### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2012 No. 1630 (W.209)

## **EDUCATION, WALES**

The Student Fees (Qualifying Courses and Persons) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2012

Made		20 June 2012
Laid before the National		
Assembly for Wales -	-	22 June 2012
Coming into force -	-	1 September 2012

The Welsh Ministers in exercise of the powers conferred on the National Assembly for Wales by sections 28(6) and 47(5) of the Higher Education Act 2004(1) and now exercisable by them(2), make the following Regulations:

#### Title, commencement and application

**1.**—(1) The title of these Regulations is the Student Fees (Qualifying Courses and Persons) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2012 and they come into force on 1 September 2012.

(2) These Regulations apply in relation to Wales.

#### Amendment

**2.** In regulation 3 of the Student Fees (Qualifying Courses and Persons) (Wales) Regulations 2011(**3**) after paragraph (5) insert—

"(6) A course is not a qualifying course if it is a part-time course."

Leighton Andrews Minister for Education and Skills, one of the Welsh Ministers

20 June 2012

(1) 2004 c. 8. There are amendments to section 28 which are not relevant to these Regulations.

<sup>(2)</sup> The functions of the National Assembly for Wales were transferred to the Welsh Ministers by virtue of paragraphs 30(1) and 30(2)(c) of Schedule 11 to the Government of Wales Act 2006 (c. 32).

<sup>(3)</sup> S.I.2011/691 (W.103), to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

The Student Fees (Qualifying Courses and Persons) (Wales) Regulations 2011 ("the principal Regulations") prescribe the qualifying courses and qualifying persons for the purposes of section 28 of the Higher Education Act 2004 ("the 2004 Act"). A course is a qualifying course for the purposes of section 28 if it is prescribed for that purpose.

The definition of "course" in section 41 of the 2004 Act, as originally enacted, did not include parttime courses. That section was amended by section 77 of the Education Act 2011 to include parttime courses.

These Regulations amend the principal Regulations by excluding part-time courses from being prescribed as qualifying courses for the purposes of section 28 of the 2004 Act.