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).

**PD–FIN 1 DEGREE NAME**

**PD–Fin 1.1** The University offers the Postgraduate Diploma in Finance. Holders of this qualification are permitted to use the letters PG Dip Fin (Open) after their names.

**PD–Fin 1.2** If you are awarded a distinction grade in at least 60 credits from the compulsory modules and at least a merit grade in 30 credits from the remaining compulsory module, you will be awarded the qualification with distinction.

**PD–Fin 1.3** If you are awarded a distinction grade in 30 credits from the compulsory modules and merit grades in a further 60 credits from the compulsory modules, you will be awarded the qualification with merit.

**PD–Fin 1.4** If you are awarded merit grades in 90 credits from the compulsory modules, you will be awarded the qualification with merit.

**PD–FIN 2 REGISTRATION**

**PD–Fin 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, including numerical ability, for postgraduate study. The minimum entry requirement is a first Degree conferred by a UK university, or other recognised Degree-awarding body, or other qualification deemed to be equivalent and relevant by the Faculty Teaching Committee.

**PD–Fin 2.2** To be awarded the Postgraduate Diploma in Finance, you must declare it as an intended qualification and ensure that your credit is linked to it.

**PD–FIN 3 CREDIT REQUIREMENT**

**PD–Fin 3.1** To be awarded the Postgraduate Diploma in Finance you must successfully complete 120 credits from approved modules, of these:

(a) 60 credits must be from the specified compulsory modules

(b) 30 credits must be from the specified compulsory research methods module

(c) 30 credits must be from the specified option modules

**PD–Fin 3.2** The Senate may permit you to qualify for the Postgraduate Diploma in Finance if you have 120 credits, of which:

(a) not less than 60 are from Open University modules

(b) not more than 60 are transferred credits.

**PD–Fin 3.3** 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 60 credits.
PD–FIN 4 CREDIT TRANSFER

PD–Fin 4.1 The credit transfer scheme for the Postgraduate Diploma in Finance is governed by the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses).

PD–Fin 4.2 Any award of transferred credit towards the specified compulsory modules given in regulation PD–Fin 3.1 (a) will take the form of module exemption.

PD–Fin 4.3 Any award of transferred credit towards the specified option modules will take the form of general credit exemption.

PD–Fin 4.4 Credit transfer is not permitted against the specified compulsory 30 credit research methods module given in PD-Fin 3.1(b).

PD–Fin 4.5 The maximum award of transferred credit allowed towards the Postgraduate Diploma in Finance is 60 credits.

PD–FIN 5 PROGRESS TOWARDS THE DEGREE

PD–Fin 5.1 The credit required from modules and any permitted credit transfer for the Postgraduate Diploma in Finance must be obtained during a period not exceeding five years. You should study the modules in the specified sequence.

PD–Fin 5.2 Credit from particular modules may cease to be countable towards the Postgraduate Diploma in Finance at a specified point in time after their final presentation.