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Policy Scope
This policy applies to students on all Honours programmes.

Requisite Modules
The programme requirements for each Honours degree programme specify a number of 2000 level modules as requisites for Honours entry. All such modules must be passed for Honours entry.

Automatic Entry to Honours
In addition, the programme requirements for each BSc/MA/BD/MTheol/BA International Honours programme specify that, for automatic entry to Honours, either:

- a grade of 11.0 or above at first sitting must be attained in certain requisite 2000 level modules; and/or
- an average grade of 11.0 or above at first sitting must be attained in certain requisite 2000 level modules.

Students who attain such grades in accordance with the programme rules, and who meet all other programme requirements and Faculty regulations, will be given automatic offers into BSc/MA/BD/MTheol/BA International Honours programmes.

The programme requirements for each Integrated Masters programme specify that, for automatic entry to Honours, either:

- a grade of 15.0 or above at first sitting must be attained in certain requisite 2000 level modules; or
- an average grade of 15.0 or above at first sitting must be attained in certain requisite 2000 level modules.

Students who attain such grades in accordance with the programme rules, and who meet all other programme requirements and Faculty regulations, will be given automatic offers into Integrated Masters Honours programmes.

Automatic entry conditions must be met during the first completed enrolment in each requisite module.

Qualified Entry to Honours
Some Schools permit qualified entry to Honours based on grades achieved at a University-administered Honours Entry examination. This is based on the particular type of learning relevant to those subjects where it is permitted, namely Biology; Chemistry; Computer Science; Geography & Geosciences; Mathematics & Statistics; Physics & Astronomy.

Qualified entry is not permitted to Integrated Masters programmes.

Students who do not achieve automatic Honours Entry and wish to enter Honours in a School that permits qualified entry must:

a) have achieved a grade of 4.0 or above in each of the requisite 2000 level modules; and

b) take the Honours Entry examination for each of the requisite modules for which a grade 11.0 requirement is specified in the programme requirements, and in which
they did not previously achieve grade 11.0 or above, and achieve an overall grade of 13.5 or above in each module; and

c) have gained at least 240 credits.

Students who meet these conditions, and all other programme requirements and Faculty regulations, will be given qualified offers into BSc/MA programmes.

Qualified entry conditions must be met during the first completed enrolment in each requisite module.

Movement from BSc/MA/BD/MTheol to Integrated Masters Programmes
A student who is on a BSc/MA/BD/MTheol (Hons) route can move to an Integrated Masters programme in third year if they attain grades of 15.0* or above in specified Honours modules (or an average of 15.0, in Schools operating an average scheme for Honours entry) taken until a School-specified cut-off date at the end of the first or second semester.

School of Medicine
The School of Medicine, being entirely self-contained, is currently an exception and will continue to operate a system of conditional Honours Entry for the time being.

Integrated Masters Degrees

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* 14.0 in the School of Chemistry