Unit achievement is based on a candidate's ability to meet the assessment criteria. Units can be awarded a summative grade of Level 1 Pass, Level 2 Pass, Level 2 Merit or Level 2 Distinction.

Performance bands have been written to enable candidates to demonstrate their ability against the assessment criteria. There are no additional requirements to achieve higher grades.

**Level 1 Pass**

To be awarded a Level 1 Pass grade for a unit, a candidate must meet all the of the minimum requirements of all assessment criteria for the unit, as set out in the Level 1 Pass performance band.

**Level 2 Pass**

To be awarded a Level 2 Pass grade for a unit, a candidate must additionally meet all of the Level 2 pass minimum requirements, as set out in the Level 2 Pass performance band.

**Level 2 Merit**

To be awarded a Level 2 Merit grade for a unit, a candidate must additionally meet all of the Merit minimum requirements, as set out in the Level 2 Merit performance band.

**Level 2 Distinction**

To be awarded a Level 2 Distinction grade for a unit, a candidate must additionally meet all of the Distinction requirements, as set out in the Level 2 Distinction bands.