163169 - Draft field specifications

These are draft field specifications produced for the purposes of consulting on proposed changes to the HESA Student Record. The coding manuals should be referred to for the latest guidance and will be updated with any consultation outcomes.

Name	Late starter flag	
Short name	LATESTARTER	
Parent entity	StudentCourseSession	
Type	Field	
Applicable to	England, Northern Ireland, Wales	
Coverage	All StudentCourseSessions in England, Northern Ireland and Wales where applicable	
Description	This field identifies where the student has started study on the course year later than the planned start date.	
Notes	01 'Late starter' is returned in this field where the student starts study on their course year later than the planned start date and catches up with other students in their cohort. This field is not required to be returned for students who start within 14 days of the planned course start date This may be the case where students are starting with prior credit or Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL). If so, providers in England must additionally return the EntryProfile.APELCRD, EntryProfile.CRDPTSTU and EntryProfile.CRDSCM fields. For example, if the planned start date for a course was 15 September 2024. A student who commenced study on 15 October 2024 and will be catching up with students in the same cohort, would have LATESTARTER = 01.	
Reason required	To identify late starters for the current OfS funding model, this requirement would be reviewed based on any funding model changes. To aid validation of short StudentCourseSessions. For monitoring and analysis of study patterns and progression.	
Field length	2	
Minimum occurrences	0	
Maximum occurrences	1	
Primary key	FALSE	
Valid entries	Code	Label
	01	Late starter

Name	Resit flag
Short name	RESIT
Parent entity	StudentCourseSession
Type	Field
Applicable to	England, Northern Ireland, Wales
Coverage	All StudentCourseSessions in England, Northern Ireland and Wales where applicable
Description	This field identifies where the activity in the StudentCourseSession involves a partial year resit that results in a shorter StudentCourseSession being returned.
Notes	01 'Partial year resit' would be returned in this field where the StudentCourseSession activity involved a partial year resit that results in a StudentCourseSession being returned that does not represent a year of activity. This could be the current StudentCourseSession or the previous StudentCourseSession. Where this does not apply, this field is not returned. **Example 1** Student 1 begins a course on 15 September 2024 and then needs to resit their first semester. They switch to the cohort of January starters in order to do this. They would have the following StudentCourseSessions {{TABLE1}} The resit activity has resulted in StudentCourseSession1 being shorter than a year's activity. The RESIT flag is returned against StudentCourseSession 2 as that contains the resit activity. This allows the return of a short first StudentCourseSession as the RESIT field identifies why this has been returned. Both StudentCourseSessions would have YEARPRG = 1 as the student has not progressed to their second year. **Example 2** Student 2 begins a course on 15 September 2024 and then needs to resit their first year of study. They would have the following StudentCourseSessions: {{TABLE2}} The RESIT field is not returned as the StudentCourseSession is a full year rather than partial year resit. The StudentCourseSession.YEARPRG field would be 1 in each StudentCourseSession to indicate the student had not progressed to their second year. **Example 3** Student 3 begins a course starting on 15 September 2024. On completion of their first year they need to retake one module, they are retaking the full

Table 1 (within Example 1):

StudentCourseSession	SCSSTARTDATE	SCSENDDATE	RESIT
1	2024-09-15	2024-12-15	
2	2025-01-15	2025-12-15	01

Table 2 (within Example 2):

StudentCourseSession	SCSSTARTDATE	SCSENDDATE	RESIT
1	2024-09-15	2025-06-15	
2	2025-09-15	2026-06-15	

	module, not just assessments. They will progress to their second year of study but retake the module alongside their second year. | StudentCourseSession	SCSSTARTDATE	SCSENDDATE	RESIT
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1	2024-09-15	2025-06-15	
2	2025-09-15	2026-06-15		 In this scenario the resit activity does not impact the StudentCourseSession lengths. The RESIT flag is therefore not required to be returned. An additional ModuleInstance would be returned in StudentCourseSesison 2 to represent the module retake.
Reason required	To identify resits to allow short StudentCourseSessions to be returned where the student has moved between cohorts. This also identifies the reason students may continue past their expected end date so can be used for monitoring and understanding progression.
Field length	2
Minimum occurrences	0
Maximum occurrences	1
Primary key	FALSE
Valid entries		Code	Label	
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01	Partial year resit		