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COURSE REGULATIONS: BACHELOR OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE/ BACHELOR OF ARTS (BBIOMED/BA)

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CHAPTER 1: INTRODUCTION AND INTERPRETATION

1.1 Introduction

These Bachelor of Biomedical Science/Bachelor of Arts Course Regulations apply to all students enrolled in the Bachelor of Biomedical Science/Bachelor of Arts Degree at the University of Notre Dame Australia.

These Regulations should be read in conjunction with the General University Regulations and the School of Health Sciences and School of Arts Regulations.

1.2 Interpretation

The terms included in these Regulations have the meanings as defined in the University's General Regulations and the School of Health Sciences Regulations.

1.3 Alternations made to Course Regulations

Unless otherwise specified, when amendments are made to the structure, content or academic requirements of the Bachelor of Biomedical Science/Bachelor of Arts degree, the amendments will automatically apply to all students enrolling for the first time in the degree in the year immediately following the adoption of the amendments.

1.4 Applicability to Campuses of the University

The Bachelor of Biomedical Science/Bachelor of Arts degree is available on the Fremantle Campus only.

CHAPTER 2: ENTRY CRITERIA

- 2.1 Applicants for entry to the degree of Bachelor of Biomedical Science must be able to display the personal qualities, aptitude and motivation needed to work effectively in the field of Biomedical Science and Arts.
- 2.2 Applicants should have studied at least one science and one mathematics subject at the TEE or equivalent level.

CHAPTER 3: DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Structure

3.1.1 Compulsory units

75 credit points from the core curriculum:

ET100	Ethics	25 CP
PH100	Introduction to Philosophy	25 CP
TH101	Introduction to Theology	25 CP

750 credit points from the Bachelor of Biomedical Science/Bachelor of Arts degree: Pre-requisites

BMS100	Human Structure and Function	25 CP	None
SS115	Introduction to Biological Sciences	25 CP	None
SS125	Molecular & Cellular Biology	25 CP	None
CO115	Health Communications	25 CP	None
HPE110	Physiology of Exercise	25 CP	None
SS120	Introduction to Physical Sciences	25 CP	None
	Arts unit (major)	25 CP	
SS227	Data Analysis & Experimental Design	25 CP	Completion of 1 st yr science
BMS230	Microbiology	25 CP	SS115
	Arts unit (elective)	25 CP	
BMS103	Anatomy and Physiology of Body Systems	25 CP	SS115 or SS125
BMS221	Biochemistry	25 CP	SS125, SS120,
	Arts unit (major)	25 CP	
	Arts unit (elective)	25 CP	
BMS230/320	Pathology	25 CP	SS115, SS125
	Arts unit (major)	25 CP	
BMS300	Biomedical Science Practicum	25 CP	None
	Arts unit (major)	25 CP	
	Arts unit (elective)	25 CP	
BMS222	Forensic Analysis	25 CP	SS115, SS120
	Arts unit (major)	25 CP	
PS100	Developmental Psychology	25 CP	None
BMS340	Human Genetics and Evolution	25 CP	SS115, SS125
	Arts unit (major)	25 CP	
	Arts unit (major)	25 CP	
SS350	Pollution and Ecotoxicology	25 CP	SS115, SS120
BMS231/331	Reproductive Biology	25 CP	SS115, BMS103
BMS345	Neuroscience	25 CP	BMS100, SS115,
	Arts unit (major)	25 CP	
	Arts unit (elective)	25 CP	

3.1.2 Elective units

- A student must complete four elective units within the Bachelor of Arts component of the double degree chosen from the unit offerings published by the School of Arts and Sciences on an annual basis.
- There are no elective units within the Bachelor of Biomedical Science component of the double degree.

3.1.3 Majors/Double Majors

- Students of the Bachelor of Arts must study at least one 8 unit Arts major. The major must be selected from the following list:
 - Behavioural Science (comprises of 8 units in accordance with the General Regulations)

- (ii) Communications (comprises of 8 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (iii) English Literature (comprises of 8 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (iv) Environmental Science (comprises of 8 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (v) Geography (comprises of 8 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (vi) History (comprises of 8 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (vii) Italian (comprises of 8 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (viii) Legal Studies (comprises of 8 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (ix) Modern Greek Language (comprises of 8 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (x) Philosophy (comprises of 8 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (xi) Politics (comprises of 8 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (xii) Social Justice (comprises of 8 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (xiii) Sociology (comprises of 8 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (xiv) Theatre Studies (comprises of 8 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (xv) Theology (comprises of 8 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
- (b) There are no majors within the Bachelor of Biomedical Science component of the double degree.

3.1.4 Minors

- (a) Students may choose to use 6 of their 8 elective units (see 3.1.2) to study a Minor in a second discipline:
- (i) Aboriginal Studies (comprises of 6 units in accordance with the General Regulations) (Available Broome Campus only)
 - (ii) Behavioural Science (comprises of 6 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (iii) Biology (comprises of 6 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (iv) Communications (comprises of 6 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (v) English Literature (comprises of 6 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (vi) Environmental Science (comprises of 6 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (vii) Geography (comprises of 6 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (viii) History (comprises of 6 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (ix) Italian (comprises of 6 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (x) Legal Studies (comprises of 6 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (xi) Modern Greek Language (comprises of 6 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
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 - (xiii) Politics (comprises of 6 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (xiv) Social Justice (comprises of 6 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (xv) Sociology (comprises of 6 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (xvi) Theatre Studies (comprises of 6 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
 - (xvii) Theology (comprises of 6 units in accordance with the General Regulations)
- (b) There are no minors within the Bachelor of Biomedical Science component of the double degree.

3.1.5 Specialisations

There are no specialisations permitted within the Bachelor of Biomedical Science/Bachelor of Arts degree.

3.2 Practicum or Internship requirements

- (a) A student enrolled in the Bachelor of Biomedical Science / Bachelor of Arts is required during the third or fourth year of the course to complete the following unit.
BMS300 Biomedical Science Practicum 25CP
- (b) Work in a related field of endeavour will be undertaken under the supervision of an approved external supervisor and assessed on the basis of a written report and a confidential report from the supervisor.
- (c) Australian resident students who have completed a study abroad semester may apply in writing to the Dean (or delegate) to waive the need to complete the Practicum unit and substitute another unit (worth the same credit point value of 25cpts) in place of the Practicum.

3.3 Approved unit substitutions

- (a) Bachelor of Biomedical Science units can only be substituted with the approval of the Dean.
- (b) Unit substitutions within the Bachelor of Arts component of the double degree are only permitted with the approval of the Dean (or delegate).

3.4 Course duration

3.4.1 Standard Duration

- (a) The standard duration of the Bachelor of Biomedical Science/Bachelor of Arts degree is four years of full time study.
- (b) Students are able to enrol in the degree on a part-time basis
- (c) The maximum period of time within which a student is permitted to complete the degree is ten years from the date on which they were first accepted into the course by the University.

3.4.2 Accelerated Duration

An accelerated mode is not available for this course.

3.5 Graduation

A minimum of 825 credit points drawn from the approved course structure is required in order for a student to graduate with the pass degree Bachelor of Biomedical Science/Bachelor of Arts.

3.6 Honours in Biomedical Science

The following Regulations must be read in conjunction with the *Policy: The Award of a Degree with Honours*.

3.6.1 Applicability of Honours program to double degree

Honours is available within the following components of the double degree:

- (a) Bachelor of Biomedical Science (Honours) / Bachelor of Arts
- (b) Bachelor of Biomedical Science / Bachelor of Arts (Honours)
- (c) Bachelor of Biomedical Science (Honours) / Bachelor of Arts (Honours)

3.6.2 Admission to an Honours program

- (a) Admission to the Bachelor of Biomedical Science with Honours is by invitation (in accordance with School procedures) and is subject to approval by the Dean (or delegate).

3.6.3 Selection criteria

- (a) A student enrolled in the Bachelor of Biomedical Science achieving an overall GPA of 2.5 or better in the second and third year of the course may be invited to enrol in the Bachelor of Biomedical Science by the Dean (or delegate).

3.6.4 Compulsory Honours coursework units

A student enrolled in the Bachelor of Biomedical Science Honours program will be required to enrol in and successfully complete the following coursework units during a fifth year of study:

COH499 Advanced Research Methods, Statistics and Ethics in Health Science	25 CP
SS400 Project Design	25 CP
SH1996 Supervised Honours Biomedical Science	50 CP
SH19912 Supervised Honours Biomedical Science	100 CP

3.6.5 Examination of Research component

Examination of the Honours research component within the Bachelor of Biomedical Science is detailed in the *Guideline: Examination of Honours Research Components*.

3.6.6 Awarding Honours

Honours within the Bachelor of Biomedical Science is awarded as graded Honours.

3.7 Honours in Arts

3.7.1 Admission to an Honours program

- (a) Admission to the Laws/Arts (Honours) and Laws (Honours)/Arts (Honours) is by invitation only (in accordance with School procedures) and is subject to approval by the Dean.
- (b) Enrolment in the Laws/Arts (Honours) and Laws (Honours)/Arts (Honours) program on a part-time basis is permitted with the Dean's approval.

3.7.2 Selection criteria

The following selection criteria will be used for a student applying for or being invited to enrol in an Honours program:

- (a) To be considered for entry to the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) year, a student must normally achieve an average of 70% or higher in the major within their degree.
- (b) Any student may be admitted to the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) year on the recommendation of the Honours Supervisor and with the Approval of the Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences.
- (c) No student will be accepted into an honours program unless the Dean has determined that the School has the staff expertise and facilities capable of supporting the applicant.

3.7.3 Compulsory Honours coursework units

- (a) One undergraduate unit in each semester of the student's honours year is to be selected in consultation with the supervisor. One 5000 word essay of honours-level quality must be submitted to the honours coordinators during or prior to Week 10 of the semester, based on a theme or topic relevant to the unit. A minimum 85% attendance in class is mandatory. Each essay is worth 20% of the final honours grade (40%).
- (b) The student is to attend a weekly workshop series run over both semesters, and contribute to the discussion of student research progress and problems. Attendance for at least 85% of all workshops is necessary to successfully complete the Honours Program.

3.7.4 Compulsory Research component

Each student is required to:

- (a) Present a seminar paper to the School of Arts and Sciences in Week 6 of the student's first semester, outlining the proposed thesis research including its topic, main questions and objectives, and anticipated outcomes.

- (b) Submit a research proposal and required ethics applications to the School of Arts and Sciences, prepared under the guidance of their supervisor, in Week 8 of the student's first semester of enrolment.
- (c) Present a second seminar paper in Week 6 of the student's last semester, outlining the methods which were applied, the objectives and questions which were addressed and the main findings (or anticipated findings) which were determined in the student's thesis research.
- (d) Submit for examination an honours-level thesis of between 18,000 and 20,000 words in Week 12 of the student's second semester (or part-time equivalent). The thesis is worth 60% of the final honours grade.

3.7.5 Examination of Research component

The research thesis is examined by at least two examiners, one of whom is usually external to the University.

3.7.6 Awarding Honours

- (a) A student must achieve a final mark for that year of at least 60% to be awarded a degree with honours.
- (b) Honours within the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) is awarded as graded Honours in accordance with the General Regulations.

End of Regulations