



DIPLOMA IN PHYSICAL SCIENCE

This is a credit-based award.

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.

DPS 1 AWARD NAME

DPS 1.1 The University offers the Diploma in Physical Science. Holders of this award are permitted to use the letters Dip Phys Sci (Open) after their names.

DPS 2 REGISTRATION

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

DPS 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.

DPS 3 CREDIT REQUIREMENT

DPS 3.1 To qualify for the award, you must obtain at least 130 credit points by the successful completion of specified courses at Level 2 or above in the diploma profile, and of these, up to 60 points can be from specified courses at Level 3.

DPS 3.2 Exceptionally, if you have completed an approved, discontinued course that contained an embedded residential school, you can qualify for the diploma by obtaining 120 credit points by successful completion of specified courses at Level 2 or above in the diploma profile, and of these, up to 30 points can be at Level 3.

DPS 3.3 You must have attended at least one of the residential schools.

DPS 3.4 The credit for this award must include from Open University courses a minimum amount of credit that meets the conditions of Student Regulation OU 3.3; that minimum amount is 40 points.

DPS 4 CREDIT TRANSFER

DPS 4.1 There is no credit transfer scheme for the diploma.