

## Assessment & Award Regulations

1.	<b>Course:</b> BSc Biological / Bioveterinary Sciences
2.	<b>Year:</b> 2
3.	<b>Applicable to Academic Year:</b> 2016/17
4.	<b>Aspects of Course Covered by Examination:</b>  All subjects studied during the year.
5.	<b>Form of Examination</b>  5.1. <b>Written Papers</b> One paper of up to 2 hours for each of the two core full modules One paper of up to 1.5 hours for core half module One paper of up to 1.5 hours for optional module  5.2. <b>In-Course Assessment:</b> Two summative per full core module One summative per half module  5.3. <b>Project:</b> One 5000 word report on a project performed in term 3 with associated proposal, oral presentation and health and safety assessments, as detailed in 7.2 below.
6.	<b>Marking Criteria</b>  6.1. <b>Examinations, In Course Assessments and Project:</b> College (0-100) Common Grading Scheme. The College Common Grading Scheme will be used as appropriate for extended pieces of writing with 0-10 marking on problem solving, short answer responses of a factual nature.  6.2. <b>Multiple Choice Questions</b> The number of marks available for each type of question will be clearly stated on the examination paper. A question left unanswered or deleted by the candidate will score zero. The pass mark for the MCQ examination as a whole will be set according to approved and accepted standard setting protocols, normalised and then scaled.  6.3. <b>Problem Solving Questions</b> The number of marks allocated to each section of the question will be clearly stated, totalling 10 marks for the whole question. The model answer will state how marks are to be allocated for specific factual answers, or the description or completion of a defined process. Where an answer must be judged more subjectively, the model answer must describe the quality of content, understanding, integration and expression required to attain the marks allocated for that answer. Fractional scores are permitted for each section.  6.4. <b>Oral Presentations &amp; Oral Examinations</b> The College marking scheme for Oral Presentations will be used for all appropriate presentations and the marking scheme for Masters Research Project Oral Examinations will be used for appropriate Oral Exams.

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7.	Allocation of Marks and any Additional Requirements		
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7.1.	<p><b>Enemy Within</b> Written Paper In-Course Assessment</p> <p><b>Enemy Without</b> Written Paper In-Course Assessment</p> <p><b>Principles of Pharmacology (Core half module)</b> Written Paper In-Course Assessment</p> <p><b>Optional half modules</b> Applied Pharmacology Imaging of Disease Wild Animal Biology Animal Behaviour, Welfare &amp; Ethics Introduction to One Health</p> <p>Written Paper In-Course Assessment</p>	<p>20% 5%</p> <p>20% 5%</p> <p>10% 2.5%</p> <p>10% 2.5%</p>	<p>33% 0</p> <p>33% 0</p> <p>17% 0</p> <p>17% 0</p>
7.2.	<p><b>Research Project Term 3:</b> First Week Page Proposal Professionalism in the Lab Oral Presentation Written Report</p>	<p><b>Total 25%</b> 2.5% 2.5% 5% 15.0%</p>	<p>0</p>
<b>8.</b>	<b>Requirements to Pass Overall and Progress to the Next Stage</b>		
8.1.	An average mark of 40% aggregated from the marks listed in 7 above.		
<b>9.</b>	<b>Consequences of Failure</b>		
9.1.	A candidate who fails the year overall at the first attempt will be allowed to resit the failed written examination components (7.1 above) or be required to relinquish the course of study. The overall mark awarded at the second attempt will be no more than 40% and that will be the mark carried forward for degree classification.		
9.2.	A student who has failed the year at the second attempt and <b>has not</b> previously repeated a year of study will be entitled to repeat the year. The number of attempts at assessments will be the same as for those students not repeating the year. All Final Year Marks under the 'repeat year' rule will be capped at a maximum of a bare pass and that will be the mark carried forward for degree classification.		
9.3.	A student who has failed the year at the second attempt and <b>has previously</b> repeated a year of study will be required to withdraw from the course. S/he will have a right of appeal as described in College Regulations		

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9.4.	A student who has not passed at the end of a repeated year is required to appeal irrespective of any deferrals.
9.5.	A candidate who successfully passed Year 1 shall remain eligible for the award of Certificate of Higher Education.
9.6.	A student who has passed the year but has, at the first attempt, failed core/compulsory modules required for a chosen named pathway will be required to resit the core/compulsory modules or, after consultation with the Course Director, transfer to a different pathway.
9.7.	A student who has passed the year but has, at the second attempt, failed core/compulsory modules required for a chosen named pathway will be required to consult the Course Director and transfer to a different pathway.
<b>10.</b>	<b>Honours Classification and Award</b>
10.1.	The second year of the course contributes 35% of the marks toward the final degree classification. The end of year mark will give an indicative classification standard for the year.
10.2.	A candidate who has successfully passed Year 2 but does not proceed with study is eligible for the award of Diploma of Higher Education.
<b>11.</b>	<b>Disclosure of Marks</b>
	Results will be published by candidate number.
<b>12.</b>	<b>Absence From In-Course Assessment</b>
12.1.	Where a student has an <i>allowable</i> absence, s/he will be marked absent (A) from a summative assessment. Where a student has an A, and there are three or more in-course assessments in the year, the marks awarded will be the average of the other in-course assessment marks gained by the student.
12.2.	90% of the marks for the year must be attributed to results of direct assessment i.e. no more than 10% of marks can be attributed to Absent (A) marks.
12.3.	An allowable absence is one that is for a significant unforeseeable event such as illness.
12.4.	Any other foreseeable absence will only be considered allowable if agreed by Academic Progress Committee and this will only apply in very strictly limited circumstances.
12.5.	A student absent for any other reason will be awarded 0 (zero) for the assessment.
<b>13.</b>	<b>Late Submission of Work</b>
	Reports, Projects and Assignments submitted after the due deadline will be subject to the late submission policy set out in the College's General Assessment Regulations.
<b>14.</b>	<b>Additional Requirements for Entry to MSci Year 4</b>
	For BSc or MSci students to be considered for progression to Year 4 of the MSci course they are required to achieve: An aggregated Year 2 mark of at least 60% OR An aggregated Year 2 mark of at least 55% with at least 62% for the Project Report