

## **REGULATIONS ON CLASS OF HONOURS**

### **Calculation of Class of Honours**

1. A student's Class of Honours in the Faculty of Law shall be determined by the Final Year Board of Examiners [BOE] by taking into account the results obtained in all subjects that the student has passed at the National University of Singapore [NUS] for the degree of Bachelor of Law [LL.B.]. This rule will be subject to the Faculty of Law Regulations relating to Supplementary Examinations and Special Examinations. The results in all such subjects in all years shall be given equal weight, except that where the student has read more than 12 credits outside the Faculty of Law toward the credit requirements for the LLB, the student's non-law credits will be aggregated and pro-rated so as to accord them a weightage of 12 credits in calculating the Class of Honours.

### **Subjects in other Universities**

2. For the purpose of completing the number of credits required for graduation, students will receive credit for subjects taken in other institutions while on approved exchange programmes. However, neither the marks nor the grades obtained in such subjects shall be taken into account in calculating the Class of Honours.

### **First Class Honours**

3. Except as provided in paragraph 7, First Class Honours shall be awarded to students who:

- (a) Finish in the top 5% of their class based on numerical average for all subjects taken at NUS; and
- (b) Have obtained a grade of A- or better in at least 40% of the subjects taken at NUS

### **Second Class (Upper Division) Honours**

4. Except as provided in paragraph 7, students shall receive Second Class (Upper Division) Honours if they:

- (a) Finish in the top 55% of their class based on numerical average for subjects taken at NUS; and
- (b) Do not qualify for First Class Honours

### **Second Class (Lower Division) Honours**

5. Students shall receive Second Class (Lower Division) Honours if their weighted numerical average for subjects taken at NUS is 50.00 marks or above, and they do not qualify for First Class Honours or Second Class (Upper Division) Honours.

### **Third Class Honours**

6. Students shall receive Third Class Honours if they complete the number of credits required for a LL.B. (Honours) degree but do not qualify for First Class Honours or Second Class (Upper Division) or (Lower Division) Honours.

## **Exceptions**

7. No student will be eligible for First Class Honours or Second Class (Upper Division) Honours if:

- (a) they have failed more than 12 credits of subjects at NUS (or while on an approved exchange programme); or
- (b) they have taken more than 9 semesters to complete the 4-year LL.B. or 7 semesters to complete the 3-year LL.B (excluding periods where the student has been granted a leave of absence).

## **General Discretion**

8. The Board of Examiners may in its discretion depart from these regulations where there are exceptional circumstances.

## **Effective Date**

9. These Regulations on the calculation of class of honours will apply to all Bachelor of Law [LL.B.] students who commenced their studies in or after Academic Year 2004-5.

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