

- However, we will not ask you to demonstrate your ability in the context of subject matter or skills which you have not been taught, or using materials which you have not been able to access.
- And we will endeavour to ensure that you are not prevented from demonstrating the full extent of your academic ability as a result of your location or adverse personal circumstances.

3. We will protect the value of your degree.

- We will continue to provide as much of the content of your degree as we can without risking your health and safety and that of our staff, as determined by our own health experts, Government guidance and the law.
- We will take steps to ensure that results are broadly comparable to normal years, taking account of best practice across the UK.

Safety Net Stage 1: Helping you prepare and plan for your assessments

1. We will only assess you on what you have been taught

- Departments have adjusted all of your course content and assessments to ensure that they are adapted to online learning. We will keep this under continuous review to make sure that specialist archive, collection or laboratory, the assessment will be adjusted.
- This might include changing exam questions, marking criteria, learning outcomes or marking rubrics. In some cases, the method of assessment itself might be changed e.g., an exam might be converted to coursework.
- Departments might also adjust coursework deadlines to give you more time to complete the work.

If you are a critical worker:

- During the pandemic, the definition of Extenuating Circumstances has been expanded to include ongoing employment as a critical worker, such as UCL students who work for the NHS. Find out more in the [Enhanced Extenuating Circumstances procedure](#).

If you are thinking of taking time out from your studies:

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4. You will have extra time in all exams

- Most online exams will be 24 hours (written exams are usually between one and three hours long). This extra time is designed to help you manage your assessment in a way that works for you, allowing for time-zone differences, examination adjustments, childcare, work commitments, internet connection difficulties or any other circumstances which might make it harder for you to study. You are not expected to work for more than a few hours within the 24-hour window.
- Some exams are shorter to reflect the academic requirements of the discipline e.g., students will have three hours to complete the exam within a 24-hour window. These exams will include an additional 1-hour upload window at the end in case you experience any problems (so if your exam is scheduled for three hours, you will have four hours in which to submit).
- Even with this extra time we understand that you might experience technical issues in an exam. If you are not able to submit within the upload window, you can apply to defer the exam to the Late Summer using the Exam Query Form – you do not need to put in a claim for Extenuating Circumstances. We will ask you to provide some screenshots/ photos etc. so that we can understand the problem.
- Some departments are r window such as 48 hours or 72 hours to complete the assessment. These are managed by departments and fall under the regulations for coursework i.e., the normal Extenuating Circumstances and Late Submission rules apply.

5. If you are a non-finalist, we will help you to progress through your programme

- If you are on a programme with formal progression requirements, such as a Bachelors, MSci/MEng, and some two-year PGT Masters programmes, we will provide a safety net to help you progress to next year.

If you fail up to 30 Taught credits you may be eligible for condonement

- [Condonement](#) progress or graduate without resitting the assessment, if you meet certain conditions.
- Make sure you check your Student Handbook or Moodle to see if you are eligible e.g. some modules are not eligible for esess

If you fail up to 60 credits, you may be eligible for condonement and to take some resits

Qualifies for First Class Honours (1):

- A Final Weighted Mark greater than or equal to 69.50%
or
- A Final Weighted Mark greater than or equal to 67.50%
and
- Module marks of at least 70.00%