

HERITAGE AND INFORMATION GOVERNANCE Records Retention Schedule for Education & Training

This category covers the delivery of all education and learning programmes, regardless of their purpose (e.g. continuing education, access to higher education, continuous professional development) and whether they are delivered using traditional teaching methods (e.g. lectures, seminars, practical instruction) or newer methods (e.g. distance learning, e-learning, blended learning, workplace learning).

This retention schedule is based on the recommendations made by the Joint Information Systems Committee. The letter indicates the final disposition of each type of record, and applies to original records. Where copies of originals are kept locally, these can be destroyed when these are no longer required.:

- A = 1 copy to be transferred to the University Archive. See Retention Schedule Guidelines for further details.
- D = Destroyed.

The number following the letter code indicates the period (in years) after which records may be destroyed, and is the minimum retention period required by best practice or legislation. It assumes a new file is opened at the start of each academic, calendar or financial year, and is **always** calculated from the date of the last record in the file.

FOLDER STRUCTURE	Examples of Types of Record	Retention Period	Authority	
identifying requirements for new/revised strategy undertaking research developing strategy proposals consulting on strategy proposals reviewing and revising strategy proposals in the light of comments received drafting strategy documents consulting on strategy documents consulting on strategy documents reviewing draft strategy documents in the light of comments received producing final strategy documents submitting final strategy documents for formal endorsement formally endorsing strategy documents disseminating strategy documents	Key records documenting the development and establishment of the institution's education & training strategy Working papers documenting development and establishment of the institution's education & training strategy	A: Superseded + 10 years Copy to the University Archive after approval for permanent retention. D: Issue of strategy + 1 year		
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reviewing strategy.

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EDUCATIONTRAINING/STRATEGY (continued)

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EDUCATIONTRAINING/POLICY				
 identifying requirements for 		cords documenting the	A: Superseded + 10 years	
policy		oment and establishment of	Copy to the University Archive after	
 undertaking research 		itution's education & training	approval for permanent retention.	
 developing policy proposals 	s policies	i.		
 consulting on policy propos 	als			
 reviewing and revising police 	cy proposals in the Working	g papers documenting	D: Issue of policy + 1 year	
light of comments received	develop	oment and establishment of		
 drafting policy documents 	the inst	itution's education & training		
 consulting on policy docum 	ents	i.		
 reviewing draft policy docu 				
of comments received	eg			
 producing final policy docu 	ments			
 submitting final policy docu 				
approval				
 formally approving policy d 	ocuments			
disseminating policy docum				
reviewing policy				
EDUCATIONTRAINING/PROCEDURES				
 identifying needs for new/re 	evised procedure Master	copies of procedures relating	A: Superseded + 5 years	
undertaking research		ation & training.	Copy to the University Archive after	
analysing work processes		3	approval for permanent retention.	
 drafting procedure docume 	nts			
 consulting on procedure do 		oment of the institution's	D: Issue of procedures + 1 year	
 reviewing draft procedure d 		ures relating to education &		
light of comments received				
trialling procedure				
 refining procedure as a resi 	ult of trials			
 submitting final procedure of 				
formal approval				
formally approving procedu	ire documents			
 disseminating procedure do 				
 reviewing procedure. 	3333.763			
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EDUCATIONTRAINING/CONTRACTS The activities involved in negotiating and managing contracts with external organisations for the provision of bespoke education and training programmes, including • negotiating contract terms and conditions • negotiating subsequent variations to	Records documenting the negotiation and establishment of contracts.	D: Termination of contract + 6 years	Limitation Act 1980 c.58 s5 Prescription and Limitation (Scotland) Act 1973 c.52 s6
contracts.			

This category covers education and training programmes which are provided directly by the institution. Where education and training programmes are provided through a related company, use the relevant categories within the Function for the company (or add a Function for the company using the framework provided in RELATED COMPANIES). The functions and activities of individual related companies are outside the scope of this Business Classification Scheme but the activities involved in providing education and training programmes will be similar to those outlined here.

Setting assessments marking/grading assessments reviewing marks/grades awarded in response to notifications of mitigating circumstances conducting meetings of/with examiners/assessors to confirm marks/grades determining awards and classifications.	Design and development of assessments. Submitted/completed assessments: formative assessments. Submitted/completed assessments: summative assessments.	Life of programme Current academic year Confirmation of marks/grades + 6 months.	Assessments means written and practical examinations and all other forms of assessed work.
	Marks/grades given to submitted/completed summative assessments and, where appropriate, awards and classifications.	A: Current academic year + 6 years	Limitation Act 1980 c.58 s5 Prescription and Limitation (Scotland) Act 1973 c.52 s6
EDUCATIONTRAINING/PROGRAMMES/DELIVERY	Preparation of teaching and learning materials, which may be in any medium and format.	Current academic year + 1 year	
	Planning and conduct of teaching and learning events, including lectures; tutorials; seminars; workshops; field trips; work placements.	Current academic year + 1 year	

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 EDUCATIONTRAINING/PROGRAMMES/DEVELOPMENT developing new programmes and new modules in existing programmes making changes to existing programmes and modules withdrawing programmes or modules obtaining and maintaining accreditation for programmes. 	Development of education and training programmes.	A: Life of programme + 5 years	
 EDUCATIONTRAINING/PROGRAMMES/REVIEW collecting and analysing student numbers and other programme statistics collecting, reviewing and responding to feedback on programmes from staff and students. 	Records containing data on, and analyses of, student numbers and other programme statistics.	D: Current academic year + 5 years	

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