

Entry to honours

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POLICY ON ENTRY TO HONOURS

1. Policy Scope

This policy applies to students on all Honours programmes in the Faculties of Arts, Divinity and Science.

2. Entry to Honours

Before entering Honours, a student must have gained at least 220 credits including at least 80 credits at 2000 level.

The programme requirements for each Honours degree programme specify a number of 2000-level modules as requisites for Honours entry.

For entry to Honours in programmes other than Integrated Masters programmes, all requisite modules must be passed. Passes may be obtained at first sitting or at resit, or in a further enrolment in the module.

For entry to Honours in an Integrated Masters programme, a student must achieve certain average grades in the requisite 2000-level modules, as specified in the relevant School handbook(s). Unless otherwise specified in the relevant handbook(s), these average grades must be achieved at first sitting in the first enrolment in each module.

3. Transfer to Integrated Masters Programmes

A student on another programme can transfer to an Integrated Masters programme at the end of the Junior Honours year if they have taken modules in Junior Honours compatible with the change, and:

- they have previously achieved the requirements for entry to Honours in the new programme, or
- they have previously passed the requisite 2000-level modules for the new programme, and they have attained, in certain Honours modules specified in the relevant School handbook(s), the average grade that is required for entry to Honours in the new programme.

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1.0	Revisions to entry to Honours Policy		Kevin McNamara, Academic Policy Officer, Proctor's Office	22/8/19
2.0	Revisions to Entry to Honours Policy		Kevin McNamara, Academic Policy Officer, Proctor's Office	23/3/20
3.0	Revisions to Entry to Honours Policy for students entering Honours in 2020/21 only		Kevin McNamara, Academic Policy Officer, Proctor's Office	13/4/20
4.0	Interim Update to Honours Entry Policy to remain in effect until Jan 2023		Graham Kirby/Stephen Tyre, Associate Deans Students	May 2021
4.1	Update to extend the policy to remain effective until August 2023		Brian Ho, Academic Policy Officer, Proctor's Office	June 2022
4.2	Policy end date changed to 31 October to accommodate students entering Honours after re-assessment diet		Jennifer Norris Administrative Officer Proctor's Office	20 June 2022
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