

POSTGRADUATE PROGRESSION GUIDELINES

UKH Policy on Passing Mark in PG Programmes

The pass mark for all modules at postgraduate level is 60%, while dissertation pass mark is 70%. The required minimum **annual*** average is 70%. (University Decree 1/1376; 19 October 2017) The **2016/2017** and **2017/2018** cohorts, who have already passed the taught modules, only need to score no less than 70% at the viva voce examinations in order to graduate.

In order to progress to the next academic level/year, students must pass ALL modules at the level/year being studied. Please note the following:

- i. If a student passes all modules but fails on the average then the student is eligible to re-sit exams in any four out of eight modules in an academic year or maximum of 50% of the total number of modules to increase the average. If the average after re-sitting the exams remains less than 70%, then the student is considered 'failed' in the academic year.
- ii. Failing 50% of the total number of modules in an academic year (for example, resitting four out of eight failed modules) plus non-fulfillment of the required average means failing the academic year. No re-sit will be given to the student.
- iii. A student failing the academic year means **Termination** from the programme. There is no retake in all PG Programmes.
- iv. Students have the option to choose which modules to re-sit as long as they have passed the modules in the regular semester. A student can choose a maximum of 50% of passed modules for re-sit to increase the average. Re-sitting of modules to increase the average is not automatic and should be requested by the student by submitting a form in ARO a day after the release of the marks.

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Automatic re-sit applies to modules failed by a student who has more than 80% attendance.

- v. Re-sit grading shall follow the standing rule on re-sit grading criteria, which is equivalent to the Midterms (if any) and Final Exams percentage. All marks already awarded for coursework will not be altered.
- vi. PG students are only allowed to re-sit a maximum of 50% of modules per academic year regardless of whether a module is passed or failed. All modules passed during re-sit are NOT subject to capping rules (grades will not be capped at 60). The overall re-sit marks, however, will be the final mark of the student, regardless of whether it is higher or lower than the previous passed mark.
- vii. **Conferral of PG Ranking** Ranking of students without re-sit modules shall be determined first before the ranking of students with re-sit modules. This policy will be implemented starting AY19-20 cohort onwards.

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