

163172 - Draft module dates guidance

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.

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| Name | Module instance start date |
| Short name | MODINSTSTARTDATE |
| Parent entity | ModuleInstance |
| Type | Field |
| Applicable to | England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales |
| Coverage | All ModuleInstance entities |
| Description | This field records the date of the start of the Module instance. |
| Notes | <p>The start date of the Module instance is the point at which scheduled learning and teaching begins for this Module. If students do not commence their module during an Induction or 'Freshers' week, the start date should reflect the start date of the module attendance and not the induction week.</p> <p>This date should reflect the start of the student's interaction with the associated module. This could therefore be in a previous StudentCourseSession if the activity spanned StudentCourseSessions.</p> <p>As this start date relates to the student's engagement with the module it may be different to the rest of their cohort if, for example, the student joined the module late. It is not necessary for dates to be exact, particularly if the difference is only a few days.</p> |
| Reason required | <p>To indicate the date on which the Module instance commenced, to determine whether to include the Module instance in any particular population definition, including calculation of DerivedEngagementCostCentre.</p> <p>Used by HEFCW to determine when a module started to know when to include this in funding allocations for funding streams where credits are used to allocate funding.</p> |
| Field length | 10 |
| Minimum occurrences | 1 |
| Maximum occurrences | 1 |
| Primary key | FALSE |

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| Name | Module instance end date |
| Short name | MODINSTENDDATE |
| Parent entity | ModuleInstance |
| Type | Field |
| Applicable to | England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales |
| Coverage | All ModuleInstances that have ended |
| Description | This describes the date on which the Module instance ended |
| Notes | <p>The end date of the Module instance is the point at which scheduled learning teaching and assessment activities end, including scheduled exam activity.</p> <p>This field should record the actual end date of the Module instance for the student. Where a student leaves early the end date should reflect the point at which the student withdraws or suspends.</p> <p>If the student's engagement with a Module has not ended, this end date would not be returned. It would only be returned in a future reference period once the activity had ended.</p> |
| Reason required | <p>To monitor delivery of Modules, to determine whether to include a Module instance in any given population, including calculation of DerivedEngagementCostCentre.</p> <p>Used by HEFCW to determine if the module is contained within an academic year or spans academic years. Used in estimation of completion status for modules without a completion status at the end of the academic year. This is used for HEFCW end of year monitoring data and funding allocations.</p> |
| Field length | 10 |
| Minimum occurrences | 0 |
| Maximum occurrences | 1 |
| Primary key | FALSE |