



New policies/amendments to student-facing regulations, policies and procedures for 2020-2021

This list includes only new or amended policies that will come into effect for this academic year. Policies that were amended during the course of the 2019-2020 academic year with immediate effect, and which have been published on the VLE and website during that year are not listed.

University College-wide emergency regulations, to be enacted in circumstances beyond the University College's control

Academic Board in April 2020 approved emergency regulations that would be enacted in circumstances beyond the University College's control, such as the coronavirus pandemic. Academic Board on 1 July extended the operation of these regulations into the 2020-2021 academic year as set out in the document below.

The following principles have informed these emergency regulations:

- The students' best interests are considered at all times
- Facilitate assessment and/or support progression and award
- Maintain academic standards and quality at all times, including the role of Academic Standards and Quality Committee and Academic Board.
- Uphold the principles of fairness, equity, clarity and consistency in relation to assessment and award
- Take into account the requirements of Professional, Statutory and Regulatory Bodies
- Maintain externality of assessment (through appropriate use of external examiners), although the arrangements for such engagement may vary from the norm.

Please note that the exact arrangements that will be adopted under these regulations will remain subject to further consideration and committee discussion during the year as the situation relating to the pandemic, the ability of the University College to manage the impact, and prevailing government/Public Health England advice, develops and changes.

New policies

Generic Assessment Criteria Policy and Procedures

This new policy outlines sets out the University College's revised generic assessment criteria and outlines their intended use.

Amended regulations, policies, and procedures for the 2020-2021 academic year

(Note key changes only are highlighted)

Assessment Regulations

The Academic Regulations for AECC University College awards have been significantly amended for the 2020-2021 academic year. A separate document outlining the key changes and the rationale for these is available on the University College website [<https://www.aecc.ac.uk/about/how-we-work/latest-policies/>].

Word Limits

The policy has been reviewed in line with our Policy Review Schedule. Minor changes only have been made, for updating. There are no changes to the way the policy operates for students on a day-to-day basis.