



REGULATION E1: UNIVERSITY QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK

(formerly Ordinance II)

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Award Type	Abbreviations	FHEQ Level	Minimum Total Credits	Minimum credits at the Level of the award
Doctorate	PhD, PhD by Publication	8	Not credit rated	
Doctor of Medicine	DM	8	Not credit rated	
Professional / Taught Doctorate	DCouns, DCrim, DEdHealth, DHealthSci, DMid, DNur, DPharm, DPH, DSc, DSW, EdD, LLD, DHealthSci (Physio)	8	540	360
Master's Degree by Research	MPhil	7	Not credit rated	
Postgraduate Taught Master's Degree	MA, MSc, LLM, MBA, MEd, MHPE, MLitt, MMidwifery, MMus, MPH, MSW	7	180 ¹	150
Postgraduate Taught Master's Degree	MRes	7	180 ²	150
Integrated Master's Degree	MBus, MChem, MComp, MEng, MGeol., MLaw, MLibArts, MMath,	7	480	120

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	MPH, MPharm, MPhys, MSci			
Postgraduate Diploma	PGDip	7	120	90
Postgraduate Certificate	PGCert	7	60	40
Postgraduate Certificate in Education	PGCE	7	60	40
Bachelors' degree with honours	BA, BSc, BEng, LLB (Hons)	6	360	120
Bachelors' degree	BA, BSc, BEng, LLB	6	360	120
Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery	MBChB	6	600	-
BSc (Intercalated)	BSc (Intercalated)	6	120	120
Professional Graduate Certificate in Education	PgCE	6	60	60
Graduate Diploma	GradDip	6	80	80
Graduate Certificate	GradCert	6	40	40
Foundation Degree	FdA/FdSc	5	240	120
Diploma of Higher Education	DipHE	5	240	120
Certificate of Higher Education	CertHE	4	120	120
Certificate in Foundation Year Studies*		3	120	

* University award not associated with a national framework

¹ Including a minimum of 120 taught credits.

² Including a minimum of 60 taught credits which may include research methods training.

2. JOINT AND DUAL AWARDS

The University may enter into arrangement with other recognised degree-awarding institutions of higher education in the UK or abroad to offer programmes that lead to dual or joint awards with those institutions.