

## Annex D

### HESA student record data definitions

#### Additional data definitions to those provided in Annex A of HEFCE 2005/02

##### Disability status

1. Prior to the 1998-99 HESA student data collection, information on disability status was collected in HESA field REGDIS (field 15). In later collections this field was replaced by DISALL. The valid entries in each case are detailed below.

2. For the 1996-97 cohort disability status is derived from HESA field REGDIS and is as follows:

- a. None
  - '1' The student has no known disability.
- b. Disability - registered
  - '2' The student has a disability which is registered.
- c. Disability - unregistered
  - '3' The student has a disability which is not registered.
- c. Not known/not given
  - '9' Information not yet sought.

3. For the 1998-99 cohort we derive this information from the DISALL field, which replaced REGDIS as field 15:

- a. None
  - '1' The student has no known disability.
- b. Disability - receives Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA)
  - '4' The student has a disability and is in receipt of DSA.
- c. Disability – no DSA
  - '5' The student has a disability and is not in receipt of DSA.
- d. Not known/not given
  - '9' The student has a disability but information about DSA is not known/not sought.

4. The different entries to the REGDIS and DISALL are not directly comparable. A student can receive DSA without their disability having to be registered. Conversely a student with a registered disability may choose not to apply for DSA. As a result we stress that caution should be used when analysing this attribute.

## Ethnicity

5. The student's ethnicity is derived from HESA field ETHNIC (field 14) and is as follows:

- a. Asian/Asian British
  - '31' Indian
  - '32' Pakistani
  - '33' Bangladeshi
  - '39' Asian other.
  
- b. Black/Black British
  - '21' Black Caribbean
  - '22' Black African
  - '29' Black other.
  
- c. Chinese
  - '34' Chinese.
  
- d. Not known/not given
  - '90' Not known (UCAS code)
  - '98' Information refused
  - '99' Information not yet sought.
  
- e. Other
  - '80' Other.
  
- f. White
  - '10' White.