



PROPOSED OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR SEMESTER 2 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESOLUTIONS ON ASSESSMENTS AND ASSESSMENT PRINCIPLES AS ADOPTED BY SENATE FOR SEMESTER 1

1. All students will be allowed to participate in the FINAL/YEAR-END assessments and supplementary assessments even if they do not qualify

CAM sub minimum rules to be waived

Rules as per General Calendar which are now waived:

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(c) Except where Senate, on the recommendation of the Senate Assessment Committee, determines otherwise, or as provided for in (d) below, a student shall not be allowed to write the examinations or summative or comprehensive assessment task in a module unless he/she has obtained a continuous assessment mark of at least 40 per cent for that module. In the case of professional programmes, faculties may require a higher continuous assessment mark for practical or clinical work.

(d) The 40% minimum in the continuous assessment required in (c) above is not applicable to first semester modules at the first year level. *This rule will remain as it allows for no subminimum*

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(b) Except where Senate, on the recommendation of the Senate Assessment Committee, determines otherwise, a student shall not be allowed to undertake the examinations or summative or comprehensive assessment task in a module unless he/she has obtained a continuous assessment mark of at least 50% for that module.

(c) Students who attain a continuous assessment mark of less than 50% in a module may be permitted to do the final assessment in that module if he/she has -

- attained a continuous assessment mark of at least 50% in all the other concurrent modules required for a particular programme with the further proviso that where a programme consists of more than 5 modules, a student may be permitted to do the final assessment in two modules for which he/she did not obtain a continuous assessment mark of 50% and
- attained continuous assessment mark of at least 40% in that module.

Supplementary rules to be waived as approved by SAP and Senate



Rules as per General Calendar (undergraduate/diploma/certificate students only) which are now waived:

Unless Senate decides otherwise, a student shall be admitted to a supplementary examination in respect of a module in which he/she has written the final examination, or completed the final assessment task, and did not meet the pass requirements, but has obtained –

- an overall mark for the module of at least 45%, or
- a continuous assessment mark of at least 50%, and at least 30% in the examination or final assessment task for the module, or
- a final mark of 50% or more but an examination mark of less than 40%.

Students may write a supplementary assessment even if they have not written the final assessment or achieved any of the requirements above.

2. A PASS will be a final mark of 50%, or more i.e. a final mark of at least 50%, computed in the relevant ratio from the continuous assessment mark and the examination or final assessment mark.

Rules as per General Calendar which are now waived (only 50% final mark rule remains):

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Unless otherwise approved by Senate, a student shall obtain credit for a module by gaining –

- (a) a final mark of at least 50%, computed in the relevant ratio from the continuous assessment mark and the examination or final assessment mark; and
- (b) at least 40% in the examination or final assessment task.

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On application by the student, in order to pass a module, the student must obtain a final mark of at least 50% as well as a sub-minimum of 50% in the examination or final assessment task, provided that Senate on recommendation of the Departmental Chairperson/Director may accept a sub-minimum of not less than 40% in the examination or final assessment task for –

- (a) one module where the programme consists of 5 modules or less.
- (b) two modules where the programme consists of more than 5 modules

Senate will not accept the lower sub-minimum in a case where it would result in a final mark of less than 50 % for the module.



Students who have not submitted all assessment tasks and who obtain an average of 50% will be allowed to submit outstanding tasks if approved by Faculty. These students will be flagged as PASS DEFERRED.

- 3. Students who obtain less than 50% final mark for Semester 2 modules will obtain a FAIL.**
- 4. Faculties and Departments have the flexibility to allow students to submit outstanding assessment tasks for Terms 3 and 4 (*in particular if it is just an assessment that would lead to them passing*) during the latter part of Semester 2 or during the TERM 2 catch-up period. This is solely at the Faculty's discretion and only where a student has a strong motivation for non-submission.**
- 5. There will be no academic exclusions for the 2020 academic year.**
- 6. SDAs for promotion, completion purposes - current rules will apply.**