# Regulations for Degrees Undertaken at the Aberdeen Institute of Data Science and Artificial Intelligence at South China Normal University (SCNU)

The following Degree Regulations apply to the undergraduate degrees awarded by the University of Aberdeen, to students undertaking their studies at the Aberdeen Institute of Data Science and Artificial Intelligence at South China Normal University (SCNU).

- 1. Candidates for the award of a degree of the University, undertaken at the Aberdeen Institute at SCNU, must satisfy both the General Regulations for First Degrees and the Supplementary Regulations which govern their degree, unless superseded by the following.
- 2. The following awards are currently available at the Aberdeen Institute at SCNU: -
  - 2.1 <u>At Designated Bachelor's Degree Level</u>

Designated Degree of Bachelor of Science in Pure Science (BSc) in Artificial Intelligence Designated Degree of Bachelor of Science in Pure Science (BSc) in Computing Science Designated Degree of Bachelor of Science in Pure Science (BSc) in Business Management & Information Systems

2.2 At Bachelor's Degree with Honours Level

Degree of Bachelor of Science in Pure Science with Honours (BSc) in Artificial Intelligence Degree of Bachelor of Science in Pure Science with Honours (BSc) in Computing Science Degree of Bachelor of Science in Pure Science with Honours (BSc) in Business Management & Information Systems

3. In line with General Regulation 1.3, any candidate who is absent without good cause for a continuous period of time amounting to at least 25 per cent of the duration of a course and without the permission of the appropriate Head of School shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the course concerned. This will debar them from appearing for the initial or subsequent end-of-course assessments or receiving credit for the course. Candidates undertaking their studies at the Aberdeen Institute at SCNU, absent from classes for a continuous period of six teaching days or more are required to adhere to the requirements of SCNU published policies in regard to the notification of absence.

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION**

4. Candidates must adhere to General Regulation 3 regarding requirements for Graduation. Candidates undertaking their studies at the Aberdeen Institute at SCNU are, however, exempt from satisfying General Regulations 3(d) and 9.2 in respect of Enhanced Study.

## FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME STUDY

- 5. Contrary to General Regulation 4.1, candidates will undertake their studies on a full-time basis only. Candidates are not permitted to undertake their studies part-time.
- 6. In respect of General Regulation 4.3, in order to fulfil the requirements of a University of Aberdeen award at the Aberdeen Institute at SCNU, the Senatus Academicus will permit candidates to register for in excess of the standard 120 credit point load per academic year and in excess of the maximum 75 credit point load per term. Candidates, for the fulfilment of an Aberdeen award, will register for the credit loads as detailed in the programme prescriptions, appended to these regulations.

## PROGRESSION

7. Studies for each degree awarded by the University of Aberdeen, undertaken at the Aberdeen Institute at SCNU, are arranged to extend over four programme years, each of which for a full-time student normally occupies two terms. General Regulation 16, regarding progression, is, however, superseded by the following:

Except with the permission of the Senatus Academicus candidates may not progress:

- (a) from programme year 1 to programme year 2 unless they have accumulated, by award or recognition, or been exempted from, no less than 75% of the credit point total required at level 1 for the completion of the Aberdeen award [including those courses prescribed in the appropriate programme prescription, appended to these regulations, excluding courses in English language]; or
- (b) from programme year 2 to programme year 3 of a non-honours degree unless they have accumulated, by award or recognition, or been exempted from, no less than 100% of the credit point total required at level 1 and no less than 75% of the credit point total required at level 2 for the completion of the Aberdeen award [including those courses prescribed in the appropriate programme prescription, appended to these regulations, excluding courses in English language] and successful completion of the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) (or approved equivalent) to the required level as stipulated by the University of Aberdeen; or
- (c) from programme year 2 to programme year 3 of an honours degree unless they have accumulated, by award or recognition, or been exempted from, no less than 100% of the credit point total required at levels 1 and 2 for the completion of the Aberdeen award [including those courses prescribed in the appropriate programme prescription, appended to these regulations, excluding courses in English language] and successful completion of the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) (or approved equivalent) to the required level as stipulated by the University of Aberdeen; or
- (d) from programme year 3 of an honours degree programme or from programme year 3 of a nonhonours degree programme to programme year 4 of an honours degree programme where the degree programme for which they are registered allows, unless they have achieved a no less than 100% of the credit point total required at level 3 for the completion of the Aberdeen award [including those courses prescribed in the appropriate programme prescription, appended to these regulations].

Exceptionally, the Senatus Academicus may allow candidates to progress with less than the number of credit points stated, if it is satisfied (a) that they would have obtained the necessary credit points to progress save for medical or other good cause; (b) that they are capable of satisfying the progression requirements of the next programme year within two further terms of full-time study or the equivalent.

- 8. Subject to Regulation 10 below and the Supplementary Regulations governing the award of the degree programme for which they are registered, in line with General Regulation 16.3, candidates who do not satisfy the progression requirements in regulation 7 above may remain registered, on a full-time basis, in programme year 1 or 2, as appropriate.
- 9. As also stated in General Regulation 16.5, the Head of a School may exclude from an Honours programme a full-time student who fails to achieve the required number of credit points that count towards Honours classification in any Honours year, or who otherwise fails to comply with School requirements.

## **TERMINATION OF STUDIES**

- 10. Superseding existing General Regulation 17, the Senatus Academicus may require candidates to discontinue attendance on courses:
  - (1) if, being candidates in programme year 1, they have not obtained by award or recognition or been exempted from, 100% of the credit points required at level 1, within four terms of full-time study from their entry to programme year 1 of the degree for which they are currently registered;

- (2) if, being candidates in programme year 2, they have not obtained by award or recognition or been exempted from, 100% of the credit points required at level 2, within four terms of full-time study from their entry to programme year 2 of the degree for which they are currently registered;
- (3) if, being candidates in programme year 2, they have not successful completed the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) level 6 (or approved equivalent), within four terms of full-time study from their entry to programme year 2 of the degree for which they are currently registered;
- (4) if, being candidates in programme year 3, they have not completed the requirements necessary for graduation with a non-Honours degree or admission to an Honours programme within four terms of full-time study from their first entry to programme year 3 of the degree for which they are currently registered.
- 11. As also stated in General Regulation 18, The Senatus Academicus may terminate, at any time, the studies of candidates who persistently fail to attend, or perform the required work of, the courses for which they are registered.

## APPLICATION TO RECEIVE AN AWARD

- 12. In respect of General Regulation 22.2, any candidate who, while registered at the Aberdeen Institute at SCNU, has obtained not less than 120 credit points from courses which can be counted towards graduation with a first degree (excluding courses in English Language), and who is not qualified for the award of any other degree, diploma or certificate of the University, shall be awarded an Undergraduate Certificate in Higher Education (UgCertHE).
- 13. In respect of General Regulation 22.3, any candidate who, while registered at the Aberdeen Institute at SCNU, has obtained not less than 240 credit points, including not less than 90 credit points at Level 2 or above, from courses which can be counted towards graduation with a first degree (excluding courses in English Language), and who is not qualified for the award of any other degree, diploma or certificate of the University, other than the Undergraduate Certificate in Higher Education, shall be awarded an Undergraduate Diploma in Higher Education(UgDipHE).