POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN ONLINE AND DISTANCE EDUCATION

This is a credit-based qualification.

These regulations should not be read in isolation. It is important that you read them in conjunction with the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses).

PC–ODE 1 Qualification Name

PC–ODE 1.1 The University offers the Postgraduate Certificate in Online and Distance Education. Up to the end of 2004, this qualification was known as the Postgraduate Certificate in Open and Distance Education. Holders of the qualification are permitted to use the letters PG Cert (ODE) (Open) after their names.

PC–ODE 2 Registration

PC–ODE 2.1 To register as a student, you must adhere to registration regulations in the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses) and show evidence of suitable preparation for postgraduate study. The minimum entry requirement is a bachelor’s degree conferred by a UK university or other recognised degree-awarding body, or an equivalent qualification.

PC–ODE 2.2 To be awarded the postgraduate certificate, you must declare it as an intended qualification and ensure that your credit is linked to it.

PC–ODE 3 Credit Requirement

PC–ODE 3.1 To be awarded the postgraduate certificate, you must obtain 60 credits through the successful completion of modules from the MA in Online and Distance Education profile.

PC–ODE 3.2 The credit for this qualification must include from Open University modules a minimum amount of credit that meets the University’s unique study regulations, that minimum amount is 20 credits.

PC–ODE 4 Credit Transfer

PC–ODE 4.1 There is no credit transfer scheme for the certificate.

PC–ODE 5 Progress Towards the Qualification

PC–ODE 5.1 In order to actively continue your studies, you must satisfy the assignment and examination requirements and make satisfactory progress as specified for the qualification. If you fail to satisfy the assignment and examination requirements for the module for which you are registered, or fail to make satisfactory progress, you will cease to be registered for the Postgraduate Certificate and will have no more right to continue your studies than a new applicant.

PC–ODE 5.2 Permission to retake a module or to continue to be registered after withdrawing from a module or failing to register for any module in a particular year must be obtained from the Faculty Teaching Committee.