UNDERSTANDING YOUR TIMETABLE

In some programs, you have to choose your own courses so you will need to consult the timetable carefully to ensure your selected courses do not clash. If you find there is a clash, you may have to alter some of your course choices.

Symbols Explained

Class Contact type
The first symbol denotes the kind of Contact

C  General Contact – perhaps a lecture or seminar or group learning situation.
F  Fieldwork – perhaps outside, such as on a farm.
I  IT (Computing) session – usually in a computer training room or studio.
L  Lecture – a presentation to a class, often in an auditorium or theatre, of core course matter.
P  Practical – consisting of laboratory work.
S  Seminar – a presentation with opportunities for discussion and interaction.
T  Tutorial – a small class environment characterised by discussion and peer interaction, often supplementary to lectures.
W  Workshop – practical work with a creative emphasis or applied emphasis.
E  External delivery

Groups – All or Choice?

1. The letters A, B, C mean CHOICE (A or B or C)
The same material is repeated in each session
Example
Ta, Tb, Tc, Td etc. Choose one class (e.g. Tc and go to only that class at the time indicated)

2. The numbers 1, 2, 3 mean ALL (1 + 2 + 3)
Attend each lecture, as there will be new material in each session
Example
L1, L2, L3 etc (i.e. go to all lectures)

3. If the course offers a choice of streams but requires attendance at a number of lectures each week in a stream, it is denoted as A1, A2, A3 and B1, B2, B3 etc.
Choose a letter (A or B) and attend all the numbers with that letter. There will be new material in each of the A lectures and new material in each of the B lectures.

Example
LA1, LA2
LB1, LB2 (choose a letter e.g. B and go to all the lectures with that letter - B1 + B2)

4. A few courses require attendance at more than one lecture a week but give you a choice for each of these, denoted as 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B etc.
Choose either 1A or 1B and then either 2A or 2B.
You must go to each number, but may choose the letter. There will be new material in each of the number 1 lectures and new material is presented in each of the number 2 lectures.
Example
1A + 2B

Once you have made a choice you should continue with that pattern of attendance or you may miss a sequence of information.

Times
Classes are shown with a start time and an end time.
The actual end time is 10 minutes before the hour to allow time to travel to a following class or to connect with public transport, even though the end time is displayed as being on the hour.

Location and Venue
The campus or other site for the class is shown in the ‘Location’ column. In the ‘Venue’ column is a code made up of two parts – a building code and a room number in that building. For example, on St Lucia campus, 1-E213 represents building number 1 (Forgan Smith Building) and room number 213 (the east wing, level 2).

Weeks Commencing
You will need to check which weeks your Summer Semester classes are held. Many Summer Semester courses are run differently to other semesters in that you may have to attend classes each day for one or two weeks rather than one day each week for the whole semester.