Different sets of Senate Regulations relating to taught awards

Over the last few years, the University has been revising the Senate Regulations which govern its undergraduate and taught postgraduate awards (including all honours bachelors degrees and all Masters degrees). The 'new' regulations are being phased in over time, which means that there are currently students studying under different sets of regulations. The University has also restructured from Schools to Colleges and Departments with effect from 1 August 2014 and agreed revisions to the way awards are classified under its 'new' regulations with effect from June 2015, and the regulations have been revised to reflect this.

For the sake of clarity, these different sets of regulations are referred to in these Regulations as SR2 (pre-2009) and SR2 (2009 onwards) for the 'old' and 'new' versions of Senate Regulation 2 (governing undergraduate awards), and SR3 (2006-2012) and SR3 (2013 onwards) for the ‘old’ and ‘new’ versions of Senate Regulation 3 (governing taught Masters degrees).

Senate Regulation 4 is concerned with the assessment of students and is now presented in a version which covers all taught students (both old and new regulations for both undergraduate awards and taught postgraduate awards). Where particular parts of Senate Regulation 4 apply only to some groups of students, this is indicated in the regulations.

If you are a student and have any doubt about which regulations you are studying under, in particular if you have resumed study for an award after a period in which you left the University, had a period of abeyance or repeated years of study, you should confirm this with your Department in the first instance.

Summary of the application of the Senate Regulations to different groups of students

Undergraduate programmes and awards (including bachelors degrees and MEng or MMath degrees)

Undergraduate students will study and be assessed in accordance with SR2 (2009 onwards) as set out in these Regulations if:

i. either they commenced Level 1 of an undergraduate programme in or after September 2009; or

ii. they commenced an undergraduate programme which is normally comprised entirely of assessment undertaken at Level 3 in or after September 2009; or

iii. their registration under the 'new' regulations (including as appropriate a transfer from the 'old' regulations) has otherwise been deemed appropriate and approved by the Head of Registry / Academic
Other students registered for programmes leading to undergraduate awards will continue to study and be assessed in accordance with SR2 (pre-2009), as set out in these Regulations.

Postgraduate taught programmes and awards

Postgraduate taught students will study and be assessed in accordance with SR3 (2013 onwards), as set out in these Regulations, if:

i. they commenced their current registration in or after September 2013; or

ii. their registration under the ‘new’ regulations (including as appropriate a transfer from the ‘old’ regulations) has otherwise been deemed appropriate and approved by the Head of Registry / Academic Registrar.

Other students registered for programmes leading to postgraduate taught awards will continue to study and be assessed in accordance with SR3 (2006-2012) as set out in these Regulations.

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