

Code of Practice on Taught Programme and Module Assessment
(Extract)

- 10.3 .11 For taught programmes, the rounding of marks for classification purposes is as follows:
- 10.3 .11 (a) For degree classification purposes, the average mean mark should be rounded to one decimal point.
- 10.3 .11 (b) In determining class on the basis of the overall mark, marks between 39.5-39.9, 49.5-49.9, 59.5-59.9 and 69.5-69.9 will be rounded to 40, 50, 60 and 70, respectively.
- 10.3 .11 (c) The overall mark for use with Profiling should remain rounded to one decimal point. (Thus, for example, 37.9, 47.9, 57.9 and 66.9 are insufficient overall marks to allow a student to be considered for Profiling).

The following changes to regulations are not highlighted as this distorts too much of the text. Instead, the proposed changes are given in full.

13.4 Step Three: Determination of the Degree Class for Borderline Cases

- 13.4 .1 The candidate will achieve one class higher than indicated by the arithmetic mean in the circumstances specified in this section.
- 13.4 .2.1 *Classified Bachelors Degree: Preponderance.* The student will achieve the higher class where he/she has achieved more than 240 units above the degree classification indicated by the calculation of the arithmetic mean **and** any failed units, up to a maximum of 60 units, are compensated as specified in 13.4.2.2.
- 13.4 .2.2 *Compensation of Failed Units.* Failed units, up to the specified maximum, are compensated by an equal number of additional units in the degree classes above that indicated by the arithmetic mean. *E.g. if 20 units are failed, then more than 260 units are required in the degree classes above that which is achieved.*
- 13.4 .3 *Classified Bachelors Degree: Equality.* If the student has exactly 240 units in the classification band above the degree class indicated by the calculation of the arithmetic mean and has no fails, he or she will achieve the higher class as follows:
- 13.4 .3.1 a 1st class degree is awarded if the arithmetic mean mark, m , satisfies $67.0 \leq m < 69.5$ **and** there are 240 units in class I, with not less than 80 units in class 2i **and** no fails.
- 13.4 .3.2 a 2i class degree is awarded if the arithmetic mean mark, m , satisfies $57.0 \leq m < 59.5$, **and** there are 240 units in the 2i class or above, **and** there are at least 40 units in 1st class.

13.4 .3.3 a 2ii class degree is awarded if the arithmetic mean mark, m , satisfies $48.0 \leq m < 49.5$, **and** there are 240 units in the 2ii class or above, **and** there are at least 40 units in the 2i class or above.

13.4 .3.2.3 a 3rd class degree is awarded if the arithmetic mean mark, m , satisfies $38.0 \leq m < 39.5$, **and** there are 240 units in the 3rd class or above, **and** there are at least 40 units in the 2ii class or above.

13.4 .4 *Undergraduate Masters Degree: Preponderance.* The student will achieve the higher class where he/she has achieved more than 300 units above the degree classification indicated by the calculation of the arithmetic mean **and** any failed units, up to a maximum of 70 units, are compensated as specified in 13.4.2.2. *E.g. if 20 units are failed, then more than 320 units are required in the degree classes above that which is achieved.*

13.4 .5 *Undergraduate Masters Degree: Equality.* If the student has exactly 300 units in the classification band above the degree class indicated by the calculation of the arithmetic mean and has no fails, he or she will achieve the higher class as follows:

13.4 .5.1 a 1st class degree is awarded if the arithmetic mean mark, m , satisfies $67.0 \leq m < 69.5$, **and** there are 300 units in class I, with not less than 100 units in class 2i **and** no fails.

13.4 .5.2 a 2i class degree is awarded if the arithmetic mean mark, m , satisfies $57.0 \leq m < 59.5$, **and** there are 300 units in the 2i range, **and** at least 50 units in 1st class.

13.4 .5.3 a 2ii class degree is awarded if the arithmetic mean mark, m , satisfies $48.0 \leq m < 49.5$, **and** there are 300 units in the 2ii range, **and** at least 50 units in the 2i class or above.

13.4 .5.4 a 3rd class degree is awarded if the arithmetic mean mark, m , satisfies $38.0 \leq m < 39.5$, **and** there are 300 units in the 3rd class or above, **and** at least 50 units in the 2ii class or above.