



PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE IN MANAGEMENT

This is a credit-based award. It is approved as part of an award hierarchy as set out in the Related Awards Table.

These award regulations should not be read in isolation. It is important that you read them in conjunction with the following documents.

- [Introduction to *The Award Regulations*](#)
- [General Award Regulations](#)

If you wish to print the regulations governing your award, you are advised to print *all* these documents.

PCM 1 AWARD NAME

PCM 1.1 The University offers the Professional Certificate in Management. Holders of this award are permitted to use the letters Cert Mgmt (Open) after their names.

PCM 2 REGISTRATION

PCM 2.1 To register as a student, you must satisfy Student Regulation OU 8. There is no academic entry requirement.

PCM 2.2 To qualify for the award, you must ensure that your credit is linked to it. You can do this as part of the course registration process or make a separate request later.

PCM 3 CREDIT REQUIREMENT

PCM 3.1 To qualify for the award, you must obtain 60 credit points by the successful completion of courses from the certificate profile.

PCM 3.2 If your study is under the revised structure introduced from 2009 onwards, to qualify for the award, you must obtain 70 credit points by the successful completion of the two, 30-point taught courses and the

10 points residential and examination components in the revised certificate profile.

PCM 3.3 If you qualify for this award up to and including the end of 2005, the Senate may permit you to qualify for the certificate with 60 credit points, of which not less than 30 are from the successful completion of specified certificate courses and not more than 30 are points of transferred credit.

PCM 3.4 If you qualify for this award in 2006 or later, the Senate may permit you to qualify for it with 60 credit points but being exempted from up to two of the four credit-bearing but zero-rated modules.

PCM 3.5 If your study is under the revised structure introduced from 2009 onwards, the Senate may permit you to qualify for the certificate with 70 credit points, of which not less than 30 are from the successful completion of specified certificate courses, 10 points are from the successful completion of the residential and examination component and not more than 30 are points of transferred credit.

PCM 3.6 If you qualify for the award on or after 31 December 2002 having completed it by obtaining credit in the set of four 15-point

modules, the Senate will award you the certificate with merit if you obtain at least 45 points with a merit grade, or with distinction if you obtain at least 30 points with a distinction and at least 15 further points with a merit grade.

PCM 3.7 The credit for this award must include from Open University or collaborative scheme courses a minimum amount of credit that meets the conditions of Student Regulation OU 3.3; that minimum is 20 points.

PCM 3.8 If you begin your study for this award in November 2000 or later and complete it by obtaining credit in the set of four 15-point modules, the Senate will award the certificate with distinction if you obtain at least 30 points with a distinction grade and at least 15 further points with a merit grade.

PCM 3.9 If you begin your study for this award in November 2000 or later, you must satisfy the separate and compulsory residential school requirement.

PCM 4 CREDIT TRANSFER

PCM 4.1 The credit transfer scheme for the certificate is governed by General Award Regulation GA 6.

PCM 4.2 Any award of transferred credit must take the form of course-related credit.

PCM 4.3 If you qualify for this award up to and including the end of 2005, the maximum award of transferred credit allowed is 30 points.

PCM 4.4 If you qualify for this award in 2006 or later, you may be exempted from up to two of the four credit-bearing but zero-rated modules.

PCM 4.5 If you commence your studies for this award in November 2000 or later, you may be exempted from the separate compulsory residential school requirement.

PCM 4.6 If your study is under the revised structure introduced from 2009 onwards, the maximum award of transferred credit allowed is 30 points. No credit transfer is allowed against the 10 points residential school and examination component.