**ASSESSMENT HANDBOOK**

Changes made to the handbook since July/August 2018.

The revisions relate to:

* availability of national Honours degree classification descriptions (December 2019) (14.1) and consequent updating of qualitative assessment criteria (Appendices J1-5);
* classification of Master's degrees of more than 200 credit points (October 2019) (14.7);
* inclusion of the confirmed Honours classification algorithm for Integrated Master’s degrees (March 2019) (14.7);
* revision to internal moderation policy (October 2019), and removal of requirement for external examiners to see all work of first class or Distinction candidates as part of the moderation process (June 2019) with sampling now permitted (15.2 and 15.4);
* extension to normal maximum period for return of coursework and feedback from 15 to 20 working days (October 2020) (16.2);
* inclusion of link to QAA guidance on contract cheating (18.4);
* extension of plagiarism register to include all forms of cheating (June 2018) (18.6);
* revised procedures for extenuating circumstances, with self-certification permitted for periods of ill-health affecting performance up to five working days (March 2019) (19.5);
* references to senior academic posts (May 2020, July 2021) (19.3, 19.4, 19.8 and Appendix K);
* inclusion of new MBBS qualification (March 2021) (14.7 and 19.7);
* reference to the new post of Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Academic Quality and Student Experience) (August 2021) (19.3, 19.4, 19.8 and Appendix K).