

## 2.5 Academic Awards

### Awards

Medals and book prizes are awarded only once in the academic year, after the Semester 2 Examination. In all instances, a prize-winner must be of sufficient merit. He/She must have passed all modules attempted and must be a good overall student. No award will be made unless there is a candidate of sufficient merit.

In general, to be eligible for consideration for an Academic Year Award, a student must have completed a minimum workload of 40 MCs, 80 MCs and 120 MCs for the Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 awards respectively. In addition, students must have completed at least 36 MCs of graded modules within the academic year of the award.

The eligibility criterion for consideration for Subject Awards requires a student to have completed a minimum workload of 36 MCs within the academic year of which, at least 28 MCs must be graded modules. The exception to this ruling would be students who are involved in internships, accelerated programmes or double degree programmes. For these students, they need to have a minimum of 24 MCs graded modules. In addition, students must have also completed a minimum of 16 MCs in the subject within the academic year.

For a full list of the medals and book prizes for FASS students, please visit the following website at: [https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/fas/ug/deans\\_list/medals-and-prizes.html](https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/fas/ug/deans_list/medals-and-prizes.html) (login required)

### Dean's Scholars List

The Dean's Scholars List is an award given to the top 1% of each cohort, with meritorious academic achievement, at the end of each semester (excluding the special term). There is therefore no specific cut-off as only the top 1% of eligible students are selected. Selection should be based on the Semester Average Grade Point (SAP), subject to a CAP that is above the current pass with merit cut-off. Those in their fourth year of study must have a CAP of at least 4.0.

To be eligible for consideration to be placed on the Dean's Scholars List, students from Cohort 2014 and before have to read a minimum workload of 16 MCs in a semester of which, at least 12 MCs must be graded modules. Double degree students must complete a minimum of 12 MCs of graded modules that fulfil FASS requirements.

To be eligible for consideration to be placed on the Dean's Scholars List, students from Cohort 2015 onwards have to read a minimum workload of 18 MCs in a semester of which, at least 14 MCs must

be graded modules. Double degree students must complete a minimum of 14 MCs of graded modules that fulfil FASS requirements.

The selection will be made from the fourth official week of the release of exam results.

### **Dean's List**

The Dean's List is an award given to the top 5% of each cohort, with meritorious academic achievement, at the end of each semester (excluding the special term). There is therefore no specific cut-off as only the top 5% of eligible students are selected. Selection should be based on the Semester Average Grade Point (SAP), subject to a CAP that is above the current pass with merit cut-off. Those in their fourth year of study must have a CAP of at least 4.0.

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### **Dean's Commendation**

As a way to encourage and motivate students, the Faculty commends those who show great improvement in their studies. Students will be selected on a semestral basis (excluding Special Term) using Semester Average Grade Point (SAP). The selection is based on the difference in SAP between the current and previous semester.

The selection will be made from the fourth official week of the release of exam results.

The required improvement on SAP is reflected in the table below, based on the year of study as dictated by the course code.

<b>Course Code in the Current Semester</b>	<b>SAP Improvement</b>
ARS1	1.5 or more

ARS2

ARS3

ARS4/SOC4

1.0 or more

To be eligible for selection, a student:

- Must not be refused readmission in the semester of selection.
- Must have a CAP of at least 2.00 in the semester of selection.
- For Cohort 2014 and before, refer to (a), for Cohort 2015 onwards, refer to (b):
  - a. Must have a minimum workload of 16 MCs in the semester, of which at least 12 MCs must be graded modules that count towards FASS workload. Students on Double Degree Programme must have a minimum workload of 16 MCs in the semester, of which at least 12 MCs must be graded modules that count towards FASS workload.
  - b. Must have a minimum workload of 18 MCs in the semester, of which at least 14 MCs must be graded modules that count towards FASS workload. Students on Double Degree Programme must have a minimum workload of 18 MCs in the semester, of which at least 14 MCs must be graded modules that count towards FASS workload.

Arising from the Grade-free First Semester, the Dean's Scholars List, Dean's List and Dean's Commendation are not applicable to students in their first year of study as defined by their Cohort.