Students under the age of 18
UPR HS10 Appendix III version 01.0

Policies superseded by this document

UPR HS10 supersedes UPR HS07 ‘Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults’ with effect from 1 July 2021.

Summary of significant changes to the previous version

This is the first version of this document and should be read in its entirety.

Glossary

A glossary of approved University terminology can be found in UPR GV08.

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1 University Identity Cards and access

1.1 To ensure that they are easily identifiable, when students under the age of 18 are registered, the University will issue them with University Identity Cards which are slightly different from those issued to other students.

1.2 Students aged under 18 will not be permitted access to certain areas of the University where access is restricted on the basis of age.

1.3 A new University Identity Card will be issued once the student reaches 18 years of age.

(Note for guidance:

University regulations require students and staff to carry their University Identity Cards when on University premises and can be checked by University staff at any time (see UPR HS05¹).

¹ UPR HS05 ‘Security and Public Access’
2 **Students’ Union membership**

Students aged under 18 are entitled to membership of the Students’ Union but will not be granted access to events where entry is restricted to students who are 18 years of age or over.

3 **Sale of alcohol and other restricted goods and services**

It is an offence for a minor to purchase alcohol and for anyone to sell alcohol to such a person. It is also an offence to purchase alcohol on behalf of a minor, whether this is for consumption in licensed premises or publicly elsewhere. There are also age restrictions for a number of other goods including solvents, gas lighter refills and some videos, DVDs, video and computer games and some services, including entrances to venues in which films with an 18 certificate are being shown. An up-to-date list can be found on The Proof of Age Standards Scheme website [https://www.pass-scheme.org.uk/](https://www.pass-scheme.org.uk/), YOTI, [https://www.yoti.com/](https://www.yoti.com/).

4 **Study arrangements**

No special study patterns or assessment arrangements should be required for students under 18, but tutors should be made aware of such students and be vigilant for any signs of difficulty they may exhibit. Pastoral issues should be referred to the Dean of Students.

5 **Placements and field trips**

5.1 For programmes which include placement activities, Deans of School/Heads of Strategic Business Units (or nominee) will ensure that placement providers are notified of any students aged under 18 and that the placement provider understands and accepts that the policies and procedures of the placement provider will apply while the student is under the jurisdiction of the placement provider.

2.2 Where field trips are undertaken as part of the programme, the Dean of School/Head of Strategic Business Unit (or nominee) will consider the age of the students as part of the risk assessment for the activity.

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Signed: 1 July 2021

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