

# UNDERGRADUATE RESOLUTION AND REGULATIONS

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# RESOLUTION OF THE UNIVERSITY COURT, 1994 No. 1

## CONFERMENT OF UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

**In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1966, the University Court of the University of St Andrews hereby resolves as follows:-**

1. The University of St Andrews may confer (a) any of the following as a General Degree or as a Special Degree or with Honours: the degree of Master of Arts (M.A.); the degree of Bachelor of Divinity (B.D.); the degree of Master of Theology (M.Theol.); the degree of Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) in Pure Science or in Medical Science; (b) either of the following degrees with Honours: the degree of Master in Science (M.Sci.) or the degree of Master in Chemistry (M.Chem.).
2. The Senatus Academicus, with the approval of the University Court, may from time to time make regulations on any matters in order to give effect to this Resolution.
3. A candidate who has satisfied the Senatus Academicus that (s)he has attained the necessary standard, who has paid all fees required, and who has satisfied the other requirements of this Resolution and any regulations made thereunder, shall be entitled to receive one of the Degrees specified in paragraph 1 above.
4. The following Resolutions of the University Court are hereby revoked:- 1987 No. 4, 1990 No. 3, 1990 No. 4, 1993 No. 3.
5. This Resolution shall come into effect on 4th July 1994.

## SENATE REGULATIONS

### DEFINITIONS

<i>“Dean of the Faculty” for</i>	<i>“the Dean of the Faculty or other Faculty Officer to whom the Dean may delegate the authority”</i>
<i>“Council of the Faculty” for</i>	<i>“Council of the Faculty or the standing Committee to which it may delegate the authority”</i>
<i>“Head of School” for</i>	<i>“Head of School or the person to whom the authority may be delegated”</i>
<i>“Requirements for a module” for</i>	<i>“attendance at such classes, performance of such work and completion of all the assessment at such a standard as may be specified by the School concerned”</i>
<i>“M.Phys.” for</i>	<i>“Master in Physics degree for which the Court Resolution is in preparation. ”</i>

### I GENERAL REGULATIONS

#### *A. General Entrance Requirements*

1. *A candidate for admission to a Faculty must have obtained prior to admission qualifications which satisfy at least the General Entrance Requirements of the University and the Faculty Entrance Requirements determined by the Faculty Council and such other requirements as the Senatus Academicus may approve. Any or all of these requirements may be waived in the case of candidates who will be 21 years of age or more on 1 October of the year of entry to their studies.*

#### *B. Credit Transfer*

2. *A student who, before matriculating in a Faculty, has completed a period of study in another University or Institution of Higher or Further Education, or has alternative accredited study, may be deemed by the Council of that Faculty to have gained up to 120 credits for courses passed in each year of study in that institution, or up to a maximum of 180 credits for part-time evening students,*

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3. *A candidate for an Honours degree in Pure Science who has obtained three appropriate General Certificate of Education Advanced Level passes or passes deemed to be equivalent may be offered direct entry to Second level modules, and, notwithstanding General Regulations 13 and 23-29 and Science Regulations 3-5 and 7, shall be required to gain 360 credits for the B.Sc. and 420 credits for the M.Sci. and M.Chem., 480 credits for the M.Phys., 240 credits for B.Sc. Special degree or 240 credits for a B.Sc. General.*
4. *In the case of students eligible for admission under 2 or 3 above, the Head of School in consultation with the Dean of the Faculty shall determine whether a student is qualified to enter Second or Third level modules offered by the School.*
5. *For students registered on an accredited overseas educational programme, a period of study at a foreign university will form an integral and compulsory part of the degree programme. Such students successfully completing the degree programme shall be awarded the degree “with Study Abroad”.*

15. *The method of assessment for a module shall be by examination, by assessment of coursework, or by a combination of both, or by a means of a written dissertation.*
16. *There shall be a diet of examinations at the end of each semester and there will also be a reassessment diet before the end of the academic session.*
17. *A Certificate of Due Performance shall qualify a student to be reassessed. A student who, having been awarded a Certificate of Due Performance, fails the reassessment may apply to the Dean of the relevant Faculty for permission to be reassessed in the module in up to two diets in the following academic year.*
18. *A student who passes the assessment for a module shall be awarded the credits for that module.*
19. *The relevant Faculty Council shall approve the modules which may be offered in the Faculty, and, for each module, shall determine:–*
  - (a) *the prerequisites;*
  - (b) *the method of assessment; and*
  - (c) *the credits to be awarded to a student who passes the assessment.*

#### ***E. Certificates, Diplomas and Degrees***

20. *A student must have gained passes in modules taught in the University worth at least 120 credits in order to be eligible for the award of any degree or qualification.*
21. *A graduating student who, over a minimum period of one year of full-time study, or the equivalent period of part-time study, has gained passes in modules taught in the University, worth 120 credits shall be eligible for the award of a Certificate of Higher Education.*
22. *A student who, over a minimum period of two years of full-time study, or the equivalent period of part-time study, has gained 240 credits in modules taught in the University, of which at least 80 are in Second level modules, shall be eligible for the award of a Diploma of Higher Education.*
23. *A student who, over a minimum period of three years of full-time study or the equivalent period of part-time study, has gained 360 credits, of which at least 120 are in Second or Honours level modules and has fulfilled such other requirements prescribed in the Regulations for the M.A., M.Theol., or B.Sc., shall be eligible for the award of a General Degree.*
24. *The General degree may be awarded with Distinction to a candidate who fulfils the conditions for the award of the degree and gains passes in modules worth at least 120 credits at Distinction Level or at least 200 credits at Distinction and Merit Levels, at least 40 credits of which are in Second or Honours level modules, and at least 20 credits of which are at Distinction Level.*
25. *A student who, over a minimum period of three years of full-time study, has gained 360 credits, of which at least 90 are in Honours level modules completed as part of an approved Honours degree programme, shall be eligible for the award of a Special degree.*
26. *The Special degree may be awarded with Distinction to a candidate who fulfils the award for the degree and gains passes in modules worth at least 160 credits at Distinction Level or 240 credits at Distinction and Merit Levels, of which at least 40 credits are in Honours level modules and at least one Honours level module is passed at Distinction Level.*
27. *A student who, over a minimum period of four years of full-time study, has gained 480 credits, of which at least 240 credits were gained during an approved two year Honours programme involving Honours modules worth at least 210 credits, and has satisfied the appropriate Board(s) of Examiners, shall be eligible for the award of an Honours degree in the subject(s) of that Honours programme.*
28. *A student who, over a minimum period of four years of full-time study, has gained 540 credits, of which at least 300 credits were gained during an approved two year Master in Science programme involving Honours modules worth at least 300 credits, and has satisfied the appropriate Board(s) of Examiners, shall be eligible for the award of a Master in Science degree with Honours in the subject(s) of that programme.*

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29. *A student who, over a minimum period of four years of full-time study, has gained 540 credits, of which at least 300 credits were gained during an approved two year Master in Chemistry programme involving Honours modules worth at least 300 credits, or who has gained the same number of credits over a minimum period of five years, including an approved three year Honours Master in Chemistry programme, and has satisfied the appropriate Board(s) of Examiners, shall be eligible for the award of a Master in Chemistry degree with Honours.*
30. *A student who, over a minimum period of five years of full-time study, has gained 600 credits, of which at least 360 credits were gained during an approved three year Master in Physics programme involving Honours modules worth at least 330 credits, and has satisfied the appropriate Board(s) of Examiner(s), shall be eligible for the award of a Master in Physics degree with Honours in the subject(s) of that programme.*
31. *A student who, over a minimum period of five years of full-time study, has gained 540 credits, of which at least 300 credits were gained during an approved three year programme, involving Honours modules worth at least*

- (d) *must fulfil the requirements for the degree for which they are registered within one year of study as a matriculated student of the minimum period specified for that degree;*
- (e) *having been admitted to an Honours degree programme, must fulfil the requirements for that degree after completing two whole academic sessions of study as a matriculated student on that programme.*

*and in the case of part-time students:*

- (a) *must have gained 80 credits after 3 years of study as a matriculated student;*
- (b) *must have gained 160 credits after 5 years of study as a matriculated student;*
- (c) *complete the requirements for the General degree after 8 years of study as a matriculated student.*

- 41. *Students who fail to meet the requirements in 40 shall have their studies limited and shall cease attending modules.*
- 42. *Students whose studies have been limited have the right of appeal for permission to continue their studies in the following semester. They may apply first to the Faculty Committee appointed to consider such appeals and then, if this appeal has failed, to the Senate Committee on Limitation of Studies. Each committee shall determine conditions under which students may be permitted to continue their studies.*
- 43. *Students whose studies have been limited, whether or not they lodged an appeal, may further apply to the Faculty Council for permission to have their Certificates of Due Performance extended to enable them to sit degree examinations without attending modules. If in the view of the Faculty Council following consultation with the Head of School there are sufficient grounds for granting such a request, a recommendation may be made accordingly to the Senatus Academicus. An extended Certificate of Due Performance will be valid for entry to two diets of examination. Save with the permission of the Faculty Council these will normally be the diets of examination in the year following limitation of studies. Students who pass the necessary examinations may apply to the Dean for permission to return to the University to continue their studies.*

## **II ARTS REGULATIONS**

### **A. Faculty Entrance Requirements**

- 1. *In addition to the General Entrance Requirements, prior to admission to study in the Faculty, a student must have gained passes at SCE Standard Grade, or its equivalent, in:–*
  - (a) *a language other than English; and*
  - (b) *either Mathematics or an approved Science.**The Dean may grant exemption from these conditions.*

### **B. Subjects**

- 2. *Modules in the following subjects shall be recognised as qualifying for the award of any M.A. degree:–*
  - (i) *Ancient History, Mediaeval History, Modern History, Scottish History;*
  - (ii) *Art History, Classical Studies, Music, Russian Literature & Society;*
  - (iii) *Arabic, English, French, German, Italian, Russian, Spanish, English as a Foreign Language;*
  - (iv) *Economics, Geography, Management, International Relations, Psychology, Social Anthropology;*
  - (v) *Greek, Hebrew, Latin;*
  - (vi) *Information Technology, Mathematics, Statistics;*
  - (vii) *Divinity, Linguistics, Philosophy;*
  - (viii) *any subject qualifying for a degree in another Faculty.*

### **C. General Degree**

- 3. *The degree of M.A. (General) may be awarded to a student who has gained not less than 360 credits, of which:–*
  - (a) *at least 240 have been gained in subjects listed in Arts Regulation 2 (i) - (vii);*
  - (b) *at least 40 credits have been gained in subjects in each of at least three of the groups listed in Arts Regulation 2;*
  - (c) *at least 120 credits have been gained in Second or Third level modules.*





**G. B.D. (Honours)**

7. *General Regulation 27 notwithstanding, a student holding a degree from a British University or an equivalent qualification who over a minimum period of three years gains 390 credits of which 200 credits are in fulfilment of Divinity Regulation 2 and a further 150 credits are in Honours modules offered by the School of Divinity shall be eligible for the award of the degree of B.D. (Honours).*

**IV SCIENCE REGULATIONS**

**A. Faculty Entrance Requirement**

1. *For admission to the Faculty a candidate for a degree or qualification in Pure Science must satisfy one of the requirements (i) to (iii):–*
  - (i) *Scottish Certificate of Education examinations. Standard Grade passes in Chemistry, Physics and Mathematics at Credit Level along with Higher (H) grade passes in two of the following subjects (at least one being a subject marked by an asterisk):–*

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### *E. Honours*

5. A student who has gained at least 240 credits, of which:–

- (a) at least 80 credits have been gained at Second level;
- (b) at least 200 have been gained in subjects listed in Science Regulation 2 (i) - (v) above;
- (c) at least 40 have been gained in subjects listed in Science Regulation 2 (i) - (iv)

may be admitted to an Honours B.Sc. Degree programme, save that with the permission of the Head(s) of School concerned, a student may be permitted to enter a programme having gained only 200 credits and to attend additional First or Second level modules worth up to 40 credits in the first year of the Honours programme. No student may be permitted to proceed to the Second year of an Honours programme who has gained fewer than 240 credits in First and Second level modules.

- (a) at least 80 credits have been gained at Second level;
- (b) at least 200 have been gained in subjects listed in Science Regulation 2 (i) - (v) above;
- (c) at least 40 have been gained in subjects listed in Science Regulation 2 (i) - (iv)