# Assessment & Award Regulations

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<td>1.</td>
<td><strong>Course</strong> Graduate Diploma Equine Locomotor Research</td>
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<td><strong>Applicable to Academic Year</strong> For students commencing the course from January 2017 onwards</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td><strong>Credit Value and Award Regulations</strong> 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.</td>
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<td><strong>Marking Criteria</strong></td>
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<td>4.1.</td>
<td><strong>Examinations, In-Course Assessment</strong> The Common Grading Scheme (LAQ &amp; CPRQ) will be used as appropriate for extended pieces of writing with 0-10 marking on short answer responses of a factual nature.</td>
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<td>4.2.</td>
<td><strong>Research Project</strong> The Common Grading Scheme (Projects) will be used.</td>
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<td><strong>Multiple Choice Questions</strong> 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 MCQ examinations as a whole will be set according to approved and accepted standard setting protocols, normalised and then scaled.</td>
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<td><strong>Presentations</strong> The College marking scheme for Oral Presentations will be used for all appropriate presentations.</td>
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<td><strong>Requirements to Pass</strong></td>
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<td>5.1.</td>
<td><strong>Requirements to Pass each Module</strong> To have achieved a weighted, aggregated average of at least 40% (or gained exemptions) from all of the pieces of work combined.</td>
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<td>5.2.</td>
<td><strong>Requirements to Progress from Stage 0 to Stage 1 (Level 5 to Level 6) Modules</strong> To have passed or gained exemption from the Stage 0 Module.</td>
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| 5.3.| **Requirements to Progress from Stage 1 to Stage 2 Modules:**  
| 5.3.1.| To have passed the Stage 1 Modules to the value of 45 credits according to the pattern required by the award map. |
| 5.3.2.| 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. |
| 5.4.| **Requirements to gain the Graduate Diploma** To have passed individual module(s) (including exemptions) amounting to 90 credits according to the requirements of the award map  
|     | OR                                                                                           |
|     | To have gained a weighted aggregated average of 40% from modules to the value of 75           |
## 6. Consequences of Failure

6.1. A student who fails a module at the first attempt shall have a right to resit. S/he will be required to resit those pieces of work that were failed (with less than 40%) at the next available opportunity.

6.2. Where the student has not yet completed all of the modules in a Stage, s/he will be required to resit any piece of work with a mark of 30-39% in order to pass a module if it has not been passed on aggregate at the first attempt.

6.3. The module mark obtained at the second attempt will be no greater than 40%.

6.4. 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.

6.5. A student 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.