ACADEMIC REGULATIONS FOR EGYPTIAN, NON-UK VALIDATED, DEGREES:

1. Introduction

1.1 As a private Egyptian University, The British University in Egypt (BUE) is – by law – awarding a degree validated by the Supreme Council of Universities (SCU) and consistent with the regulatory frameworks of the Council of Private Universities (CPU). These regulatory frameworks emerge from the Law of Egyptian Universities, No. 49 of 1972 and its amendments as well as the Law of Private Universities, No. 101 of 1992.

1.2 The BUE has made a strategic choice to apply the style, standards and ethos of the British Higher Education System and the UK Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education (QAAHE). This is reflected in the joint validation agreements between BUE and its UK validating partners.

1.3 BUE students registered in programmes that are validated by a UK university may be awarded two degrees:

- An Egyptian degree validated by the SCU and
- A UK – validated degree.

1.4 All students who enter the University in faculties with UK validated programmes are initially registered on the UK/EG track which leads to the award of a UK validated degree and an Egyptian validated degree if the requirements of both degrees were fulfilled successfully and cannot be initially registered on the EG track.

1.5 Students who fail to satisfy the requirement of the UK validated degrees in any year of their degree programme will have their registration transferred by the Student Records System (SRS) to the Egyptian non-UK validated degree.

1.6 Students who do not wish to continue in the UK-Validated degree of their programme may transfer their registration to the Egyptian Track starting from Degree Year One (or Degree Year Two in programmes with no preparatory year) if this transfer would change their status. A request form should be filled at the Quality & Validation Office for this transfer.

1.7 Students who failed twice in the preparatory year can transfer to EGT if this will allow them to progress to Degree Year One.

1.8 Students registered on the EGT will study the same programmes in accordance with the same programme and module specifications and take the same assessments and examinations as their counterparts on the UK-Validated degrees, except where specifically stated in these regulations.

1.10 Students registered in the EGT shall not be eligible to rejoin the UK-Validated degrees.
1.11 All boards and panels dealing with academic affairs of EGT students shall be held separately from those for the UK validated degree and are not required to have members from the UK validating institutions.

1.12 Students shall have the right to appeal against the decisions of the above mentioned Committees to a specially constituted Senate EGT Academic Affairs Committee (EGTAAC) whose members shall be named by the Chair of the Senate. The decisions by the EGTAAC shall be final.

1.13 This Introduction forms an integral part of these regulations.

2. **Scope**

2.1 These Regulations apply to students pursuing their studies in an Egyptian track only.

2.2 The General Academic Regulations and the Examination and Assessment Regulations, complemented by the policies and procedures specified in the Student Handbook for the relevant year, and the University Bylaws, shall apply to all students on the Egyptian track, unless indicated otherwise in these regulations.

2.3 The British marking scale shall be used throughout the programmes of study. Prior to graduation all module marks shall be converted to the Egyptian marking scale in accordance with University approved Conversion Tables, specified in the relevant GAR, for inclusion in the final transcript.

3. **Eligibility**

3.1 Students are able to pursue their studies in the Egyptian Track only, in accordance with Regulation 4 below, in Degree Years 1, 2, 3, or 4 as defined by the GAR, provided they meet the requirements for an Egyptian degree in their field of study.
4. **Regulations**

**Trailing Modules**

4.1 Students are permitted to progress to the next degree year while trailing up to two credit-bearing modules not exceeding thirty credits. They shall be reassessed in these modules with the modules of the following year as long as they have not exhausted the maximum permitted number of failing years/_attempts (see below).

**Maximum permitted number of years/ attempts**

4.2 Students have a maximum of two years of study in the preparatory year or in Degree Year One in programmes with no preparatory year.
4.3 Students in Degree year one in programmes that have a preparatory year or Degree Year Two in programmes with no preparatory year can have maximum two years of regular study plus one year as external students.
4.4 Students in their Third year of study (Degree Year two in programmes with preparatory year or Degree Year Three in programmes with no Preparatory year) can repeat for one extra year as external students based on a recommendation from the relevant Programme Examination Board.
4.5 Regulation 4.4 above applies also for the two final years.
4.6 Students in the final year who passed at least 60 credits of their study load shall be allowed an unlimited number of attempts to pass the remaining credits.

5. **Condonement**

5.1 Condonement shall be applied in the form of added marks to the condoned modules, to raise the actual overall module mark to the passing mark.
5.2 Students must have achieved a minimum module mark of 30% in any module considered for condonement.
5.3 A maximum of 24 marks shall be available for condonement in each study year.
5.4 Condonement shall be applied only if it changes the status of the student as follows:
   - From Repeating to Progressing
   - From Repeating to Re sitting in 60 credits
   - From Progressing with trailed modules to progressing with no trailed modules.
5.5 Module marks below the passing grade by 1 or 2% shall be condoned regardless this will change the student’s status or not.
5.6 Marks added in accordance to 5.5 will be deducted from the 24 marks available for condonement.
5.7 Trailed modules shall be condoned using the remaining marks from the study year it belongs to; if there is no mark remaining it can be condoned from the current year’s marks.
5.8 The relevant Programme Examination Board can condone trailed modules even this will not change the student’s status.

5.9 Number of marks consumed by each module depends on the module credit as per the equation: 
marks consumed = number of added marks * module credit / 10 so modules with 20 credits will consume double the marks added.

5.10 **Condonement for Graduating Students after the Summer Assessment Period (SAP)**

- In addition to the condonement marks remaining from semester two a maximum of 24 marks will be added and the total marks will be available for condonement
- Minimum mark for modules to be considered for condonement is 25

*Condonement process described in 5.10 above could be also applied on students at risk of being dismissed from the University.*

*The above described condonement process for graduating and dismissed students should be approved by the University Board.*

**Reassessment**

5.11 The regulations governing reassessment are as specified in the relevant GAR.

**Graduation Classification**

5.12 Students with an overall average at graduation on the Egyptian Marking scale of 64%, 74% or 84% shall be granted the higher classification of Good, Very Good or Distinction, respectively, without changing their actual marks or overall average.

**English Programme**

5.13 Students shall be required to follow the English language regulations in the GAR, with the exception that students must pass:

- a) Intermediate English as a condition of progression to Degree Year 2; and
- b) Upper-Intermediate English as a condition of progression to Degree Year 3; and
- c) Advanced English and Advanced Writing as a condition of graduation.