

UK DEGREE CLASSIFICATION POLICY: UNDERGRADUATE

1. UK Honours degrees at undergraduate level are classified as first class (1st), upper second class (2.1), lower second class (2.2) and third class (3rd).
2. Pass degrees are not classified as Honours degrees.
3. Exam Boards are not permitted to raise or lower the GPA of any candidate that is close to a boundary, (sometimes referred to as “borderlines”).
4. Revision of grades is only permissible at the level of an individual course when based on clear evidence that the grade does not accurately reflect the candidate’s performance.
5. The conversion table between the UK Honours degree classification and the UK is summarised below:

| Grade | UK GPA | Class |
|----------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| A/A- | 4.000-3.550 | 1 st |
| B+/B | 3.549-3.000 | 2.1 |
| B/B- | 2.999-2.550 | 2.2 |
| C+/C | 2.549-2.000 | 3 rd |
| C- | 1.999-1.850 | Pass |
| D+ to failing grades | 1.849-0.0 | Fail |

For students registered on the US and UK awards:

6. Classification of the degrees awarded to graduates are based upon a UK GPA. The UK GPA is derived from grades awarded in a minimum of 30 US /120 UK credits completed at Level 5 (excluding any L5 transfer credit) and 30 US/120 UK credits completed at Level 6.
7. Where more than 30 US/120 UK credits are required at these levels for completion of requirements in the major, the UK GPA will include those additional credits
8. The UK GPA is weighted, with grades awarded at Level 5 counting for 33.3% of the UK GPA and grades awarded at Level 6 counting for 66.7% of the UK GPA.
9. All undergraduate students must obtain a major GPA of 2.0 and an overall cumulative GPA of 2.0 in order to be awarded a US degree.
10. Students whose overall cumulative GPA is 2.0, but whose UK GPA is between 1.999 and 1.85 will be awarded a UK pass degree.

For students registered on UK-only awards:

11. UK GPA is derived from grades awarded in a minimum of 120 UK credits completed at Level 6.
12. No courses completed before admission to the UK-only Level 6 Top-Up degree will count towards the UK GPA.
13. Students whose UK GPA is between 1.999 and 1.85 will be awarded a UK pass degree.

VERSION MANAGEMENT

| Responsible Department: Registry Services | | | |
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| Approving body: Academic Board | | | |
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| 001 | | 24 July 2018 | 28 August 2018 |
| 002 | Added information on UK-only awards. | August 2020 | |
| 003 | Fixed typos. Removed references to F grades. | April 2021 | |
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