

10 July 2018

To: All Returning Students of the Faculty of Science

Welcome back to the Faculty of Science. We hope you had an enjoyable vacation and are fully re-charged to begin your new semester of study.

This letter contains important information on the Online Module Registration through CORS and filing procedures for Graduation and Honours Projects for AY2018/19 Semester 1. Do read this letter carefully.

### **CENTRALISED ONLINE REGISTRATION SYSTEM (CORS)**

The schedule for Online Module Registration for AY2018/19 Semester 1 is as follows:

Module registration period	26 July 2018 – 14 August 2018
Lectures begin	13 August 2018
Tutorial registration for GER1000, GEQ1000 and selected Physics Level 1000 Modules	13 August 2018 – 17 August 2018
Tutorial registration for all other modules	17 August 2018 – 24 August 2018
Tutorials begin	27 August 2018
Drop with 'W' & no refund of points	27 August 2018 0000hrs – 30 September 2018 2359hrs
Drop with 'F' & full refund of points	1 October 2018 0000hrs onwards

Please refer to the CORS website at <http://www.cors.nus.edu.sg/> for detailed schedules and activities of each bidding round.

#### Major/Minor Declaration

You will be prompted by the system for Major/s and Minor/s declaration upon the first login. The minimum requirement of your candidature is to read 1 Major Programme and the maximum allowance is 2 Major Programmes with 2 Minor Programmes (Pharmacy students are allowed to read a maximum of 1 Major Programme only). Do select the Programmes according to your ability. You may amend your declaration each semester during the first login to CORS. No amendment is allowed **beyond the fifth semester of study**.

#### Bidding

Always bid for module(s) in earlier rounds. If you are able to see your desired non-Science modules available for bidding under the 'Regular' modules category, please proceed to select them for bidding. The category under which you bid for the module and the module type code set for CORS will **not** affect how the module will be used for your graduation requirements.

#### Assistance

Students who prefer to do the online registration in the Faculty may proceed to S16 Level 5 Computer Lab. Should you require any assistance, please approach the Science Computer Based Learning Centre (CBLC) Helpdesk during the module registration period at S16 Level 2. The contact information and operating hours of Science CBLC Helpdesk for AY2018/19 Semester 1 are as follow:

26 July 2018, Thursday – 10 August 2018, Friday  
 Hotline - 6516 8701  
 Email - [helpdesk@science.nus.edu.sg](mailto:helpdesk@science.nus.edu.sg)

Monday – Thursday	0900 – 1730 hours
Friday	0900 – 1630 hours
Weekends & University/Public Holidays	Closed

**Please bring along your NUSNET ID and NUSNET Password during the module registration period. Students should not reveal their login/email passwords and NUS Smartcard PIN number to anyone. Disciplinary action will be taken against those who do so.**

Department of Biological Sciences has decommissioned the Life Sciences Operating Centre (LSOC) helpdesk. Students may write in to [dbsbox2@nus.edu.sg](mailto:dbsbox2@nus.edu.sg) or walk-in to their administration office at Block S3 Level 5 should you have any query. Information on Life Sciences Undergraduate Programme and modules are also available on <http://www.lifesciences.nus.edu.sg/>

### Workload

All Single Degree students can select and bid up to a **maximum of 23 MCs** from Bidding Round 0 to Round 2. From Round 3 onwards, the workload allowance shall be in accordance to the student’s CAP for students from Cohorts 2012/13 and beyond.

CAP	Round	Max Workload	Remark
0.00 – 5.00	1 – 2	23	
0.00	3	26	Freshman
0.00 – 1.99	3	23	Probation
2.00 – 3.19	3	26	
3.20 – 5.00	3	32	

Do note that the stipulated minimum workload that each student should have from AY2015/16 Semester 1 onwards is **18 MCs per semester**. Please refer to the following link for more information:  
<http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/edu/UG/graduation.html>

### **NUS DATA PROTECTION POLICY AND PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION ACT (PDPA) GUIDELINES**

Recently, Singapore has seen multiple cases of data breaches and attacks on our IT infrastructure. Understanding that the University is not immune to these incidents and threats, we have taken direction from the Singapore Personal Data Protection Commission (PDPC) to roll out an e-training module DP1001 *NUS Data Protection Policy and Personal Data Protection Act (PDPA) Guidelines* to all undergraduates.

All students are required to complete this 30-minutes **mandatory** e-training module via Integrated Virtual Learning Environment (IVLE) by **13 Aug 2018**, if you have not done so. Students who fail to complete the e-Training by the deadline will be assigned a “Hold” which will block the following services:

- View/print Student Status Letter
- View/print Unofficial Transcript

If you have questions on the e-Training, please write to [opcsec@nus.edu.sg](mailto:opcsec@nus.edu.sg)

### **QUALIFYING ENGLISH TEST (QET)**

Students are reminded to register for your QET if you have not done so. Students will be notified by the Centre for English Language Communications (CELC) of your QET results.

- Students who obtain Band 1 will have to take ES1000 followed by ES1103
- Students who obtain Band 2 will have to take ES1103.

- Students who obtain Band 3 are exempted from these English modules.

Students are strongly advised to complete the required module(s) within the first year of study. Students who are required to read both ES1000 and ES1103 may read ES1000 in the first semester of study and ES1103 in the second semester of study. Please refer to the CELC website for more information: <http://www.nus.edu.sg/celc/programmes/get.php>.

### **COMPULSORY COMMUNICATION MODULE**

The Centre for English Learning and Communication (CELC) and Faculty of Science co-developed SP1541/ES1541 Exploring Science Communication through Popular Science, a compulsory module for all Science students (except Pharmacy and Environmental Studies students, USP and SPS students and students from any Residential Colleges) matriculated in AY2013/14 and beyond. Science students matriculated in AY2015/16 and beyond will read the module code SP1541 while students matriculated in AY2014/15 and before will read the module code ES1541. Students are strongly advised to complete the module within the first year of study. Students who are required to read ES1000 and/or ES1103 should complete the module within the first two years of study.

Please refer to the following website for more information:

<http://www.science.nus.edu.sg/undergraduate-studies/ugreq/curriculum-structure/186-undergraduate/ugreq/curriculum-structure/708-es1541>.

### **GENERAL EDUCATION (GE) CURRICULUM**

As part of Graduation Requirements, all students admitted from AY2015/16 (except students from Law, Medicine, Dentistry and Nursing) are required to read one General Education Module from each of the five pillars to satisfy the University Level Requirements (ULR). The five pillars are:

- Human Cultures
- Asking Questions<sup>1</sup>
- Quantitative Reasoning<sup>2</sup>
- Singapore Studies
- Thinking and Expression

<sup>1</sup> GEQ1000 *Asking Questions* is the only module offered under the pillar. The module was launched in AY2016/17 semester 2. Students admitted in AY2016/17 and beyond are required to read GEQ1000 to fulfil the Asking Questions pillar. Students admitted in AY2015/16 are required to read one other module from the other pillars, to fulfil the Asking Questions pillar. Ridge View Residential College (RVRC) students may read GEQ1917 *Understanding and Critiquing Sustainability* to fulfil the Asking Questions pillar.

<sup>2</sup> GER1000 *Quantitative Reasoning* is the only module offered under the pillar. University Scholars Programme (USP) and University Town College Programme (UTCP) students admitted from AY2016/17 are required to read GER1000. The rest of the GE requirements are fulfilled by USP/UTCP modules.

Students are strongly encouraged to complete the GE modules within the **first 2 years** of your candidature. Please note that students who have read/selected 1 module in a particular pillar are **not** allowed to bid for a 2<sup>nd</sup> module from the same pillar until bidding Round 2B, subject to module availability.

#### GER1000 and GEQ1000 module pre-allocation for students matriculated from AY2017/18 onwards

Major	GER1000	GEQ1000
Bachelor of Environmental Science Data Science & Analytics Pharmacy	Year 1 Sem 1	Year 1 Sem 2
Computational Biology	Year 1 Sem 1	Year 2 Sem 1
Food Science & Technology	Year 1 Sem 2	

All other Majors	Non-Hall Students	Year 1 Sem 1 <u>or</u> Year 1 Sem 2	Year 1 Sem 2 <u>or</u> Year 2 Sem 1 <u>or</u> Year 2 Sem 2
	Hall Students*	Year 1 Sem 1	Year 1 Sem 2

\* Hall residents will attend tutorials at their Halls, if they are reading GER1000 in Year 1 Semester 1 and GEQ1000 in Semester 2. Halls include Kent Ridge, Sheares, Eusoff, Raffles, King Edward VII, Temasek and Prince George's Park House.

### GEQ1000 & GER1000 tutorial balloting

Even though GER1000 and GEQ1000 modules are pre-allocated, students have to ballot for tutorial classes during Tutorial Iteration 1 from **13 August 2018 – 17 August 2018**. Students may rank up to **20** tutorial timeslots (1 being highest priority). The details for manual registration will be communicated to students via NUS email.

13/08/2018 (Mon)	14/08/2018 (Tue)	15/08/2018 (Wed)	16/08/2018 (Thurs)	17/08/2018 (Fri)
Tutorial Iteration 1 Balloting Round 1A	Tutorial Iteration 1 Balloting Round 1B	Tutorial Iteration 1 Add/Drop/Swap	Tutorial Iteration 1 Manual Registration	Tutorial Iteration 1 Manual Registration

Students may refer to the following link and contact details should you have any query.

GER1000 Enquiry Box: [QRadmin@nus.edu.sg](mailto:QRadmin@nus.edu.sg)

GEQ1000 Enquiry Box: [AskQ@nus.edu.sg](mailto:AskQ@nus.edu.sg)

GER1000 & GEQ1000 Website: <https://wiki.nus.edu.sg/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=194740263>

### COMPUTATIONAL THINKING (CT)

To remain relevant in the workplace of tomorrow, undergraduates should acquire basic computational skills, i.e. computational thinking (CT). All Faculty of Science students admitted in AY2017/18 and onwards (except Pharmacy students matriculated in AY2017/18 and SPS students) are required to read the following option(s) to fulfil the CT requirement.

Major / Programme	Computational Thinking (CT) Requirement
Computational Biology Data Science & Analytics Mathematics Applied Mathematics Quantitative Finance Statistics	CS1010S (or its variants) <i>Programming Methodology</i> , which is within the Majors' essential requirements.
Life Sciences Physics	Option 1: COS2000 <i>Computational Thinking for Scientists</i> <u>or</u> Option 2: CS1010S (or its variants) <i>Programming Methodology</i>
Chemistry Food Science & Technology	Option 1: COS2000 <i>Computational Thinking for Scientists</i> <u>or</u> Option 2: CM3267 <i>Computational Thinking and Programming in Chemistry</i> <u>or</u> Option 3: CS1010S (or its variants) <i>Programming Methodology</i>
Bachelor of Environmental Studies (BES)	GET1031A <i>Computational Thinking</i> BES students doing UTCP at Residential College 4 (RC4) are exempted from GET1031A.

- COS2000 and CS1010S are open for bidding by all Science Students regardless of your major's CT requirement. Nonetheless, the availability of these modules is subjected to successful bidding.
- CM3267 will be offered with effect from AY2018/19 Semester 2.
- More information on CT requirements is available on <http://science.nus.edu.sg/undergraduate-studies/ugreq/computational-thinking-requirement>

## **FRESHMEN SEMINARS (FMS)**

Freshman Seminars provide an unparalleled opportunity for freshmen to explore a scholarly topic of interest in a small group setting of 15 students. The module earns 4 MCs and may be used to satisfy faculty requirements under the subject group, Multidisciplinary & Interdisciplinary Sciences.

The modules are open to freshmen of the Faculty of Science in their first two semesters at NUS. The modules are available for bidding for Year 2 and 3 Science students from **Round 2A**, subject to availability. Priority will, however, be given to freshmen.

Please refer to the student portal for information on module descriptions and seminar topics.

## **MODULE AND EXAMINATION TIMETABLE**

The class and examination timetables for AY2018/19 Semester 1 can be found at the following URL from 5 July 2018 onwards: <https://myaces.nus.edu.sg/cors/jsp/report/ModuleInfoListing.jsp>

The onus is on the student to map out the study plan and avoid registering for modules with clashes in class or examination timetable. Faculty of Science is not supportive of timetable clash waivers. Appeals are only considered if students require the module to fulfil their graduation requirement in their graduating semester, without which might lead to a delay in graduation. Students may use the NUS Timetable Builder to generate a personalized timetable: <https://webrb.nus.edu.sg/ctt/builder.aspx>

## **OVERLAPPING AND PRECLUDED MODULES**

Some modules offered may overlap substantially in content with each other. Students are discouraged from reading overlapping modules unless both are required for attaining a double major, for example. In such situation, students may be allowed to read the overlapping module, but only the modular credits and grade of one module will be counted towards the graduation requirements.

Similarly, if you have obtained approval to read a precluded module, only the modular credits and grade of one module will be counted towards your graduation requirements.

Students are expected to exercise personal responsibility to check if they are reading overlapping and/or precluded modules. When in doubt, students should consult the module coordinator or academic advisor. Please refer to the following links for the list of precluded and overlapping modules.

- <http://www.science.nus.edu.sg/undergraduate-studies/ugreq/curriculum-structure/186-undergraduate/ugreq/curriculum-structure/218-overlapping-modules>
- <http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/nusbuletin/>

## **S/U OPTION POLICY**

### **1. FOR COHORTS MATRICULATED BEFORE AY2014/15**

The entitlement of S/U Option is at 12MCs. Students are not allowed to declare S/U option on ALL modules within the First and Second Major Requirements, including modules hosted by other faculties, regardless of whether these modules are read in excess. S/U option is also not applicable towards all regular Science modules even though they may be read as Unrestricted Electives.

The 'S' or 'U' grade obtained for modules that fall within the Major Requirements of a newly declared First or Second Major from AY2013/14 Semester 2 onwards will be reverted to original grade upon the declaration of the new Major, regardless of when the modules were completed.

### **2. FOR COHORTS MATRICULATED IN AY2014/15 AND AY2015/16**

The Grade Free Semester 1, launched in AY2014/15 Semester 1, serves to facilitate a transformation in students' mind set towards grades and learning in the university setting.

Under the new S/U Policy, students receiving letter grades for the modules mentioned in Point B below can opt to keep their grades or convert them to Satisfactory 'S' or Unsatisfactory 'U' grade.

**A. Grade Free Semester 1 is applicable to the following groups of students:**

- Students matriculated in AY2014/15 and AY2015/16
- Students who accessed NUS modules prior to their first regular semester as undergraduate student in AY2014/15 Semester 1 – Polytechnic exemptions, advance placement tests for NUS modules, former H3, NUSHS, RNS men (iBLOC and Special Term)
- Clean slate transfer/ readmitted students (with no grade/credit transfer of any NUS module) in AY2014/15 and AY2015/16
- Partner University (JDP, CDP, DDP) students whose first semester of study is at NUS

**B. The abovementioned entitlement may be applied on the following modules:**

- Level 1000 modules (excluding non-credit-bearing English language proficiency modules)
- Level 2000 modules without NUS modules as pre-requisites
- Centre for Language Studies (CLS)' language modules at all levels
- Centre for English Language Communication's (CELC) Level 2000 Communication and Ideas & Exposition modules
- GEK2508, GEM2509
- Yale-NUS language modules at all levels
- For accelerating students\*: Level 2000 modules with NUS modules as pre-requisites (only if they are read in the first semester)

\*Accelerating Students are defined as those who have already met the pre-requisite to enrol in these Level 2000 modules in the first semester.

**C. S/U Option is not applicable for the following situations/modules:**

- Modules dropped with 'W' or 'F' grade (during the module dropping period)
- Modules assigned 'IC' grade
- Modules in which student had committed plagiarism
- Modules in which the Board of Discipline had prescribed a revised grade
- University Scholars Programme's (USP) Writing and Critical Thinking modules (UWC2101%) and Quantitative Reasoning modules (UQF2101%)
- Yong Siew Toh Conservatory of Music (YSTCM) Major Study Module

**D. Key Points to Note:**

**1. Classification of the S/U Option:**

Students may exercise the S/U Option for up to 32 MCs of which:

- i. 20 MCs can be exercised during the first semester;
- ii. 12 MCs at any time during the candidature.

Both the 'S' and 'U' grade count towards the 32 MCs worth of S/U Option entitlement.

**2. Exceptions to S/U Option Entitlement:**

Freshman Seminar (4 MCs) and Applied Science students' Professional Placement Programme module (8 MCs) which are read on an Completed Satisfactory/Completed Unsatisfactory (CS/CU) basis, and all modules read on exchange programmes on an Overseas Satisfactory/Overseas Unsatisfactory (OVS/OVU) basis will not impinge on the 32 MCs worth of S/U Option.

**3. About S/U Grading**

- i. For modules read on an S/U basis, the modular credit is obtained only if a student attains a Satisfactory 'S' grade on the module.
- ii. A Satisfactory 'S' grade is an equivalent of a 'C' grade [or grade point of 2.0] and above.
- iii. All modules read on S/U basis are excluded from the computation of the CAP.
- iv. S/U Option, once exercised, is irrevocable. Students may not later request for a conversion to a letter grade after they have declared.

### E. Carry Forward Policy

The following group of students are able to carry over unused S/U Option entitlement to the second semester for specific modules.

- First Major as Life Sciences
- First Major as Chemistry
- Students from Environmental Studies
- Students from Special Programme in Science (SPS)
- Students from Residential Colleges (RVRC, UTCP)
- Students from University Scholar Programme (USP)

Please refer to the Carry Forward Policy, which details the exact module/s applicable, for each group of students: <http://www.science.nus.edu.sg/undergraduate-studies/ugreq/s-u-option>

For students matriculated in **AY2015/16, Semester 1**, please refer to the following link for carry forward policy specific to the module GER1000:

<http://www.science.nus.edu.sg/undergraduate-studies/ugreq/curriculum-structure/186-undergraduate/ugreq/curriculum-structure/1310-ger1000-quantitative-reasoning>

Students are allowed to carry over a maximum of 8MCs from the Semester 1 20MCs S/U Option entitlement to Semester 2.

### 3. FOR COHORTS MATRICULATED IN AY2016/17 AND AFTER

With the launch of Enhanced Grade-free Scheme with effect from AY2016/17 Semester 1, students may exercise the S/U option for up to 32 MCs in the first two regular semesters. If this is not fully utilised, the S/U option may be exercised in subsequent semesters, for up to 12 MCs.

Variations on the limit of S/U options that can be exercised apply for specific groups of students:

- i. Students without prior university experience but are granted 20 or more Advanced Placement Credits (APCs) at the point of admission to NUS may exercise the S/U option for up to 20 MCs in the first two regular semesters; if this is not fully utilised, the S/U option may still be exercised in subsequent semesters, for up to 12 MCs.
- ii. Students with some prior university experience (which are being recognised towards the NUS degree) may exercise the S/U option for up to 12 MCs anytime during their candidature, including the first two regular semesters.
- iii. Students with a prior university degree are not eligible for the grade-free scheme.

Student Type		S/U Options Available	
		First two regular semesters	Beyond first two regular semesters (if unutilised)
Newly admitted students without prior University experience. This also includes students with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clean slate transfer from another University or Faculty.</li> <li>• Re-admitted into NUS on a clean slate.</li> </ul>	< 20 APCs	32 MCs	12 MCs
	≥ 20 APCs	20 MCs	12 MCs
Students with some prior University experience. This includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Transfer from another University with credits.</li> </ul>		12 MCs	12 MCs



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>From partner Universities whose first year of study is not at NUS.</li> <li>Enrolled in DDP where Law is one of the partner faculties and hence spent their first year in Law.</li> </ul>		
Students with a prior University degree	0 MCs	0 MCs

The abovementioned entitlement is applicable for the following modules:

- 1) All Level 1000 modules.
- 2) Level 2000 modules without NUS modules as pre-requisites.
- 3) Centre for Language Studies' (CLS) language modules at all levels.
- 4) Yale-NUS College's (YNC) language modules at all levels.
- 5) Centre for English Language Communication's (CELC) Level 2000 Communication and Ideals & Exposition modules. (ES2002, IS2101, CS2101, ES2660, ES2007D, ES2331, UTW2001%)

The abovementioned entitlement is not applicable for the following modules:

- Level 2000 modules with NUS modules as pre-requisites.
- Modules of Level 3000 and above.
- Modules dropped with W or F-grade (during the module dropping period).
- Modules assigned IC grade.
- Modules in which student had committed academic offense.
- Modules in which the Board of Discipline had prescribed a revised grade.
- University Scholars Program's (USP) Writing and Critical Thinking modules (UWC2101%) and Quantitative Reasoning modules (UQF2101%).
- Yong Siew Toh Conservatory of Music (YSTCM) Major Study modules.
- Zero-MC modules.

### Key Points to Note

- Both the 'S' and 'U' grade count towards the total S/U Option entitlement.
- For modules read on an S/U basis, the modular credit is obtained only if a student attains a Satisfactory 'S' grade for the module.
- A Satisfactory 'S' grade is an equivalent of a 'C' grade and above.
- All modules read on S/U basis are excluded from the computation of the CAP.
- S/U option, once exercised, is irrevocable. Students may not later request for a conversion to a letter grade.

Do find out more about S/U Option Policy by reading the relevant information at the following websites.

- <http://www.science.nus.edu.sg/undergraduate-studies/ugfaq/faq-current>
- <http://www.science.nus.edu.sg/undergraduate-studies/ugreq/s-u-option>
- <http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/education-at-nus/undergraduate-education/continuation-and-graduation-requirements.html>
- <https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/academics/ug/su-homepage.html>

### FILE FOR HONOURS PROJECT

**With effect from AY2018/19, students who intend to start Honours in their chosen major in Semester 2, AY2018/19, do not have to file for Honours project online.**

To qualify for commencing Honours in Semester 2, AY2018/19, you must have an overall CAP of at least 3.20, fulfilled 100 MCs or more, **and** have completed the major requirements under the B.Sc. degree by the end of Semester 1, AY2018/19.

Students will be automatically promoted to SCI4 (Honours Year) if they meet the above requirements.



### **For Pharmacy, Computational Biology and Environmental Studies Students:**

Please note that Pharmacy, Computational Biology and Environmental Studies students are also **not** required to file for Honours project. Separate instructions/information on Honours project registration for these two programmes will be given to you by your respective department/programme coordinator.

### **For Current SEP/NOC Students:**

No action is required from students who are currently on SEP/NOC and **do not** require their overseas credits to start Honours project in Semester 2, AY2018/19.

Students currently on SEP/NOC who **require** their overseas credits to start Honours project in Semester 2, AY2018/19 should read the FAQs via the URL below to find out the procedural steps, which should be taken.

FAQ: <http://www.science.nus.edu.sg/undergraduate-studies/ugfaq/faq-current>

## **FILE FOR GRADUATION (FFG)**

Please read the following information carefully.

### **1. Students on Single Degree Programme**

**Students who intend to graduate by the end of Semester 1, AY2018/19 must file for graduation online. 'Apply for Graduation' via MySIS from 26 July to 12 August 2018.**

Before filing for graduation, you must ensure that you have:

- i. Fulfilled all graduation requirements (such as English Skills modules, ULR, Science Faculty requirement etc), **and**
- ii. Not exceeded the limit on the number of Level-1000 modules to be counted towards fulfilment of graduation requirements, which is 60 MCs for both 120MC and 160MC programmes, **and**
- iii. Declared your major(s), specialisation and/or minor(s), if any, correctly.

**You are reminded to update your declaration of major(s), specialisation and/or minor(s), and remove those that you no longer want.** Otherwise, the FFG check will indicate that you do not satisfy the requirements of the major(s), specialisation and/or minor(s) declared and you may not be allowed to graduate at the end of Semester 1, AY2018/19.

**It is important that students file for graduation via MySIS. Students who do not file for graduation online by 12 August 2018 may have to delay their graduation till Semester 2, AY2018/19.**

Students are strongly advised to refer to the graduation requirements available on Faculty of Science Website and the Bulletin. Their URLs are below for your quick reference.

- Faculty of Science Website: <http://www.science.nus.edu.sg/>
- Bulletin: <http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/nusbulletin/>
- NUS Student Portal: <https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/academics/ug/>
- Science Faculty requirements:  
<http://www.science.nus.edu.sg/undergraduate-studies/ugreq/curriculum-structure?id=212>

Should you have enquiries on the requirements of majors and minors, please contact the departments offering the majors and minors directly.

### **2. Students on Double Degree Programme (DDP)**

**Students who intend to graduate by the end of Semester 1, AY2018/19 must file for graduation online. 'Apply for Graduation' via MySIS from 26 July to 12 August 2018.**

Please note that the 60MC limit on Level 1000 modules is applicable to all modules counted towards DDP. You must also ensure that you have fulfilled all graduation requirements and have declared your major(s), specialization(s) and minor(s), if any, correctly.

Please email Science Dean's Office at [sciffg@nus.edu.sg](mailto:sciffg@nus.edu.sg) if you need further clarifications on FFG matters.

### **ACADEMIC WARNING, PROBATION & DISMISSAL**

#### **1) For cohort matriculated in AY2015/16 and before**

For any semester in which the student's CAP falls below 2.00 (but  $\geq 1.50$ ), that student will be issued an academic warning. If, in the following semester, the student's CAP again falls below 2.00, s/he will be placed on probation. If the student's CAP remains below 2.00 for the third consecutive semester, the student will be issued a letter of dismissal by the Registrar and denied re-admission.

For students whose CAP falls below 1.50 for two consecutive semesters, they will be placed on probation for the first semester, followed by dismissal in the second semester.

The Table below summarizes the abovementioned rules on Academic Warning, Probation and Dismissal.

<b>Academic Status</b>	<b>CAP</b>
Academic Warning	$1.50 \leq \text{CAP} < 2.00$ for the first time
Probation	CAP < 1.50 for the first time OR CAP < 2.00 in subsequent semester for students with $1.50 \leq \text{CAP} < 2.00$ in the previous semester OR $1.50 \leq \text{CAP} < 2.00$ in subsequent semester for students with CAP < 1.50 in the previous semester
Dismissal	CAP < 1.50 for 2 consecutive semesters CAP < 2.00 for 3 consecutive semesters

#### **2) For cohort matriculated in AY2016/17 and after**

To remain in good academic standing, and to continue in an undergraduate programme of study, a student may not have CAP below 2.00 for two consecutive semesters. For any semester in which the student's CAP falls below 2.00, s/he will be placed on probation. If the student's CAP remains below 2.00 for the second consecutive semester, the student will be issued a letter of dismissal by the Registrar's Office and denied re-admission.

With the launch of Enhanced Grade-free Scheme:

- For students eligible to exercise  $\geq 20$  MCs of S/U options, the above continuation rules are applied from the third semester onwards.
- For students eligible to exercise  $\leq 12$  MCs of S/U options, the above continuation rules are applied from the first semester onwards.

The student may appeal against the dismissal if there are extenuating circumstances. However, each student is only allowed to appeal **once** during his/her candidature.

Students who face difficulties in coping with their studies are encouraged to approach their academic mentors for guidance and support. The respective mentors will be able to guide and advise students of the various avenues where help is available. More information on the Science Academic Mentorship scheme is provided at <http://www.science.nus.edu.sg/students/ams>.

### **FEE REBATE POLICY (FOR STUDENTS MATRICULATED IN AY2014/15 AND BEYOND)**

With effect from AY2014/15, a rebate in tuition fees paid in excess of the total fees for the stipulated candidature period may be granted to eligible students who graduate on time within the stipulated candidature period. A student is eligible for tuition fee rebate if s/he meets all of the following conditions:

- i. Admitted into an undergraduate degree under the modular system in NUS from AY2014/2015;
- ii. Completed NUS modules during the following period(s):
  - prior to the undergraduate candidature (e.g. NUS iBLOC, NUS H3 subjects, NUS modules taken as NUS High School students, and NUS modules taken under the Polytechnic Advanced Placement Programmes); and/or
  - during Special Terms within the undergraduate candidature;
- iii. Paid tuition fees in excess of the fees for completing the undergraduate degree programme on time in the candidature period applicable for fee rebate (as defined in the table below).

S/N	Degree Type	Candidature Period for Fee Rebate <sup>#</sup>
1	Single Degree/ Joint Degree Programme (120 MC)	6 consecutive semesters
2	Single Degree/ Joint Degree Programme (160 MC)	8 consecutive semesters
3	Double Degree Programme (DDP)	9 consecutive semesters

<sup>#</sup> Include all approved Leave of Absence (LOA) periods, except those given for medical reasons.

Please refer to <https://share.nus.edu.sg/registrar/student/info/FAQ-on-Fee-Rebate-Policy.pdf> for more details.

## **PROGRAMMES OF INTEREST**

### **1. Second Majors offered by Faculty of Science**

Science students who wish to enhance and broaden their undergraduate studies may opt for a second major. Please refer to the following website for more information:

<http://www.science.nus.edu.sg/undergraduate-studies/ugprog/second-majors>.

### **2. Study Abroad Programmes**

FoS aims to cultivate a generation of undergraduates who are enterprising and global in outlook. To achieve this, we encourage students to go for overseas study trips through a host of programmes, which includes the Student Exchange Programme (SEP) and the Summer Programmes. Students participating in SEP will be able to spend a semester studying at a reputable foreign university, while students on Summer Programmes will spend a shorter but equally enriching period of several weeks studying overseas. More information is available at the following website:

<http://www.science.nus.edu.sg/undergraduate-studies/ugsap/ugsap-out>

### **IMPORTANT REMINDER**

Important information will be transmitted to students through the Faculty of Science Website (<http://www.science.nus.edu.sg/>) or via electronic mail.

***Please note that it is your responsibility to check these channels regularly for latest updates.***

You are also reminded to clear your NUS Email Account regularly so that important emails can be delivered to you.

We wish you success in your studies.

Yours sincerely,

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