

Categorising student performance levels

- Excellent is the performance expected of students gaining a first class module mark.
- Typical is the performance currently expected of students at the Lower/Upper second class boundary for the module.
- Threshold is the minimum performance currently required to pass the module.

First-year course GEOL 0007: The Earth

Excellent Performance:

that expected of students gaining a first-class honours degree

- exhibit a knowledge base extending well beyond the directly taught programme with evidence of substantial reading outside the course notes and texts
- possess an ability to engage in serious discussion about most aspects of the course
- be able to evaluate critically ideas and to integrate different concepts e.g. as required in understanding a geological map or in the field
- have the ability to communicate orally and in writing critically, efficiently and effectively

Typical Performance:

that expected of students at the lower/upper second-class degree boundary

- possess a good understanding of course material and show some evidence of enquiry beyond direct the lecture room
- be able integrate different concepts such as required in understanding a simple geological map or in the field
- have the ability to communicate orally and in writing efficiently and effectively

Threshold Performance:

the minimum performance required to gain an honours degree

- demonstrate an understanding of course material
- be able integrate different concepts such as required in understanding a simple geological map
- be able to write effectively