MSc Computing (Specialisms) regulations

In order to pass the MSc students have to satisfy all of the following requirements:

1. An aggregated mark of at least 50% on 9 components which must be made up as follows:
   a. The assessments of 6 taught courses. The taught courses must be from the specified list for the specialism, and must include all that are compulsory.
   b. The assessments of either a further 3 taught courses freely selected from any of the courses offered to the specialism, or 2 such taught courses and 1 ISO, which can be, but need not be, in the area of the specialism.

2. Normally, a mark of at least 50% on each of the 9 components. Some marks in the range 40-49 may be condoned, at the discretion of the Board of Examiners, but no mark below 40% is acceptable.

3. A mark of at least 51% on the individual project.

In order to be considered for the MSc with DISTINCTION students have to satisfy all of the following requirements:

1. Pass the MSc

2. An aggregated mark of at least 70% on the 9 components

3. A mark of at least 71% on the individual project.

In order to be considered for the MSc with MERIT students have to satisfy all of the following requirements:

1. Pass the MSc, but without DISTINCTION

2. An aggregated mark of at least 60% on the 9 components

3. A mark of at least 61% on the individual project.

If a candidate who has been examined in all the components fails to satisfy the Board of Examiners, the Board will determine which components (including which examination papers) he/she will have to retake on re-entry. These elements are normally selected from those in which the candidate has a mark less than 50%. All failed components, including the practical components (e.g. Prolog or the Group Project), will normally have to be retaken the following year, and the Group Project may, at the discretion of the Board of Examiners, be substituted by practical tests. Only one retake is possible for each component. A candidate re-entering any part of the examination will normally only be credited with a bare pass mark if successful. Re-entry candidates may also not normally be considered for a merit or distinction classification.

*There is no Postgraduate Certificate or Diploma available for partial completion of this MSc programme.*