

Academic regulations

DIGEST

2021/22

Welcome to the regulations digest, a short briefing document to inform staff and students of annual changes to the academic regulations for taught programmes.

This document is intended to highlight changes and provide a brief overview. Please refer to the academic regulations themselves for further details. These can be found at:

dmu.ac.uk/academic-regulations.

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Changes for 2021/22

General

Amendments to terminology for clarity as required, including amending the use of calendar days to university working days, to align with the terminology of the General Regulations and Procedures Affecting Students.

Section 2: Assessment

- [Paragraph 39](#) – to clarify that when marking assessment components on reassessment, the full range of marks should be used.
- [Paragraph 44](#) – to clarify the position with regard to final year students carrying deferrals and their eligibility to undertake reassessment in compensated modules.

Section 3: Progression through the programme of study

- [Paragraph 66](#) – to remove the requirement to take a research methods module before progressing to the postgraduate dissertation, major project or design work.

Section 5: Deadline extensions, deferrals, interruptions and repeat study

- [General](#) – to cross reference between the Taught Programmes Academic Regulations and the General Regulations and Procedures Affecting Students, as appropriate.

- [Paragraph 116](#) – to clarify the regulation allowing the Associate Deans (Academic) to exceptionally grant a longer extension to a coursework deadline.
- [Paragraph 118](#) – to add a clause about financial exclusions.
- [Paragraph 125](#) – to remove the following regulation:
“A student returning from an interruption of study will be subject to the regulations which apply to the student cohort they are joining.
- [Paragraphs 125 and 126 \(126 and 127 in 2020/21 version\)](#) – to clarify when students who are eligible to automatically repeat level 4 may take up the opportunity to do so.

Section 6: Student registration

- [Paragraph 140 \(141 in 2020/21 version\)](#) – to amend the wording to confirm that end-of-session programme transfers should be agreed once assessment results have been released.

Appendix 1: Assessment board terms of reference

To enhance the information provided on conflicts of interest at assessment boards

Appendix 3: Extension to coursework deadlines guidance

To add a clause about financial exclusions