
The University's Academic Regulations: 2026-27

Section C: Taught Master's Regulations

C1 Introduction

- C1.1 Section C: Taught Master's Regulations provide specific regulations which apply to all SCQF level 11 modules approved by the University and to all approved programmes of study leading to an award of the University listed in Regulation A4.1c). In applying this section of the University's regulatory framework, account must be taken of the regulations contained in Section A: General Regulations which apply to all programmes of study offered by the University.
- C1.2 An award of the University listed in Regulation A4.1c) may be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and gained the minimum number and level of credit identified in Regulation [C3](#). In so doing account will be taken of Regulation A4.3.

C2 Definitions

- C2.1 As a means of helping to ensure that the University's academic regulations are consistently interpreted and applied, the following definitions are applicable to approved modules and programmes of study at SCQF level 11 as appropriate. In so doing appropriate account will also be taken of the definitions included in Regulation A3.
- a) **Taught master's awards** are differentiated by the volume of material and the associated credit achieved and not a difference in level or standard.
 - b) **Taught master's modules** are at the same level (SCQF level 11). Taught

master's modules can be either standard or non-standard modules.

- i) The University's standard size module for taught master's programmes of study is 20 credits.
 - ii) Taught master's programmes of study may include 10-credit modules and multiples of 20 credits (up to 60 credits) as a matter of academic and professional discretion and expertise. Where modules of 10 credits are used as part of a full-time programme of study, two such modules should be offered concurrently.
 - iii) A taught master's dissertation module or equivalent will require a student to plan and execute a significant project of research, investigation or development using a range of advanced and specialised skills as appropriate to the subject or discipline. To enable students to effectively demonstrate such skills a taught master's dissertation module or equivalent must equate to at least 40 credits at SCQF level 11. A taught master's dissertation module or equivalent will be designed and approved in accordance with Regulations A5.3 and A5.4.
- c) **Taught master's programmes of study** are designed to enable successful students to achieve an award of a postgraduate certificate, postgraduate diploma or a master's degree. The principle of student choice will inform the design of taught master's programmes of study. The amount of choice within a programme structure will be approved by the University's programme approval process in accordance with the University's [Quality Framework](#).
- d) In general, Taught master's awards will be conferred with merit or distinction on the basis of at least two thirds of the modules within the approved programme structure each being passed at:
- a) **59.50% to 69.49% (60% to 69%), Award with Merit or**

b) **69.50% (70%) or above, Award with Distinction.**¹

These boundaries take account of a 0.5% allowance.

C3 Taught master's awards of the University

- C3.1 In addition to meeting the requirements of Regulation C3, to receive any award of the University listed in Regulation A4.1c), a student must satisfy the requirements of Regulation A4.3.
- C3.2 A **certificate of credit** will be awarded to a student who has achieved a recognised volume of credit through successfully completing an approved SCQF level 11 module or modules, but who has not satisfied the requirements for any of the awards of the University listed in Regulation A4.1c). A **certificate of credit** is not an award of the University.
- C3.3 A **postgraduate certificate** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and gained a minimum of 60 credits at SCQF level 11.
- C3.4 A **postgraduate certificate with distinction** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum of 60 credits at SCQF level 11 of which at least 40 credits must be at 70 per cent or above.
- C3.5 A **postgraduate certificate with merit** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum of 60 credits at SCQF level 11 of which at least 40 credits must be at 60 per cent or above
- C3.6 A **postgraduate diploma** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and gained a minimum of 120 credits at

¹ To support the implementation of Regulation C2.1 modules with a weighted average mark of 60 per cent or above will be graded as Merit (M) and modules with a weighted average mark of 70 per cent will be graded as Distinction (D).

SCQF level 11.

- C3.7 A **postgraduate diploma with distinction** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum of 120 credits at SCQF level 11 of which at least 80 credits must be 70 per cent or above.
- C3.8 A **postgraduate diploma with merit** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum of 120 credits at SCQF level 11 of which at least 80 credits must be 60 per cent or above.
- C3.9 A **master's degree** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and gained a minimum of 180 credits at SCQF level 11, of which a minimum of 40 credits at SCQF level 11 must be derived from a dissertation module or equivalent.
- C3.10 A **master's degree** in Advanced Clinical Practice or associated exit awards will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme and University requirements and has successfully completed all associated and compulsory tripartite reflections required by the programme.
- C3.11 A **master's degree with distinction** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum of 180 credits at SCQF level 11 of which at least 120 credits must be at 70 per cent or above.
- C3.12 A **master's degree with merit** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum of 180 credits at SCQF level 11 of which at least 120 credits must be at 60 per cent or above.
- C3.13 For students enrolled on a Professional Graduate Diploma in Education the award regulation is as follows:

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- a) A **Professional Graduate Diploma** in Education (PGDE) [with subject] will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and gained a minimum of 80 credits at SCQF level 11 and 40 credits at SCQF at level 10.

C3.14 A **Master of Science Advanced Practice with distinction**, approved for delivery by the School of Health & Social Care, and incorporating competence-based modules, will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum of 180 credits at SCQF level 11 of which of which at least 120 credits must be at 70 per cent or above and all competence based modules have been passed at the first attempt.

C3.15 A **Master of Science Advanced Practice with merit**, approved for delivery by the School of Health & Social Care, and incorporating competence-based modules, will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum of 180 credits at SCQF level 11 of which at least 120 credits must be at 60 per cent or above and all competence based modules have been passed at the first attempt.

C3.16 Students who have entered an Edinburgh Napier programme of study with **recognised prior learning** must have met the criteria set out in regulation A4.5. The minimum number of SCQF level 11 credit to be achieved by a student whilst registered as a student of Edinburgh Napier University having entered a programme of study with recognised prior learning at SCQF level 11 and before being presented for an award of the University listed in Regulation A4.1c) is as follows:

- a) A **postgraduate certificate** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and achieved a minimum of 40 credits at SCQF level 11.
- b) A **postgraduate certificate with distinction** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and achieved a minimum of 40 credits at SCQF level 11 of which at least 40 credits must be at 70 per cent or above.

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- c) A **postgraduate certificate with merit** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and achieved a minimum of 40 credits at SCQF level 11 of which at least 40 credits must be at 60 per cent or above.
 - d) A **postgraduate diploma** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and achieved a minimum of 60 credits at SCQF level 11.
 - e) A **postgraduate diploma with distinction** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum of 60 credits at SCQF level 11 at 70 per cent or above
 - f) A **postgraduate diploma with merit** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum of 60 credits at SCQF level 11 at 60 per cent or above.
 - g) A **master's degree** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum of 60 credits at SCQF level 11, of which a minimum of 40 credits must be derived from a dissertation module or equivalent.
 - h) A **master's degree with distinction** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and achieved whilst at Edinburgh Napier at least 120 credits at SCQF level 11 at 70 per cent or above.
 - i) A **master's degree with merit** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and achieved whilst at Edinburgh Napier at least 120 credits at SCQF level 11 at 60 per cent or above.

C4 Admission regulations

- C4.1 In addition to meeting the requirements of Regulation C4, all programmes of study leading to an award of the University listed in Regulation A4.1c) must satisfy the requirements of Regulation A6.
- C4.2 The minimum entry requirement for admission to a programme of study leading to an award of the University listed in Regulation A4.1c) is either:
- a) possession of a bachelor's degree with honours; or
 - b) possession of other qualifications or experience which demonstrate that the applicant possesses appropriate knowledge and skills at SCQF level 10.
- C4.3 A potential student who does not meet the entry requirements set out in Regulation C4.2 may be admitted to the University as an Affiliate Student.
- a) An Affiliate Student must be registered on two standard size SCQF level 11 modules (40 credits at SCQF level 11).
 - b) Successful completion of 40 credits at SCQF level 11 may allow an Affiliate Student to be admitted to a programme of study leading to an award of the University listed in Regulation A4.1c).
 - c) Any SCQF level 11 credit gained as an Affiliate Student may count towards an award of the University listed in Regulation A4.1c).

C5 Assessment regulations

- C5.1 In addition to meeting the requirements of Regulation C5, all programmes of study leading to an award of the University listed in Regulation A4.1c) must satisfy the requirements of Regulation A7.

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- C5.2 To pass an SCQF level 11 module at the first attempt, a student must achieve a minimum mark of 50 per cent.
- a) If only one component is used a minimum component mark of 50 per cent must be achieved.
 - b) If two components are used the module mark will be based on the weighted marks achieved for each component of assessment, and no individual mark for a component of assessment may fall below 40 per cent.
 - c) There is no minimum mark requirement for individual elements of any component of assessment.
- C5.3 To pass at the first attempt an SCQF level 11 dissertation module or equivalent:
- a) A full-time student must achieve a minimum mark of 50 per cent by the end of the trimester following the Programme Assessment Board confirming the results from all taught modules within the approved programme structure.
 - b) A part-time student must achieve a minimum mark of 50 per cent by the end of the second trimester following the Programme Assessment Board confirming the results from all taught modules within the approved programme structure.
- C5.4 To pass at the first attempt an SCQF Level 11 **competence-based module** approved for delivery by the School of Health & Social Care a student must achieve a pass. The module mark will be derived from the component or components of assessment.
- a) If only one component is used a pass must be achieved in that component.
 - b) If two components are used a pass must be achieved in each component.
 - c) There is no minimum mark requirement for individual elements of any

component of assessment.

- C5.5 A student enrolled on an SCQF level 11 module will be entitled to one reassessment opportunity in that module. In exceptional circumstances a Programme Assessment Board has the discretion to permit one further reassessment opportunity.
- a) If only one component of assessment is used, a student who does not meet the requirements of Regulation C5.2a) or Regulation C5.5a) will be reassessed in that component.
 - b) If two components of assessment are used, a student who does not meet the requirements of Regulation C5.2b) or Regulation C5.5b) will be reassessed in any component where a minimum mark of 50 per cent has not been achieved.
 - c) In providing students with the opportunity to make good any initial assessment failure account will be taken of Regulations A7.11, A7.12 and A7.13.
- C5.6 To pass at reassessment, a student enrolled on an SCQF level 11 module must achieve an overall minimum module mark of 50 per cent
- a) If only one component of reassessment is used, a student must achieve a minimum mark of 50 per cent in that component.
 - b) If two components of reassessment are used, a student must achieve a minimum module mark of 50 per cent based on the weighted marks achieved for each component of reassessment with no individual mark for a component of reassessment falling below 40 per cent. The weightings for the two components used for the reassessment will be identical to those used for the original assessment.
 - c) Where a student achieved an original minimum component mark of 50 per

cent in one of the two components of assessment, the overall module mark at reassessment will be calculated in accordance with Regulation C5.6b) using the original component mark and the component mark achieved at reassessment.

- d) The overall mark for a reassessed module will be capped at a mark of 50 per cent

C5.7 To pass at reassessment, a student enrolled on an SCQF level 11 **competence-based module** approved for delivery by the School of Health & Social Care must achieve a pass. The module mark will be derived from the component or components of assessment.

- a) If only one component is used a pass must be achieved in that component.
- b) If two components are used a pass must be achieved in each component.
- d) Where a student achieved an original pass in one of the two components of assessment, the overall module mark at reassessment will be calculated in accordance with Regulation C5.7b) using the original component mark and the component mark achieved at reassessment.

C5.8 In the event of a student achieving a lower mark in a reassessed component than that achieved in the first assessment, the higher of the two marks will be the one considered by the Programme Assessment Board.

C5.9 In accordance with Regulation C5.6 a student enrolled on an SCQF level 11 module will be entitled to one reassessment opportunity in that module.

- a) Regardless of the trimester a module is taken in and the programme start date a compulsory reassessment opportunity is provided in the July following delivery of the module, with the exception of modules within programmes delivered over three continuous trimesters.

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- b) For students studying on programmes where the taught modules are delivered over three continuous trimesters a compulsory reassessment opportunity must be provided and taken within two trimesters of the original attempt.
 - c) If the module to be reassessed is an SCQF level 11 dissertation module or equivalent a compulsory reassessment opportunity is provided in:
 - i) The next trimester of delivery with achievement of a minimum mark of 50 per cent expected by the end of this trimester for a full- time student.
 - ii) The next trimester of delivery with achievement of a minimum mark of 50 per cent expected after two trimesters of delivery, for a part-time student.
 - d) Until the compulsory reassessment opportunity presents itself to the student, credits not achieved at original assessment are classified as pending reassessment credit and not failed credit.
 - e) A student may choose to be reassessed at any available earlier opportunity than the compulsory reassessment opportunity. If a student chooses this option it will count as their sole reassessment opportunity.
 - f) In exceptional circumstances, and only for programmes delivered over three continuous trimesters, Programme Assessment Boards may extend the reassessment period by up to one additional trimester beyond the maximum period stated in b) above.

C5.10 Where possible the University will provide students enrolled on an SCQF level 11 module with early access to reassessment.

C5.11 Unless approved otherwise through the University's module approval process, all coursework, both at first attempt and reassessment, submitted after the

agreed deadline will be graded at a maximum of 50 per cent. Coursework submitted over five working days after the agreed deadline will be given a mark of zero per cent, although formative feedback will be offered to the student where requested.

- C5.12 Where a student does not pass an SCQF level 11 module at the first attempt, or at reassessment, the Programme Assessment Board will consider the student profile and may provide the opportunity for the student to repeat the module, as if studying it for the first time, for a second and final time.

C6 Continuation of study regulations

- C6.1 In addition to meeting the requirements of Regulation C6, all programmes of study leading to an award of the University listed in Regulation A4.1c) must satisfy the requirements of Regulation A8.
- C6.2 In considering a student's ability to continue to study towards an award of the University listed in Regulation A4.1c) the Programme Assessment Board must take account of Regulation A6.2 and Regulation A11.8c).
- C6.3 In accordance with Regulation A11.8e) a Programme Assessment Board may award a student a compensatory pass to the maximum of 20 credits at SCQF level 11.
- a) To be considered for a compensatory pass a student must have:
 - i) achieved a minimum mark of 40 per cent on the in the module being considered
 - ii) submitted in each component of assessment in that module; and
 - iii) achieved all other credit in the programme of study.
 - b) In accordance with Regulation C6.3a) a Programme Assessment Board

considering whether poor performance at SCQF level 11 can be compensated may award a student a compensatory pass within a programme of study leading to the award of either a postgraduate certificate or a postgraduate diploma or a master's degree.

In order to fulfil the requirements of Regulation A11.8e)iii) and C6.3c), consideration of a compensatory pass with respect to the award of masters can only be made once all required modules have been undertaken. A compensatory pass can only be included in the award of a postgraduate certificate or diploma if this is the exit award and where it is evident that the respective programme learning outcomes have been achieved.

- c) The decision of the Programme Assessment Board to compensate or not will be made following consideration of the student profile and the achievement of programme learning outcomes.

- C6.4 Students enrolled on the award of MSc Advanced Clinical Practice must complete each compulsory tripartite reflection before progressing to the next modules of study. Failure to complete the tripartite reflection will require a pause to the programme of study until the outstanding assessment(s) and/or related core clinical competencies are completed.
- C6.5 To support the implementation of Regulation A2.4, for flexible programmes of study approved to permit students to pace study through module enrolment (typically Global Online programmes), continuation decisions may be permitted within a stage of study. Students may be permitted to progress to the next module or set of modules carrying a failure in no more than 20 credits. In agreeing this, Programme Assessment Boards must be satisfied that the student's academic potential is sufficiently strong, based on their academic profile, that the student has a reasonable chance of success in progressing. The principle of allowing students to proceed with credits pending if they are considered able to benefit and succeed should also apply to students who have

not yet passed all modules within the stage of study due to outstanding (re)assessment opportunities.

C7 Regulations for programmes of study leading to the award of a Master of Fine Arts

C7.1 Introduction

C7.1.1 Section C7 sets out programme-specific regulations which apply to programmes of study leading to the award of a Master of Fine Arts which is an approved award of the University as identified in Regulation A4.1c). Regulations C7.2 apply to the award of Master of Fine Arts in Directing and Playwriting. Regulations C7.3, C7.4 and C7.5 apply to the award of Master of Fine Arts in Advanced Film Practice. Regulations C7.6 apply to the award of Masters of Fine Arts in Design Suite. Regulations C7.7 apply to the award of Masters of Fine Arts in Acting for Stage and Screen.

C7.1.2 In applying the Master of Fine Arts programme-specific regulations account will be taken of the regulations contained in Section A: General Regulations which apply to all programmes of study offered by the University and to the following regulations contained in Section C: Taught Master's Regulations:

- a) Regulation [C1](#): Introduction
- b) Regulation [C2](#): Definitions
- c) Regulation [C4](#): Admission (Directing, Playwriting, Photography and Design Suite only)
- d) Regulation [C6](#): Continuation of study regulations.

C7.2 Award Regulations for Master of Fine Arts in Directing or Playwriting

- C7.2.1 In addition to meeting the requirements of Regulation C7.2 to receive any award of the University listed in Regulation A4.1c), a student must satisfy the requirements of Regulation A4.3.
- C7.2.2 In accordance with Regulation A5.7 the exit awards defined in Regulation C7.2 have been approved for students unable to achieve the Master of Fine Arts in Directing or Master of Fine Arts in Playwriting.
- C7.2.3 A **certificate of credit** will be awarded to a student who has achieved a recognised volume of credit defined within Regulation C3.2.
- C7.2.4 A **postgraduate certificate in Directing or Playwriting** will be awarded to a student who meets the requirements of Regulation C3.3.
- C7.2.5 A **postgraduate certificate in Directing or Playwriting with distinction** will be awarded to a student who meets the requirement of Regulation C3.4.
- C7.2.6 A **postgraduate certificate in Directing or Playwriting with merit** will be awarded to a student who meets the requirement of Regulation C3.5.
- C7.2.7 A **postgraduate diploma in Directing or Playwriting** will be awarded to a student who meets the requirement of Regulation C3.6.
- C7.2.8 A **postgraduate diploma in Directing or Playwriting with distinction** will be awarded to a student who meets the requirements of Regulation C3.7.
- C7.2.9 A **postgraduate diploma in Directing or Playwriting with merit** will be awarded to a student who meets the requirements of Regulation C3.8.
- C7.2.10 A **Master's degree in Directing or Playwriting** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and gained a minimum of 240 credits at SCQF Level 11, including 60 credits achieved from the 60 Credit trimester 4 module

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- C7.2.11 A **Master's degree in Directing or Playwriting with distinction** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and gained a minimum of 240 credits at SCQF Level 11, of which at least 160 credits must be at 70 per cent or above
- C7.2.12 A **Master's degree in Directing or Playwriting with merit** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and gained a minimum of 240 credits at SCQF Level 11, of which at least: of which at least 160 credits must be at 60 per cent or above
- C7.2.13 A **Master of Fine Arts in Directing or Playwriting** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme-specific requirements and gained a minimum of 300 credits at SCQF level 11, of which a minimum of 60 credits at SCQF level 11 must be derived from the final 60 credit production module
- C7.2.14 A **Master of Fine Arts in Directing or Playwriting with distinction** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum 300 credits at SCQF level 11 of which at least 200 credits, including the final 60 credit production module, must be at 70 per cent or above.
- C7.2.15 A **Master of Fine Arts in Directing or Playwriting with merit** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum 300 credits at SCQF level 11 of which at least 200 credits, including the final 60 credit production module, must be at 60 per cent or above.
- C7.2.16 The minimum number of SCQF level 11 credit to be achieved by a student whilst registered as a student of Edinburgh Napier University having entered a programme of study with recognised prior learning at SCQF level 11 and before being presented for an award of the University listed in Regulation A4.1c) is as follows:
- a) A **postgraduate certificate in Directing or Playwriting** will be awarded to a student who meets the requirements of Regulation C3.16a)).
 - b) A **postgraduate certificate in Directing or Playwriting with distinction**

will be awarded to a student who has met the requirements of Regulation C3.16b).

- c) A **postgraduate certificate in Directing or Playwriting with merit** will be awarded to a student who has met the requirements of Regulation C3.16c).
- d) A **postgraduate diploma in Directing or Playwriting** will be awarded to a student who has met the requirements of Regulation C3.16d).
- e) A **postgraduate diploma in Directing or Playwriting with distinction** will be awarded to a student who has met the requirements of Regulation C3.16e).
- f) A **postgraduate diploma in Directing or Playwriting with merit** will be awarded to a student who has met the requirements of Regulation C3.16f).
- g) A **Master's degree in Directing or Playwriting** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and achieved whilst at Edinburgh Napier a minimum of 180 credits at SCQF Level 11, including 60 credits achieved from the 60 Credit trimester 4 module.
- h) A **Master's degree in Directing or Playwriting with distinction** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and achieved whilst at Edinburgh Napier at least 180 credits at SCQF level 11 of which a minimum of 160 credits are at 70 per cent or above.
- i) A **Master's degree in Directing or Playwriting with merit** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and achieved whilst at Edinburgh Napier at least 180 credits at SCQF level 11 of which a minimum of 160 credits are at 60 per cent or

above.

- j) **A Master of Fine Arts in Directing or Master of Fine Arts in Playwriting** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme-specific requirements and achieved whilst at Edinburgh Napier at least 240 credits at SCQF level 11, of which a minimum of 60 credits at SCQF level 11 must be derived from the final 60 credit production module, or equivalent.
- k) **A Master of Fine Arts Degree with Distinction in Directing or Playwriting** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum 240 credits at SCQF level 11 of which at least 200 credits, including the final 60 credit production module, must be at 70 per cent or above.
- i) **A Master of Fine Arts Degree with Merit in Directing or Playwriting** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum 240 credits at SCQF level 11 of which at least 200 credits, including the final 60 credit production module, must be at 60 per cent or above

C7.3 Award Regulations for Master of Fine Arts in Advanced Film Practice

- C7.3.1 In addition to meeting the requirements of Regulation C7.3 to receive a Master of Fine Arts in Advanced Film Practice a student must satisfy the requirements of Regulation A4.3.
- C7.3.2 In accordance with Regulation A5.7 the exit awards defined in Regulation C7.3 have been approved for students who are unable to achieve a Master of Fine Arts in Advanced Film Practice award of the University.
- C7.3.3 A **certificate of credit** will be awarded to a student who has achieved a recognised volume of credit defined within Regulation C3.2.
- C7.3.4 A **Master of Fine Arts in Advanced Film Practice** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme-specific requirements and gained a minimum

of 120 credits at SCQF level 11, of which a minimum of 60 credits at SCQF level 11 must be derived from the approved project module.

C7.4 Admission regulations for Master of Fine Arts in Advanced Film

Practice

C7.4.1 The minimum entry requirement for admission to a programme of study leading to the award of a Master of Fine Arts in Advanced Film Practice is:

- a) possession of 180 credits at SCQF level 11 achieved from either the programme structure of the University's Master of Arts Screenwriting or Master of Arts Screen Project Development or Master of Arts Film programmes of study; or
- b) possession of a Master of Arts or Master of Science degree at SCQF level 11 or equivalent; or
- c) recognised prior learning or experience which demonstrates that the applicant possesses appropriate knowledge and skills at SCQF level 11.

C7.5 Assessment regulations

C7.5.1 All modules within the programme structure of a programme of study leading to an award of a Master of Fine Arts in Advanced Film Practice will be assessed and reassessed in accordance with Regulations [C5.1,C5.3](#), [C5.9](#), [C5.10](#), [C5.11](#) and C5.12.

C7.5.2 To pass at the first attempt an SCQF level 11 competence-based module approved by the School of Creative Industries for delivery on the Master of Fine Arts in Advanced Film Practice programme a student must achieve a pass grade. The module mark will be derived from the component or components of assessment.

- a) If only one component of assessment is used a pass must be achieved in that component.

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- b) If two components are used a pass must be achieved in each component.
 - c) There is no minimum requirement for individual elements of any component of assessment.

C7.5.3 A student enrolled on an SCQF level 11 competence-based module approved by the School of Creative Industries for delivery on the Master of Fine Arts in Advanced Film Practice programme will be entitled to one reassessment opportunity in that module:

- a) If only one component of assessment is used, a student who does not meet the requirements of Regulation C7.5.2a) will be reassessed in that component.
- b) If two components of assessment are used, a student must achieve a pass in both components.
- c) In providing students with the opportunity to make good any initial assessment failure account will be taken of Regulations A7.11, A7.12 and A7.13.

C7.5.4 To pass at reassessment, a student enrolled on an SCQF level 11 competence-based module approved by the School of Creative Industries for delivery on the Master of Fine Arts in Advanced Film Practice programme must achieve an overall module pass.

- a) If only one component of reassessment is used, a student must achieve a pass in that component.
- b) If two components of reassessment are used, a student must achieve a pass in each component of reassessment.
- c) Where a student achieved an original component pass in one of the two components of assessment, the overall module mark at reassessment will be calculated in accordance with Regulation C7.6.6 b) using the original component grade and the component grade achieved at reassessment.

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- C7.5.5 Coursework submitted over seven days after the agreed deadline will be marked as a fail, although formative feedback will be offered to the student where requested.
- C7.5.6 In accordance with regulation C7.6.4 a student enrolled on an SCQF level 11 module will be entitled to one reassessment opportunity in that module.
- a) Regardless of the trimester a module is taken in and the programme start date a compulsory reassessment opportunity is provided in the July following delivery of the module.
 - b) Until the compulsory reassessment opportunity presents itself to the student, credits not achieved at original assessment are classified as pending reassessment credit and not failed credit.
 - c) A student may choose to be reassessed at any available earlier opportunity than the compulsory reassessment opportunity. If a student chooses this option it will count as their sole reassessment opportunity.
- C7.5.7 Unless approved otherwise via the University's module approval process, all coursework, both at first and reassessment, submitted after the agreed deadline will be graded at a maximum of Pass. Coursework submitted over seven days after the agreed deadline will be graded Fail, although formative feedback will be offered to the student where requested.

C7.6 Award Regulations for Master of Fine Arts in Design Suite

- C7.6.1 In addition to meeting the requirements of Regulation C7.7 to receive a Master of Fine Arts in Design Suite a student must satisfy the requirements of Regulation A4.3. The programmes covered by these regulations are Master of Fine Arts in Design for Interactive Art & Experiences and the Master of Fine Arts in Heritage and Exhibition Design.

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- C7.6.2 A **Master's degree in Design** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and gained a minimum of 180 credits at SCQF level 11, including a minimum of 60 credits achieved from a dissertation or project module, either Guided Studio Practice or Advanced Studio Practice.
- C7.6.3 A **Master's degree in Design with distinction** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and gained a minimum of 180 credits at SCQF level 11, of which at least 120 credits must be at 70 per cent or above and including a minimum of 60 credits achieved from a dissertation or project module, either Guided Studio Practice or Advanced Studio Practice.
- C7.6.4 A **Master's degree in Design with merit** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and gained a minimum of 180 credits at SCQF level 11, of which at least 120 credits must be at 60 per cent or above, and including a minimum of 60 credits achieved from a dissertation or project module, either Guided Studio Practice or Advanced Studio Practice,
- C7.6.5 A **Master of Fine Arts in Design Suite** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum of 240 credits at SCQF level 11, including a minimum of 60 credits achieved from the Guided Studio Practice module and 60 credits achieved from the Advanced Studio Practice module
- C7.6.7 A **Master of Fine Arts in Design Suite with distinction** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum of 240 credits at SCQF level 11 including a minimum of 60 credits achieved from the Guided Studio Practice module and 60 credits achieved from the Advanced Studio Practice module. At least 200 credits of the 240 credits, including the Advanced Studio Practice module must be at 70 per cent or above.
- C7.6.8 A **Master of Fine Arts in Design Suite with merit** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a

minimum of 240 credits at SCQF level 11 including a minimum of 60 credits achieved from the Guided Studio Practice module and 60 credits achieved from the Advanced Studio Practice module. At least 200 credits of the 240 credits, including the Advanced Studio Practice module, must be at 60 per cent or above.

- C7.6.9 The minimum number of SCQF level 11 credit to be achieved by a student whilst registered as a student of Edinburgh Napier University having entered a programme of study with **recognised prior learning** at SCQF level 11 and before being presented for an award of the University listed in Regulation A4.1c) is as follows:
- C7.6.10 A **Master of Fine Arts in Design Suite** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme-specific requirements and gained whilst at Edinburgh Napier a minimum of 180 credits at SCQF level 11.

C7.7 Award Regulations for Master of Fine Arts in Acting for Stage and Screen

- C7.7.1 In addition to meeting the requirements of Regulations C7.7 to receive a Master of Fine Arts in Acting for Stage and Screen a student must satisfy the requirements of Regulation A4.3.
- C7.7.2 In accordance with Regulation A5.7 the exit awards defined in regulation C7.7 have been approved for students unable to achieve the Master of Fine Arts in Acting for Stage and Screen.
- C7.7.3 A certificate of credit will be awarded to a student who has achieved a recognised volume of credit defined within Regulation C3.2.
- C7.7.4 A **postgraduate certificate in Acting for Stage and Screen** will be awarded to a student who meets the requirements of Regulation C3.3.
- C7.7.5 A **postgraduate certificate in Acting for Stage and Screen with distinction** will be awarded to a student who meets the requirement of Regulation C3.4.

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- C7.7.6 A **postgraduate certificate in Acting for Stage and Screen with merit** will be awarded to a student who meets the requirement of Regulation C3.5.
- C7.7.7 A **postgraduate diploma in Acting for Stage and Screen** will be awarded to a student who meets the requirement of Regulation C3.6
- C7.7.8 A **postgraduate diploma in Acting for Stage and Screen with distinction** will be awarded to a student who meets the requirements of Regulation C3.7.
- C7.7.9 A **postgraduate diploma in Acting for Stage and Screen with merit** will be awarded to a student who meets the requirements of Regulation C3.8.
- C.7.7.10 A **Master of Fine Arts in Acting for Stage and Screen** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme-specific requirements and gained a minimum of 300 credits at SCQF level 11, of which a minimum of 60 credits at SCQF level 11 must be derived from the final Film Production 2 and Festival Production modules combined.
- C7.7.11 A **Master of Fine Arts in Acting for Stage and Screen with distinction** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum 300 credits at SCQF level 11 of which at least 200 credits, including the final Film Production 2 and Festival Production modules, must be at 70 per cent or above.
- C7.7.12 A **Master of Fine Arts in Acting for Stage and Screen with merit** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum of 300 credits at SCQF level 11 of which at least 200 credits, including the final Film Production 2 and Festival Production modules, must be at 60per cent or above.
- C7.8.13 The minimum number of SCQF level 11 credit to be achieved by a student whilst registered as a student of Edinburgh Napier University having entered a programme of study with recognised prior learning at SCQF level 11 and before

being presented for an award of the University listed in Regulation A4.1 c) is as follows:

- a) A **postgraduate certificate in Acting for Stage and Screen** will be awarded to a student who meets the requirements of Regulation C3.16a.
- b) A **postgraduate certificate in Acting for Stage and Screen with distinction** will be awarded to a student who has met the requirements of Regulation C3.16b.
- c) A **postgraduate certificate in Acting for Stage and Screen with merit** will be awarded to a student who has met the requirements of Regulation C3.16c.
- d) A **postgraduate diploma in Acting for Stage and Screen** will be awarded to a student who has met the requirements of Regulation C3.16d.
- e) A **postgraduate diploma in Acting for Stage and Screen with distinction** will be awarded to a student has met the requirements of Regulation C3.16e.
- f) A **postgraduate diploma in Acting for Stage and Screen with merit** will be awarded to a student has met the requirements of Regulation C3.16f.
- g) A **Master of Fine Arts in Acting for Stage and Screen** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme-specific requirements and gained a minimum of 240 credits at SCQF level 11, of which a minimum of 60 credits at SCQF level 11 must be derived from the final Film Production 2 and Festival Production modules combined.
- h) A **Master of Fine Arts with Distinction in Acting for Stage and Screen** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum 240 credits at SCQF level 11 of

which at least 200 credits, including the final 60 credits from the Film Production 2 and Festival Production modules, must be at 70 per cent or above.

- i) A **Master of Fine Arts with Merit in Acting for Stage and Screen** will be awarded to a student who has satisfied all programme specific requirements and has gained a minimum 240 credits at SCQF level 11 of which at least 200 credits, including the final 60 credits from the Film Production 2 and Festival Production modules, must be at 60 per cent or above.

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