

Mark signals on your assessments, units and transcripts

When your assessment and/or unit marks are published, you can see signals next to the provisional and confirmed mark, which show the status or outcome of the mark.

Where these signals appear on your unit result, they also appear on your academic transcript, as the unit outcome. Your transcript also includes a glossary for each of the outcome signals that appears on your transcript.

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1. Penalties

These signals only show alongside your assessment mark, where there has been a penalty applied. They do not show on your transcript.

- **L1 – Late penalty level 1 for submissions of 1 working day late.** Your school applied a late penalty of 10 marks. This applies to Professional and non-Professional programmes.
- **L2 – Late penalty level 2 for submissions of 2 working days late.** Your school applied a late penalty of 20 marks/ or for professional programmes a penalty mark of 0.

- **L3 – Late penalty level 3 for submissions of 3 working days late.** Your school applied a late penalty of 30 marks/ or for professional programmes a penalty mark of 0.
- **L4 – Late penalty level 4 for submissions of 4 working days late.** Your school applied a late penalty of 40 marks/ or for professional programmes a penalty mark of 0.
- **L5 – Late penalty level 5 for submissions of 5 working days late.** Your mark is 0. This applies to Professional and non-Professional programmes.
- **PL – Plagiarism penalty.** After compliance with assessment regulations was investigated, your school applied a penalty to your mark.
- **WC – Word Count penalty.** You went over the required word count for the assessment and your school applied a penalty to your mark.

2. Absence and other temporary signals

These signals are provisional, they are replaced once progression decisions are made at exam boards or, in the case of MP (Mark pending), a missing mark is entered.

The following show on assessments, not on units. They do not show on your transcript:

- **AB – Absent without permission.** Shows that you were absent from or did not submit an assessment, did not have an acceptable reason for being absent and have never received permission from your school for your absence.
- **AS – Absent with self-certified illness.** Shows that you were absent from an assessment due to a self-certified illness or exceptionally, deferral i.e. absent where evidence has not been required because of the impact of COVID-19.
- **AW – Absent with permission including verified illness.** Shows that you were absent from or did not submit an assessment but had an acceptable

reason for being absent (e.g. verifiable illness) and received permission from your school either before or after the event.

The following can show on assessments and units. They may show on interim transcripts, but will not show on final transcripts:

- **AR – Compliance with assessment regulations under investigation.** Shows that there is an investigation in progress into your compliance with assessment regulations.
- **MP – Mark Pending.** Shows that you have completed the assessment, but a mark is not yet available, either because of an administrative difficulty or a delay in marking.

3. Default outcomes

The default outcomes when you complete an assessment or a unit are:

- **P – Pass.** Shows that you achieved the pass mark. When shown at the unit level, it is the final outcome for the unit and shows that you receive credit for the unit.

For some professional programmes only, you may also see:

- **PD – Pass with Distinction.** Shows that you achieved the required mark for a Distinction.
- **PM – Pass with Merit.** Shows that you achieved the required mark for a Merit.

If you do not achieve the pass mark at the first attempt, you will see a fail signal:

- **F – Fail.** Shows that you did not achieve the pass mark. When shown at the unit level, you **will not** receive credit for the unit. This is usually replaced by either a reassessment signal, or other unit outcome.

4. Reassessments

If you are unable to progress to the next stage of your studies, the Exam Board may offer you a subsequent opportunity to successfully complete assessment which you have not passed.

In this case, the programme outcome published in your assessment details will show that you have resit or supplementary assessments to complete. The following signals then appear on both on the assessment for which you are given another attempt, and the unit itself.

- **RB / RC / RE – Re-sit both coursework and examination(s), or coursework only, or exams only.** Shows that you did not pass an assessment (and unit) but have been given a ‘re-sit’ opportunity, i.e. a second or subsequent attempt at an assessment, to complete in the same academic year. Your unit mark for the resit attempt will be capped.
- **RU – Re-sit assessment (uncapped mark).** Shows that you have not passed an assessment (and unit) but have been given a ‘re-sit’ opportunity, i.e. a second or subsequent attempt at an assessment, to complete in the same academic year. Your unit mark for the resit attempt will be uncapped.
- **SB/ SC / SE – Supplementary both coursework and examination(s), or coursework only, or exams only.** Shows that you have not passed the assessment (and unit), but have been given a ‘supplementary’ opportunity, i.e. a second or subsequent attempt which is treated like a first attempt, to complete in the same academic year. Your unit mark for the supplementary attempt will not be capped, unless the current attempt was already capped.
- **XB / XC / XE – Re-assessment in the following year both coursework and examination(s), or coursework only, or exams only.** Shows that you did not pass the assessment (and unit) but have been given a re-assessment opportunity in a future year.
The re-assessment may be capped or uncapped, depending on your circumstances. The programme outcome comment in View Assessment Details will explain whether your re-assessment will be capped.

5. Other unit outcomes

The following signals show other unit outcomes. They may be used for units where you did not attempt or did not pass all the assessment and therefore credit is not automatically awarded. These signals appear on your transcript.

- **CA – Credit points awarded.** Shows that you did not take some / all of the assessment, and the Exam Board awarded you credit for the unit without consideration of any marks you did obtain from partial assessment on the unit.

In 19/20 examples of when this appears could include:

- where you deferred an assessment but are not required to do a supplementary assessment.
 - where all assessment on the unit was removed/waived.
 - where you completed some assessment for the unit, the remainder was waived, and the proportion completed is not enough to calculate and return a valid unit mark. You will still be able to see the mark for the assessment you completed, but it is not used for a unit mark.
 - where you completed some assessment for the unit and the remainder was waived for you, but other groups of students still had to complete it.
 - where you are a Study Abroad or Erasmus student and receive credit for attendance without assessment.
- **CP – Compensated pass.** Shows that you receive credit for the unit so that you can progress, even though you did not pass the unit. This is only permitted on some programmes in specific circumstances.
 - **CW – Credit points not awarded.** Shows that you do not receive credit for the unit despite getting a pass mark, because you failed a must-pass assessment.
 - **FC – Fail with credit points awarded, no resit allowed.** Shows that your unit mark was below the pass mark, but your overall performance has been good enough for you to receive credit for the unit, so that the Exam Board can award you a degree. You are not permitted a resit. The unit mark is included in the calculation of your degree classification.
 - **FX – Fail with credit points awarded, no resit required.** Shows that your unit mark was below the pass mark, but your overall performance has been good enough for you to receive credit for the unit, so that you can progress to

your next stage of study. You are not required to resit. The unit mark is included in the calculation to determine if you are permitted to progress but is not included in the calculation of your degree classification.

- **FM – Fail on re-sit must pass unit.** Shows that you did not pass a mustpass unit, after a resit attempt.
- **FS – Fail supplementary year on must pass unit.** Shows that you did not pass a must-pass unit, after an attempt in a supplementary year.

The following signals are unit outcomes but also show on the relevant assessments which have not been completed. At unit level, these signals appear on your transcript.

- **PN – Pass notwithstanding.** Shows that you are deemed to have passed the unit, because you have met the unit-level intended learning outcomes without having completed the full assessment. The signal will also appear on the assessments you did not complete. This is used where either:
 - extenuating circumstances have prevented you from completing all assessment, or
 - some elements of assessment have not been available.

- **UA – Unassessed.** As a unit outcome, shows that you were not required to take any assessment and do not receive credit for the unit. On the assessment, shows that the you were not required to complete the assessment.

In 19/20 examples of when this appears could include:

- both assessments and units, where are you are a Study Abroad or Erasmus student in attendance only, who does not receive credit for the unit.
 - assessments, where all assessment was removed/waived, with CA on the unit because the student receives credit under the amended regulations.
- **RY – Repeat Year.** As a unit outcome, shows that you have been given an opportunity to repeat the year without completing the assessment for the unit.

The signal will also appear on the assessments you did not complete.

- **SU – Suspended studies.** You suspended your studies and have not yet completed this unit. The signal will show on any assessments which you have not attempted, and the unit itself.
- **WD – Withdrawn from the University.** You withdrew and did not complete this unit. The signal will show on any assessments you did not attempt, and the unit itself.