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# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2016

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## General Regulations and Rules of the University of Pretoria and the Glossary of Terms.

### General Regulations

#### Honours degrees (G.16.-G.29)

#### II. HONOURS DEGREE

##### G.16 ADMISSION

1. Subject to the stipulations of G.1.3 and G.54, a candidate is admitted to the study for the honours degree only if he or she is in possession of a bachelor's degree.
2. A candidate may be refused admission to an honours degree by the head of the department if he or she does not comply with the level of competence required in the subject as determined by the department - provided that a candidate, who fails to comply with the level of competence required, may be admitted if additional study assignments, as agreed upon, are completed and/or examinations are written.
3. A candidate, who is refused admission to an honours degree, may request that the dean reconsider his or her application for admission in terms of the set procedures.

##### G.17 REGISTRATION

The stipulations of G.2 apply with the necessary changes.

##### G.18 RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION

1. The stipulations of G.3.1 apply with the necessary changes.
2. Subject to exceptions approved by the dean, on the recommendation of the head of the department, and in the case of distance education where the dean formulates the stipulations that will apply, a student may not sit for an examination for the honours degree more than twice in the same subject.
3. A student for an honours degree must complete his or her study, in the case of full-time students, within two years and, in the case of after-hours students, within three years of first registering for the degree and, in the case of distance education students, within the period stipulated by the dean.



**Under special circumstances, the dean, on the recommendation of the head of the department, may give approval for a limited extension of this period.**

#### **G.19 TERMINATION OF REGISTRATION**

The stipulations of G.4 apply with the necessary changes.

#### **G.20 APPLICATION OF OLD AND NEW REGULATIONS**

The stipulations of G.5 apply with the necessary changes.

#### **G.21 CONCURRENT REGISTRATION FOR TWO FIELDS OF STUDY**

The stipulations of G.6 apply with the necessary changes.

#### **G.22 MINIMUM STUDY PERIODS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR HONOURS DEGREES**

**1. (J.S.16) An honours degree is conferred on a student only if the student has complied with the following minimum periods of study:**

**(a) One academic year after the qualification has been obtained by virtue of which admission to the study has been granted.**

**(b) Where an honours degree is followed concurrently with a bachelor's degree, one academic year in addition to the minimum period prescribed for the bachelor's degree in question - provided that in cases of exceptional merit, the University may, in agreement with the Joint Statute, shorten the minimum period of attendance.**

2. In addition to the stipulations of G.22.1, an honours degree is conferred on a student only if the student has complied with all the requirements laid down in faculty regulations.

#### **G.23 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MODULES**

1. [J.S.18(3)] Subject to the stipulations of G.22.1, G.23.2 and the Joint Statute, a dean may acknowledge modules passed at another tertiary institution or at this University in a department other than that in which the honours study is undertaken for the honours degree - provided that at least half of the required modules for the degree in question are attended and passed at this University.

2. If there is overlap in the course content of the degree for which the student wishes to enrol or is enrolled and a degree already conferred, the dean may not acknowledge any modules that form part of the degree already conferred.

#### **G.24 REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION TO EXAMINATIONS, PROMOTION TO A SUBSEQUENT YEAR OF STUDY, PROMOTION IN A MODULE AND ATTENDANCE MODULES**

The stipulations of G.10 apply with the necessary changes.

#### **G.25 YEAR AND SEMESTER MARKS**

The stipulations of G.11 apply with the necessary changes.

#### **G.26 EXAMINATIONS**

##### **1. Examinations and research reports**

(a) The examination for an honours degree consists of papers, or papers and a research report, and may be oral and/or written.

(b) The nature and extent of the examinations are determined by the dean, on the recommendation of the head of the department.

(c) Research reports are prepared and examined according to the procedures laid down in faculty regulations.

(d) A written examination for an honours degree takes place during the examination periods announced annually.

(e) An oral honours examination may be conducted at a time other than the periods approved for written examinations, provided that this is arranged by the head of the department, in consultation with the dean.

## **2. Pass requirements**

The stipulations of G.12.2 apply with the necessary changes.

## **3. Ancillary examinations, supplementary examinations, extraordinary examinations and special examinations**

The stipulations of G.12.3 to G.12.6 apply with the necessary changes.

### **G.27 EXAMINERS**

The stipulations of G.13 apply with the necessary changes.

### **G.28 RE-MARKING OF EXAMINATION SCRIPTS**

The stipulations of G.14 apply with the necessary changes.

### **G.29 COMPLIANCE WITH DEGREE REQUIREMENTS AND DEGREE PRIVILEGES**

The stipulations of G.15 apply with the necessary changes.

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The information published here is subject to change and may be amended after the publication of this information. The [General Regulations \(G Regulations\)](#) apply to all faculties of the University of Pretoria. It is expected of students to familiarise themselves well with these regulations as well as with the information contained in the [General Rules](#) section. Ignorance concerning these regulations and rules will not be accepted as an excuse for any transgression.