

## Applies to all students except for undergraduate students in level 7 of an integrated master's programme in 2024/25.

Welcome to the regulations digest, a short briefing document to inform staff and students of annual changes to the academic regulations for taught programmes which apply to all students except for undergraduate students in level 7 (final year) of an integrated master's programme. Please refer to the [academic regulations](#) for further details.

Please note, there is a separate set of academic regulations for undergraduate students in level 7 (final year) of an integrated master's programme.

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### Changes for 2024/25

#### Section 2: Assessment

- [Paragraph 2.38](#) – amended the illustrative reassessment scenarios table to improve clarity.

#### Section 3: Progression

- [Paragraph 3.9](#) – added a sentence to clarify that where level 6 credits are included in a master's degree or postgraduate diploma, these are excluded from the classification calculation.

## Section 4: Awards

- [Paragraph 4.12](#) – amended the master’s degree classification algorithm to remove the requirement that the dissertation must be in a specific classification band for a student to be awarded that classification band. The master’s degree calculation will be solely based on a minimum of 120 credits or the overall average mark being in the classification band.
- [Paragraph 4.12](#) – amended to clarify that where level 6 credits are included in a master’s programme, these are excluded from the classification calculation; amended additionally for clarity.
- [Paragraph 4.13](#) – amended to clarify that where level 6 credits are included in a postgraduate diploma, these are excluded from the classification calculation; amended additionally for clarity.
- [Paragraph 4.14](#) – amended for clarity.

## Section 6: Registration

- [Paragraphs 6.5 and 6.8](#) – addition of the word ‘normally’. Implemented from May 2024
- [Paragraph 6.10](#) – amended to allow students to request a programme transfer after the first two weeks of teaching. Implemented from May 2024

## Section 7: Recognition of Prior Learning

- [Paragraph 7.6](#) – amended to increase the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) allowed for a master’s degree from 90 to 120 credits, which may include the dissertation/major project module. This regulation will be implemented for continuing as well as new master’s students.
- [Paragraph 7.10](#) – amended to clarify that degree classification for a master’s degree with RPL will be calculated using the average of the marks for modules studied/passed at DMU.

## Section 9: Level 3 Regulations

A new section outlining regulations for level 3 (year zero/foundation year) provision.

## Appendix 1 Progression and award board (PAB) terms of reference

The terms of reference have been removed from the regulations and will be available on the regulations and assessment boards SharePoint site.

## Appendix 1 (previously Appendix 2): Award Classification Calculations

The master’s degree example has been updated to reflect the changes made to the master’s degree calculation as outlined in 4.12 above. The module credit sizes for postgraduate award calculations have been amended to use 30 credit modules to better reflect block delivery module sizes.