

Level	Generic Level Descriptors			
	Knowledge & Intellectual Skills	Processes	Application, Autonomy & Accountability	Communication, IT and Numeracy
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Demonstrate and work with a critical overview of a subject or discipline, including an evaluative understanding of principal theories and concepts, and of its broad relationships with other disciplines - Identify, conceptualise and offer original and creative insights into new, complex and abstract ideas and information - Deal with very complex and/or new issues and make informed judgements in the absence of complete or consistent data/information - Make a significant and original contribution to a specialised field of inquiry, or to broader interdisciplinary relationships. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Demonstrate command of research and methodological issues and engage in critical dialogue - Develop creative and original responses to problems and issues in the context of new circumstances. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Apply knowledge and skills in a broad range of complex and professional work activities, including new and unforeseen circumstances - Demonstrate leadership and originality in tackling and solving problems - Accept accountability in related decision making - High degree of autonomy, with full responsibility for own work, and significant responsibility for others - Deal with complex ethical and professional issues. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strategically use communication skills, adapting context and purpose to a range of audiences - Communicate at the standard of published academic work and/or critical dialogue - Monitor, review and reflect on own work and skill development, and change and adapt in the light of new demands - Use a range of software and specify software requirements to enhance work, anticipating future requirements - Critically evaluate numerical and graphical data, and employ such data extensively.

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6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Critically review, consolidate, and extend a systematic, coherent body of knowledge - Utilise highly specialised technical research or scholastic skills across an area of study - Critically evaluate new information, concepts and evidence from a range of sources and develop creative responses - Critically review, consolidate and extend knowledge, skills practices and thinking in a subject/discipline - Deal with complex issues and make informed judgements in the absence of complete or consistent data/information. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Transfer and apply diagnostic and creative skills in a range of situations - Exercise appropriate judgement in complex planning, design, technical and/or management functions related to products, services, operations or processes, including resourcing and evaluation - Conduct research, and/or advanced technical or professional activity - Design and apply appropriate research methodologies. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Apply knowledge and skills in a broad range of professional work activities - Practice significant autonomy in determining and achieving personal and/or group outcomes - Accept accountability in related decision making including use of supervision - Demonstrate leadership and /or make an identifiable contribution to change and development. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Communicate, using appropriate methods, to a range of audiences including peers, senior colleagues, specialists - Use a wide range of software to support and enhance work; identify refinements to existing software to increase effectiveness or specify new software - Undertake critical evaluations of a wide range of numerical and graphical data, and use calculations at various stages of the work.

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5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Generate ideas through the analysis of abstract information and concepts - Command wide ranging, specialised technical, creative and/or conceptual skills - Identify and analyse both routine and abstract professional problems and issues, and formulate evidence-based responses - Analyse, reformat and evaluate a wide range of information - Critically analyse, evaluate and/or synthesise ideas, concepts, information and issues - Draw on a range of sources in making judgments. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Utilise diagnostic and creative skills in a range of technical, professional or management functions - Exercise appropriate judgement in planning, design, technical and/or supervisory functions related to products, services, operations or processes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Perform tasks involving planning, design, and technical skills, and involving some management functions - Accept responsibility and accountability within broad parameters for determining and achieving personal and/or group outcomes - Work under the mentoring of senior qualified practitioners - Deal with ethical issues, seeking guidance of others where appropriate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use a range of routine skills and some advanced and specialized skills in support of established practices in a subject/discipline, for example: - Make formal and informal presentations on standard/mainstream topics in the subject/discipline to a range of audiences - Participate in group discussions about complex subjects; create opportunities for others to contribute - Use a range of IT applications to support and enhance work - Interpret, use and evaluate numerical and graphical data to achieve goals/targets.

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4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Develop a rigorous approach to the acquisition of a broad knowledge base, with some specialist knowledge in selected areas - Present and evaluate information, using it to plan and develop investigative strategies - Deal with well defined issues within largely familiar contexts, but extend this to some unfamiliar problems - Employ a range of specialised skills and approaches to generate a range of responses. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Operate in a range of varied and specific contexts involving some creative and non-routine activities - Exercise appropriate judgement in planning, selecting or presenting information, methods or resources - Carry out routine lines of enquiry, development of investigation into professional level issues and problems. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The ability to perform skilled tasks requiring some discretion and judgement, and undertake a supervisory role - Undertake self-directed and a some directive activity - Operate within broad general guidelines or functions - Take responsibility for the nature and quantity of own outputs - Meet specified quality standards - Accept some responsibility for the quantity and quality of the output of others. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use a wide range of routine skills and some advanced skills associated with the subject/discipline — for example: - Present using a range of techniques to engage the audience in both familiar and some new contexts - Read and synthesise extended information from subject documents; organise information coherently, convey complex ideas in well-structured form - Use a range of IT applications to support and enhance work - Plan approaches to obtaining and using information, choose appropriate methods and data to justify results & choices - Carry out multi-stage calculations.

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3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Apply knowledge and skills in a range of activities, demonstrating comprehension of relevant theories - Access, organise and evaluate information independently and make reasoned judgements in relation to a subject or discipline - Employ a range of responses to well defined, but sometimes unfamiliar or unpredictable, problems - Make generalisations and predictions in familiar contexts. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Operate in a variety of familiar and some unfamiliar contexts, using a known range of technical or learning skills - Select from a considerable choice of predetermined procedures - Give presentations to an audience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The ability to perform tasks in a broad range of predictable and structured contexts which may also involve some non-routine activities requiring a degree of individual responsibility - Engage in self-directed activity with guidance/evaluation - Accept responsibility for quantity and quality of output - Accept well defined but limited responsibility for the quantity and quality of the output of others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use a wide range of largely routine and well practiced skills — for example: - Produce and respond to detailed and complex written and oral communication in familiar contexts, and use a suitable structure and style when writing extended documents. - Select and use standard applications to obtain, process and combine information - Use a wide range of numerical and graphical data in routine contexts, which may have some non-routine elements.

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2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Apply knowledge based on an underpinning comprehension in a selected number of areas - Make comparisons with some evaluation and interpret available information - Apply basic tools and materials and use rehearsed stages for solving problems. - Operate in familiar, personal and/or everyday contexts - Take account the identified consequences of actions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Choose from a range of procedures performed in a number of contexts, a few of which may be non-routine - Co-ordinate with others to achieve common goals. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The ability to perform a range of tasks in predictable and structured contexts - Undertake directed activity with a degree of autonomy - Achieve outcomes within time constraints - Accept defined responsibility for quantity and quality of output subject to external quality checking. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use skills with some assistance — for example: - Take active part in discussions about identified subjects - Identify the main points and ideas from documents and reproduce them in other contexts - Produce and respond to a specified range of written and oral communications, in familiar/routine contexts - Carry out a defined range of tasks to process data and access information - Use a limited range of familiar numerical and graphical data in everyday contexts - Carry out calculations, using percentages and graphical data to given levels of accuracy.

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1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Employ recall and demonstrate elementary comprehension in a narrow range of areas with dependency on ideas of others - Exercise basic skills - Receive and pass on information - Use, under supervision or prompting, basic tools and materials. - Apply learnt responses to solve problems - Operate in familiar, personal and/or everyday contexts - Take some account, with prompting, of identified consequences of actions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Operate mainly in closely defined and highly structured contexts - Carry out processes that are repetitive and predictable - Undertake the performance of clearly defined tasks - Assume a strictly limited range of roles. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The ability to perform tasks of routine and repetitive nature given clear direction - Carry out directed activity under close supervision - Rely entirely on external monitoring of output and quality 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use very simple skills with assistance — for example: - Take some part in discussions about straightforward subjects - Read and identify the main points and ideas from documents about straightforward subjects - Produce and respond to a limited range of simple, written and oral communications, in familiar/routine contexts - Carry out a limited range of simple tasks to process data and access information - Use a limited range of very simple and familiar numerical and pictorial data - Carry out calculations, using whole numbers and simple decimals to given levels of accuracy.