

1.	<p><b>Course: MSci Biosciences Suite of courses with award titles of</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applied Biological Research</li> <li>• Applied Bioveterinary Research</li> <li>• Bioveterinary Sciences</li> <li>• Biological Sciences</li> <li>• Biological Sciences (Animal Behaviour and Welfare)</li> <li>• Wild Animal Biology</li> </ul>
2.	<p><b>Stage</b>            4</p>
3.	<p><b>Applicable to Academic Year</b>        2016/17 to 2018/19</p>
3.	<p><b>Credit Value and Award Regulations</b></p> <p>3.1        The credit value of each module and the required combination of modules for each award title is shown in the Part 2 Award Pathway document.</p> <p>3.2.        In order to progress towards or gain a given award a student will have to have passed and gained credit for modules that meet the required pattern for that award as defined in the Award Pathway document</p>
4.	<p><b>Marking Criteria</b></p> <p>4.1.        <b>Written Examinations (except MCQs) and In-Course Assessment</b> College (0-100) Common Grading Scheme. The College's 0-10 scale may be used for assessments to which it is better suited such as oral presentations</p> <p>4.2.        <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.</p> <p>4.3.        <b>Project</b> College (0-100) Common Grading Scheme.</p> <p>4.4        <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.</p>
5.	<p><b>Requirements to Pass</b></p> <p>5.1.        <b>Requirements to Pass each Module</b> A candidate must have:                      Achieved a weighted, aggregated average of at least 50% from all of the pieces of work combined          AND                      Achieved a pass in each of the practical pieces of work (as appropriate)          AND                      Submitted all the compulsory formative assignments (as appropriate)</p>

5.2.	<p><b>Requirements to be Awarded the MSci (Hons)</b>  A candidate must have gained:  An aggregated overall mark of at least 50% from all modules contributing to the award  AND  A pass (50%) in the Research Module  AND  A pass in individual modules which, when combined, amount to 120 credits at Level 7</p>
5.3.	<p><b>Requirements to be Awarded the MSci</b>  A candidate must have gained:  An aggregated overall mark of at least 40% from modules contributing to the award.  AND  A pass (at 50%) in the Research Module  AND  A weighted aggregated average of 50% from Masters level (level 7) modules amounting to 120 credits</p> <p>PROVIDED THAT  Masters (Level 7) Modules amounting to a total of no more than 15 credits, <b>or</b> one 15 credit module or <b>one</b> 30 credit module have a mark between 40 and 49%. All other individual Masters (Level 7) modules must have a mark of 50% or more.</p>
6.	<p><b>Consequences of Failure</b></p> <p>6.1. A candidate who fails a Masters (Level 7) module at the first attempt shall have a right to resit. Any module taken for a second time will gain a mark no greater than 50%.</p> <p>6.2. When a module resit involves a piece of assessed work, the amount of time the resit student is given to do that work should be the same as on the first occasion.</p> <p>6.3. A candidate who has met the requirements for a BSc or BSc (Hons), or an MSci degree may opt to receive the degree after the first sitting. A candidate who takes this option shall relinquish his/her right to re-sit for the MSci (Hons) degree.</p> <p>6.4. A candidate who fails at the second attempt will be required to relinquish the course. S/he will have a right of appeal as described in College Regulations.</p> <p>6.5. A candidate who has passed the required Level 6 modules shall remain eligible for the award of BSc or BSc (Hons).</p>
7.	<p><b>Classification</b></p> <p>7.1. The marks from Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 shall be weighted in the ratio 10:35:55:100 and aggregated and then scaled to a percentage.</p> <p>7.2. If a candidate has been admitted with exemption into Year 2, the marks from Years 2, 3 and 4 shall be weighted in the ratio 35:55:100 and aggregated and then scaled to give a percentage.</p> <p>7.3. If a candidate has been admitted with exemption directly to Level 6, the marks from Levels 6 and 7 shall be weighted in the ratio 55:100 and aggregated and scaled to give a percentage. (This includes study for an intercalated degree).</p>

7.4.	<p>The degree shall be classified as follows:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>First Class</td> <td>70% or above</td> </tr> <tr> <td>First Class</td> <td>69% or above with at least 75% in the Level 7 Project Report</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Upper Second Class</td> <td>60% to 69%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Upper Second Class</td> <td>59% or above with at least 65% in the Level 7 Project Report</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lower Second Class</td> <td>50% to 59%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lower Second Class</td> <td>49% or above with at least 55% in the Level 7 Project Report</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Third Class</td> <td>40% to 49% with at least 50% on aggregate for Level 7</td> </tr> </table>	First Class	70% or above	First Class	69% or above with at least 75% in the Level 7 Project Report	Upper Second Class	60% to 69%	Upper Second Class	59% or above with at least 65% in the Level 7 Project Report	Lower Second Class	50% to 59%	Lower Second Class	49% or above with at least 55% in the Level 7 Project Report	Third Class	40% to 49% with at least 50% on aggregate for Level 7
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9.	<p><b>Absence From In-Course Assessment</b></p> <p>9.1. 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.</p> <p>9.2. 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.</p> <p>9.3. An allowable absence is one that is for a significant unforeseeable event such as illness.</p> <p>9.4. Any other foreseeable absence will only be considered allowable if agreed by the Student Support and Development System and this will only apply in very strictly limited circumstances.</p> <p>9.5. A student absent for any other reason will be awarded 0 (zero) for the assessment.</p>														
10.	<p><b>Late Submission of Work</b></p> <p>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.</p> <p>Within this year the major pieces of work are highlighted in <b>BOLD</b> in Part 3 of the Award and Assessment Regulations.</p>														