Faculty of Science & Technology

Orientation Session for New Students 2015/2016

Sept 3rd 2015
Overview

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Departments

- Chemistry
- Computing and Information Technology
- Life Sciences
- Mathematics & Statistics
- Physics
PROGRAMMES IN FST

- BSc General (majors and minors)
  - Chemistry
  - Mathematics
  - Computer Science
  - Information Technology
  - Physics
  - Biology
  - Biochemistry
  - Environmental Science*
  - Industrial Chemistry*
  - Electronics*
PROGRAMMES IN FST

- BSc Special Options
  - BSc Chemistry & Management
  - BSc Information Technology
  - BSc Computer Science & Management
  - BSc Computer Science
  - BSc Actuarial Science
  - BSc Environmental Science & Sustainable Tech
  - BSc Biomedical Technology
  - BSc Chemistry
  - BSc Biology with specializations
  - BSc Statistics and Economics
  - BSc Mathematics
Structure of a BSc General Degree

Pre-Science programme

University Courses

Faculty

Advanced Courses

Introductory Courses

Foundation

Major

Minor

Electives

LEVEL-I

LEVEL-II & III
Building a degree… block by block (BSc general)

Flexibility increases

- Major-2
- Minor
- Minor
- Major-1
- Minor
- Major-1
- Major-1
Requirements to graduate
Minimum credit requirements

- BSc General 93
- BSc Actuarial Science 102
- BSc Chem & Mgmt 93
- BSc Comp Sci & Mgmt 99
- BSc Information Technology 93
- BSc Computer Science 93
- BSc Biomedical Technology 93
- BSc Environ. Sci & Sust. Tech 93
- BSc Biology 93
- BSc Chemistry 93
- BSc Statistics & Economics 99
- BSc Mathematics 96
Minimum requirements for BSc (General) 93 credits

- 24 credits of introductory courses
- 60 credits of advanced courses
- 9 foundation credits
Foundation Courses

FOUN 1101  Caribbean Civilisation

FOUN 1105  Scientific and Technical Writing
(ELPT 15\textsuperscript{th} October, 2015)
4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

FOUN 1301  Law, Governance, Economy and Society

FOUN Courses are now being graded
Normal loading

- Fulltime Level I students: 12-15 credits per semester
- Fulltime level II & III students: 12-16 credits per semester
- Part time students: max of 9 credits per semester
GPA

- Term or Semester
- Honours or degree
- Cumulative or overall
## The GPA System

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Calculating the GPA

- Number of credits \( \times \) quality points = GP
- Total number of grade points \( \frac{\text{number of grade points}}{\text{number of credits}} \) = GPA
Progress through the programme

- GPA 2.00 and above ....good standing

- GPA of less than 2.00....WARNING ‘Dean’s Hold’

- GPA of less than 2.00 in next semester: RTW.....GOODBYE!

- Need to apply for re-entry and stay out for one year
  Can do summer courses
Honours GPA

- First Class       3.60 - 4.30
- Upper Second 3.00 - 3.59
- Lower Second 2.50 – 2.99
- Pass                 2.00 – 2.49
- Less than 2.00 ???
GATE and GPA

- Cumulative GPA of 2.00 for continued GATE
Deadline for submission of online overrides

Tuesday 8th September 2015
4.00 p.m.
Deadline for change in registration/late registration

Friday 11th September 2015
4.00 p.m.
THE DEAN’S HONOUR ROLL

- Will be on a semester basis
- Co-curricular courses, internship programmes, audited courses, and summer courses do not count
- Students must pass a minimum of 15 credits FT or 9 credits PT
- Semester GPA must be 3.6 and above
Course combinations not allowed

- Appendix 4: List of Anti-requisites
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Examination Matters

- Timetable
- Absence
- Unauthorised materials
- Cheating
- Plagiarism & Collusion
Plagiarism

Plagiarism means the unacknowledged and unjustified use of the words, ideas or creations of another, including unjustified unacknowledged quotation and unjustified unattributed borrowing.
Plagiarism

Need to submit a signed form for each assignment/lab report submitted declaring that you have not plagiarized
CAPS

Counselling and Psychological Services

Dr Sarah Chin Yuen Kee
STUDENT EXCHANGE/STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMME

International Office

Mr Sharan Chandradath Singh
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Final words......

- Plan your degree from now.....
- Visit you academic advisor regularly
- Enjoy your university experience