and Regulation ~~45~~17.

Regulation 15(i)

In the existing regulation for '72' substitute '84'.

Regulation 15(ii)

In the existing regulation for '96' substitute '108'.

Regulation 15(iii)

In the existing regulation for '72' substitute '84'.

NORMAL PERIODS OF EXTENSION

~~165~~. Extensions can be granted up to a maximum of 12 months in the first instance, but the combined period of supervised study and Extension Period will not normally exceed the following:

- (i) PhD 48 months (for previously full-time students) or ~~84~~~~72~~ months (for previously part-time students)
- (ii) EngD 60 months (for previously full-time students) or ~~96~~~~108~~ months (for previously part-time students)
- (iii) EdD 48 months (for previously full-time students) or ~~72~~~~84~~ months (for previously part-time students)
- (iv) DPT ~~72~~~~84~~ months (for previously part-time students)

MPhil, MD or ChM 36 months (for previously full-time students) or ~~54~~~~60~~ months (for previously part-time students)
Other Master's 24 months (for previously full-time students) or 36 months (for previously part-time students)

Students submitting an application for an extension within the above time frames, following the completion of their supervised study, must be able to demonstrate evidence of progress in their research and make clear the feasibility of submitting their thesis within the period of extension being sought.

Applications for an Extension to the period off study must normally be made at least 3 months in advance of the termination of period of study.

Regulation 16(i)

In the existing regulation for '84' substitute '96'.

Regulation 16(ii)

In the existing regulation for '96' substitute '120'.

Regulation 16(iii)

In the existing regulation for '66' substitute '72'.

EXCEPTIONAL PERIODS OF EXTENSION

176. The Senatus Academicus may, on the application of the candidate, extend the period of study and grant an "exceptional extension, but will not do so without good cause.

Extensions beyond the above limits will only be granted in exceptional circumstances, namely, where the candidate's work has been hampered by medical or personal or unexpected academic circumstances or exceptional circumstances arising from employment. In all such circumstances, supporting documentary evidence must be made available. Students submitting an application for an "exceptional extension" must also demonstrate clear evidence of progress and must submit a thesis plan giving target dates for completion of each chapter.

In no case will any extension be approved beyond the following maximum periods of study, which include the supervised period of study:

- (i) PhD, EngD, EdD, DPT (part time only) 60 months (for previously full-time students) or ~~84~~96 months (for previously part-time students)
- (ii) EdD 60 months (for previously full-time students) or ~~96~~120 months (for previously part-time students)
- (iii) MPhil, MD or ChM 48 months (for previously full-time students) or ~~66~~72 months (for previously part-time students)
- (iv) Other Masters 36 months (for previously full-time students) or 48 months (for previously part-time students)

Applications for an Extension to the period off study must normally be made at least 3 months in advance of the termination of period of study.

Regulation 18

In the existing regulation, for '7' **substitute** '8'.

In the existing regulation, following 'James Hutton Institute' **insert** 'Trinity College Bristol with Bristol Baptist College'.

LOCATION OF FULL-TIME RESEARCH STUDENTS

198. The research required by Regulation ~~78~~ shall, for full-time candidates, be conducted in the University of Aberdeen or in one of the following local institutions:

- A Unit within the University whose director is a member of the University
- Macaulay Land Use Research Institute
- Marine Laboratory of the Scottish Office Agriculture, Environment and Fisheries Department
- The Scottish Agricultural College, Aberdeen
- NERC Institute of Terrestrial Ecology
- Hospitals of the Grampian Health Board
- Hospitals of the Highland Health Board in Inverness
- Regional Centres of the Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service
- University of Highlands and Islands
- Scottish Crop Research Institute
- Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh
- James Hutton Institute
- Trinity College Bristol with Bristol Baptist College

The project for the degree of Doctor of Engineering shall be undertaken in an approved industrial location.

Regulations 19, 21 and 22

In the existing regulations, for '17' **substitute** '19'.

Regulation 24

In the existing regulation, for '22' **substitute** '24'.

Regulation 25

In the existing regulation, **delete** 'granted on the recommendation of the Academic Standards Committee (Postgraduate)'.

265. Validity of Class Certificates: Except with the permission of the Senatus Academicus ~~granted on the recommendation of the Academic Standards Committee (Postgraduate)~~, candidates shall not be permitted to present themselves for the assessment of a research degree unless they have obtained a class certificate. Unless good cause is demonstrated, students who have not met the expected attendance and monitoring requirements will be refused a class certificate. Students not granted a Class Certificate under these circumstances will be barred from appearing for the assessment for the degree and will be withdrawn from study. It shall be for the Senatus Academicus to determine what constitutes good cause for absence.

Insert new regulation 29 as follows:

'Candidates will not be permitted to submit a thesis to the University of Aberdeen that has been examined, or is intended to be examined, at another Higher Education Institution, unless there is a collaborative agreement between the two institutions.'

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Renumber the following regulations.

Regulation 29

In the existing regulation, for 'Senatus Academicus' **insert** 'the Head of School'.

In the existing regulation, for '15' **substitute** '19'.

EXAMINERS FOR RESEARCH DEGREES

2931. The Senatus Academicus shall appoint on the recommendation of ~~Senatus Academicus~~ the Head of School one or more persons, being Professors, Readers, Lecturers or academic staff of an equivalent employment grade in the University, to examine each thesis and report upon its merits, and, if the candidate's research has been conducted in one of the institutions named in Regulation ~~4519~~, may in addition appoint as internal examiners one or more members of the staff of that institution. The University Court shall appoint at least one external examiner in accordance with the provisions of University Court Ordinance No. 404 (Aberdeen No. 80) to examine each thesis, provided (i) that if the candidate is a Lecturer in the University of Aberdeen two external examiners shall be appointed, and (ii) that if two external examiners are appointed the appointment of an examiner by the Senatus Academicus may be dispensed with. The supervisor(s) of a candidate shall not be eligible to serve as an internal examiner of that candidate. Where the candidate is a Lecturer in the University of Aberdeen and it has therefore been necessary to appoint two external examiners, the Senatus Academicus shall appoint a Professor, Reader, Lecturer or academic staff of an equivalent employment grade who is currently employed by the University, and is not the candidate's supervisor, to oversee the examination arrangements.

19. Schedule B - General Regulations For Taught Postgraduate Awards

In the existing regulations, for 'the relevant Postgraduate Officer' or 'the Graduate School Officer' **substitute** 'the Senatus Academicus'.

Regulation 1

In the existing regulation, for '5 to Senatus Academicus or to Graduate School Officers' **substitute** '6'.

DEFINITIONS OF POSTGRADUATE AWARDS

1. Taught programmes of study at postgraduate level may lead, as appropriate, to the award of an advanced Certificate or Diploma (based on satisfactory completion of a prescribed programme of study at levels 1 to 4), a Postgraduate Certificate (based on accumulation of not less than 60 credit points including at least 40 at level 5), a Postgraduate Diploma (based on accumulation of not less than 120 credit points including at least 90 at level 5), or an appropriate Master's Degree (based on accumulation of not less than 180 credit points including at least 150 at level 5, normally including a dissertation or individual research project). The requirements for the award of a Postgraduate Certificate, Postgraduate Diploma or Master's Degree are considered to be equivalent to periods of 15, 30 or 45 weeks of full-time study and assessment, respectively. To be awarded a qualification, candidates must also attain such level of performance in each course which is part of a programme, and in a programme overall, as Senatus Academicus may specify in the Calendar Entry for that programme. For the purpose of this and of succeeding regulations, the terms 'course', 'credit point', and 'programme' shall have the meaning attached to the terms 'course', 'credit point' and 'degree programme', respectively, in the General Regulations for First Degrees. The University also awards a Postgraduate Certificate in Research Methods, a Postgraduate Diploma in Research Methods, and the Degree of Master of Research under the provisions of General Regulation 7 for Research Degrees. In the case of advanced Certificates and Diplomas, which are based wholly on courses below level 5 (Postgraduate), the powers accorded in Regulations 1 to ~~65 to Senatus Academicus or to Graduate School Officers~~ shall be exercised by Senatus Academicus; and Regulations 7 to 11 shall not apply.