

## Regulations for Graduate Diplomas

These regulations govern the following programmes of study:

### ***School of Biological Sciences***

Graduate Diploma in Ecology

### ***School of Economics***

Graduate Diploma in Economics

### ***School of Art, Media and American Studies***

Graduate Diploma in World Art Studies

1. The Graduate Diploma consists mainly of Honours-level modules as defined by the relevant course profile in the relevant School of Study;
2. A candidate for a Graduate Diploma must:
  - (1) be a graduate of this University or another approved University or possess some other qualification approved by this University;
  - (2) submit evidence of adequate training and ability to undertake the programme of study. In some disciplines, this may include fluency in written and spoken English;
  - (3) meet any other admissions criteria that may be prescribed and published by the relevant School of Study with regard to the academic year of entry;
  - (4) study in accordance with these Regulations.
3. The programme of study shall begin at the start of the Autumn Semester and shall be of two semesters' full-time, or be no more than four semesters part-time.
4. A candidate may be required to attend and satisfactorily complete an introductory course prior to the commencement of the Graduate Diploma, as prescribed by the relevant School of Study.
5. Each candidate shall follow a programme of study approved by the School Director of Learning, Teaching and Quality of the relevant School which shall normally be course modules equivalent to 120 credits from lists to be published each year by the relevant School of Study together with any practical/fieldwork as prescribed by the relevant School. The required modules and numbers of modules at particular levels shall be specified in the relevant course handbook.
6. The Graduate Diploma shall be awarded on the results of a Final Assessment which shall comprise:

- (1) a candidate's performance in any coursework module(s) during the prescribed programme of study;
  - (2) the result(s) of any written examination(s);
  - (3) the result(s) of a dissertation/research project or any other substantive assignment as prescribed by the relevant School of Study.
7. The pass mark and consideration of each module shall follow the Bachelors and Integrated Masters Degree Regulations for Undergraduate Awards.
  8. The examiners may require a candidate to take an oral examination.
  9. A student may be granted a Delayed Assessment or a new date for the submission of the dissertation/research project in accordance with the University's Extenuating Circumstances Regulations.

### **Final Assessment**

- (1) If the candidate's performance in the Final Assessment has reached the standard required for the Graduate Diploma in all aspects, the Board of Examiners shall recommend that the candidate be awarded the Graduate Diploma. This may include the compensation of one module of up to 30 credits where this is available for the course in accordance with the Bachelor and Integrated Masters award regulations.
  - (2) If the candidate has completed all the required elements in the Final Assessment, but has failed to reach the standard required for the Graduate Diploma in any component/element/module of the Final Assessment, the Board of Examiners shall refer the candidate to reassessment at a time and in such part(s) of the Final Assessment as the examiners shall prescribe, in accordance with the Regulations for Bachelors and Integrated Masters Awards. A candidate shall not be allowed to submit for reassessment on more than one occasion.
10. The Board of Examiners shall consider candidates who have undertaken reassessment in one of the following ways:
    - (1) if the candidate's performance in the Reassessment has reached the standard required for the Graduate Diploma in all aspects, the Board of Examiners shall recommend that the candidate be awarded the Graduate Diploma. This may include the compensation of one module of up to 30 credits where this is available for the course in accordance with the Bachelor and Integrated Masters award regulations;
    - (2) if the candidate's performance in the Reassessment has not reached the standard required for the Graduate Diploma, it shall recommend that the Graduate Diploma be not awarded.