NEW UNIVERSITY GRADUATION POLICY

The University has implemented a new graduation policy that applies to all students admitted from 2004 onwards. If your student number begins with A4 or A5 (e.g. A5-1234-5), this policy applies to you.

The new graduation policy is:

Students must attain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or above in order to graduate

If your GPA is below 2.0 when you complete your studies after four years, you will not be able to graduate.

You will have no degree if your GPA is below 2.0 even if you pass all of your courses

You will be allowed to retake some courses in order to improve your GPA but <u>you can only retake courses in</u> <u>which you have attained a result of below grade C</u>. That is, if you fail a course or if your result for that course is D, D+, or C-, you may retake that course to improve your cumulative GPA. If your grade for a course is C or above, you cannot retake it.

You may retake a course that is below grade C as many times as you like.

The results of all retake attempts will appear in your transcript.

The best grade of all of your attempts for a course will be used to calculate your cumulative GPA except when this grade is above C. That is, when you retake a course, it can only contribute a maximum of C to your cumulative GPA even if you achieve a result higher than C.

Example:

If you get a D for a course, you may retake it. If you get a B+ when you retake the course, the grade of B+ will appear in your transcript BUT when we calculate your cumulative GPA, that course will only count as a C in the GPA calculations.

If your cumulative GPA is below 2.0, you will have to improve your GPA by retaking some courses with low grades. You should choose to retake courses with the lowest grades in order to derive maximum benefit from your attempt.

Example:

You have three courses with these grades: D, C-, C-. If you wish to retake only one course, you should retake the course with grade D. It will allow the greatest improvement in your cumulative GPA. If you do well in this course, you can convert this D into a C in your final GPA calculations.

It is very important that you understand these new rules. If you have any questions about this new graduation policy, please contact your programme co-ordinator.