

## **Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Social Work (Northern Ireland)**

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses). These regulations are available online via the Open University 'Student Policies and Regulations' website at <https://help.open.ac.uk/documents/policies>.

### **Short title**

BA (Honours) Social Work (Northern Ireland)

### **Award letters**

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### **Entry requirements**

All students must satisfy the entry requirements for the programme set out in the qualification description

### **Maximum duration of study**

8 years, unless exceptional permission is given by the Faculty Teaching Committee for the qualification. Any credit obtained from Open University study or transferred credit prior to registering for the qualification is not included in this time limit.

### **Credit requirement**

360

### **Stage 1 (120 credits)**

60 credits from the specified compulsory modules

### **Stage 2 (120 credits)**

120 credits from the specified compulsory modules

### **Stage 3 (120 credits)**

60 credits from the specified compulsory module and 60 credits from specified option modules

### **Maximum transferred credit**

60 credits at Stage 1

### **Maximum age of credit transfer**

5 years, unless exceptional permission is given by the Faculty Teaching Committee for the qualification. Any credit obtained from Open University study prior to registration must also be no more than 5 years old, unless exceptional permission is given by the Faculty Teaching Committee for the qualification.

**Unique study requirement**

120 credits at OU Stage 3

**Additional rules**

The Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Social Work (Northern Ireland) permits progression outside of the University requirements in the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses) to allow students to continue to study towards their degree if circumstances do not permit them to take part in a practice learning placement at a particular point in their studies.

The specific progression requirements for the Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Social Work (Northern Ireland) are that students may progress to a non-practice module at the next stage of study if they have been awarded 60 credits at the previous stage, and have been granted permission by the Faculty Teaching Committee to do so because of circumstances preventing them from undertaking a practice-based module. This applies only to non-practice modules; progression from one practice-based module to the next is only allowed on completion of the previous stage.