Estimating your 2019/20 Semester 1 average and Degree Classification

1. Some ground rules
    a. Each module you take has a credit value of 15 or 30 credits. If you have 30 credit modules in your marks profile, remember to count them twice, as the equivalent of two 15 credit modules.
    b. For 2019/20, the 30 credits with the lowest marks will not count towards the calculation of the average mark for the 2019/20 year.
    c. The **best 90 credits from your final year of study** will be used to calculate the average mark for that year. (The average of the best 90 credits will *always* be a higher average, or the same, as the average of the best 120 credits).
    d. To be eligible for a BA degree, over the three years you need to have studied 360 credits, and to have **passed a minimum of 270 credits in total with at least 30 credits passed at level 6**.
    e. In order to gain the best possible degree, we recommend that you complete all your assignments in 2019-20, but only the best 90 credits for this year will count towards degree classification.

2. Calculate your average mark for each year (1, 2 and 3):
    a. You can find your marks for modules taken in Years 1 and 2 on MySis.
    b. Calculate the average mark for each year by adding the marks together (counting 30-credit modules twice) and dividing by 8.
    c. To calculate your provisional marks for 2019/20 Semester 1, please see section 6 below.

3. You can estimate your degree classification using the following formula:
    a. Sum of marks of best **90 credits for final year** in 2019-20 is divided by 6 to give X (average for final year). Discount the least good 30 credits.
    b. Sum of marks for year 2 is divided by 8 to give Y (average for year 2)
    c. Sum of marks for year 1 is divided by 8 to give Z (average for year 1)
    d. X, Y and Z are then fed into the following formula (where x means to multiply):

    (X x 6) + (Y x 3) + (Z x 1) divided by 10

    e. In other words, your marks for Year 1 are worth one-tenth of your degree classification; your marks for Year 2 are worth three-tenths of your degree classification; and your marks for your Final Year are worth six-tenths of your degree classification.

4. Remember: the grade you receive for a 30-credit module should be counted twice when you calculate your yearly average: e.g., if you received the following marks: 63 (15 credits), 64 (15 credits), 65 (15 credits), 66 (15 credits), 67 (30 credits), 68 (30 credits), you'd calculate your yearly average by adding 63+64+65+66+67+67+68+68 and divide the total by 8 (i.e. you studied the equivalent of 8x15-credit modules) = 528÷8 = 66. Remember only to include your best 90 credits for your final year (e.g. if all your grades are 63+64+65+66+67+67+68+68, you should then discount 63 and 64, add the remaining 6 grades and divide by 6).

5. **Let's do an example**:

   a. Year 1 average: 58
   b. Year 2 average: 61
   c. Year 3 average: 65

   (65 x 6) + (61 x 3) + (58 x 1) ÷ 10 = 63.1 (which is a 2:1 degree).

6. **How do I calculate my Semester 1 *average* for 2019-20?**
   a. You can access your provisional semester 1 grades via [MySis](#)
   b. You will be able to view your results through [MySIS in your 'My Details' section by clicking on the link under 'Assessment Results'.](#)
   c. Provisional grades include any late work penalties.
   d. For each module: (assignment 1 grade x percentage weighting of assignment1/100) + (assignment 2 grade x percentage weighting of assignment 2/100) + (additional assignments, as necessary) = module mark.

   e. *Example*

      (Grade of 73 for a presentation worth 30%) + (grade of 75 for an essay worth 70%)

      (73 x 0.3) + (75 x 0.7) = module mark

      21.9 + 52.5 = module mark

      74.4 = module mark

7. **How do I calculate my *module marks* for semester 1 modules for 2019/20?**
   a. You can access your provisional semester 1 grades via MySis
   b. *To calculate your average:*

   i. If you took 4 x 15-credit modules, add the module marks together and divide by 4

   > ***Example:*** 65 + 72 + 68 + 75 = 280
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   > 280/4 = 70 average

   ii. If you took 2 x 15-credit modules and 1 x 30-credit module, add the module marks together, counting the 30-credit module mark twice, and divide by 4.

   > ***Example:*** 65 + 72 + 68 + 68 = 280
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   > (note the 30credit module received a mark of 68 so it's counted twice)
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   > 273/4 = 68.3 average

   iii. If you took 2 x 30-credit modules add the module marks together, and divide by 2

   > ***Example:*** 62 + 68 = 130
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   > 130/2 = 65 average

   iv. if you took 45 credits or 75 credits, adjust the calculation accordingly (e.g. divide total of 3 x 15-credit modules by 3; divide total of 5 x15-credit modules by 5, double counting 30-credit modules where you too these.

8. Classification scheme

Mark	Classification
70+	First class honours (I)
60-69.9	Upper second class honours (II.i)
50-59.9	Lower second class honours (II.ii)
40-49.9	Third class honours (III)
0-39.9	Fail (no award)