

## **SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR PROGRAMMES WITH ACCREDITATION LICENCED BY THE ENGINEERING COUNCIL**

### **Chapter 1 - Special Provisions for Programmes with accreditation licenced by the Engineering Council**

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#### **1. The Engineering Council Regulations**

- 1.1 The [Engineering Council](#) licence the accreditation of a number of programmes within Computer Science, Engineering, Mining and Minerals Engineering, and Renewable Energy.
- 1.2 The Engineering Council has specific rules in relation to condonement. These are applicable to all programmes which are accredited by Professional, Statutory and Regulatory Bodies (PSRBs) that are under licence by the Engineering Council (BCS, EI, IET, IMechE, IOM3 & JBM). The disciplines affected are: Computer Science, Engineering, Mining and Minerals Engineering and Renewable Energy.
- 1.3 For these programmes, the University applies a definition of condonement that is consistent with the Engineering Council's definition of permitted compensation, as follows:

Condonement is the practice of allowing marginal failure (i.e. not more than 10% below the nominal pass mark) of one or more modules and awarding credit for them, on the basis of good overall academic performance. Reassessment in condoned credit is not permitted. Please see below for award-specific rules.
- 1.4 These regulations have been updated for the 2020/21 entry year. For programmes beginning prior to 2020, please refer to the relevant programme specification for details of condonement rules.

#### **2. BEng/BSc and MEng/MSci Programmes**

- 2.1 Up to 30 credits of failure can be condoned across the programme of study. The following conditions apply:
  - a. The module must be designated as condonable in the programme specification.

- b. The module must not be an individual or group project.
- c. The student must have an average mark of at least 40% across the full 120 credits of assessment in the level, including any failed and condoned modules. The required average will be 50% in the final level of a MEng programme.
- d. Only one marginal failure may be condoned in a single level (1 x 15-credit module or 1 x 30-credit module); students may be condoned in 2 x 15-credit modules, but they must be at different levels. For example, if 2 x 15-credit modules are marginally failed in a level, the student will not be permitted to progress. However, if 1 x 30-credit module is marginally failed and the student has not condoned a marginal failure previously, the student will be able to avail of compensation and progress.

### **3. MSc Programmes**

- 3.1 Up to 15 credits of failure can be condoned across the programme of study. The following conditions apply:
- a. The module must be designated as condonable in the programme specification.
  - b. The module must not be an individual or group project.
  - c. The student must have an average mark of at least 50% across the full programme, including any failed and condoned modules.
  - d. Only one marginal failure may be condoned in a single level (1 x 15-credit module).