

College of Business and Law

Te Rāngai Umanga me te Ture

The Degree of Bachelor of Commerce with Honours (BCom(Hons) - 120 points)

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the General Regulations for the University.

1. Version

- (a) These Regulations came into force on 1 January 2018.
- (b) This degree was first offered in 1997.

2. Variations

In exceptional circumstances the Dean of Business may approve a personal programme of study which does not conform to these Regulations.

3. The structure of the qualification

To qualify for the Bachelor of Commerce with Honours a student must:

- (a) successfully complete coursework totalling 120 points,
- (b) complete the courses listed in the Schedule to these Regulations for a given major. If a student has had a double major (Combined Honours) approved by the relevant Heads of Department, they must complete 60 points in each major. Included in these courses must be a research paper that reflects the combined nature of the degree.

4. Admission to the qualification

To be admitted to the Bachelor of Commerce with Honours a student must have:

- (a) either
 - i. qualified for a bachelor's degree, and either
 - a. satisfied the prerequisites for the major as specified in the Schedule to these Regulations, or
 - b. completed a qualifying course prescribed by the Dean of Business; or
 - ii. been admitted with Academic Equivalent Standing for the Degree of Bachelor of Commerce with Honours.
- (b) been approved as a student for the degree in that major by the Dean of Business; and
- (c) approval from the relevant Heads of School or Department if completing more than one major (Combined Honours).

5. Subjects

- (a) The Degree of Bachelor of Commerce with Honours may be awarded in the following majors: Accounting, Economics, Finance, Information Systems, Management, Marketing, Taxation and Accounting.
- (b) A student must not enrol in any major for the degree in which they have already qualified for the award of Bachelor of Commerce with Honours or one of the following degrees: Bachelor of Science with Honours, Master of Science, Master of Commerce, Bachelor of Arts with Honours, Master of Arts.

6. Time limits

The time limits for this qualification are:

- (a) 12 months for a full-time student and
- (b) 48 months for a part-time student.

7. Transfers of credit, substitutions and cross-credits

This qualification adheres to the Credit Recognition and Transfer Regulations, with no additional stipulations.

8. Progression

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University, with the following stipulation:

A student who fails more than one course will be withdrawn from the degree.

9. Honours, Distinction and Merit

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University and may be awarded with Honours.

10. Pathways to other qualifications

- A student who has completed the requirements for the Bachelor of Commerce with Honours but has not yet graduated, may apply to the Dean of Business to be admitted to the 180 point Master of Commerce and have credits transferred.
- A student who has graduated with a Bachelor of Commerce with Honours from the University of Canterbury, may apply to the Dean of Business to be admitted to the 120 point Master of Commerce.
- There are no exit qualifications for this degree.

Schedule to the Regulations for the Degree of Bachelor of Commerce with Honours

For full course information, go to www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/qualifications-and-courses

Accounting

Courses totalling 120 points will include ACCT 614, ACCT 680, and 60 points selected from (ACCT 601–679). Up to 30 points may be selected from any other honours-level qualification as approved by the Head of the Department of Accounting and Information Systems. The research project undertaken to fulfil the requirements for ACCT 680 must have a significant component related to the subject of Accounting.

Normally a grade average of B+ or better is required in ACCT 300-level prerequisite courses or other 300-level courses which the Head of the Department of Accounting and Information Systems approves or considers relevant.

P: 60 points in Accounting at 300-level, plus 30 points at 300-level in courses which the Head of the Department of Accounting and Information Systems considers relevant.

Economics

ECON 680 and six courses or their equivalent from ECON 601–679. Normally a grade average of B+ or better is required in 300-level Economics prerequisite courses. Enrolment in any combination of courses is subject to the approval of the Head of Department. Some second semester courses may have a first semester course as a prerequisite. A student can normally attempt each course on offer only once. All full-time students shall normally take ECON 680 and three other courses or their equivalent in each semester.

- ECON 206 or ECON 325; and
- ECON 213 or STAT 202 or STAT 213; and
- ECON 203 or (ECON 207 and ECON 208); and
- 60 points in ECON 300-level courses, including at least 15 points from ECON 321, 324, 326 (or equivalent as approved by the Head of Department).

Note: Normally a B+ average or better is required in 300-level courses.

Alternatively a student may apply to enter with a Graduate Diploma in Economics or a Graduate Diploma in Science, normally including ECON 321, 322, 326.

Finance

FINC 680 and a minimum of 90 points from FINC 601–679. Enrolment in any combination of courses is subject to the approval of the Head of Department. A student can normally attempt each course on offer only once.

P: Either: a BSc or BCom with major in Finance, including:

- (1) FINC 201 and FINC 203; and
- (2) ECON 207; and
- (3) ECON 213 or any 30 points from STAT 200-level courses; and
- (4) FINC 331; and
- (5) at least a B+ average in 300-level FINC courses.

Or: a bachelor's degree in a subject other than Finance, but including:

- (1) (ECON 213 or any 30 points from STAT 200-level courses), FINC 331 plus an additional 30 points of 300-level Finance.
- (2) At least A- average in 300-level FINC courses.

Information Systems

Courses totalling 120 points will include INFO 614, INFO 680, 30 points selected from (INFO 601–679, COSC 407, COSC 425, COSC 429, COSC 430 or COSC 435) and 30 points selected from any other honours-level qualifications as approved by the Head of the Department of Accounting and Information Systems. The research project undertaken to fulfil the requirements for INFO 680 must have a significant component related to the subject of Information Systems.

Normally a grade average of B+ or better is required in INFO 300-level prerequisite courses or other 300-level courses which the Head of the Department of Accounting and Information Systems approves or considers relevant.

P: 60 points in Information Systems at 300-level, plus 30 points at 300-level in courses which the Head of the Department of Accounting and Information Systems considers relevant.

Management

MGMT 620, MGMT 680, and 60 points from (MGMT 610–619 and MGMT 640–649). Under special circumstances, up to 15 points may be replaced by other graduate courses subject to the approval of the Head of Department.

P: B+ average or better across 60 points of 300-level courses in MGMT.

Marketing

MKTG 620, MKTG 680, and 60 points from MKTG 601–619. Under special circumstances, up to 15 points from MKTG 601–619 may be replaced by other graduate courses subject to the approval of the Head of Department.

P: B+ average or better across 60 points of 300-level courses in MKTG.

Taxation and Accounting

Courses totalling 120 points will include ACCT 614, ACCT 680, ACCT 626, ACCT 634 and 30 points selected from (ACCT 601–679). Up to 30 points may be selected from any other honours-level qualifications as approved by the Head of the Department of Accounting and Information Systems. The research project undertaken to fulfil the requirements for ACCT 680 must have a significant component related to the subject of Taxation and Accounting.

Normally a grade average of B+ or better is required in ACCT 300-level courses which the Head of the Department of Accounting and Information Systems approves or considers relevant.

P:

- (1) ACCT 254; and
- (2) 60 points in Accounting or Taxation at 300-level, plus 30 points at 300-level in courses which the Head of the Department of Accounting and Information Systems considers relevant.