

ESSEX BUSINESS SCHOOL  
UNIVERSITY OF ESSEX  
RULES OF ASSESSMENT FOR INTEGRATED PhD MANAGEMENT  
2021/22

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## **PREAMBLE**

These rules apply to the **first year taught programme** of the N20048 PhD Integrated Management

The rules should be read alongside the programme structures as outlined in SECTION 2. It is for the EBS Postgraduate Research Progress Board to determine whether the criteria for progression has been met and to make a recommendation to the Faculty Dean (Postgraduate). This Board will convene at an interim meeting at the beginning of July each year, and in September following completion of the Level 7 dissertation stage of each of the programmes. Both these meetings will be chaired by the PGR Director.

The final award of the PhD is decided by the two examiners following a viva examination of the PhD Thesis following the Higher Degree Regulations.

## **1. PROGRAMME STRUCTURES** **N20048 PhD Integrated Management**

BE486 (compulsory)	Organisational Behaviour & HRM	20 credits
<b>or</b>		
BE557 (compulsory)	Perspectives on Marketing	20 credits
BE467 (compulsory)	Ethics & Corporate Social Responsibility	20 credits
BE965 (core)	Research Methods in Management & Marketing	20 credits
BE950 (core)	Research Evaluation	20 credits
BE968 (core*)	Philosophy & Qualitative Research methods	20 credits
BEXXX (option)	One Approved option from School List	20 credits
BE983 (core)	Dissertation	60 credits

\* Differs from the Masters programme of study in their classification as 'core module'

## **2. ELIGIBILITY FOR CONTINUING ONTO 2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR OF INTEGRATED PROGRAMME: N20048 PhD Integrated Management**

To continue onto the second year of the integrated programme a student should:

- participate in the 180-credit programme of study as outlined above relating to their discipline.
- obtain an overall weighted average of 65% over the 180 credit programme.
- Pass all core modules with a minimum mark of 60% in each core module for progression onto the MPhD programme. For the purposes of these rules taught module averages, the overall weighted average for the taught modules and the mark for the dissertation will be rounded to the nearest whole number – – i.e. 64.5 will count as 65, 64.4 as 64.
- Students may have a second attempt for non-core taught\_module(s) that have been failed with marks below 50, or where core taught modules have been failed with marks below 60, up to a maximum of 60 taught module credits. Students may also be offered voluntary reassessment in taught modules where marks are below 65, in order to help

to meet the overall weighted average progression requirement. However, these credits will be included in the maximum of 60 taught module credits permitted for reassessment.

- (e) No second attempt at the assessment for a module is permitted prior to the Board of Examiners meeting where marks are confirmed and is subject to departmental arrangements. Reassessment should normally take place across the summer so the Board of Examiners can confirm whether a student can progress to the MPhD programme before the start of the next academic year.
- (f) Following reassessment, the maximum module mark that will be recorded for a failed non-core module is 50. Where the reassessment is in a core module (which had an original mark of 50-59), the module mark after reassessment will be capped at 60. Capping will not be applied in modules where there are substantiated extenuating circumstances accepted by the Board of Examiners. Following reassessment, the uncapped marks will be used to calculate the overall weighted average for progression onto the MPhD programme before capping is then applied. Where voluntary reassessment is offered to meet the overall weighted average mark for progression, the mark after reassessment will be used to calculate the average for progression purposes, but the original mark will be reinstated afterwards.
- (g) The Board of Examiners will reinstate the module mark for the previous attempt at a failed module if it is higher than the mark for the most recent attempt.
- (h) Failure with a mark of 40 or more for up to 40 credits in non-core taught modules, will be condoned provided the overall weighted average for all the taught modules is 50.

### **3. EXIT ROUTES**

Students who do not fulfil the above criteria will automatically be put forward for the Masters degree corresponding to their subject area. Success for this award will be based on standard rules of assessment for Postgraduate Taught modules

It is for the PGT Board of Examiners to determine whether the criteria for a Masters award has been satisfied.

#### **Re-submission of Dissertations**

- (a)** Re-submission of dissertations is only permitted in the following circumstances:
  - (i) Either substantiated extenuating circumstances accepted at the discretion of the Board of Examiners; or
  - (ii) Where the original mark awarded is at least 40 and the Board of Examiners judges that the work required to achieve a pass does not include any additional experimental or practical work.
  
- (b)** Re-submission is subject to the following conditions:
  - (i) A dissertation must normally be re-submitted within two months of the formal notification of permission to resubmit; in cases of extenuating circumstances, this may be extended to a maximum of twelve months;
  - (ii) A dissertation which has been re-submitted because of a marginal fail shall be awarded no more than a maximum mark of 50, in the case of re-submissions because of extenuating circumstances, the full range of marks shall be available to examiners.

ESSEX BUSINESS SCHOOL  
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RULES OF ASSESSMENT FOR INTEGRATED PhD FINANCE 2021/2022

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## **PREAMBLE**

These rules apply to the **first year taught programme** of the N30048 PhD Integrated Finance

The rules should be read alongside the programme structures as outlined in SECTION 2. It is for the EBS Postgraduate Research Progress Board to determine whether the criteria for progression has been met and to make a recommendation to the Faculty Dean (Postgraduate). This Board will convene at an interim meeting at the beginning of July each year, and in September following completion of the Level 7 dissertation stage of each of the programmes. Both these meetings will be chaired by the PGR Director.

The final award of the PhD is decided by the two examiners following a viva examination of the PhD Thesis following the Higher Degree Regulations.

## **1. PROGRAMME STRUCTURES**

### **N30048 PhD Integrated Finance**

BE351 (compulsory)	Derivative Securities	20 credits
BE352 (core*)	Asset Pricing	20 credits
BE354 (core*)	Portfolio Management	20 credits
BE953 (core)	Research Methods in Finance: Empirical Methods in Finance	20 credits
BEXXX (options)**	Two approved options from School List <u>must</u> include BE951	40 credits
BE983 (core)	Dissertation	60 credits

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\*\* BE951 is compulsory for student in receipt of or applying for SeNSS scholarship. It is optional for those not applying for Scholarship.

## **2. ELIGIBILITY FOR CONTINUING ONTO 2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR OF INTEGRATED PROGRAMME : N30048 PhD Integrated Finance**

To continue onto the second year of the integrated programme a student should:

- participate in the 180-credit programme of study as outlined above relating to their discipline.
- obtain an overall weighted average of 65% over the 180 credit programme.
- Pass all core modules with a minimum mark of 60% in each core module for progression onto the MPhD programme. For the purposes of these rules taught module averages, the overall weighted average for the taught modules and the mark for the dissertation will be rounded to the nearest whole number – i.e. 64.5 will count as 65, 64.4 as 64.
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- (e) No second attempt at the assessment for a module is permitted prior to the Board of Examiners meeting where marks are confirmed and is subject to departmental arrangements. Reassessment should normally take place across the summer so the Board of Examiners can confirm whether a student can progress to the MPhD programme before the start of the next academic year.
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- (g) The Board of Examiners will reinstate the module mark for the previous attempt at a failed module if it is higher than the mark for the most recent attempt.
- (h) Failure with a mark of 40 or more for up to 40 credits in non-core taught modules will be condoned provided the overall weighted average for all the taught modules is 50.

### **3. EXIT ROUTES**

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- (b)** Re-submission is subject to the following conditions:
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  - (ii) A dissertation which has been re-submitted because of a marginal fail shall be awarded no more than the minimum pass mark; in the case of re- submissions because of extenuating circumstances, the full range of marks shall be available to examiners.

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### RULES OF ASSESSMENT FOR N40048 INTEGRATED PhD ACCOUNTING 2021/22

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#### **PREAMBLE**

These rules apply to the **first year taught programme** of the N40048 PhD Integrated Accounting

The rules should be read alongside the programme structures as outlined in SECTION 2.

It is for the EBS Postgraduate Research Progress Board to determine whether the criteria for progression has been met and to make a recommendation to the Faculty Dean (Postgraduate). This Board will convene at an interim meeting at the beginning of July each year, and in September following completion of the Level 7 dissertation stage of each of the programmes. Both these meetings will be chaired by the PGR Director.

The final award of the PhD is decided by the two examiners following a viva examination of the PhD Thesis following the Higher Degree Regulations.

#### **1. PROGRAMME STRUCTURES**

##### **N40048 PhD Integrated Accounting**

BE150 (compulsory)	Issues in Financial Reporting	20 credits
BE151 (compulsory)	Management Accounting	20 credits
BE950 (core)	Research Evaluation	20 credits
BE951 (core)	Research Methods in Accounting	20 credits
<u>BE968 (core*)</u>	<u>Philosophy and Qualitative Research Methods</u>	<u>20 credits</u>
BEXXX (option)	One Approved option from School List	20 credits
BE983 (core)	Dissertation	60 credits

\* *Differs from the Masters programme of study in classification as 'core module'*

#### **2. ELIGIBILITY FOR CONTINUING ONTO 2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR OF INTEGRATED PROGRAMME: N40048 PhD Integrated Accounting**

To continue onto the second year of the integrated programme a student should:

- participate in the 180-credit programme of study as outlined above relating to their discipline.
- obtain an overall weighted average of 65% over the 180 credit programme.
- Pass all core modules with a minimum mark of 60% in each core module for progression onto the MPhD programme. For the purposes of these rules taught module averages, the overall weighted average for the taught modules and the mark for the dissertation will be rounded to the nearest whole number – i.e. 64.5 will count as 65, 64.4 as 64.
- Students may have a second attempt for non-core taught module(s) that have been failed with marks below 50, or where core taught modules have been failed with marks below 60, up to a maximum of 60 taught module credits. Students may also be offered voluntary reassessment in taught modules where marks are below 65, in order to help to meet the overall weighted average progression requirement. However, these credits will be included in the maximum of 60 taught module credits permitted for reassessment.

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### **3. EXIT ROUTES**

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#### **Re-submission of Dissertations**

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- (i) Either substantiated extenuating circumstances accepted at the discretion of the Board of Examiners; or
- (ii) Where the original mark awarded is at least 40 and the Board of Examiners judges that the work required does not include any additional experimental or practical work.

**(b)** Re-submission is subject to the following conditions:

- (i) A dissertation must normally be re-submitted within two months of the formal notification of permission to resubmit; in cases of extenuating circumstances, this may be extended to a maximum of twelve months;
- (ii) A dissertation which has been re-submitted because of a marginal fail shall be awarded no more than the minimum pass mark; in the case of re-submissions because of extenuating circumstances, the full range of marks shall be available to examiners.

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ADMINISTRATION 2021/22

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## **PREAMBLE**

These rules apply to the **first year taught programme** of the N10348 PhD Integrated Business Administration

The rules should be read alongside the programme structures as outlined in SECTION 2. It is for the EBS Postgraduate Research Progress Board to determine whether the criteria for progression has been met and to make a recommendation to the Faculty Dean (Postgraduate). This Board will convene at an interim meeting at the beginning of July each year, and in September following completion of the Level 7 dissertation stage of each of the programmes. Both these meetings will be chaired by the PGR Director.

The final award of the PhD is decided by the two examiners following a viva examination of the PhD Thesis following the Higher Degree Regulations.

## **1. PROGRAMME STRUCTURES**

### **N10348 PhD Integrated Business Administration**

BE250 (compulsory)	Theory and Practice of Entrepreneurship	15 credits
BE267 (compulsory)	International Business environment	15 credits
BE274 (compulsory)	Managerial Economics	15 credits
BE275 (compulsory)	Global Supply Chain and Operations Management	15 credits
BE955 (compulsory)	Research Methods	15 credits
BE268 (core)	International Business and Strategy	15 credits
BEXXX (option)	Two Approved option from School List	30 credits
BE984 (core)	Dissertation	60 credits

## **2. ELIGIBILITY FOR CONTINUING ONTO 2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR OF INTEGRATED PROGRAMME: N10348 PhD Integrated Business Administration**

To continue onto the second year of the integrated programme a student should:

- participate in the 180-credit programme of study as outlined above relating to their discipline.
- obtain an overall weighted average of 65% over the 180 credit programme.
- Pass all core modules with a minimum mark of 60% in each core module for progression onto the MPhD programme. For the purposes of these rules taught module averages, the overall weighted average for the taught modules and the mark for the dissertation will be rounded to the nearest whole number – – i.e. 64.5 will count as 65, 64.4 as 64.
- Students may have a second attempt for non-core taught module(s) that have been failed with marks below 50, or where core taught modules have been failed with marks below 60, up to a maximum of 60 taught module credits. Students may also be offered voluntary reassessment in taught modules where marks are below 65, in order to help to meet the overall weighted average progression requirement. However, these credits will be included in the maximum of 60 taught module credits permitted for reassessment.
- No second attempt at the assessment for a module is permitted prior to the Board of Examiners meeting where marks are confirmed and is subject to departmental arrangements. Reassessment should normally take place across the summer so the

Board of Examiners can confirm whether a student can progress to the MPhD programme before the start of the next academic year.

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### **3. EXIT ROUTES**

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It is for the PGT Board of Examiners to determine whether the criteria for a Masters award has been satisfied.

#### **Re-submission of Dissertations**

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- (i) Either substantiated extenuating circumstances accepted at the discretion of the Board of Examiners; or
- (ii) Where the original mark awarded is at least 40 and the Board of Examiners judges that the work required to achieve a pass does not include any additional experimental or practical work.

**(b)** Re-submission is subject to the following conditions:

- (ii) A dissertation must normally be re-submitted within two months of the formal notification of permission to resubmit; in cases of extenuating circumstances, this may be extended to a maximum of twelve months;
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PhD ENTREPRENEURSHIP 2021/22

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## **PREAMBLE**

These rules apply to the **first year taught programme** of the N10448 Integrated PhD Entrepreneurship

The rules should be read alongside the programme structures as outlined in SECTION 2. It is for the EBS Postgraduate Research Progress Board to determine whether the criteria for progression has been met and to make a recommendation to the Faculty Dean (Postgraduate). This Board will convene at an interim meeting at the beginning of July each year, and in September following completion of the Level 7 dissertation stage of each of the programmes. Both these meetings will be chaired by the PGR Director.

The final award of the PhD is decided by the two examiners following a viva examination of the PhD Thesis following the Higher Degree Regulations.

## **1. PROGRAMME STRUCTURES**

### **N10448 Integrated PhD Entrepreneurship**

BE250 (compulsory)	Theory and Practice of Entrepreneurship	15 credits
BE267 (compulsory)	International Business environment	15 credits
BE274 (compulsory)	Managerial Economics	15 credits
BE275 (compulsory)	Global Supply Chain and Operations Management	15 credits
BE955 (compulsory)	Research Methods	15 credits
BE268 (core)	International Business and Strategy	15 credits
BEXXX (option)	Two approved options from School List	30 credits
BE984 (core)	Dissertation	60 credits

## **2. ELIGIBILITY FOR CONTINUING ONTO 2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR OF INTEGRATED PROGRAMME: N10448 Integrated PhD Entrepreneurship**

To continue onto the second year of the integrated programme a student should:

- participate in the 180-credit programme of study as outlined above relating to their discipline.
- obtain an overall weighted average of 65% over the 180 credit programme.
- Pass all core modules with a minimum mark of 60% in each core module for progression onto the MPhD programme. For the purposes of these rules taught module averages, the overall weighted average for the taught modules and the mark for the dissertation will be rounded to the nearest whole number – – i.e. 64.5 will count as 65, 64.4 as 64.
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**(b)** Re-submission is subject to the following conditions:

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## **PREAMBLE**

These rules apply to the **first year taught programme** of the N20448 Integrated PhD Management Studies

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## **1. PROGRAMME STRUCTURES**

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## **2. ELIGIBILITY FOR CONTINUING ONTO 2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR OF INTEGRATED PROGRAMME: N20448 Integrated PhD Management Studies**

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