



Changes to Academic Regulations for 2021-2022 Academic Year

Summary for Students

We have made some more changes to our Academic Regulations to increase comparability to the university sector, and support you and your academic progression for 2021-22.

To increase the recognition of your study achievements we have made two changes to our awards:

1. a new undergraduate award named 'Certificate' recognising achievement of at least 30 credits of university study; and;
2. renaming the level 4 award for achieving at least 60 credits at level 4 or above, to 'Undergraduate Certificate'.

To support student wellbeing we have clarified that enrolling on more than 120 credits is at Hartpury's discretion. This is usually only permitted if it is a requirement of your programme, or if you have been allowed to progress to the next stage of your programme with a 'Trail' status recognising you are redoing a small number of credits. In general enrolling on more credits means you are having to study more hours, and we believe this is not good for your wellbeing and as such we will think carefully before accepting a request to enrol on more credits than you require.

Excitingly for 2021-22 we have more programmes than ever before accrediting by professional bodies. Additionally we have other programmes that have clear routes into future employment. As such we have introduced a new Appendix. Professional Suitability that states how we will investigate and act if we have a concern about your professional suitability brought to our attention.

We have also updated some of the appendices within the academic regulations:

- Appendix. Academic Misconduct has replaced Appendix. Assessment Offences. Outcomes of this investigation process are now 'no case to answer', 'academic misconduct' or 'academic offence'.
- Appendix. Conduct of Examinations now takes into account that examinations can be oral, practical or written, and can be onsite or online. It sets our expectations for your behaviour during an examination assessment.
- Appendix. Extenuating Circumstances now refers to Covid-19 as a reason for an application, clarifies an extension is usually for 5, 10, 15 or 20 days, and that self-certification can cover a period of up to 7 days (in line with industry practice) and cannot be used as sole evidence for exceptional removal of a mark.

Any questions? Contact student.advisors@hartpury.ac.uk or your Academic Personal Tutor