RULES FOR THE USE OF COMBINED STUDIES AWARD TITLES

1. Combined Studies award titles may be used to appropriately recognise successful completion of a programme of study in a particular subject area or areas when a student negotiates an individualised programme of study in one or more subjects (sometimes with transfer of credit for prior learning), or when a student has otherwise not completed a route leading to the usual award title. The latter occurs, for instance, when students do not complete one or more of the core modules prescribed for a programme but do nevertheless complete the required number of modules from the group to justify a named award.

2. Whether the negotiation of an alternative programme of study arises from necessity or desire, both the student and the relevant programme authority should be satisfied that the learning outcomes to be achieved through completion of the alternative programme are appropriate for the title and level of the proposed award. This will require a process of academic counselling to take place, with subsequent, written approval of the alternative programme at the level of the School Assessment Board before registration is confirmed or amended.

3. In all cases, of course, students must have obtained the required number of credits at the appropriate levels to qualify for the award in question, as specified in the Academic Regulations on the Operation of Programmes of Study and in the Assessment Regulations for Undergraduate Modular Programmes.

Rules

Single subject
Combined Studies in Subject A

Joint subjects
Subject A and Combined Studies in Subject B
Combined Studies in Subject A and Subject B

Major/minor
Subject A with Combined Studies in Subject B
Combined Studies in Subject A with Subject B

Minor/minor/minor
Combined Studies in Subject A with Subject B with Subject C

The phrase ‘in Subject x’ can be omitted in those cases so marked above to account for other possibilities, e.g. where there is insufficient subject identity to (that part of) the programme to warrant a subject title at all. Generic award titles (e.g.
Humanities, Science, and Technology) will need to be proposed by Schools if they wish to use them. They might then be used in place of ‘Subject x’ should the student’s programme warrant it.