

Teaching and Learning Delivery Bulletin



March 2026

At a glance:

Minor Amendments to the September 2026 UG and PGT Regulations

- Small updates have been approved for the updated Degree Regulations that will be implemented in September 2026.

Keep Promoting the NSS!

- The NSS is live so please keep promoting it.

Programme Amendment Deadlines

- Colleagues should be aware of two upcoming Programme Amendment deadlines...

Scheduling Deadlines

- Colleagues should be aware of future Scheduling and Timetabling deadlines for the rest of the academic year.





Taught Programme Enhancement

Policy Updates

Minor Updates to the September 2026 UG and PGT Regulations

Two minor amendments have now been approved to the September 2026 UG and PGT Degree Regulations by AQSC-TLS.

These revised regulations will apply only to students who commence their studies on or after 1 September 2026. There is no requirement for programmes to amend regulations part-way through a student's programme of study.

Section B Title of Taught Awards

Minor amendments have been made to both regulations to clarify that the award title "X with Y" should be used for two distinct subjects, and "X(Y)" should be used to denote a bracketed specialism e.g. when Y is a related specialist subject of X.

A minor amendment has been made to B6d in the PGT Regulations to remove the upper credit for the specialist subject. This change ensures alignment with existing Humanities provision, without affecting compliance in other faculties.

Treatment of Deferral Marks (UG G33 and PGT I33)

A clarification has been added to confirm that when a student takes a deferral, their original mark is annulled unless:

- The student fails the deferral and the original mark was a pass, in which case the mark will be capped at the pass mark for UG/PGT students.
- The student fails the deferral and the original mark was in the compensation zone, in which case the original mark will stand.

This ensures that students who take deferrals are not at a disadvantage compared with those taking referrals.



Student Voice

NSS 2026 is still Open - Keep Promoting!

NSS 2026 remains open for student responses from our final year undergraduates until the end of April. Thank you to everyone who has displayed visuals in lectures, allowed our ambassadors to talk to their students in sessions or even promoted it to students yourselves. We know that students respond best to encouragement from staff they know and trust, and we therefore continue to ask colleagues to:

- Share the importance of the NSS with your students in lectures, seminars, or one-to-one meetings.
- Point students to the NSS website where they can complete the survey.
- Use the resources available on the Promoting the NSS pages on StaffNet for advice and promotional materials.
- Request use of shared pull-up banners that have been purchased by emailing daniel.bayes@manchester.ac.uk

Course Unit Surveys - Data Validation Process

Course Unit Convenors/Directors still have time to review and update appropriate staff lists for the units being surveyed this semester. Colleagues who lead units will have been emailed by teachingandlearningsurveys@manchester.ac.uk with an invite to complete their tasks, these remain open until Friday 27th March.

Quality

Upcoming Deadlines for Staff to Note

The deadline for all undergraduate programme amendments to be approved and submitted to quality@manchester.ac.uk is Tuesday 31st March. Please refer to the [Quality webpage](#) for a full list of 25/26 Programme Development deadlines.

If colleagues want any Programme Development paperwork considered in the next April 2026 Senate, it must be submitted to quality@manchester.ac.uk by Tuesday 31st March.



Scheduling

Timetabling

2026-2027 Data Capture

Academic timetable data capture for the 2026 – 27 academic year is open for submission. Schools have until Friday 27th March to submit:

- Timetable teaching data.
- Course compatibility data.
- The creation / roll forward of new or existing course units in Campus Solutions to the 1261 term.

Welcome Week timetable data capture is also open for submission. Schools have until Friday 10th April to submit their timetable requirements. [A Guide to Welcome Week Scheduling 2026](#) can also be found on our [Scheduling SharePoint site > Training Section](#).

Applications for TAA (Teaching Availability Arrangements) for 2026 – 27 have now closed. Faculty panels will convene in early April to assess, approve or reject the proposed requests. [More guidance on TAAs](#) can be found on our Collaborative Timetabling webpages.

Faculty Scheduling Teams will commence scheduling: **Tuesday 5th May.**

First publication of the timetable to staff: **Monday 13th July.**

Publication to students (Course Unit Selection opens): From **Monday 3rd August.**

2025 – 26 Student Allocations to Activities

As a helpful reminder, [here is the training guide](#) for users to follow whilst allocating using ECP.

The [spreadsheet method](#) for allocating students is also available and can be emailed to timetabling@manchester.ac.uk.

Examinations

Semester 2 Exam Data

- The extract for semester 2 exam data has been downloaded and sent to schools for checking
- The composite semester 2 exam timetable (without venues) will be published to schools w/c 6th April.
- The last date to submit question papers to the Exams Office is Friday 10th April.
- The composite exam timetable (with venues) and student personal timetables will be published w/c 20th April.

Contact

About Us

Teaching and Learning Delivery (TLD) is based in the Division of Student and Academic Services (SAS), part of the Directorate for the Student Experience (DSE). We work closely with the Vice-President (Teaching, Learning and Students), Associate Vice-Presidents, Vice Deans and with Faculties, Schools and other administrative offices. TLD is led by Janine Holdway, Head of Teaching and Learning Delivery and Paul Brierley, Head of Scheduling.

Get in touch

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