REGULATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING (BENG)

These regulations apply to students admitted to the BEng curriculum in the academic year 2010-11 and thereafter.
(See also General Regulations and Regulations for First Degree Curricula)

EN 1 Admission to the Degree

To be eligible for admission to the degree of BEng, a candidate shall

(a) comply with the General Regulations;
(b) comply with the Regulations for First Degree Curricula;
(c) satisfy all the requirements of the curriculum in accordance with these regulations and the syllabuses.

EN 2 Period of Study

The curriculum for the BEng degree shall normally require six semesters of full-time study, extending over not fewer than three academic years, and shall include any assessment to be held during and/or at the end of each semester. Candidates shall not in any case be permitted to extend their studies beyond the maximum period of registration of five academic years.

EN 3 Curriculum Requirements

To complete the curriculum, a candidate shall

(a) satisfy the requirements prescribed in UG 5 of the Regulations for the First Degree Curricula;
(b) take not fewer than 180 credits of courses, in the manner specified in these regulations and syllabuses; candidates are also required to pass all core courses as specified in the syllabuses and satisfactorily complete prerequisite courses in order to enrol in a succeeding course;
(c) satisfy all the requirements prescribed for the minor programme option, if he/she pursues the minor programme; and
(d) satisfy all the requirements prescribed for the double-degree curriculum option, if he/she pursues the double-degree curriculum.

EN 4 Candidates shall normally select not fewer than 24 and not more than 30 credits of courses in any one semester (except the summer semester), unless otherwise permitted or required by the Board of the Faculty, or except in the last semester of study when the number of credits required to satisfy the outstanding curriculum requirements is fewer than 24 credits. Candidates may, of their own volition, take additional credits not exceeding 6 credits in each semester, and/or further credits during the summer semester, accumulating up to a maximum of 72 credits in one academic year. Candidates may, with the approval of the Board of the Faculty, exceed 72 credits in an academic year provided that the total number of credits taken shall not exceed 216 credits. Students making up for failed credits can be permitted by the Faculty to take up to 360 credits.

EN 5 Candidates with unsatisfactory academic progress may be required by the Board of the Faculty to take a reduced study load.
EN 6 Selection of Courses

Candidates shall select their courses in accordance with these regulations and the guidelines specified in the syllabuses before the beginning of each academic year. Changes to the selection of courses may be made only during the add/drop period of the semester in which the course begins, and such changes shall not be reflected in the transcript of the candidate. Requests for changes after the designated add/drop period of the semester shall be subject to the approval of the Board of the Faculty. Withdrawal from courses beyond the designated add/drop period will be subject to the approval of the Board of the Faculty.

EN 7 Assessment and Grades

Candidates shall be assessed for each of the courses which they have registered for, and assessment may be conducted in any one or any combination of the following manners: written examinations or tests, continuous assessment, laboratory work, field work, project reports, or in any other manner as specified in the syllabuses. Grades shall be awarded in accordance with UG8(a) of the Regulations for the First Degree Curricula.

EN 8 Written examinations or tests shall normally be held at the end of each semester unless otherwise specified in the syllabuses.

EN 9 Candidates are required to make up for failed courses in the following manner:

   i) undergoing re-assessment/re-examination in the failed course to be held no later than the end of the following semester (not including the summer semester); or
   ii) re-submitting failed coursework, without having to repeat the same course of instruction; or
   iii) repeating the failed course by undergoing instruction and satisfying the assessments; or
   iv) for elective courses, taking another course in lieu and satisfying the assessment requirements.

EN 10 Candidates shall not be permitted to repeat a course for which they have received a grade D or above for the purpose of upgrading.

EN 11 Unless otherwise permitted by the Board of the Faculty, a candidate will be recommended for discontinuation if

   (a) he/she fails to complete successfully 36 or more credits in two consecutive semesters (not including the summer semester), except where they are not required to take 36 credits in the two given semesters;
   (b) he/she fails to achieve an average Semester GPA of 1.0 or higher for two consecutive semesters; or
   (c) he/she has exceeded the maximum period of registration specified in EN2.

EN 12 Absence from Examination

Candidates who are unable, because of illness, to be present at the written examination of any course may apply for permission to present themselves at a supplementary examination of the same course to be held before the beginning of the First Semester of the following academic year. Any such application shall be made on the form prescribed within two weeks of the first day of the candidate’s
absence from any examination. Any supplementary examination shall be part of that academic year’s examinations, and the provisions made in the regulations for failure at the first attempt shall apply accordingly.

**EN 13 Advanced Standing**

Advanced standing may be granted to candidates in recognition of studies completed successfully in an approved institution of higher education elsewhere in accordance with UG2 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula. The amount of advanced credits to be granted shall be determined by the Board of the Faculty, in accordance with the following principles:

(a) a minimum of two years of study at this University shall be required before the candidate is considered for the award of the degree; and
(b) a minimum of 120 credits shall be accumulated through study in this University, or from transfer of credits for courses completed at other institutions in accordance with UG4(d) of the Regulations for the First Degree Curricula.

Advanced credits granted shall not be included in the calculation of the GPA but will be recorded on the transcript of the candidate.

**EN 14 Degree Classification**

To be eligible for the award of the BEng degree, candidates shall have:

a) satisfied all the requirements in the UG5 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula;
b) passed not fewer than 180 credits, comprising
   i) introductory courses;
   ii) advanced courses;
   iii) project courses;
   iv) training courses;
   v) internship courses;
   vi) Chinese and English language enhancement courses;
   vii) Common Core courses;
   viii) all required courses as prescribed in respective curriculum; and
   ix) Faculty elective courses.

**EN 15** The degree of Bachelor of Engineering shall be awarded in five divisions:

- First Class Honours
- Second Class Honours Division One
- Second Class Honours Division Two
- Third Class Honours
- Pass

A pass list of successful candidates shall be posted on Faculty notice boards.

**EN 16** The classification of honours shall be determined by the Board of the Faculty at its full discretion by taking into consideration the overall performance of candidates, or specifications in the syllabuses of respective programmes, and other relevant factors as appropriate.