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Academic Safety Net 2020-21





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Regulations for 2019-20

Last year, our no-detriment approach looked at student performance from before the pandemic and use this as a benchmark when calculating awards.



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Regulations for 2019-20

Since the pandemic is ongoing, we cannot use the same approach this year because there is no reliable benchmark to base the calculations on.



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Regulations for 2019-20

Last year, we also asked that Partners revise assessment mid-semester as appropriate. We had asked that Partners consider and submit any required changes for this this academic year to



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Regulations for 2019-20

So we are taking a different approach...

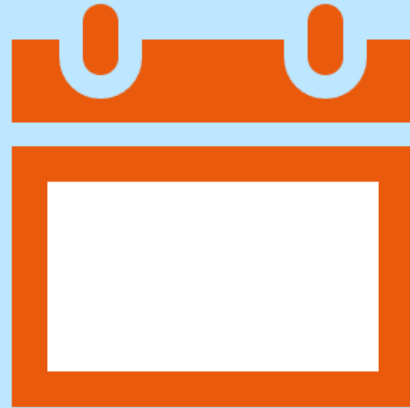


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Academic Safety Net

Aim to ease student concerns while maintaining academic integrity of programmes.



The approach will apply across all taught programmes (excluding those with PSRB requirements) and will remain in place until the end of the current students' awards.



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Some courses have Professional, Statutory and Regulatory requirements that will not allow the use of some of these new regulations.



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We advise that if you have accredited programmes that you discuss with those students the possible changes.



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If your programme is accredited and you have concerns about the regulations please get in touch with the CPO.
Programmes that did not allow for condonement,



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Extenuating Circumstances



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With the **Safety Net** regulations in place, we will accept a broader range of evidence.



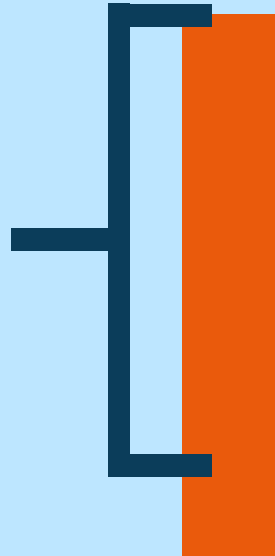
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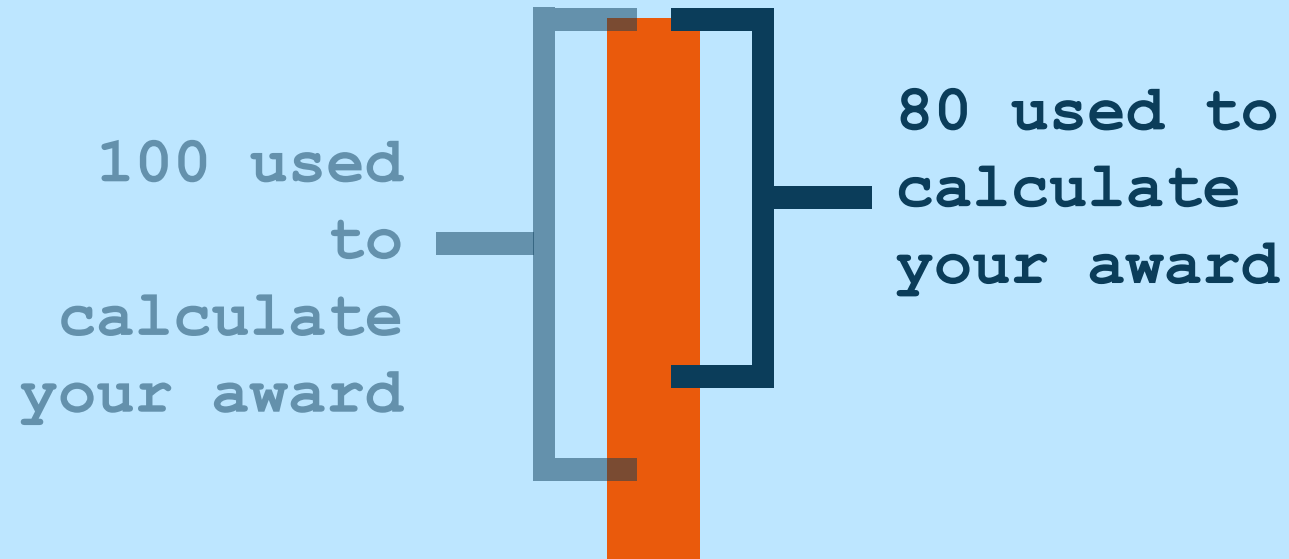
Award Regulations



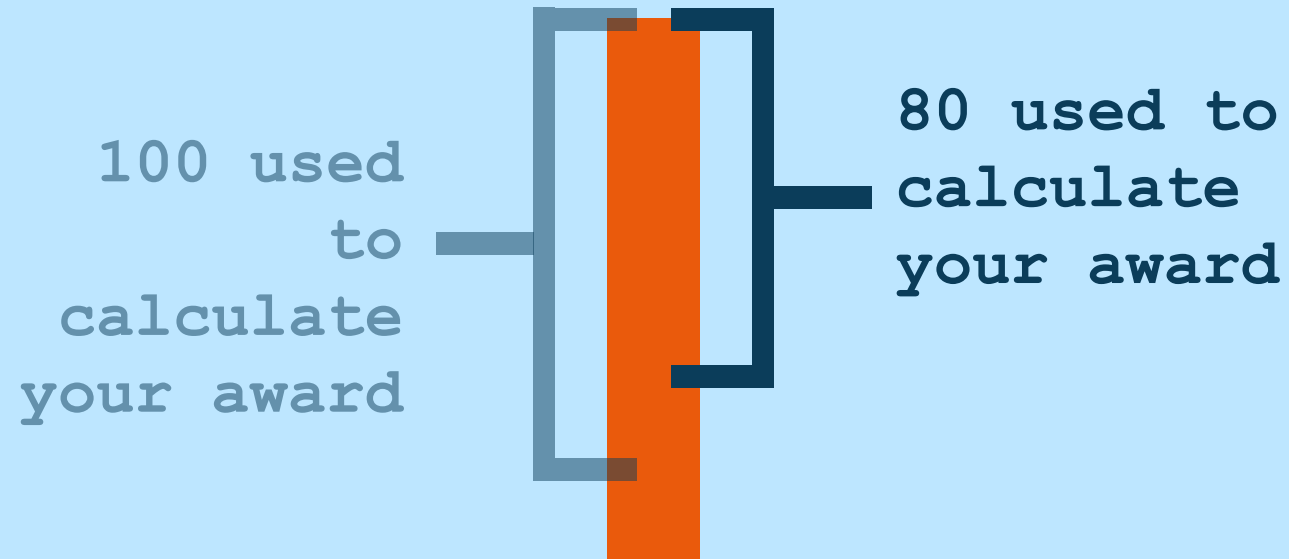
100 used
to
calculate
your award



To calculate your award, we normally look at a student's best 100 credits at each level.



With the safety net in place, we will instead look at the student's best 80 credits at each level.



This is a significant change, as it means that a student has more leeway in having a bad module and it not impacting their degree.



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Condonement

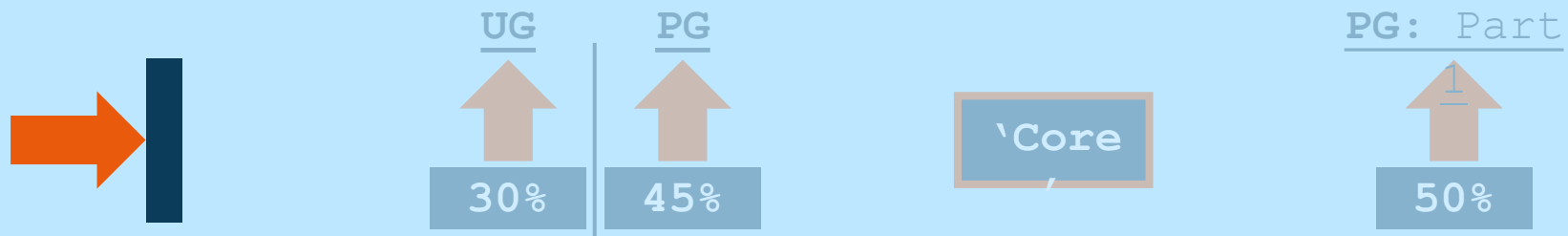


Normally, we can condone up to 20 credits per 120
credits.



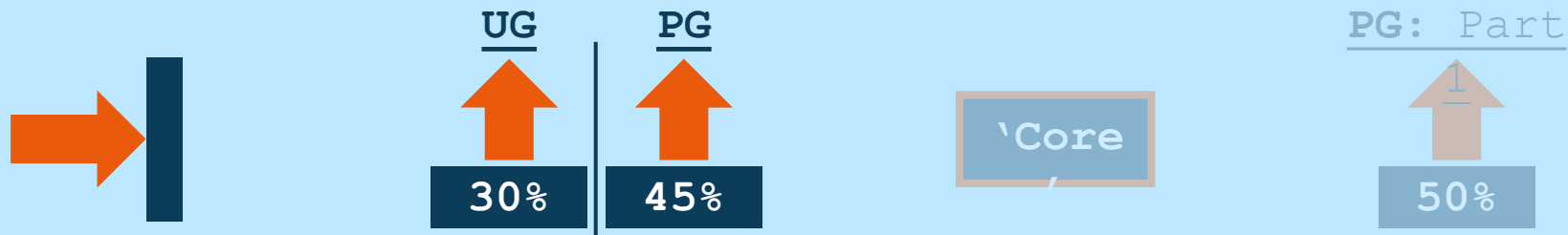
Now, failed modules with a total value of up to 40 credits can be condoned at each level of study when the following conditions are met:

Conditions necessary for **Condonement**:



Condonement can only be applied at the end of a level, for the purpose of progression or award.

Conditions necessary for **Condonement**:



Failed modules can only be condoned when the student has achieved a module mark of at least 30% if it's an undergraduate programme or 45% if it's a post graduate programme.

Conditions necessary for **Condonement**:



Condonement cannot be applied to 'core'
or 'component pass' modules.

Conditions necessary for **Condonement**:



Your programme team will be able to let you know if you have one of these modules.

Conditions necessary for **Condonement**:



If it's a Postgraduate programme, condonement can only be considered if the overall mark for Part 1 is at least 50%



Masters Awards

- **Progression to Part 2:**
 - Students will be able to progress with up to 40 credits being condoned.
- **Students eligible for an award:**
 - Part 1: Average of Best 80 credits;
 - Award: Average of Part 1 and Part 2.



Bachelors Awards

- **Progression:**
 - Students will be able to progress with up to 40 credits being condoned.
- **Students eligible for an award:** Their classification will be based on either:
 - The average of their best 80 credits at level 6; or
 - The average of their best 80 credits at level 6 given a weighting of 2, and their best 80 credits at the level 5 weighted at 1.



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Integrated Masters Students Award Regulations

- **Progression:**
 - Students will be able to progress with up to 40 credits being condoned.
- **Students eligible for an award:** Their classification will be based on either:
 - The average of their best 80 credits at level 7; or
 - The average of their best 80 credits at level 7 given a weighting of 3, their best 80 credits at level 6 weighted at 2, and their best 80 credits at level 5 weighted at 1.



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Certificate of Higher Education; Higher National Certificates; Diploma of Higher Education; Foundation Degree; Higher National Diplomas; top-up students; Graduate Diplomas; Postgraduate Diplomas; Pre-Master's Diploma

- **Award:** Average of best 80 credits at highest level of study.



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Postgraduate Certificate; Pre-Master's Certificate

- **Award:** Average of best 40 credits.



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Conditional Progression



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Conditional Progression

We have also made a change to the amount of discretion allowed within our **'conditional progression'** regulations.



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Conditional Progression

Students can normally conditionally progress to the next level of study with **20 outstanding credits**



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Conditional Progression

With the safety net in place, exam boards now have more discretion to allow conditional progression with a greater number of credits, when there are Extenuating Circumstances that have been upheld.



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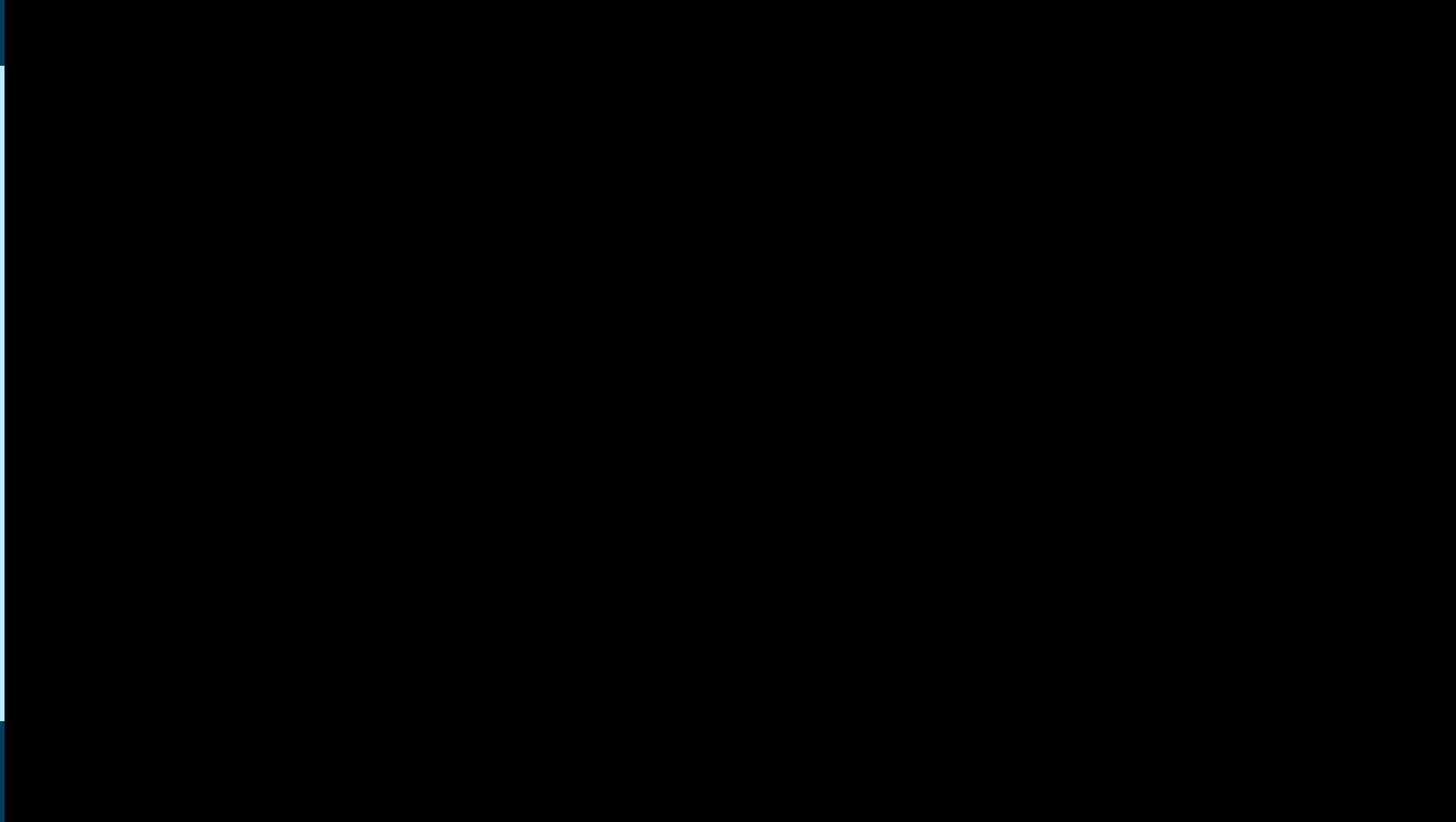
Conditional Progression

You can read more about
this in the full
regulations.



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Video Explanation for Students



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Cym: <https://youtu.be/upR0ShrtDA0>



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Thank you
and any
questions!

If you are still unsure about anything covered, please do get in touch.