

SPECIAL REGULATIONS: BA SOCIAL WORK

INTRODUCTION

Course title	BA Social Work
Course code	UF10000143
Exit awards (if these regulations are also applicable to the exit awards)	BA Social Care Diploma of Higher Education Social Care Certificate of Higher Education Social Care
Module titles and codes (if these regulations are applicable to certain modules only)	N/A
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ADMISSION

- 1 The requirements for admissions are those set out in the General Regulations for the Conferment of Awards; the additional requirements are set out below.
- 2 All applicants are required to attend a selection day/event, participate in a values-based selection-based process and complete any assessments prescribed as part of the selection process aimed at assessing their potential to meet professional and academic standards to undertake social work education.
- 3 Selection activities include, assessing ability to communicate verbally, their value base, ability to work with others and openness to alternative points of view, a timed written test, assessing the ability to communicate in written English, and an individual interview to assess that they meet the Professional Capabilities Framework (PCF) entry level and display appropriate ability for progression to Level 6.

GENERAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- 4 The admissions process will assess the suitability of applicants including in relation to their conduct, health and character, including criminal conviction checks.
- 5 All entrants must satisfy the requirements concerning clearance in relation to criminal convictions and any other requirements specified by the University, taking account of the requirements of the regulatory bodies, in relation to the protection of vulnerable persons. Students on the course must remain in good standing in relation to such requirements, including, where required, registration for the updating of certificates by the Disclosure and Barring Service.

ADDITIONAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- 6 In addition to the entrance requirements specified in the General Regulations for the Conferment of Awards, the entry requirements are currently grade B, C, C, at A-Level or equivalent, and GCSE English Language minimum grade 4 or equivalent.

- 7 All applicants are to satisfy the University in relation to maths entry requirements following prescribed procedures at times of application.
- 8 Non-UK successful applicants must meet communication and comprehension skills to International English Language Testing Systems (IELTS) at level 7.0.
- 9 All applicants must have the capability to use information and communication technology (ICT) methods and techniques to achieve course outcomes.

DEFAULT EXIT AWARDS NOT LEADING TO PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

- 10 For a student who passes the theory modules and the assessment of practice at Levels 4 and 5 but does not complete Level 6, the Board of Examiners must consider recommending an exit award that does not lead to professional recognition.
- 11 The following exit awards are available to students not recommended for an award leading to professional registration.
 - a) To qualify for a Bachelor of Science degree Social Care students must:
 - Pass at least 60 credits at level 6
 - Pass level 5
 - Pass level 4
 - b) To qualify for a Diploma of Higher Education Social Care students must:
 - Pass level 5
 - Pass level 4
 - c) To qualify for a Certificate of Higher Education Social Care students must:
 - Pass level 4
- 12 Aegrotat awards may be offered at the discretion of the Board of Examiners as outlined in the regulations; however, such awards would not provide eligibility to apply for admission to the relevant professional register.

CREDIT EXEMPTION ON ENTRY

- 13 For Social Work students requesting transfer from another institution, a transcript, reference, completed assessment of practice documentation and placement hours will be required. All applicants' past theory and practice learning will be mapped against the course's modules.

ASSESSMENT

- 14 All assessments must be passed. This includes theoretical assessments and those involved in the assessment of practice.

COMPENSATION

- 15 The course is excluded from university regulations regarding compensation.

PROGRESSION

- 16 A student may only progress from one level of the course to the next on successful completion of the required practice assessment.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE AND CONDUCT

- 17 Students are required to make a formal declaration of good health and good character at the beginning of each Level of the course.
- 18 As a condition of a professional award, students must successfully meet the requirements concerning attendance and professional practice, together with the requirements of the regulatory bodies relating to student conduct, good health and good character. Potential breaches of professional conduct will be subject to the Low-level concerns and Fitness to practise procedures for the faculty.

EXTERNAL EXAMINERS

- 19 At least one Module Achievement Board External Examiner appointed to the course must be appropriately experienced and qualified in the relevant area of practice and, unless other arrangements are agreed with the appropriate regulatory body, be from the relevant part of the Register.

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