

SECTION 21: AWARDS: DIPLOMA OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Please see Section 16 for guidance which applies to all awards, including provisions for an Aegrotat award (in cases where a student is prevented by illness or personal circumstances from completing the assessment for an award), and procedures in the case of tuition fee debt. For information about extenuating circumstances procedures, please refer to section 8.

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21.1 RESULTS

The Diploma of Higher Education is awarded without differentiation of class, and a successful candidate shall be stated to have Passed.

Candidates who have failed to fulfil the requirements for a Diploma of Higher Education shall be stated to have Failed. Candidates who have failed to fulfil the requirements for a Diploma of Higher Education shall be stated to have Failed, but may be eligible for an alternative qualification.

An Aegrotat Diploma of Higher Education may be awarded to a candidate who is prevented by reason of illness or other incapacity from completing the assessment for the award, in accordance with Ordinance C4(III). An Aegrotat Diploma of Higher Education is not classified. See section 16.6 for further information on an Aegrotat.

21.2 CRITERIA FOR AWARD

- a) In order to be eligible for a Diploma of Higher Education, a candidate must have completed 240 credits (of which not less than 100 shall normally be at level 5 or above) and to have fulfilled the conditions given below.
- b) The result for the Diploma of Higher Education will be based on 120 credits at Part 2 of an undergraduate programme.
- c) A student who achieves a threshold performance at Part 2 (as set out in Section 15) and who has taken modules including at least 100 credits at Level 5 or above shall be eligible for the award of a Diploma of Higher Education.
- d) Candidates who are eligible for the award of a Diploma of Higher Education shall not *ipso facto* be admitted to that qualification if they progress to the next Part and, in due course, qualify for an award at a higher level which includes the relevant credit. They shall, however, have the right to claim the award of Diploma of Higher Education if they do not qualify for an award at a higher level.

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- e) Candidates who achieve a threshold performance for Part 2 of an undergraduate programme and who leave the University shall be eligible for the award of a Diploma of Higher Education.

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