

Senate Rule – University Medal

University Medal Rules

1. Authority of Senate to award University Medals

The Senate may award University Medals in recognition of outstanding academic merit in programs leading to the award of bachelor's degrees with first class honours.

2. Recommendations for the award of University Medals

Recommendations for the award of University Medals will be made in the first instance by the relevant Executive Dean to the Academic Board*, which will be responsible for maintaining, as far as possible, a uniformity of standards in relation to the recommendations. The Academic Board may —

- (a) endorse a recommendation and transmit it to Senate* with or without comment;
- (b) decline to transmit to Senate a recommendation; or
- (c) provide advice to the Executive Dean on the recommendations.

3. Eligibility for University Medal

To be eligible for nomination for a University Medal, a student must have —

- (a) qualified for the bachelor's degree (which may be a subsequent degree) with first class honours; and
- (b) achieved a quality of performance throughout the program above and beyond that required for the award of first class honours.

4. Criteria for determination of academic merit

Criteria for assessing students' quality of performance may be determined by Senate on the recommendation of the Academic Board being factors pertinent to the assessment of academic excellence, for example: results achieved in courses comprising the program of study; the quality of any honours thesis; and the length of time taken to complete the program.

* Authority vested in the Academic Board and the Senate under these Rules has been delegated to the Committee for Academic Programs Policy and the Vice-Chancellor respectively.

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