

***Will the exams be similar in terms of difficulty and format to the past papers of previous years?***

They will be similar to past exam papers in terms of the level of difficulty. The format of exam papers will be explained in the exam rubric, so you should check each module that you are taking. Many exam papers will have the same format as past years, but please do check the rubrics for each of your modules which will be linked from the [Exams Resources](#) page.

***Why don't past papers have solutions/ answers?***

This will make revising and practicing a lot easier. Past papers will allow you the opportunity to work through questions. Module leaders use different approaches in their teaching and may use these in their classes. We do not offer solutions to past exams as a matter of routine, although some modules do make past answers available. You should use Advice and Feedback hours or forums to discuss your answers to past exams.

***What if you find you are unable to cover all of the exam questions in the exam because there are so many?***

Our exam papers are carefully designed such that they can be completed within their designated duration. You will need to take responsibility for managing your time in the exam effectively.

***Will we be given extra time to upload our completed exam scripts or does this have to be done within the exam time?***

Every student is given 45 minutes of extra time, no matter the length of the exam, to help you deal with any issues with typing, uploading, inserting images and submitting.

***Will we be penalised if we use the extra 45 minutes to continue to answer questions in the exam, rather than using it to upload pictures etc?***

Information on how you allocate your time during the exam is not available to us, but if you do not leave enough time to upload images or upload the document then you will be risking a mark of zero for not uploading your work by the submission deadline.

***Can we upload hand-drawn diagrams to the Word document if we find it easier to draw diagrams rather than using Word?***

Yes, drawing diagrams by hand, then taking a photo of it and inserting it into your exam paper is what we recommend that you do.

***Will all answers for maths-related questions need be in the format of inserting pictures?***

In some exams or for some questions within an exam there will be only mathematical notation used and in these cases an image as the total solution is fine. However, if you do include any written text that is non-mathematical, then you will need to type this directly into the Word document.

### ***How do we compress images?***

Please see the information in the exam rubric of your paper and in the PDF document on the exam resources page called 'How to insert images into your assessment submission'.

### ***What would be considered a breach of academic integrity for online exams?***

If you directly copy from any source, this will constitute plagiarism and this includes from lecture notes. Copying from other sources while making cosmetic attempts to disguise this by changes to wording is also a form of academic misconduct. You must also not copy from your own previous assessed work without proper referencing. Colluding or being in contact with other students during the exam window would also constitute a breach of academic integrity.

### ***What are the penalties for a breach of academic integrity?***

The penalties can include a summons to an Academic Conduct Panel and a mark of zero on the exam. This can then be referred to a University-level Academic Integrity Committee and here the sanctions available include the termination of the student's registration at the University, without them then being able to proceed or graduate. Please see this link to [Regulation 11](#) for more information.

### ***Can I handwrite my exam paper, then photograph or scan the whole thing and submit it as a pdf?***

No, sorry. We need you to submit your main exam paper in Word format only because the markers will need to be able to annotate it in Word once you have submitted it. It is important that you do not convert your Word file into any other format.

### ***If we have a mitigating circumstance, do we return to completing the paper when the issue is resolved or do we complete the Tabula form first?***

Please complete your MRes paper first and submit in Tabula Coursework. You can then report something that happened which affected your performance or your ability to submit your exam, or both, via the Tabula personal circumstances portal. Please do not email individual members of staff or other general email accounts with your exam paper.

### ***How can I report mitigating circumstances on Tabula if my issue is that I have no network connection?***

If you have a phone, you can access Tabula or if you still cannot do this, you could as a last resort send an email to [economics.pgoffice@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:economics.pgoffice@warwick.ac.uk).

### ***What if I am ill on the day of the exam?***

Make contact with the PG Office and we will advise you on the best action, which might be not to take the exam if you are unwell.

### ***I have an issue with Mathtype where a Word update seems to cause it to crash every time I load word. Is there somewhere I can find technical support for this?***

[IT Services helpdesk](#) would be able to provide technical help for you.

***Who do we email if we have questions to ask in the midst of revising and preparing for exams?***

It depends on the question you have. If your question is of an academic nature you should contact the module leader, lecturer or your class tutor. If you have a general question about online exams, please contact the PG Office.