### Academic Services Newsletter



### Welcome

This is the 20<sup>th</sup> edition of the Academic Services Newsletter, a consolidated source of information that supports all UCL staff managing the student lifecycle. If you know any colleagues who would like to receive these monthly newsletters, or have any new starters on your team, they can <u>sign-up here</u>. Previous editions are available via the <u>Archive</u>.

### **Academic Services in numbers**

There has been a great deal of activity over the summer months as one academic year ends and the next begins which can be seen in the figures below:

#### **Enrolment:**

- 48,614 students enrolled as of 7<sup>th</sup> October, including:
  - o 24,614 new students enrolled via entirely online method for the first time
  - 24,000 returning students enrolled
- 20,000 oyster cards processed

#### **Module Registration:**

• 28,000 students selecting modules during module registration

#### **Examinations:**

- 7851 students in Main Exam Period
- 18,089 candidatures in Main Exam Period
- 667 online exams in Main Exam Period
- 235 Deferred exams in LSA period
- 368 candidatures in LSA period

### Progression, award and graduation:

- 5,759 certificates in the process of being sent
- 5,300 calculations of awards for undergraduates
- 300 LSA awards processed
- 5,000 programme diets across UCL

### **New Progression and Award Rules Tool 2019-20:**

- 343 Progression and Award Codes created
- 1,426 sets of progression, award and classification rules programmed into SITS, including 289 different No Detriment Rules
- 2,979 allocations of different rules to individual programmes

#### **Research Degrees:**

- 1,172 Research degree examiner nominations received 01 Oct 2019 30 Sept 2020
- 1,238 Research degree certificates sent out
- 1,500 Research students had their registration extended

### **Need to Know**

### **Enrolment Deadlines**



Deadlines for Enrolment and re-enrolment

# Checking module credits and approval statuses



How to check all students have a full set of approved modules and the correct number of credits on their

# Enhanced Extenuating Circumstances Procedure for 2020-21



Students can now selfcertify for Extenuating Circumstances of up to 14 days on two occasions

### **No Detriment End Dates**



Covid-19 No Detriment rules coming to an end

### **January Examinations**



Timetable for January resit exams to be released 30 October

# Student Candidate Cards 2020-21

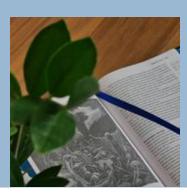


All students to receive email with their candidate card for 2020-21

Extension to expected end dates for completing postgraduate taught students



Portico Exam Board Enhancements Survey



Academic Misconduct Changes 2020-21



Arrangements to provide continued access to resources

Survey for Portico Exam Board Enhancements feedback - open until Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October UCL has agreed a number of changes and clarifications for the 2020-21 academic session

# Updated process for developing new PGT programmes



PGT New Programme
Development Process has
been revised to increase
likely approval and viability
of high-quality
programmes.

# Programme Amendment Guidance 2020-21



Guidance for the submission of programme amendments

### Changes to Assistant Internal Examiner criteria for 2020-21



Assistant Internal Examiner eligibility criteria amended to help programmes which have over-recruited

## Annual SITS/Portico upgrade rescheduled



Service outage to take place in April 2021

Staff-Student
Consultative
Committees (SSCC):
Arrangements 2020-21



Information on SSCC arrangements for 2020-21

Student Disciplinary
Procedures and noncompliance with social
distancing measures



Information on Student
Disciplinary relating to
non-compliance with social
distancing

## Key dates and deadlines

The Examinations and Assessments Contingency Panel have approved a revised timetable for this year's Exam Boards and associated activities. The new dates are provided via the Revised timeline page (staff login required).

- 16 October
- Deadline for Student Module Selection
- 16 October
- Deadline for new students to enrol

**19 – 23 October** Draft Exam Timetable Review Period (January Resit

Exams)

**30 October** - Publication of January Resit Exam Timetable

**30 October** Deadline for Department Approvals of Student Module

Selections for the Year Ahead

**30 October** - Deadline for continuing students to enrol

External Examiner Report responses – within 4 weeks

of submission

### **Forthcoming Events**

Further details will be provided shortly on the following training events:

- Exam Timetable Data Collection
- PG Exam Boards



### **Resources and Guidance**

### **Exam Board Support pages**

Key information and training materials for the new Exam Board processes, including:

- Exam Board checklists
- Accessing Exam Board tasks and reports



Online training materials are available to help explain Marks Processing in Portico



# External Examining Web page – FAQs, Tasks timeline, Key Contacts

Refer to the External Examining Webpage for FAQs, timeline of Tasks and Key Contact details



### In case you missed it

### **SRS Calendar**

SRS Calendar of Key Events 2019-22 now available



### **Student Casework Contacts**

Who to contact for Student Casework (Academic Misconduct and non-Academic Misconduct)



### **Degree Certificate and Transcript Production**

Certificate and Transcript production service for current, completing and alumni students



### **Community News**

### Join TA Talk and stay connected

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