

SCHEME A. THREE-YEAR SHS DEGREE PROGRAMMES

1. PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS

Students registered for the degree are required to undertake a programme of study comprising courses to the value of 4.0 course units in each year; the courses taken will be subject to local departmental rules and guidelines, as appropriate.

In order to proceed to the second year of the programme, all students must have passed a minimum of 3.0 course units. In order to proceed to the third and final year of the programme, all students must have passed a minimum of 7.0 course units. In each year, students must have passed any courses deemed compulsory for progression, *subject to local rules*.

The pass mark for each course unit is 40%.

2. AWARD OF DEGREE

To be awarded an honours degree, a student must have completed courses to the value of 12.0 course units, and satisfied the examiners in courses to a minimum value of 11.0 course units, fulfilling all attendance and coursework requirements, submitting all written work prescribed for assessment purposes and taking all parts of any examination in those courses.

To be awarded a degree with honours in the field of study for which the student is registered, the student must have taken and passed any course units deemed compulsory for such an award, *according to local rules*.

Students who fail to satisfy the examiners in 11.0 or more course units, but who have nevertheless completed at least 11.0 course units and passed a minimum of 10.0 course units, including at least two at advanced level and two in their final year, together with any deemed compulsory according to local rules, may be awarded an Ordinary Degree in their registered field of study. Students who are eligible for the award of an Ordinary Degree under these requirements, but who have not satisfied the examiners in one or more courses deemed compulsory, will be awarded an Ordinary Degree in a different field of study, to be determined by the Board of Examiners.

3. CLASSIFICATION OF HONOURS

The class of honours degree shall be determined by the relevant Board of Examiners on the basis of the results obtained in 9.0 course units, to be selected as follows:

- a) EITHER the result from the best 1.0 course unit from Year 1, *subject to local rules* OR the result from a 1.0 course nominated in advance (or alternatively the two best 0.5 course units or two 0.5 course units nominated in advance); *History of Art permits the best whole course unit or 2 half course-units; except that 'Introductory' courses, from the Language centre or elsewhere, cannot be used in calculating the class of degree, or any year's mean or median contributing to such classification*
- b) The 4.0 course units taken in Year 2, *subject to local rules: History of Art has no local rules departing from the 4.0 requirement*
- c) The 4.0 course units taken in Year 3.

Classification will be based in the first instance on a consideration of the median of the marks from the 9.0 units of assessment. The units are to be weighted 1 : 3 : 5, as follows:

- d) Year 1: 1
- e) Year 2: 3
- f) Year 3: 5

Marks for retaken or substitute course units will be included in the calculation for the mark of the year in which that course unit was first attempted, rather than in the year it was actually taken, if that is different.

4. CONSIDERATION OF BORDERLINES

Candidates whose median mark falls within 1% of a class boundary may be considered for raising to the higher class. Such consideration will be at the discretion of the Board of Examiners and will take account of one or more of the following:

- (i) the mean of class marks across the units selected;
- (ii) the distribution and preponderance of class marks across the units selected;
- (iii) the results achieved in the final year of study.

Reports of academic performance may be taken into account.

Reference may be made to medical gradings agreed in an appropriate pre-meeting of a special committee in cases where there are good reasons for supposing a candidate's performance may have been adversely affected by illness, bereavement or similar circumstances. The committee's decisions will be based on available medical certificates and related documentation. Full details of any such circumstances MUST be submitted by candidates well IN ADVANCE of the final Board of Examiners Meeting in order for them to be considered.

5. APPLICATION OF CLASSIFICATION SCHEME

In exceptional cases, the Board of Examiners may exercise discretion in the application of this Faculty Scheme. The general Regulations of the College and of the University are assumed to apply in conjunction with the above Scheme, as are the local rules and guidelines produced by the relevant Department(s).

Local Rules

Section 1: Programme Requirements

Course units which **must be passed for progression to the second year:**

V350 History of Art:	HART1001
V3F2 History of Art with Material Studies:	HART1001
VV13 History and History of Art:	HART1001
VV43 Archaeology and History of Art	HART1001; ARCHB230

Course units which **must be passed for progression to the third year:**

V350 History of Art:	One-half unit in a modern language (or Departmental Language Test)
V3F2 History of Art with Material Studies:	Two units of laboratory-based courses; one-half unit in a modern language (or Departmental Language Test)
VV13 History and History of Art:	2.5 units of History (including HIST0A02); 2.5 units of History of Art; one-half unit in a modern language (or Departmental Language Test)
VV43 Archaeology and History of Art	2.5 units of Archaeology; 2.5 units of History of Art; one-half unit in a modern language (or Departmental Language Test)

Section 2: Award of Degree

Compulsory course units which **must be passed for award of named degree**:

V350 History of Art:	HART1001; one-half unit in a modern language (or Departmental Language Test)
V3F2 History of Art with Material Studies:	HART1001; two units of laboratory-based courses; one-half unit in a modern language (or Departmental Language Test)
VV13 History and History of Art:	HART1001; HIST0A01; HIST0A02; one-half unit in a modern language (or Departmental Language Test)
VV43 Archaeology and History of Art	HART1001; ARCHB230; one-half unit in a modern language (or Departmental Language Test)

Section 3: Award of Degree

Classification of honours: The best 1.0 or two 0.5 course units from the first year will be included, with the following exclusions:

V350 History of Art:	Introductory-level language courses taught at the Language Centre
V3F2 History of Art with Material Studies:	Introductory-level language courses taught at the Language Centre
VV13 History and History of Art:	Introductory-level language courses taught at the Language Centre
VV43 Archaeology and History of Art	Introductory-level language courses taught at the Language Centre

Section 4: Consideration of Borderlines

In exercising its discretion regarding borderline cases, the Board of Examiners will take account of aspects of the candidate's performance in the following order:

- i. the distribution and preponderance of class marks across the units selected;
- ii. the mean of class marks across the units selected;
- iii. the results achieved in the final year of study.