Academic Year 2026/27

Changes to the Academic Regulations, Policies and Procedures forming part of the Student Contract

Document being changed/updated (Academic Regulations, Policy or Procedure)	Details of the changes being made	Date that the changes will take effect	Contact details for students to obtain further information about the changes
Academic Regulations: Undergraduate and Integrated Masters Students 2026/27	**Further detail on the changes made can be found at the beginning of the regulations** • Inclusion of clause regarding LLE funded students and how many credits they are permitted to enrol on • Change to the wording in table setting out compensation limits to make it clearer • Change to the application of compensation for Level 6 students • New clauses added to account for courses with a 30 credit module structure • New regulation on number of attempts at assessment to clarify students will normally have a first sit and two resit attempts • Revised clause on capping failed assessment to make clear the new approach where marks will be capped at component of assessment level rather than at module level from 2026/27 onwards • Revised clause to reflect a new degree classification algorithm	September 2026	Clare Portlock Clare.portlock@bcu.ac.uk
Academic Regulations: Postgraduate Taught Students 2026/27	**Further detail on the changes made can be found at the beginning of the regulations** • New regulation on number of attempts at assessment to clarify students will normally have a first sit and two resit attempts • Revised clause on capping failed assessment to make clear the new approach where marks will be capped at component of assessment level rather than at module level from 2026/27 onwards		Clare Portlock Clare.portlock@bcu.ac.uk

Assessment and Feedback Policy	• **Assessment Verification:** Sections 7.4.7 and 7.4.10 have been updated to clarify the University's approach to internal assessment verification. • **Use of Turnitin:** Section 8.7 has been updated to reflect the University's requirements regarding the use of Turnitin. • **Pre-marking calibration**: Section 9.2.2 has been revised to include the option for course teams to implement pre-marking calibration as a tool to enhance marking practices. • **Sample second marking of in person assessments:** Section 9.7 has been amended so that only a sample of presentations and other in person assessments require second marking (either 10 or 10%) rather than all presentations that contribute to more than 25% of the overall module mark. • **AI Usage Levels:** Section 10.3 has been updated to reflect the three revised AI usage levels with assessments: Allowed, Prohibited, Required. This replaces the previous four permission levels (permitted, prohibited, restricted and required). • **MAB online workflow:** Section 14 has been amended to reflect the University's move to an online workflow for the Module Assessment Board process.	September 2026	Clare Portlock Clare.portlock@bcu.ac.uk Shivani Wilson-Rochford Shivani.wilson-rochford@bcu.ac.uk
Tuition Fee Payment policy 2026/27	Additional detail added into section 5 of the policy providing more detail around the University LLE funded offering for January 2027 Appendix B added detailing the liability if a student withdraws and is funded by the new LLE funding model. Payments link changed throughout the policy to new student portal that went live in September 2026.	September 2026	Neville Garner-Jones Neville.Garner-Jones@bcu.ac.uk

	Appendix B further amended to reflect liability being aligned to the SLC's liability cut off points. Amendment also added to provide students with more time where the loan application poral is unavailable.	November 2026	
Change of Circumstances Policy	The Change of Circumstances (CHoCs) Policy has been updated to incorporate language around the delivery of LLE Modular Provision (referred throughout as Modular Provision). Other minor changes have also been made for factual accuracy and readability. • Incorporation of the terms 'Modular Provision', 'CPD and other Modular Provision' and 'block delivery and Modular Provision' throughout the document. • Changed 'Tuition Fees Payments Policy' to 'Tuition Fee Payment Policy' throughout the document. • Embedded links to the Student Contract page where policies were referenced. • Removed original paragraph 6.3.1 as content was repeated in 6.3.2. • Inserted disclaimers to the 4-week transfer rule, to mirror the exceptions to the 4-week transfer rule for re/enrolment. • Replaced references to the ESFA (Education and Skills Funding Agency) with 'Department for Education or Department for Work and Pensions'.	October 2026	Marian Hilditch marian.hilditch@bcu.ac.uk