2.2.1 Curriculum Structure and Graduation Requirements

The graduation requirements presented in this section are extracted from the Modular System for Cohort 2017, which contains other important information for FASS students. Students are strongly advised to print a copy of the Modular System for Cohort 2017 for their reference, available at: [https://www.fas.nus.edu.sg/resources/academic-matters/modular-system.html](https://www.fas.nus.edu.sg/resources/academic-matters/modular-system.html)

All important announcements will be placed at the FASS website: [http://www.fas.nus.edu.sg](http://www.fas.nus.edu.sg) or [https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/fas/ug/](https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/fas/ug/). It is, therefore, the responsibility of students to check the Faculty website and their NUS mailboxes regularly for updates. Students are also responsible for ensuring that they are contactable via their NUS mailboxes.

To graduate with a BA (Hons) or BSocSci (Hons) degree, FASS students must have declared honours track* and accumulated a minimum of 160 Modular Credits (MCs) and achieved a Cumulative Average Point (CAP) of at least 3.20. Students who choose not to or do not complete the honours requirements may graduate with a BA degree, after accumulating a minimum of 120 MCs at a CAP of at least 2.00.

The requirements for graduation are:

1. General Education Requirements
   - Students will be required to read one General Education Module (GEM) from each of the five pillars. More information can be found [here](https://www.fas.nus.edu.sg/resources/academic-matters/modular-system.html).
   - It is compulsory for FASS students to take GET1031A to fulfil the Thinking and Expression pillar.
   - FASS students who are in USP or completing the UTown requirements will still need to read GET1031A and count it towards their Unrestricted Elective instead.
2. Programme Requirements which include:
   - Faculty Core Requirements
   - Major Requirements
3. Unrestricted Elective Modules

Details of the relative weightage and MCs required for graduation are presented in the following sections. University Scholars Programme (USP) students should refer to Section 2.2.1.3.

* Note: To declare an honours track, students must have completed at least 110 MCs including 44 MCs of major requirements AND have a minimum CAP of 3.20.

**English for Academic Purposes (EAP)**

All candidates offered admission to the Faculty must be exempted from or be required to take the Qualifying English Test (QET). Students who pass the QET will be exempted from taking the EAP course.
Students who do not pass the QET will be required to take the EAP course which consists of two consecutive modules, ES1000 Basic English course and ES1102 English for Academic Purposes. These two modules are additional essential modules for students who do not pass the QET. Students with poorer English proficiency will read ES1000 first. On passing ES1000, they will proceed to read ES1102. Students with better English proficiency will proceed directly to read ES1102. A pass in ES1102 is essential for graduation.

A full description of the modules is available at the CELC website: http://www.nus.edu.sg/celc/

2.2.1.1 **BA (Hons) or BSocSci (Hons) degree**

2.2.1.2 **BA degree**

2.2.1.3 **BA (Hons) or BSocSci (Hons) degree – USP students**