



## First Year B.Comm International Student Orientation 2009/2010

Welcome to the J.E. Cairnes School of Business & Economics

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# Bachelor of Commerce International Degree

- Lectures commence Monday as per timetable
- Traditional Academic Year: Sept. – May
- Semester One: Teaching ends Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December
- Exam before Christmas – Introduction to Management
- Individual Modules – Continuous Assessments
- Semester Two: Teaching ends Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April
- All other exams begin 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2010



# B. Comm. International

Students are required to take **seven** modules:

- Accounting 10 ECTS
  - Economics 10 ECTS
  - Management Information Systems 10 ECTS
  - Maths & Statistics for Business 10 ECTS
  - Introduction to Management 5 ECTS
  - Introduction to Marketing 5 ECTS
  - Language (French, German, Spanish or Italian) 10 ECTS
- 60 ECTS



# Progression to 2<sup>nd</sup> Year

- Must pass ALL subjects in First Year to progress to second year
- Pass = 40% in all subjects
- The “35% Rule”  
Must obtain 35% or more in written exam for year’s work (continuous assessment) to be included



## Progression to 2<sup>nd</sup> Year (ctd.)

### Pass by compensation:

- Possible if it allows you to pass the first year as a whole
- What does pass by compensation mean?

You are allowed to pass by compensation in modules up to 20 ECTS credits at 35%, provided you have marks in other subjects equal to or greater than double the deficiency (between your mark and 40%) and you are passing the year overall.



## Example of Student with Clear Pass

Module Title	Module	Weight	Marks	Credits	Score	Result
Accounting	AY102	10	76	10	760	1 <sup>st</sup> Class Honours
Economics	EC105	10	82	10	820	1 <sup>st</sup> Class Honours
German	GR141	10	70	10	700	1 <sup>st</sup> Class Honours
Maths	MA114	10	87	10	870	Pass
Management	MG110	5	71	5	355	1 <sup>st</sup> Class Honours
Marketing	MK101	5	80	5	400	1 <sup>st</sup> Class Honours
MIS	MS102	10	70	10	700	1 <sup>st</sup> Class Honours
					76.75	PASS



# Example of Student who passes by compensation

## Exam Results Broadsheet

Course : BC4 Bachelor of Commerce (Spanish)

Assessment Sitting : First Sitting

Code : 1BC4

Academic Year : Unknown - 2007/2008

Module Type	Module	Weight	Marks%	Credits	Score	Result	Status
<b>Core</b>							
Accounting	AY102	10	44	10	440	Pass.	
Economics	EC100	10	77	10	770	Pass.	
Mathematics & Statistics for Business	MA114	10	47	10	470	Pass.	
Introduction to Management	MG110	5	58	5	290	Pass.	
Marketing I	MK100	5	68	5	340	Pass.	
Management Information Systems	MS102	10	60	10	600	Pass.	
<b>Optional</b>							
Spanish Language I (Advanced)	SH101	10	35	10	350	Pass by compensation.	
<b>Overall Result:</b>			54.33			Pass.	



## Example of Student who CANNOT pass by compensation

Module Title	Module	Weight	Marks	Credits	Score	Result
Accounting	AY102	10	35	0	000	FAIL
Economics	EC105	10	47	10	470	Pass
German	GR141	10	53	10	530	Pass
Maths	MA114	10	31	0	000	FAIL
Management	MG110	5	55	5	275	Pass
Marketing	MK101	5	46	5	230	Pass
MIS	MS102	10	49	10	490	Pass
			00			FAIL



# Examinations

- Honours Classification by Subject Only (except Maths):
  - 70% First Class Honours (H1)
  - 60% Second Class Honours Grade 1 (H2.1)
  - 50% Second Class Honours Grade 2 (H2.2)
  - 40% Pass

## First Year Examinations

- Students must present for the initial exam in a subject
- To defer for serious personal/medical reasons, you must seek permission from the School Office. Supporting documentation required.



# Autumn (Repeat Examinations)

- Fail in summer: repeat failed subjects in August
- Fail in autumn: get exemptions in all subjects passed; repeat any failed subjects (40% required) at summer or autumn sessions of next academic year;
- Two year rule: maximum 4 attempts to pass First Year.
- Must pass ALL subjects in First Year to progress to second year



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