

B.A.I. EXAMINATION RULES 2011/2012

Freshman and Junior Sophister

Candidates undertake 60 credits during each of the four years of the degree programme. Each module has an individual rating of 5, 10, 15 or 20 credits, the amount dependent on the level of effort involved. It is the responsibility of each student to ensure that they are undertaking exactly 60 credits per year.

Students who pass the ANNUAL examinations are awarded 60 and an Honors grade for the year. This grade is based on the weighted average achieved, calculated using the credit ratings. In order to pass the ANNUAL examinations, students must:

- have achieved at least 40% in individual modules worth at least 50 ECTS credits **AND**
- have an overall average mark of at least 40% **AND**
- have **EITHER**
not more than 10 module credits with marks of at least 35% and less than 40%
OR
not more than 5 module credits with marks of at least 30% and less than 40%.

Students who have failed the ANNUAL examination are required to take a SUPPLEMENTAL examination in all modules in which they have not satisfied the examiners, as specified on the published examination results.

In order to pass the SUPPLEMENTAL examinations, students must:

- have an overall combined average mark in the ANNUAL and SUPPLEMENTAL examinations taken of not less than 40% **AND**
- have not more than 5 ECTS module credits with marks of at least 35% and less than 40%.

Students who pass the SUPPLEMENTAL examinations obtain an overall **PASS** grade for the year. Overall supplemental marks for all modules are calculated in the same manner using the same weightings as for the annual examinations and include continuous assessment/laboratory marks.

The full set of overall grades is set out below;

<i>Description</i>	<i>Grade</i>	<i>Criterion</i>
First Class Honors	I	mark greater than or equal to 70%
Second Class Honors, First Division	II.1	mark greater than or equal to 60% and less than 70%
Second Class Honors, Second Division	II.2	mark greater than or equal to 50% and less than 60%
Third Class Honors	III	mark greater than or equal to 40% and less than 50%
Fail	F	the candidate has failed to satisfy the criteria listed above
Exclude	EX	the candidate has not made a serious attempt at the examinations <u>or</u> the candidate has not passed the year within eighteen months from that date on which they first became eligible <u>or</u> the candidate has at least one unexplained absence
Deferred	D	the candidate was absent with permission due to medical or other grounds and the result is incomplete
ERASMUS Awaiting Result	ER	Applies to Erasmus / International Exchange students
Result Withheld	RW	it may be necessary for academic or administrative reasons to withhold a result (e.g. unpaid fees or fines)
Withdrawn	WD	the candidate has withdrawn from the course
Repeat year	R	the candidates is given permission to repeat the year IN FULL (applies at SUPPLEMENTAL examinations ONLY)
Pass	P	the candidate may rise to the next year of the degree programme (applies at SUPPLEMENTAL examinations ONLY)

After the Court of Examiners' meeting, ANNUAL and SUPPLEMENTAL examination results are published anonymously in student number order.

Individual module results

All individual module results are published anonymously by student number on the College notice boards, on the local School of Engineering website - <http://www.tcd.ie/Engineering/Results/> (students will need their College username and password) and on the College's Examinations Office website - <http://www.tcd.ie/Examinations/Results/>

Where a mark is not reported for a module the following codes apply where appropriate:

f	=	mark is less than 25%;
a	=	absent with permission/explained absence – may take a SUPPLEMENTAL examination;
A	=	absent without permission or explanation – automatic exclusion ;
mc	=	medical certificate supplied to and accepted by the Senior Lecturer;
cr	=	credit for subject e.g. candidate is exempt on the basis of their performance in the Foundation Scholarship examination;
gw	=	grade withheld (e.g. unpaid fees or fines).
p	=	credit for subject passed on previous occasion.

Repeating the year

Candidates must repeat the year IN FULL which includes all continuous assessment requirements and laboratory experiments.