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MARKS AND STANDARDS AND ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

ART & DESIGN STUDIES

1978

VISUAL EDUCATION ONE-YEAR CERTIFICATE

1. Assessment of students for the award of the "Visual Education One-Year Certificate" shall consist of:-
  - (a) Continuous assessment by the staff involved in the course - to account for not more than 30% of the total marks;
  - (b) Final assessment jointly by the External Assessors and the Internal Assessors - to account for 50% of the total marks;
  - (c) 20% of the total marks being allotted for History of Art & Design/Complementary Studies, subject to a minimum of 10% for History of Art & Design.
2. The pass mark shall be 40% in each area. The overall pass mark shall be 40%.
3. A candidate who fails to reach the pass mark in History of Art and Design/Complementary Studies may nevertheless pass the assessment by compensation, at the discretion of the Examination Board in the following circumstances:-
  - (i) Where the candidate's marks in the History of Art and Design/Complementary Studies are not lower than 35%;
  - (ii) where the percentage excess marks in other areas, when appropriately weighted, are double the deficiency in the area being considered for compensation.
4. The External Assessors shall have access to the records of continuous assessment at whatever stage of the procedure they deem best.
5. Assessment of students by the External Assessors shall be based on:-
  - (1) a review of the student's folio and notebook;
  - (2) a display of the student's work; and
  - (3) an interview of the student.

NATIONAL CERTIFICATE AND DIPLOMA COURSES IN

ART AND DESIGN

MARKS AND STANDARDS

1. Conditions of Award

- 1.1. Before presenting for final assessment, candidates shall have complied with course requirements, have a satisfactory attendance record and have completed course and project work.
- 1.2. Final assessment shall be based on a presentation or exhibition of the candidate's work in the Chief Study area and also in subsidiary areas and an interview of the candidate.
- 1.3. In the case of the History of Art and Design/Complementary Studies, the candidate will be required to take a written examination or may be assessed by a written or other form of thesis appropriate to the level of studies.

2. Pass Standard

- 2.1. Minimum of 40% in each subject.
- 2.2. The College shall adopt the following weighting:  
  
Chief Study and supporting Art/Design Studies - 80% (of which not more than 30% devoted to continuous assessment).  
  
History of Art and Design/Complementary Studies - 20% (subject to a minimum of 10% for history of art and design).
- 2.3. The question of any further subdivision is discretionary, but the Chief Study should be given greater weighting than supporting studies.
- 2.4. At the discretion of the College, continuous assessment may comprise 20%, but in any event not more than 30%, of the Chief Study and supporting studies. The records of continuous assessment shall be available to the Extern Examiners and should be the result of a regulated procedure through the course.
- 2.5. Failure in the Chief Study shall be deemed a total failure in the assessment.

3. Compensation

- 3.1. A candidate who fails to reach 40% in History of Art and Design/Complementary Studies, may nevertheless pass by compensation.

3.2. Compensation may be applied in the following circumstances:-

- (i) Where the candidate's marks in the subject are not lower than 35% and
- (ii) where the percentage excess marks in the Chief Study are double the deficiency in History of Art and Design/Complementary Studies.

4. Distinction and Credit

4.1. Where a candidate has distinguished him or herself in the course and has achieved 70% the award shall be granted with Distinction.

4.2. Where a candidate has reached 60%, the award shall be granted with Credit.

4.3. The above awards shall not be made where a candidate has-

- (a) passed the assessment by compensation

and/or

- (b) passed the assessment by virtue of more than one sitting, save in exceptional circumstances.
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MARKS AND STANDARDS 1979

ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION STUDIES

CERTIFICATE AND DIPLOMA COURSES

1. Before sitting for each examination candidates will be expected to have followed an approved course of study in each subject, have a satisfactory attendance record and have completed course and project work.
2. PASS STANDARDS - 40% in each subject
  - (a) For the award of a Certificate and/or Diploma, a candidate must pass in all mandatory subjects (subject to 3 below).
  - (b) Course/Project Work
    - (i) Normally candidates who fail to reach 40% in the course work, where this is an element of a subject or a separate subject in the programme, shall fail in that subject and shall not be eligible to pass the examination by compensation.
    - (ii) Course Work (i.e. homework, laboratory reports, class room exercises and mini-projects) and Project Work shall be assessed by the Extern Examiner and the appropriate records and projects must be available for the Examiners, together with details of the marking scheme used.
  - (c) Continuous Assessment
    - (i) For all subjects the continuous assessment element will normally account for not more than 30% of the marks allocated for that subject. However, the continuous assessment element may account for up to 100% of the marks allocated in subjects where this is deemed the most appropriate method of assessment and where the entire assessment scheme for the course has been approved by the Council.
    - (ii) In those subjects where continuous assessment forms part of the evaluation of a student's performance, candidates must reach 30% in the marks maxima for both continuous assessment and terminal examinations.
    - (iii) Tests, students scripts, and records of continuous assessment should be available for consideration by the Extern Examiners.
  - (d) Normally candidates should not be admitted to the 2nd Year of the course without first having passed the Stage I examination in full. College Principals should notify Council of any candidate whom it is proposed to allow to proceed to Stage II and who has not completed Stage I. Such applications should be received seven days before the commencement of Year II of the course.

### 3. COMPENSATION

Subject to meeting the requirements, laid down in 2(a) candidates who fail to reach 40% in any subject, may, nevertheless pass the examination by compensation.

(a) Compensation may be exercised as follows:

- (i) Where a candidate's marks fall below 40% in a maximum of two subjects, but do not fall below 30% in any subject.
- (ii) Excess marks above Pass Standards must be double the deficiency in the subjects being considered for compensation.

(b) Compensation shall not be allowed where:

- (i) A candidate has failed in the course work (except in exceptional circumstances).
- (ii) A candidate has already been exempted in a subject or subjects.
- (iii) A candidate's marks in the failed subjects fall below 30% in the terminal examination.

### 4. EXEMPTIONS

In the case of a candidate who fails in more than three subjects no exemptions will be granted, and the candidate may not re-attempt the examination for one year.

Where a candidate fails in not more than three subjects the Examination Board may recommend exemption in the subjects passed. Such exemptions may be held for a period of two years (a total of four attempts) from the date of the examination at which the exemptions were granted. Where such exemption is granted, the outstanding subjects must be passed at one sitting.

Once a student has presented for an examination as a full-time student and is carrying exemptions he will be deemed to be a full-time student until he has completed that stage (even though he may be attending the College on a part-time basis, while preparing for examination in subjects not already passed) and his results will be determined in accordance with the standards for full-time students.

### 5. DISTINCTION AND CREDIT

(a) Standards

- Distinction : A minimum average of 70%
- Credit : A minimum average of 60%

(b) To be eligible for these awards a candidate will normally be expected to reach the following levels in each of the written and course work elements:-

Distinction : An average (calculated over all mandatory subjects) of at least 60%

Credit : An average (calculated over all mandatory subjects) of at least 50%.

(c) The above levels of awards shall not be granted where a candidate:

(i) has passed by compensation;

(ii) has passed the Examination by virtue of more than one attempt, even if in re-attempting, a candidate forfeits all exemptions and presents for the entire examination;

(iii) has failed to present at the normal Summer Examination (except in exceptional circumstances).



## COURSES TAKEN ON A PART-TIME BASIS

### 1. PASS STANDARDS

- (a) 40% in each subject.
- (b) Candidates following a course through part-time attendance and on a modular basis, may present for the examination in one or more subjects or modules at a time and shall be credited for each subject or module passed. If the course is divided into well defined parts or stages corresponding to one year of full-time study, each candidate will be required to pass each part or stage within 3 years.

### 2. COMPENSATION

Compensation may be applied to not more than one subject, where a candidate presents in a minimum of four subjects at that sitting and provided the marks do not fall below 30% in that subject.

### 3. DISTINCTION AND CREDIT

For Credit or Distinction Awards the same standards shall apply as in 5(a) above. If, however, a student fails in a subject at any time in presenting a stage, he will not be eligible for a Credit or Distinction Award, even though he should pass in that subject subsequently.

One-Year Certificates, National Certificates & National Diplomas  
in Business & Social Studies

(except those modular courses in which a  
cumulative assessment method is used)

1. Course Subjects:

- 1.1 The award of a One-Year Certificate, a National Certificate or a National Diploma, as the case may be, shall be based on a candidate's performance in examinations or other tests externally monitored by the Council.
- 1.2 Only candidates who have satisfactorily attended a course of instruction approved by the Council shall be admitted to the examinations or other tests.
- 1.3 The subjects requiring to be passed in the 1979 examinations in each course are set out at Schedule A. Examinations in all subjects will be externally monitored by the Council.
- 1.4 Students may present in not more than one additional subject over and above the number of subjects requiring to be passed.
- 1.5 No candidate will be admitted to any final examination in circumstances where he or she is required to pass in more than six subjects at that examination.
- 1.6 Normally candidates should not be admitted to the Second or subsequent Year of a course without first having passed all subjects normally required to be passed at the previous examinations. College Principals should notify Council of any candidate whom it is proposed to allow to proceed to a Second or subsequent Stage and who has not completed all previous Stages. Such applications should normally be received at least seven days before the commencement of the Second or subsequent Year of the course, as the case may be.

2. Pass Standard:

- 2.1 (a) Shorthand - Error margin of 5% allowed.  
(which may be assessed in an integrated manner with other secretarial processes) (Speed required is 100 wam Shorthand in the National Certificate in Business Studies(Secretarial Studies)Stage 11 and 80 wam in the National Certificate in Business Studies(Secretarial Studies) Stage 1 and the Office Skills One-Year Certificate)
- (b) Pitmanscript, - Error margin of 5% allowed.  
Speedwriting (which may be assessed in an integrated manner with other secretarial processes) (Speed required is 70 wam in the Office Skills One-Year Certificate)
- (c) Typewriting, - Minimum of 55%.  
including Audio- (Speed tests at 50 wam in the National  
typewriting Certificate in Business Studies(Secretarial  
(which may be assessed in an integrated manner with other secretarial processes) Studies)Stage 11 and 40 wam in the National Certificate in Business Studies(Secretarial Studies)Stage 1 and the Office Skills One-Year Certificate)

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- (d) Practical subjects - Minimum of 50%
- (e) All other subjects - Minimum of 40%

2.2 In the case of a candidate who fails at the Summer examination, marks awarded on the basis of continuous assessment shall be carried forward to the Autumn repeat examination of that year.

### 3. Marks Maxima:

Except where otherwise indicated in Schedule A (list of subjects requiring to be passed) the marks maximum for each subject shall be 100 marks.

### 4. Compensation:

4.1 A candidate who fails to reach 40% in one or two subjects only, may, nevertheless, pass the examination by compensation.

4.2 Subject to paragraphs 4.3 and 4.4 below, compensation may be applied on the following basis:-

- (i) where the examination in question consists of-
  - (a) five or more subjects, compensation may apply in the case of two
  - (b) four subjects, compensation may apply in the case of one only.
- (ii) where the marks obtained in the subject(s) being considered for compensation shall not fall below 35%.
- (iii) the pass standard must be reached in the remaining subjects requiring to be passed.
- (iv) aggregate excess percentage marks above the pass standard in subjects requiring to be passed must be at least double the deficiency in the subject(s) being considered for compensation.
- (v) compensation can only apply where all the subjects appropriate to a Stage are presented at the same sitting.
- (vi) compensation may be applied only to enable a candidate to pass in the examination as a whole.

4.3 Compensation shall not be applied in the following cases:-

- (i) to Typewriting, Shorthand, Pitmanscript or Speedwriting.
- (ii) in a National Diploma course, to any subject of which the marks maximum is 200 marks, or to more than one subject in all at any stage, save in the case of the National Diploma in Child Care where compensation may be applied to one or two subjects at each stage. However, in the case of the latter compensation may not be applied to Principles & Practice of Child Care at Stage 11.
- (iii) in a National Certificate in Legal Studies course, to more than one Law subject and one non-Law subject at any stage: excess marks in non-Law subjects may not be used to apply compensation to Law subjects.
- (iv) where a Stage consists of fewer than four subjects.

4.4 The application of compensation is at the discretion of the relevant Examination Board subject to the above provisions.

5. Exemptions:

- 5.1 A candidate who, at a single sitting, obtains pass marks in three or more subjects, or, in the case of a National Diploma course, who obtains at least 50% in each of two subjects, may be exempted from further examination in such subjects but must complete the examination by passing the remaining subject(s) at a single sitting within three years of the date of the examination at which the exemptions are granted.
- 5.2 In the National Diploma in Child Care a candidate passing in Principles & Practice of Child Care may be granted exemption in respect of the practical elements of assessment in this subject notwithstanding results in other subjects.
- 5.3 A candidate repeating an examination may waive exemptions by sitting for subjects previously exempted. Such waiver will not constitute "exceptional circumstances" under paragraph 6.3(b) below. The exercise of the waiver cancels the original result(s), which cannot be restored.
- 5.4 The granting of exemptions is at the discretion of the relevant Examination Board subject to the above provisions.

6. Distinctions & Credits:6.1 Standards:

Before being considered for Distinction or Credit awards, candidates must reach the following standards, respectively:-

Distinction: Minimum average of 70% in subjects taken and requiring to be passed, subject to:

- (i) no mark being lower than 50% and not more than two marks being lower than 60%; and
- (ii) in the case of National Diplomas, a minimum average mark of 65% in major subjects.

Credits: Minimum average of 60% in subjects taken and requiring to be passed, subject to:

- (i) no mark being lower than 45% and not more than two marks being lower than 50%; and
- (ii) in the case of National Diplomas, a minimum average mark of 50% in major subjects.

- 6.2 The overall average mark shall be calculated on the basis of the candidate's performance in the final year examination with due allowance for marks scored in continuous assessment, using the marks maxima indicated at paragraph 3 above, subject to the following:-

- (i) Marks scored in an additional subject (see paragraph 1.4 above) may be taken into account if the average mark would thereby be increased;

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(ii) In the National Diploma in Industrial Relations Studies the average mark shall be based on marks scored at Stages 111 and 1V.

(iii) In the National Diploma in Child Care, the average mark shall be calculated on the following basis:-

Total Marks scored at Stage 1(i.e. in 1977):				Weighting of 25%
"	"	"	" 11(1978)	: " " 25%
"	"	"	" 111(1979)	: " " 50%

6.3 The above awards shall not be granted where a candidate has passed the examination:-

(a) by virtue of exemptions previously granted;

OR

(b) by virtue of more than one attempt, save in exceptional circumstances.

6.4 Distinctions and Credits may be awarded at final examinations only.

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SCHEDULE ASubjects Requiring to be Passed in 1979 Examinations1. Office Skills One-Year Certificate:

- (1) Communications
- (2) Office Administration
- (3) Typewriting(including Audio-Typewriting)
- (4), (5) & (6) Either:
  - (i) three approved elective subjects
  - or
  - (ii) Shorthand and one other approved elective subject

Integrated assessment may be carried out in secretarial processes (including Shorthand, Typewriting and Audio-Typewriting and related personal development).

2. National Certificate in Business Studies(Secretarial Studies):2.1 Stage 1:

- (1) Communications
- (2) Office Administration
- (3) Shorthand
- (4) Typewriting(including Audio-Typewriting)
- (5) & (6) Two approved elective subjects

Integrated assessment may be carried out in secretarial processes (including Shorthand, Typewriting and Audio-Typewriting and related personal development).

2.2 Stage 11:

- (1) Communications
- (2) Office Administration(including Secretarial Practice)
- (3) Shorthand
- (4) Typewriting
- (5) & (6) Two approved elective subjects

Integrated assessment may be carried out in secretarial processes (including Shorthand, Typewriting and Audio-Typewriting and related personal development).

3. National Certificate in Business Studies:3.1 Stage 1:

- (1) to (6) Six approved subjects

3.2 Stage 11:

- (1) to (6) Six approved subjects

4. National Certificate in Legal Studies:

4.1 Stage 1:

- (1) to (4) Four approved Law subjects
- (5) & (6) Two approved non-Law subjects

4.2 Stage 11:

- (1) to (4) Four approved Law subjects
- (5) & (6) Two approved non-Law subjects

5. National Diploma in Business Studies(Accountancy):

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- (1) Accountancy(200 marks)
- (2) Taxation
- (3) to(5) Three of the following elective subjects:-
  - (i) Auditing
  - (ii) Company Law
  - (iii) Data Processing
  - (iv) French or German
  - (v) Management Principles & Practice

5.2 Sligo RTC:

- (1) Advanced Accountancy(200 marks)
- (2) Industrial Administration(200 marks)
- (3) Company Law
- (4) One of the following elective subjects:-
  - (i) Auditing
  - (ii) Management Mathematics
  - (iii) Taxation

6. National Diploma in Business Studies(Management Finance):

- (1) Financial Management(200 marks)
- (2) Management Principles & Practice(200 marks)
- (3) Company Law
- (4) One of the following elective subjects:-
  - (i) Marketing
  - (ii) Quantitative Techniques

7. National Diploma in Business Studies(Marketing):

- (1) Principles of Marketing(200 marks)
- (2) Psychology of Marketing & Sales Management(200 marks)
- (3) Financial Control

(4) One of the following elective subjects:-

- (i) Data Processing
- (ii) French or Spanish
- (iii) Marketing Economics

8. National Diploma in Industrial Relations Studies:

8.1 Stage 1:

- (1) Industrial Relations & the Irish Economy(1,000 marks)
- (2) Social Psychology of Industry(1,000 marks)
- (3) Statistics(1,000 marks)

8.2 Stage 11:

- (1) Industrial Psychology(1,000 marks)
- (2) Industrial Relations(1,000 marks)
- (3) Industrial Sociology(1,000 marks)
- (4) Philosophy of Man(1,000 marks)

8.3 Stage 111:

- (1) Applied Industrial Relations(1,000 marks)
- (2) Economics(2,000 marks)
- (3) Social & Industrial Anthropology(1,000 marks)

8.4 Stage 1V:

- (1) Control Systems and the Human Factor(1,000 marks)
- (2) Industrial Relations Practice(1,000 marks)
- (3) Social Ethics(1,000 marks)
- (4) Theory of Organisations(1,000 marks)

9. National Diploma in Child Care:

9.1 Stage 11:

- (1) Principles & Practice of Child Care(Continuous Assessment)  
(150 marks)
- (2) Social Administration/Social History
- (3) Abnormal Psychology/Child Psychiatry
- (4) Play & Drama
- (5) Theory of Groups(50 marks)

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9.2 Stage 111:

- (1) Principles & Practice of Child Care
- (2) Social Administration/Organisation Theory
- (3) Counselling/Behaviour Modification
- (4) Family Intervention(Continuous Assessment)(50 marks)
- (5) Law for the Child Care Worker(50 marks)
- (6) Project(150 marks)

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MARKS AND STANDARDS

for

AWARD OF NATIONAL CERTIFICATE IN PHILOSOPHICAL STUDIES, 1978

1. SUBJECTS AND MARKS MAXIMA

The total number of marks shall be 1100 - to be spread over 22 units covering a 2-year period.

Course Outline:

The two-year course shall consist of:

1.1 Group 1. Philosophy - Core Subjects (Compulsory)

(Eleven units to be offered from the following list)

Subject	Units	Max. Marks	Remarks
Metaphysics	2	100	
Ethics	2	100	
History of Philosophy	2	100	
Logic	1	50	
Philosophy Anthropology <u>or</u> Philosophical Psychology.			
<u>or</u> Rational Psychology	2	100	
Epistemology	2	100	
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>550</b>	

1.2 Group 1 (b) Philosophy - Electives

(Three units to be offered from the following list)

Subject	Units	Max. Marks	Remarks
Natural Theology (Philosophical Theology)	1	50	A title in parentheses is intended as an alternative title to one written before the brackets
Philosophy of Religion	1	50	
Political Theory (Philosophical Politics)	1	50	

Subject	Units	Max. Marks	Remarks
Aesthetics (Philosophy of Art)	1	50	
Special Questions in Ethics	1	50	
Contemporary European Philosophy	1	50	
Special Questions in Philosophical Anthropology	1	50	
Problems in Philosophy	1	50	
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>150</b>	

1.3 Group II - Subsidiary Subjects - Compulsory

(Four units to be offered from the following list)

Subject	Units	Max. Marks.	Remarks
Empirical Psychology I	2	100	
Sociology I	2	100	
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>200</b>	

1.4 Group III - Subsidiary Subject - Optional

(Four units to be offered from the following list)

Subject	Units	Max. Marks	Remarks
Economics	1 or 2	50 or 100	Either 1 or 2 units each, depending on whether a student takes two separate or one only - either option being allowed
Language and Literature	1 or 2	50 or 100	
Second Language	1 or 2	50 or 100	
Political Science (Political Theory, Empirical Politics)	1 or 2	50 or 100	
Cultural Anthropology	1 or 2	50 or 100	
History	1 or 2	50 or 100	
* Empirical Psychology II	1 or 2	50 or 100	
* Sociology II	1 or 2	50 or 100	
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>200</b>	

- 4.2 A candidate repeating an examination may waive exemptions by sitting for subjects previously exempted. Such waiver will not constitute "exceptional circumstances" under regulation 5.3.

5. CREDITS AND DISTINCTIONS

5.1 Standards:

Credit	-	minimum average of 60%
Distinction	-	minimum average of 70%

- 5.2 In awarding passes with Credit or with Distinction the overall average shall be based on the student's performance covering 11 units marked out of 550 marks examined at Stage II.

- 5.3 The above awards shall not be granted where a candidate

- (a) has passed the examination by compensation or exemptions, or
- (b) has passed the examination by virtue of more than one attempt, save in exceptional circumstances.

- 5.4 Credits and Distinctions shall be awarded on the results of Stage II examinations only.

6. TIME ALLOCATION

- 6.1 One Unit is intended to equal one lecture hour per week or equivalent for one academic year. It is reckoned that this would entail two hours follow-up activity by students in the form of private study/research or private tutorials or small group tutorials for each lecture hour.

It is assumed that the academic year will cover a minimum of 30 lecture weeks.

- \* Students taking Empirical Psychology II and/or Sociology II must have already taken Empirical Psychology I and/or Sociology I as appropriate.

2. PASS STANDARD - 40%

- 2.1 Students shall present for Stage I at the end of Year I and for Stage II at the end of Year II and may not normally proceed to Stage II until they have successfully completed Stage I.

3. COMPENSATION.

- 3.1 A candidate who does not obtain a pass mark in all subjects may, nevertheless, pass the examination by compensation.

- 3.2 Compensation may be exercised provided a candidate:

- (i) passes each of the above Groups (i.e. I, II and III) as a whole;
- (ii) is awarded between 35 and 39 per cent (inclusive) on not more than two 3-hour papers of all papers taken at one Stage..
- (iii) does not fall below 30% in any single unit;
- (iv) is awarded aggregate excess marks equal to double the deficiency in the subject(s) being considered for compensation.

- 3.3 Compensation can only apply within and/or between subjects presented at the same sitting.

4. EXEMPTIONS

- 4.1 A candidate who obtains pass marks in 2 of the 3 Groups of subjects above may be exempted from further examination in such Groups

but

must complete the examination by passing the remaining subjects at one sitting within three years from the date of the examination at which the exemption was granted.

National Council for Educational Awards

THOMOND COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, LIMERICK

DEGREE EXAMINATIONS 1977/8

Marks and Standards

1. The following are the components of the Examination:-

1. Education
2. Physical Education
3. Elective Subject
4. Dissertation
5. Teaching Practice

Dissertation:

The Dissertation, not in excess of 10,000 words, shall be on a topic within the sphere of Education or Physical Education or one of an integrative nature involving both areas.

2. Marks Maxima - 1100

Marks shall be divided as follows:-

Physical Education	500	
Education	250	
Elective Subject	250	
Dissertation	<u>100</u>	
		<u>1100</u>
Teaching Practice	Grades A, B, C, D, E.	

3. Distribution of Marks

The maximum marks in the individual subjects shall be distributed as follows:-

	<u>Written</u>	<u>Course Work</u>	<u>*Oral</u>	<u>Practical</u>
1. Physical Education (500)	280	220		
2. Education (250)	160	90		
3. Elective Subjects: (250)				
- Irish Studies	150	60	40	
- Chemistry/ Mathematics	190	60		
- Drama	140	60		50
- Music	130	60		60
- Social & Environmental Studies	175	75		

\*Any Candidate may be required to attend for oral examination in any of the subjects listed.

4. Number of Papers

The number of written examination papers in the individual subjects shall be as follows:-

Physical Education	4
Education	3
Elective	
- Irish Studies	3
- Science Studies/Chemistry	3
- Science Studies/Mathematics	3*
- Drama	2
- Music	2
- Social & Environmental Studies	2

Each paper will be of 3 hours duration and all such papers within a subject shall carry equal marks.

\*One of the mathematics papers will be an essay type paper of shorter duration than the others and will carry proportionally fewer marks.

5. Standards

5.1 Pass

- (a) Subject to the special requirements in Physical Education set out hereunder the pass standard in the individual subjects shall be as follows:-

Physical Education, Education, Elective Subject, Dissertation

- 40% of marks maxima

Teaching Practice

- Grade D

- (b) In order to pass in Physical Education, a candidate in addition to obtaining an overall average of 40% must pass at least two of the four papers and shall not fall below 30% in either of the remaining papers.
- (c) Candidates who do not satisfy the teaching practice requirement may present for final written Examinations but no results will be available to them until such time as the Teaching Practice requirement is satisfied.

5.2 Honours Standard

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|--------------------------------|-----|
| (a) First Class Honours        | 70% |
| Second Class Honours, Grade I  | 63% |
| Second Class Honours, Grade II | 55% |

- (b) Normally only candidates who obtain at least Grade B in Teaching Practice and who pass in all subjects of the Examination without compensation or previous exemptions are eligible for such awards.
- (c) Honours shall be awarded to candidates on the aggregate of the marks obtained in Physical Education, Education and Dissertation, or, if it is to the candidates' advantage, on the aggregate of the marks obtained in subjects Physical Education, Education, Dissertation and Elective Subject.
- (d) Honours are awarded at the Summer Examinations only, save in exceptional circumstances.

5.3 Compensation

A candidate who fails to reach the pass mark in each subject may nevertheless pass the examination by compensation, at the discretion of the Board of Examiners, subject to the following:-

- (i) where the candidate secures a pass in Physical Education and Teaching Practice
- (ii) where the overall mark in one of the subjects, Education, the Dissertation, the Elective subject, does not fall below 35%



- (iii) percentage excess marks above the pass standard in the subjects Physical Education, Education and Dissertation is double the deficiency in marks in the subjects being considered for compensation
- (iv) excess marks in the Elective subject shall not be counted for the purposes of compensation.

At the Autumn Examination marks carried forward are available for compensation.

#### 5.4 Carrying Forward Marks

Where a candidate fails in Physical Education, but obtains at least 40% of the maximum marks in each of two of the written papers, the Board of Examiners may, at its discretion, carry forward the marks obtained in the papers passed to the following Autumn Examination. If the candidate does not then pass the Autumn Examination as a whole, he must present for all the written papers in Physical Education at the next attempt.

#### 5.5 Exemptions

A candidate who fails the examination as a whole, but who passes in three of the components of the examination, may be exempted from further examination in these subjects. The remaining component(s) must be passed at the next attempt without compensation.

#### 6. Time of Examination: Summer

Provision will be made, if necessary, for a repeat Examination in the Autumn. Such candidates will not be eligible for the award of honours, except in exceptional circumstances, and subject to acceptable certification.

SCIENCE MARKS AND STANDARDS 1979

At its meeting on 16th June 1978 the Board of Studies decided that in relation to Science Examinations the existing system whereby marks are carried forward from Summer to Autumn should be continued for 1978/79. Consequently, the Board decided that the 1978 Marks and Standards document be adopted subject to provision being made for the inclusion of Marks and Standards for the following new courses being initiated in 1978/79:-

- (a) Diploma in Aquatic Biology (Galway RTC)
- (b) Diploma in Analytical Science (Carlow RTC)

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MARKS AND STANDARDS

NATIONAL CERTIFICATE IN SCIENCE (MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES)

(Old Regulations)

1. SUBJECTS - NATIONAL CERTIFICATE

The Mandatory subjects which constitute the minimum requirements for a Certificate are:-

STAGE 1                      Medical Laboratory Sciences (A and B)  
Chemistry  
Biology  
Mathematics  
Physics

STAGE 11                     Medical Laboratory Sciences (A and B)  
Chemistry  
Biology

2. ALLOCATION OF TOTAL SUBJECT MARKS

<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>THEORY MARKS</u> <u>OUT OF</u>	<u>PRACTICAL MARKS</u> <u>OUT OF</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>MARKS</u>
<u>Stage 1</u>			
Med. Lab. Sciences	<u>A</u> 100; <u>B</u> 70	100	270
Biology	50	50	100
Chemistry	70	30	100
Physics	70	30	100
Maths	100	-	100
<u>Stage 11</u>			
Med. Lab. Sciences	<u>A</u> 100; <u>B</u> 70	<u>A</u> 60; <u>B</u> 40	270
Biology	100	-	100
Chemistry	70	30	100

3. PASS STANDARDS

- (a) 50% in written papers (40% Mathematics)
- 50% in practical papers

All written work marks are assigned to the final examination.

In Stage 1 practical marks are assigned fully to continuous assessment in the subjects Chemistry, Biology and Physics. Practical marks are assigned to the terminal examination in Medical Laboratory Sciences.

In Stage 11 practical marks are assigned to the terminal practical examination in Medical Laboratory Science and Chemistry. There is no assignment of marks to practical Biology at this stage.

- (b) For the award of a Certificate a pass is required in Medical Laboratory Sciences, Biology and Chemistry of Stage 1 with a minimum level of performance of 30% in Physics and Mathematics and the three subjects of Stage 11 - Medical Laboratory Sciences, Chemistry and Biology.
- (c) The appropriate Laboratory and Assessment results should be available to the Extern Examiner together with details of the marking scheme used.

#### 4. COMPENSATION

A candidate who fails to reach the pass mark may nevertheless pass the examination by compensation at the discretion of the Examination Board, subject to the following:-

- (a) A candidate who fails to reach the above levels in one mandatory subject but who obtains 45% in written and practical work may nevertheless pass that subject provided that there is an excess of marks in the other mandatory subjects from which to compensate.
- (b) Normally compensation is not allowed in the subject Medical Laboratory Sciences.
- (c) Compensation may be exercised between Mathematics and Physics of Stage 1.

#### 5. EXEMPTION

In the cases of a candidate who passes two of the three mandatory subjects of Stage 1 or Stage 11 the Examination Board may recommend exemption in the subjects passed.

A pass in Mathematics or Physics of Stage 1 will exempt a candidate from further examination in that subject.

#### 6. DISTINCTION AND CREDIT

- (a) Distinction: A minimum average of 70% in the three mandatory subjects of Stage 11.
- (b) Credit: A minimum average of 60% in the three mandatory subjects of Stage 11.

NOTE: (A pass will only be awarded at Stage 1)

EXAMINATIONS 1979

MARKS AND STANDARDS

NATIONAL DIPLOMA IN SCIENCE (MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES)

NOTE:

Entry to the Diploma Course is subject to passing the complete examination of Stage I and Stage II of the Certificate Course.

1. SUBJECTS - NATIONAL DIPLOMA

- Applied Biochemistry )
- Chemistry ) Core Subjects
- Physiology/Molecular Biology )

Plus one specialist option chosen from the following:-

- Clinical Chemistry
- Medical Microbiology
- Haematology and Blood Transfusion
- Histopathology

2. ALLOCATION OF TOTAL SUBJECT MARKS

<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>THEORY MARKS</u> <u>OUT OF</u>	<u>PRACTICAL MARKS</u> <u>OUT OF</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>MARKS</u>
<u>Diploma</u>			
Applied Biochemistry	70	30	100
Chemistry	70	30	100
Physiology/Molecular Biology	70	30	100
Clinical Chemistry	100	100	100( $\frac{1}{2}$ T, $\frac{1}{2}$ P)
Medical Microbiology	100	100	100( $\frac{1}{2}$ T, $\frac{1}{2}$ P)
Haematology & Blood Transfusion	100	100	100( $\frac{1}{2}$ T, $\frac{1}{2}$ P)
Histopathology	100	100	100( $\frac{1}{2}$ T, $\frac{1}{2}$ P)

3. PASS STANDARDS

- (a) 50% in written papers  
50% in practicals

All written work marks are assigned to the final examination.

All practical works marks are assigned to the final examination.

- (b) For the award of a Diploma a pass is required in the three core subjects and in the specialist option.

4. COMPENSATION

A candidate who fails to reach the pass mark may nevertheless pass the examination by compensation at the discretion of the Examination Board subject to the following:-

- (a) A candidate who fails to reach the above levels in one core subject but who obtains 45% in written and practical work may nevertheless pass that subject provided that there is an excess of marks in the other core subjects from which to compensate.
- (b) Normally a person must pass the specialist option without compensation.

5. EXEMPTION

In the case of a candidate who passes two of the three core subjects the Examination Board may recommend exemption in the subjects passed.

A candidate who passes the specialist option may be exempt from repeating this subject pending satisfactory completion of the core subject examinations.

6. DISTINCTION AND CREDIT

Distinction: At least 70% in the specialist option and with a minimum average of 70% in the three core subjects plus specialist option.

Credit: At least 60% in the specialist option and with a minimum average of 60% in the three core subjects plus specialist option.