Undergraduate Admissions Deferral Policy Summer 2020

We recognise that the coronavirus pandemic is impacting in many different ways on offer holders who are intending to join an undergraduate programme at Queen Mary in September 2020. Some offer holders may wish or need to defer their entry to September 2021. In light of this we have put in place the following policy for handling deferral requests:

**I want to defer my place to September 2021 for personal/financial reasons**

You will need to have an unconditional firm (UF) place at Queen Mary before we will consider your deferral request. If you wish to request deferral, you should contact the admissions team, using the e-mail address in your offer communication. The deadline for deferral requests is Thursday 10 September 2020. Your request will be considered by the admissions selector. We cannot guarantee that all deferral requests will be approved and will advise you accordingly if we are unable to defer your place.

**I have a place at university but want to sit my A levels in autumn 2020 or summer 2021**

If you have a place on a course at Queen Mary, but you are not satisfied with your A level grades and you decide to sit your exams in the autumn or next summer, we will normally allow you to defer your original offer to September 2021. The deadline for deferral requests is Thursday 10 September 2020.

You should contact the admissions team, using the e-mail address in your offer communication. Your request will be considered by the admissions selector. Please note that you must confirm explicitly that you do not intend to take up a place on a course at Queen Mary or any other university in 2020/21 alongside your A level studies; if you choose to do this, then we will withdraw the offer of a deferred place in September 2021.

**I have not attained the grades needed to secure a place at Queen Mary and want to join in September 2021**

If you have not attained the grades needed to secure a place on your chosen course at Queen Mary and decide to sit your A levels in the autumn or next summer, we will consider your request to defer entry to September 2021 on an individual basis. The deadline for deferral requests is Thursday 10 September 2020.

If you wish to request deferral, you should contact the admissions team, using the e-mail address in your offer communication. Your request will be considered by the admissions selector. We cannot guarantee that all deferral requests will be approved and we will advise you accordingly if we are unable to defer your place.

**I am taking A levels privately and cannot get grades from the centre where I am registered. Can I defer to September 2021?**

If you are taking A levels privately as a first sit in summer 2020 and cannot get a grade from the centre where you are registered to sit your A levels, we regret that our policy is not to confirm your place. In these circumstances, we will automatically defer your place unless you are holding an offer for MBBS Medicine or BDS Dentistry. If you wish to defer your place, please contact the relevant
admissions team, using the e-mail address in your offer communication. The deadline for deferral requests is Thursday 10 September 2020.

If you have attained grades from previous years, we will consider whether we can confirm your place on a case by case basis. This applies to all subjects except MBBS Medicine and BDS Dentistry. Please contact the relevant admissions team, using the e-mail address in your offer communication, to discuss this.