

---

---

**Academic Standards and Quality Regulations 2021-22**  
**[www.uhi.ac.uk/regulations](http://www.uhi.ac.uk/regulations)**

---

---

All section references refer to the current regulations. The Academic Registrar has oversight of the academic standards and quality regulations and welcomes feedback and suggested improvements from colleagues. If you have any questions or comments, please direct these through Tara Black ([tara.black@uhi.ac.uk](mailto:tara.black@uhi.ac.uk)) in the first instance.

Academic Council approved a number of exceptional assessment arrangements in June 2020 to support students in the light of unprecedented disruption to learning and teaching due to the COVID19 pandemic. These [exceptional arrangements](#) were applied to progression and award outcomes in AY 2019-20. A separate [‘fair assessment’ approach](#) was applied to progression and award outcomes in AY 2020-21, in light of the ongoing impacts of the pandemic. Both sets of arrangements continue to be relevant for some students who were enrolled in those years, particularly part-time students.

**SECTION 14 – POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH DEGREE REGULATIONS**

14B.11 changes reflects the move to part-time PhD being 0.5FTE for 2021-22 enrolments.

14B.14 changes outline the different types of extended registration time – dependent on when students were first registered, and a section explaining the new ‘thesis pending’ mode.

**SECTION 16 – ADMISSIONS AND ENROLMENT**

Clarification that other awarding bodies, such as SQA, may have different approaches to the use or reuse of credits within their awards.

**APPENDIX C – ASSESSMENT GUIDANCE NOTES (SQA PROGRAMMES)**

C.4 and C.9 minor changes removing reference to HN Operations Committee.

C.5 minor amendment to reflect recent changes in SQA guidance.

**APPENDIX J – COPYRIGHT POLICY**

Link to updated policy