

# B.A.I. EXAMINATION RULES 2011/2012

## Senior Sophister

Candidates undertake 60 credits during the Senior Sophister year of the degree programme. Each module has an individual rating of 5, 10 or 15 credits, the amount being dependent on the level of effort involved. It is the responsibility of each student to ensure that they are taking courses with ratings amounting to 60 credits. The weighted average mark achieved for the Senior Sophister year is calculated using these credit ratings.

Degrees in all streams are awarded based on an overall average mark calculated by combining the average mark achieved in the ANNUAL Junior Sophister examinations (20% towards overall average) and the ANNUAL Senior Sophister examinations (80% towards overall average).

Students who are deemed to have passed the year are awarded 60 credits and an Honors Degree with the grade based on the overall average mark achieved. In order to pass, students must:

- have achieved marks of at least 40% in individual Senior Sophister courses worth at least 50 ECTS credits **AND**
- have an overall average mark of at least 40%.

A pass degree is awarded in the case of students who fail the B.A.I. degree examinations at the first sitting but pass when they present themselves for re-examination. Students presenting for a Pass degree are assessed on their performance in the Senior Sophister year only.

The full set of overall grades is set out below;

<i>Description</i>	<i>Grade</i>	<i>Criterion</i>
First Class Honors	<b>I</b>	mark greater than or equal to 70%
Second Class Honors, First Division	<b>II.1</b>	mark greater than or equal to 60% and less than 70%
Second Class Honors, Second Division	<b>II.2</b>	mark greater than or equal to 50% and less than 60%
Third Class Honors	<b>III</b>	mark greater than or equal to 40% and less than 50%
Fail	<b>F</b>	the candidate has failed to satisfy the criteria listed above
Exclude	<b>EX</b>	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	<b>D</b>	the candidate was absent with permission due to medical or other grounds and the result is incomplete
ERASMUS Awaiting Result	<b>ER</b>	Applies to International Exchange students, (eg. Unitech / CLUSTER)
Result Withheld	<b>RW</b>	it may be necessary for academic or administrative reasons to withhold a result (e.g. unpaid fees or fines)
Withdrawn	<b>WD</b>	the candidate has withdrawn from the course

For students entering College before the 2008/2009 academic year, a Pass degree may be awarded.

## 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/> Class rankings are also published on the Engineering notice boards.

Where a mark is not reported for a subject the following codes apply:

<b>f</b>	=	mark is less than 25%;
<b>a</b>	=	absent with permission – may take a SUPPLEMENTAL examination;
<b>A</b>	=	absent without permission or explanation – automatic exclusion;
<b>mc</b>	=	medical certificate supplied to and accepted by the Senior Lecturer;
<b>cr</b>	=	credit for subject;
<b>gw</b>	=	grade withheld (e.g. unpaid fees or fines).