All of our rules are based on those found in the University’s Regulations for Undergraduate Awards

Repeating Students – to be on the same regulations as the cohort they are joining.

The full University regulations are at:

http://www.tlso.manchester.ac.uk/map/teachinglearningassessment/teaching/degree_regulations/

1. **First Year and Second Year**

   a) Students progress on the basis of credit accumulation in accordance with the programme requirements. To progress from one year to the next, students must accumulate 120 credits.

   b) Students must pass a minimum of 40 credits (at a minimum of 40%) on the first attempt in each year, including any compulsory units, specified by the School, in order to progress. When a student fails to do this they will have failed the year. This limits the number of possible resits to 80 credits.

   c) A course unit mark of 30-39% is eligible for compensation (30-39% is known as “the compensation zone”).

   d) A maximum of 40 credits, per year, can be compensated on an undergraduate programme (including at referral). This means that the 40 credits of available compensation are shared across the original sitting and any resits. Students only resit those failed course units remaining after compensation has been applied.

   e) To determine which failed course units a First Year student will resit, compensation will be automatically applied in the following order, until a maximum of 40 credits have been used up: COMP10120, then the remaining course units (with the exception of Java) in order of decreasing marks.

   f) In addition to the above regulation, we also require the following, which apply at both original sitting and resit:

   - Neither COMP16121 nor COMP16212 are compensateable.

   - Students must achieve a mark of 40% in each of the lab and exam components of COMP16121 and COMP16212.

   - However, a student with a mark of at least 40% in COMP16121, but with a mark less than 40% in the COMP16121 exam, will pass COMP16121 if they have passed COMP16212 and have achieved a mark of at least 50% in the COMP16212 exam.
g) The choice of which failed units are to be resat by Second Year students is made by the Exam Board, applying the following principle. To determine which failed course units a student will resit, compensation will applied to course units in order of decreasing marks, until a maximum of 40 credits have been used up.

h) Where a student has failed more than the required credits on the first attempt or fails to meet progression requirements after compensation or reassessment, the Examination Board has the following options at its discretion:

- Withdraw the student and award an Exit Award (if criteria are met in accordance with the Awards Framework).
- Permit the student to retake the year; provided the student is academically suitable to repeat a year of study. Students may normally only repeat the year on one occasion during the whole programme. Exceptions may be permitted in cases of mitigating circumstances. A student who is repeating a year cannot carry over credit from the year that is repeated. (See Rule i.)
- Consider reassessment, where there is approved and verified mitigation. (See Rule j.)

i) An Examination Board may exceptionally permit an undergraduate student to carry forward up to 20 failed credits. This decision will be based on a student’s academic standing and in cases of mitigating circumstances. The student should resit, in attendance, at the next available opportunity.

j) Where the overall unit mark is below the compensation zone (30-39%) or the maximum amount of compensation (40 credits) has been exceeded, reassessment may be taken. This is known as a ‘referral’ and the referred assessment must be designed to assess the achievement of the same intended learning outcomes but need not be of the same form as that originally used. The referred assessment will normally take place in the same academic year as the original assessment to enable the students to progress as originally intended.

k) If an Examination Board has documented evidence that, (a) a student's work or attendance or both have been unsatisfactory, and (b) the student has been formally warned of the unsatisfactory work or attendance but has not shown significant improvement acceptable to the Board, then the Board has the right to refuse referred assessment.

l) An Examination Board may allow a student one attempt, per unit, at referred assessment (two attempts in total). This principle does not apply to attempts with approved and verified mitigating circumstances. Additional attempts at assessment as a result of mitigating circumstances are known as ‘Deferrals’, are considered a first attempt and no cap is applied.

m) Referral pass marks will be capped at the lowest compensatable mark (30%), unless the previous mark was within the compensation zone, in which case the original mark will stand.

n) Students are no longer allowed to resit without attendance.

o) HCI Clarifications for 1st and 2nd year
HCI students are required to register for the following Psychology course units: First Year - PSYC10411, PSYC11312, and PSYC11212. Second Year - PSYC21022, PSYC21012, and PSYC21041.

Each of the 3 PSYC course units must be passed in each year level.

For HCI students, the compensation credits of Rule 1.g will be applied FIRST to the components of COMP19120/COMP29220 (with each PSYC component taking 7 CR from the bucket).