## **Tier 4 Visa Appeal information**

## Important information for international students with a Tier 4 student visa who wish to submit an academic appeal

If you hold a Tier 4 student visa under the PBS system and you have been required to withdraw from your award as a result of an Exam Board decision, it is important to be aware of the issues below before you submit an academic appeal.

- UWE is required to inform the UK Border Agency (UKBA) of any students who have been withdrawn from their award. UWE must provide this information to the UKBA within ten working days of the official publication of results. The student would then be required to leave the UK within 60 days.
- If a student submits an academic appeal before 4:30pm on the tenth working day, UWE will wait for the outcome of the appeal to be confirmed before passing on information, if still appropriate, to the UKBA.
- If a student submits an appeal after 4:30pm on the tenth working day, UWE is required to provide the name of the withdrawn student to the UKBA irrespective of whether or not the student has valid grounds for an academic appeal.
- If a student submits before 4:30pm on the tenth working day and their appeal results in re-instatement onto their award, UWE will not report the student to the UKBA.
- If the UKBA is informed of a withdrawal, the student's visa becomes invalid but should it be possible to study on a different course at UWE the student must contact the PBS Officer by e-mailing <a href="mailto:pbshelpline@uwe.ac.uk">pbshelpline@uwe.ac.uk</a> giving details of their situation to get advice about their immigration and visa status.