P POSTGRADUATE AND MASTERS AWARDS

P.1 General Regulations

P.1.1 This section of the regulations relates to the awarding of Postgraduate Certificates, Diplomas and Masters Degrees. This section must be read in conjunction with Sections A – E of the University of Wolverhampton Academic Regulations.

P.1.2 The Registry will publish, annually, a full list of courses governed by Section P of the Regulations.

P.2 The Admission of Students

P.2.1 Students studying for awards governed by this section of the regulations will normally hold an Honours Bachelors Degree or equivalent before being accepted onto the course.

P.2.2 Alternatively, students without an Honours Bachelors Degree may be accepted where they have successfully completed and passed a pre-masters entry course.

P.3 The Registration of Students

P.3.1 This Section should be read in conjunction with Sections B.5 and C.4

P.3.2 The maximum period over which an award governed by Section P of the Regulations may be studied will be:

Full Time Students	Normal	Maximum
Masters Degree	1 year	2 years
Postgraduate Diploma	1 year	2 years
Postgraduate Certificate	1 year	1 year
Postgraduate Certificate in Education (M)	1 year	2 years

Part Time Students	Normal	Maximum
Masters Degree	2 years	4 years
Postgraduate Diploma	2 year	3 years
Postgraduate Certificate	1 year	2 years

P.3.3 Where a student chooses to change their mode of study the maximum period of registration will be calculated pro rata.

P.3.4 To be eligible to continue to study for an award governed by Section P of the Regulations, a student must not exceed each of maximum periods of registration in Section P.3.1 and Section P.3.4.

P.3.5 To be eligible for the interim award, a student must not exceed the following maximum period of registration:

University Statement of Credit	1 year part-time	1 year part-time

P.3.5 Section B.5 permits students to be admitted to the University with advanced standing where they have previously successfully completed relevant study at higher education level, in the UK or abroad.

For courses governed by Section P of the Regulations, the minimum number of University of Wolverhampton credits students must study and pass will be as follows:

Masters by Research Degree	180 credits at level 7.
Masters Degree:	100 credits at level 7, including the Masters level project or dissertation
Postgraduate Diploma:	60 credits at level 7
Postgraduate Certificate:	40 credits at level 7
Postgraduate Certificate in Education (M)	60 credits at level 7

P.4 The Management of Student Assessment

P.4.1 Section D.2 sets out the grading schemes used by the University of Wolverhampton. For Degrees and Honours Degrees the following schemes will be used:

Level 7	Percentage Mark Scheme

P.4.2 No compensation will be permitted for modules offered at level 7

P.4.3 Modules may only be repeated once. Where Award regulations permit, replacement of a failed option module will be permitted for one attempt only.

P.5 The Management of Assessment Boards

P.5.1 Progression and Award Boards will be held at the end of each academic year, in accordance with Section E of these regulations.

P.6 Continuation Regulations

P.6.1 In order to continue, students studying for an award governed by Section P will:

a. be in a position to recover any failure within the rules of their course; and
b. have met any pre-requisite modules specified for the course; and
c. be in a position to not exceed the maximum period over which an award or interim award may be studied, contained in Section P.3.

P.7 Award Credit Requirements

P.7.1 To be eligible for the award from courses governed by Section P of the Regulations, a student will need to have met the following credit requirements:

Qualification	**Total Credits required**	**Level 6**	**Level 7**
Postgraduate Certificate in Education (M)	120	60	60
Postgraduate Certificate	60		60
Postgraduate Diploma	120		120
Masters Degree	180		180

P.7.2 To be eligible for an award of MRes a student will need to have met the specific research requirement set out in A.2.5.

P.7.3 To be eligible for an exit award from courses governed by Section P of the Regulations a student will need to have met the following credit requirements:

Exit Qualification	**Total Credits required**	**Level 6**	**Level 7**
Graduate Certificate in (Primary/Secondary) School Teaching	100	100	
Graduate Certificate in (Primary/Secondary) School Teaching Studies	60	60	
University Statement of Credit	20	20	

P.8 Classification of Awards

P.8.1 To be awarded the Masters Degree with Distinction, students taking 180 credits will be required to gain at least 120 credits at 70% or above, which must include achieving 70% or above in the research project or dissertation.

P.8.2 To be awarded the Masters Degree with Distinction, students taking between 160 and 140 credits will be required to gain at least 100 credits at 70% or above, which must include the research project or dissertation module.

P.8.3 To be awarded the Masters Degree with Distinction, students taking between 120 and 100 credits will be required to gain at least 80 credits at 70% or above, which must include the research project or dissertation module.

P.8.4 To be awarded the Masters Degree with Merit, students taking 180 credits will be required to gain at least 120 credits at 60% or above, which must include achieving 60% or above in the research project or dissertation.

P.8.5 To be awarded the Masters Degree with Merit, students taking between 160 and 140 credits will be required to gain at least 100 credits at 60% or above, which must include the research project or dissertation module.

P.8.6 To be awarded the Masters Degree with Merit, students taking between 120 and 100 credits will be required to gain at least 80 credits at 60% or above, which must include the research project or dissertation module.

P.8.7 Awards of Postgraduate Diploma, Postgraduate Certificate and Statement of Credit are not classified.

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