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Preamble

In the first twenty years or so since its inception, the University adopted an undergraduate curriculum structure (except for MBChB Programme) based on a combination of the credit unit system and the degree examination system. From the intake of 1986-87, the University moved to adopt a new structure solely based on the credit unit system. Starting from the intake of 1991-92, further revisions have been introduced with a view to providing greater flexibility in students' pace of study and selection of courses.

The 3+3+4 new curriculum implemented in 2012-13 continues to adopt the credit unit system and students will need to complete a four-year study programme as a norm. Some professional programmes, such as MBChB, will be longer but the principle is an additional year in university (with the exception of LLB which remains four years). The new structure is not just 'one more year', but incorporates a change of emphasis, and a new way of viewing undergraduate education. The curriculum is driven by the desired learning outcomes. The learning processes and the assessment methods are aligned with the outcomes, so that there is a consistent effort to help students attain the desired capabilities.

Curriculum Structure

1. **Total Course Load**

Students are required to complete 123 units of courses before graduation. Senior-year entrants are required to complete at least 69 units of courses before graduation. To ensure a balanced curriculum which is not overloaded with requirements of one type or another and which allows room for development of General Education courses and leeway for a student to select courses of his/her choice, the Senate has set minimum and maximum requirements for the various curricular components.

Students of the Education, Law, and Nursing Programmes are required to complete 147-157, 127, and 151 units of courses respectively, and students of the Chinese Medicine Programme are required to complete 193-197 units of courses. Senior-year entrants of the Nursing Programme are required to complete 97 units of courses.

2. **Major Requirement**

To ensure a solid training in the Major discipline, a Major Programme should require students to take at least 51 but no more than 72 units of courses. However, programmes of a professional nature may with permission of the Senate require students more than 72 units.

Although a programme is structured within the prescribed range, a student is allowed to take more than the required number of units in his/her Major Programme, provided that s/he is able to meet all other requirements.

GPA of major courses (at levels and with choices as specified by the Board of the Faculty concerned) and/or other courses will be taken into account for the purpose of degree classification for a student, unless s/he subsequently changes his/her Major Programme. For the Chinese Medicine Programme, all Major courses will be included in the Major GPA calculation.

3. University Core Requirements

Students will have to complete the University Core Requirements, which comprises the following:

- (a) University and College General Education courses;
- (b) Chinese and English languages courses;
- (c) Physical Education courses; and
- (d) IT course

as detailed in the Undergraduate Student Handbook and the study scheme of the relevant programmes.

4. Double Degree

Students will have the opportunity to earn the first Bachelor's degree plus, after one additional year on self-financed basis (except as required by individual programmes), the second Bachelor's degree.

5. Double Major Programme

A student can register for a second Major Programme. A student who wishes to declare a second Major shall apply according to the prescribed procedures and within the specified application period as determined by the Senate from time to time.

6. Minor Programme

Minor Programmes are optional to students. A student who wishes to declare Minor(s) or change the current Minor(s) shall apply to the Programme(s) concerned according to the prescribed procedures and within the specified application period. A Minor Programme should require at least 18 but no more than 30 units of courses.

7. Elective Courses

In addition to fulfilling the requirements of his/her Major Programme and University Core Requirements, a student is free to select courses (subject to timetable, course load and study scheme constraints, etc.) in meeting the total units required for graduation. For instance, s/he may complete elective courses in disciplines other than his/her Major Programme; s/he may take more Major or General Education courses; or s/he may opt for Minor Programme(s).

8. Course Load Per Term/Year

A student shall take at least 9 but no more than 18 units of courses in any term within the normative study period, no more than 6 units of courses in each summer session, and no more than 39 units in an academic year, unless being recommended by his/her Major Programme and approved by the Registrar under special circumstances. Students on academic probation shall take a maximum of 12 units per term during first probation, and a maximum of 9 units per term during extended probation.

9. Period of Study

Except for the programmes listed below, the maximum study period of all Major Programmes shall be six years from first registration, which shall include any periods of leave of absence and suspension of studies, but exclude any periods of compulsory military service as required by a student's nation, unless otherwise permitted by the Board of the Faculty and approved by the Registrar. A senior-year entrant must complete all requirements for graduation within four years. Unless otherwise provided, a student shall not graduate without having completed at least two years of attendance at the University.

Generally, a student is expected to complete his/her studies in four years while a senior-year entrant is expected to complete his/her studies in two years, except for students of the programmes listed below.

Programmes	Normative study period (years)	Maximum study period (years)
Bachelor of Arts (Chinese Language Studies) and Bachelor of Education (Chinese Language Education) ¹	5	7
Bachelor of Arts (English Studies) and Bachelor of Education (English Language Education)	5	7
Liberal Studies	5	7
Mathematics and Mathematics Education	5	7
Physical Education, Exercise Science and Health	5	7
Chinese Medicine	6	8
Nursing	5	7
Nursing (senior-year entrants)	3	5

Students are expected to graduate at the end of the normative study period, except for

- (a) students admitted with Advanced Standing;
- (b) students granted course and unit exemptions; and
- (c) students who have applied in accordance with the relevant regulations and obtained approval for alteration of their periods of study.

10. Course Requirements and Exemptions

A student admitted to a study programme with a normative study period of four years shall complete at least 123 units of courses before graduation. Students admitted to study programmes with normative study period other than four years or with qualifications eligible

for Advanced Standing and/or unit exemptions shall complete the units of courses and other requirements as prescribed by the Major Programmes and the University as detailed in the Undergraduate Student Handbook and the study scheme of each programme. A student with recognized post-secondary qualifications may be exempted from some courses and/or units required for graduation according to the procedure prescribed. A student who has obtained such exemptions and has met all other course and unit requirements for graduation must nevertheless satisfy the following conditions for consideration of the award of a CUHK degree:

- (a) s/he shall have completed at least 60 units of courses (senior-year places for Associate Degree/Higher Diploma holders), 72 units of courses (for a study programme with a normative study period of four years), 96 units of courses (for a study programme with a normative study period of five years) or 120 units of courses (for a study programme with a normative study period of six years) at this University;
- (b) s/he shall have completed at least two-thirds of his/her Major requirements at CUHK; and
- (c) s/he shall have completed at least two-thirds of his/her Minor requirements at CUHK, if applicable.

Assessment of Students

1. Course Examinations

To ensure objectivity, reliability, fairness and confidence in the assessment, course examinations of all courses (both Major and non-Major ones) will be centrally scheduled, invigilated and monitored by panels of examiners set up by the Departments/Schools/Programmes. However, courses which are practical in nature (e.g. laboratory courses, Physical Education skill courses) and courses which adopt a continuous assessment approach or other forms of term-end assessment (e.g. project, paper) in lieu of course examination may be excluded from central scheduling with the approval of the Assessment/Examination Panel concerned.

2. Visiting Examiner System/Visiting Committees

A student's performance in the graduation thesis or project and Major courses at 2000 and above level shall be subject to assessment by the External/Visiting Examiners. Visiting Committees, subsuming the External/Visiting Examiners, have been established by the University since 2009-10.

3. Academic Probation and Discontinuation of Studies

There is no promotion from year to year per se. The year designation for a student only indicates his/her cumulative years of attendance at the University and not his/her level of study. Academic performance is assessed on a term basis.

A student who has obtained a GPA of below 1.5 in a term shall be put on academic probation in the following term. At the end of that term, if s/he obtains a GPA of 1.5 or above, probation shall be lifted; otherwise, probation shall continue to apply in the next term of attendance. S/He shall be required to discontinue his/her studies at the University if s/he still fails to lift his/her probation after having been put on academic probation for two consecutive terms of attendance.

A student who has obtained a GPA of below 1.0 or failed in more than half of the units of courses taken in a term shall be required to discontinue his/her studies, unless s/he has submitted an application in writing to continue studies, and such has been approved by the

Major Programme concerned.

A student who has obtained a term GPA of below 1.0 or failed in more than half of the units of courses taken in a term for two consecutive terms of attendance shall be required to discontinue his/her studies.

A student who fails to meet the minimum grade required for specific courses after two attempts, or pass the relevant examination (if any) as prescribed by his/her Major Programme shall be required to discontinue his/her study, unless his/her Faculty Board decides otherwise or s/he can obtain transfer to another Major Programme in the next term of attendance.

Academic reports and transcripts will show all courses taken and retaken, no matter passed or failed. The same applies in the calculation of all GPA, including GPA for degree classification.

4. Graduation

To qualify for a Bachelor's degree, a student apart from meeting all the relevant requirements must obtain a GPA of not less than 1.5 in all Major courses taken which are at 2000 or above level/3000 or above level as decided by the Board of the Faculty to which s/he belongs; or for students of the Bachelor of Chinese Medicine Programme, must obtain a GPA of not less than 1.5 in all Major courses.

Notwithstanding the above and with the exception of students of the Bachelor of Chinese Medicine Programme, a student who has obtained a GPA of below 1.5 but not less than 1.3 in all Major courses taken which are at 2000 or above level/3000 or above level as decided by the Board of the Faculty to which s/he belongs may be recommended by the Undergraduate Examinations Board for the award of a pass degree, subject to his/her satisfying all other requirements for graduation.

Students may graduate upon completion of all requirements at the end of any term in an academic year, although the conferment of degrees is held only annually. Degree Certificates shall be issued to students after the conferment of degrees at the Congregation. Degree Certificates for graduates with outstanding debts to the University will be withheld until the accounts are settled.

5. Degree Classification

A student shall be awarded a Bachelor's degree with one of the following classifications:

- (a) First Class Honours
- (b) Second Class Honours Upper Division
- (c) Second Class Honours Lower Division
- (d) Third Class Honours
- (e) Pass

Classification of a student's degree shall be determined by the Undergraduate Examinations Board in its absolute discretion, taking into account: (a) the grade point average of Major courses (at levels and with choices as specified by the Board of the Faculty concerned) and/or the grade point average of other courses and (b) the distribution guidelines which are specified from time to time by the Senate; and the Undergraduate Examinations Board may also adopt other guidelines if it deems appropriate.

If a course is used to satisfy both Major and Minor requirements, the grade thereof will count towards the Major GPA.

Course grades earned at another institution and recognized for exemptions from any University requirements shall not be included in any GPA calculation.

Note

- ¹ The programme title has been changed from Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Education (Chinese Language Education) Co-terminal Double Degree Programme to Bachelor of Arts (Chinese Language Studies) and Bachelor of Education (Chinese Language Education) Co-terminal Double Degree Programme, applicable to students admitted in 2011-12 and thereafter.

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Preamble

In the first twenty years or so since its inception, the University adopted an undergraduate curriculum structure (except for MBChB Programme) based on a combination of the credit unit system and the degree examination system. Effective from the intake of 1986-87, the University moved to adopt a new structure solely based on the credit unit system. Starting from the intake of 1991-92, further revisions have been introduced with a view to providing greater flexibility in students' pace of study and selection of courses.

Curriculum Structure

1. Total Course Load

Secondary 6 and Secondary 7 entrants¹ are required to complete 123 and 99 units of courses respectively before graduation. Second-year entrants are required to complete at least 66 units of courses before graduation. To ensure a balanced curriculum which is not overloaded with requirements of one type or another and which allows room for development of General Education courses and leeway for a student to select courses of his choice, the Senate has set minimum and maximum requirements for the various curricular components.

Students of the Education, Law, and Nursing Programmes are required to complete 123-141, 123, and 147-153 units of courses respectively, and students of the Chinese Medicine Programme are required to complete 176-180 units of courses.

2. Major Requirement

To ensure a solid training in the Major discipline, a full-time Major Programme should require Secondary 6 or Secondary 7 entrants to take at least 51 but no more than 72 units of courses, and second-year entrants up to 64 units (for entrants with associate degrees) or up to 59 units (for entrants with higher diplomas). However, programmes of a professional nature may with permission of the Senate require Secondary 6 or Secondary 7 entrants more than 72 units, and second-year entrants up to 67 units (for entrants with associate degrees) or up to 62 units (for entrants with higher diplomas).

Although a programme is structured within the prescribed range, a student is allowed to take more than the required number of units in his Major Programme, provided that he is able to meet all other requirements.

Once taken, all Major and STOT courses at 2000 and above level will be counted towards the Major GPA for the purpose of degree classification for a full-time student, unless he subsequently changes his Major Programme. However, for some programmes which have the endorsement of the Faculty Boards, only Major and STOT courses at 3000 and above level will be counted. For the Chinese Medicine Programme, all Major courses will be included in the

Major GPA calculation. For part-time programmes, all Major and STOT courses at 3000 and above level will be counted. However, a Faculty Board may decide that for a particular programme only Major and STOT courses at 4000 and above level will be counted.

3. Intensive Programme in Putonghua, Cantonese and English

All students in their first year of study are required to complete an Intensive Programme in Putonghua, Cantonese and English. The Programme is non-credit-bearing but students are required to attend an examination for each of the three courses and the examination results will be recorded on academic reports and transcripts.

Intensive Programme in Putonghua, Cantonese and English are not offered to second-year entrants and part-time students.

4. Compulsory Language Requirement

All students admitted in 2004-05 and thereafter have to fulfil the compulsory language requirement. Secondary 7 entrants are required to complete 3 units of English courses, and those who belong to the Faculties of Arts, Education, Law, and Social Science also have to complete 3 units of Chinese courses. Students exempted from the Chinese language requirement for admission by the Senate, non-local students admitted to programmes that do not prescribe for them any Chinese language requirement for admission, or those without Chinese language results admitted via JUPAS are required to complete 3 units of English courses and 3 or 6 units of Chinese courses.

Secondary 6 entrants including mainland students who are proficient in Cantonese are required to complete 6 units of English courses, 3 units of expository writing courses and 3 units of Chinese courses, and those who belong to the Faculties of Arts, Education, Law and Social Science have to complete an additional 3 units of Chinese courses. Mainland students who are not proficient in Cantonese are required to complete 6 units of English, 3 units of expository writing courses and 6 units of Chinese courses, and those who belong to the Faculties of Arts, Education, Law and Social Science have to complete an additional 3 units of Chinese courses. Students who are exempted from the Chinese language requirement for admission by the Senate, or non-local (excluding Mainland) students admitted to programmes that do not prescribe for them any Chinese language requirement for admission, are required to take 6 units of English courses, 3 units of expository writing courses, and 6, 9 or 12 units of Chinese courses.

Second-year entrants with higher diplomas are required to complete 3 units of language requirement.

5. IT Competence Requirement

All undergraduate students are required to pass an IT Proficiency Test in their first year of attendance. Students admitted in 2004-05 and thereafter shall be barred from graduation if they do not pass the Test. Those who have passed the International Computer Driving License Assessment may apply for exemption from the Test. In addition, students who have passed the pilot run of the 1-unit IT Foundation Course designed for the new four-year curriculum will be exempted from the IT Proficiency Test.

6. Physical Education Requirement

All Secondary 6 or Secondary 7 entrants of full-time programmes (except Physical Education and Sports Science students) are required to complete 2 units of Physical Education courses in their first year of attendance. Second-year entrants are required to take 1 unit of Physical Education course during their first year of attendance.

7. General Education Requirement

Secondary 6 or Secondary 7 entrants of full-time programmes are required to complete 15 units of General Education courses. Certain programmes of a professional nature may have this requirement reduced by 3 units with permission from the Senate. Second-year entrants are required to complete 7 units (for entrants with associate degrees) or 9 units (for entrants with higher diplomas). Students should take these General Education courses as prescribed by the University, and the College to which he is assigned.

Students admitted in 2004-05 and thereafter are required to take at least one course from each of the four University General Education curriculum areas, namely, A. Chinese Cultural Heritage; B. Nature, Technology and the Environment; C. Society and Culture; and D. Self and Humanity. To fulfil the remaining unit requirements of General Education at University level, students should follow specific course registration criteria and priorities.

For the part-time programmes, the number of units required is 12. However, students having satisfied the special entrance requirement and been granted exemption of 53 units at the time of admission will only need to complete 6 units of General Education courses.

8. Double Degree

The University starts offering double degree programmes for entrants admitted from 2006-07. Students will have the opportunity to earn the first Bachelor's degree plus, after one additional year on self-financed basis (except as required by individual programmes), the second Bachelor's degree.

9. Double Major Programme

A student admitted in 2004-05 and thereafter can register for a second Major Programme subject to the approval of the two Major Departments concerned. A student who has satisfied the requirements of a second Major may, in the last term of attendance within the minimum period of study, declare and be assessed for a second Major.

10. Minor Programme

Minor Programmes are optional to students. A student who wishes to declare Minor(s) or change the current Minor(s) shall apply to the Programme(s) concerned according to the prescribed procedures and within the specified application period. A Minor Programme should require at least 15 but no more than 30 units of courses.

Minor Programmes are not offered to part-time students.

11. Elective Courses

In addition to fulfilling the requirements of his Major Programme, Languages, IT, General Education and Physical Education, a student is free to select courses (subject to timetable, course load and study scheme constraints, etc.) in meeting the total units required for

graduation. For instance, he may complete elective courses in disciplines other than his Major Programme; he may take more Major or General Education courses; or he may opt for a Minor Programme.

12. Foundation Requirements

A Secondary 6 entrant shall complete 24 units of Foundation Requirements including 9 units of language courses, 6 units of General Education courses and 9 units of Major/Faculty requirement.

13. Course Load Per Term/Year

A full-time student shall take at least 12 but no more than 18 units of courses in any term. However, with the prior permission of his Major Department, he may take up to a maximum of 21 units in any term. A student shall take no more than 6 units of courses in each summer session, and no student shall be allowed to take more than 48 units in an academic year. Starting from 2010-11, students on academic probation shall take a maximum of 15 units per term during first probation, and a maximum of 12 units per term during extended probation.

A part-time student shall take at least 3 units of courses in any term. He shall take at least 15 but no more than 27 units in any year.

14. Period of Study

A Secondary 6 entrant in a full-time programme must complete all requirements for graduation within 6 years, and a Secondary 7 entrant within 5 years. A second-year entrant must complete all requirements for graduation within 4 years. Unless otherwise provided, a student shall not graduate without having completed at least 3 years of attendance at the University. Generally, a Secondary 6 entrant and a Secondary 7 entrant are expected to complete their studies in 4 and 3 years respectively, a second-year entrant is expected to complete his studies in 2 years. A student may apply on a prescribed form to the Registrar for altering his period of study. A student wishing to change the period of study for his Major courses must have consent from the Department concerned. No such application shall be accepted after the commencement of his expected term of graduation except under very special circumstances.

A Secondary 6 entrant of the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Education (Chinese Language Education) Co-terminal Double Degree Programme, Bachelor of Arts (English Studies) and Bachelor of Education (English Language Education) Co-terminal Double Degree Programme, Bachelor of Education (Language Education) Programme, Bachelor of Education (Liberal Studies) Programme or Bachelor of Education (Physical Education and Sports Science) Programme is expected to graduate within 5 years and must complete all requirements for graduation within 7 years, and a Secondary 7 entrant within 6 years.

A student of the Law or Nursing Programme is expected to graduate within 4 years and must complete all requirements for graduation within 6 years. A student of the Chinese Medicine Programme is expected to graduate within 5 years and must complete all requirements for graduation within 7 years.

A student of the part-time programmes shall normally register for and attend classes for 3 to 6 years before graduation and must complete all requirements for graduation within 5 to 10 years depending on his entrance qualifications.

15. Course and Unit Exemptions

Students with recognized post-secondary qualifications obtained prior to admission to the University or earned through participation in student exchange programmes may apply for exemption of courses and/or units. The applications should be approved by the Faculty Deans on the recommendation of the Departments concerned.

A student who has obtained such exemptions and has met all other course and unit requirements for graduation must nevertheless satisfy the following conditions for consideration of the award of a CUHK degree:

- (a) he shall have completed at least 60 units of courses at CUHK;
- (b) he shall have completed at least two-thirds of his Major requirements at CUHK;
- (c) he shall have completed at least two-thirds of his Minor requirements at CUHK, if he wishes to graduate with a Minor;
- (d) he shall have attended CUHK for at least 2 years (at least 3 years for students of the Education Programmes, and at least 4 years for the Chinese Medicine and the Nursing Programmes); and
- (e) his total period of attendance at CUHK and another university or institution of higher learning recognized by the Senate shall have been not less than 3 years (4 years for students of the Education, Law and Nursing Programmes, and 5 years for students of the Chinese Medicine Programme).

Assessment of Students

1. Course Examinations

To ensure objectivity, reliability, fairness and confidence in the assessment, course examinations of all full-time courses (both Major and non-Major ones) and part-time Major courses at 4000 or above level will be centrally scheduled, invigilated and monitored by panels of examiners set up by the Departments. However, courses which are practical in nature (e.g. laboratory courses, Physical Education skill courses) and courses which adopt a continuous assessment approach or other forms of term-end assessment (e.g. project, paper) in lieu of course examination may be excluded from central scheduling with the approval of the Examination Panel concerned.

A graduation thesis or graduation project may be prescribed by a student's Major Programme.

2. Visiting Examiner System/Visiting Committees

A student's performance in the graduation thesis or project and Major courses at 2000 and above level shall be subject to assessment by the External/Visiting Examiners. Visiting Committees, subsuming the External/Visiting Examiners whose appointment was no longer a statutory requirement, have been established by the University. The first cycle of the Visiting Committees has commenced in 2009-10, with the External/Visiting Examiners to be replaced by the Visiting Committee in phases.

3. Academic Probation and Discontinuation of Studies

There is no promotion from year to year per se. The year designation for a student only indicates his cumulative years of attendance at the University and not his level of study. Academic performance is assessed on a term basis.

A student who has obtained a GPA of below 1.5 in a term shall be put on academic probation in the following term. At the end of that term, if he obtains a GPA of 1.5 or above, probation shall be lifted; otherwise, probation shall continue to apply for another term. He shall be required to discontinue his studies at the University if he still fails to lift his probation after having been put on academic probation for two consecutive terms of attendance. A student who has obtained a grade point average below 1.0 or who has failed in more than half of the units of courses taken in a term must apply in writing to and obtain permission from the Major Department concerned within a prescribed period to continue studies. If he fails to obtain permission from the Major Department concerned to continue studies, he shall be required to discontinue his studies.

A student who has obtained a term GPA of below 1.0 or failed in more than half of the units of courses taken per term for two consecutive terms of attendance (for three consecutive terms of attendance for part-time programmes) shall be required to discontinue his studies.

A student who fails to meet the minimum grade requirement in specific courses, if any, as prescribed by his Major Programme after two attempts shall be required to discontinue his study, unless he can obtain transfer to another Major Programme in the next term of attendance or his Faculty Board decides otherwise.

Academic reports and transcripts will show all courses taken and retaken, no matter passed or failed. The same applies in the calculation of all GPA, including GPA for degree classification.

4. Graduation

To qualify for a Bachelor's degree, a student apart from meeting all the relevant requirements must obtain a GPA of not lower than 1.5 for all Major and STOT courses taken which are at 2000 and above level (at 3000 and above level for part-time programmes), a pass in the graduation thesis/project (if prescribed), and a GPA of not less than 1.0 in his final term.

Notwithstanding the above, a student who has obtained a GPA of below 1.5 but not less than 1.3 in all Major and STOT courses taken which are at 2000 and above level (at 3000 and above level for part-time programmes), may be recommended by the Undergraduate Examinations Board for the award of a pass degree, subject to his satisfying all other requirements for graduation.

A full-time student who has fulfilled the requirements of Minor Programme(s) which he has registered for shall graduate with the Minor(s).

Students may graduate upon completion of all requirements at the end of any term in an academic year, although the conferment of degrees is held only annually. Degree Certificates shall be issued to students after the conferment of degrees at the Congregation. Degree Certificates for graduates with outstanding debts to the University will be withheld until the accounts are settled.

5. Degree Classification

A student shall be awarded a Bachelor's degree with one of the following classifications:

- (a) First Class Honours

- (b) Second Class Honours Upper Division
- (c) Second Class Honours Lower Division
- (d) Third Class Honours
- (e) Pass

Classification shall be based on a student's GPA of all his Major and STOT courses taken which are at 2000 and above level or only those at 3000 and above level (at 3000 and above level or only those at 4000 and above level for part-time programmes) as decided by the Faculty Board concerned, subject to his GPA of all courses taken and results of graduation thesis/project reaching the minimum standard set by the Undergraduate Examinations Board.

If a course is used to satisfy both Major and Minor requirements, the grade thereof will count towards the Major GPA.

Course grades earned at another institution and recognized for exemptions from any University requirements shall not be included in any GPA calculation.

Note

- ¹ A Secondary 6 (or 7) entrant means a student who has been admitted to the University after completion of Secondary 6 (or 7) in a school or an equivalent qualification.