

UNIVERSITY GOLD MEDALS AND PROGRAM MEDALS

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Standard (Minimum) Selection Criteria

The University Gold Medal shall be awarded to the graduating student in each undergraduate faculty or school who:

- (1) has achieved the highest grade point average (minimum 3.75) on courses constituting the last two years of an eligible programme (refer to individual Faculty / School guidelines regarding the acceptance of transfer courses for Gold Medal calculations); and,
- (2) has completed at least 80 percent of what is considered to be the normal full course-load in each of the last two years of the eligible program.

These are to be the minimum criteria for gold medal selection; more rigorous standards may be set. NOTE: The Faculty of Law has received a dispensation to allow a minimum grade point average of 3.0 for gold medal consideration.

Tie-Breaking Mechanism

Only one winner is to be named each year in each eligible program. Ties are to be broken using criteria determined by individual faculties and schools. The following mechanism has been approved by Senate for the Governor General's silver medal for undergraduate excellence, and may serve as an example for the University Gold Medal:

- (1) the cumulative grade point average (G.P.A.) is to be calculated to the fourth decimal place;
- (2) preference is to be given to students who have a higher proportion of "A+"s and "A"s in a total program;
- (3) preference is to be given to students who have taken more than the required number of courses;
- (4) preference is to be given to students with a greater proportion of senior or advanced level courses in their program.

Award #33750 (Gold Medal)
33790 (BSA)
33791 (Food Science)
34180 (Agribusiness)
34181 (Agroecology)
36095 (Human Nutritional Sciences)
FOP # n/a
Award type: convocation medals

FACULTY OF AGRICULTURAL AND FOOD SCIENCES

A. University Gold Medal in Agricultural and Food Sciences

The University Gold Medal shall be awarded to the graduating student who:

- (1) has achieved the highest grade point average (minimum 3.80) on courses constituting the last 60 credit hours of an eligible program (including transfer courses in the applicable years); and
- (2) has completed at least 80 percent of what is considered to be the normal full course load in each of the last two years of the eligible program.

B. Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences Program Medals

Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences BSA Medal

Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences B.Sc. (Food Science) Medal

Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences B.Sc. (Agribusiness) Medal (05/98)

Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences B.Sc. (Agroecology) Medal (05/98)

Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences B.Sc. (Human Nutritional Sciences) Medal (04/15)

Degree medals shall be awarded to the graduating student in each degree who:

- (1) has achieved the highest grade point average (minimum 3.75), excluding the winner of the University Gold Medal, on courses constituting the last 60 credit hours of an eligible degree program (including transfer courses in the applicable years); and
- (2) has completed at least 80 percent of what is considered to be the normal full course load in each of the last two years of the eligible degree.

Tie-Breaking Mechanism

Only one winner is to be named for each medal. In the event of a tie based upon the criteria described above the following mechanism will be used to break the tie:

- (1) the degree grade point average is to be calculated to the fourth decimal place;
- (2) preference is to be given to the student who has a higher proportion of “A+”s and “A”s in a total program;
- (3) preference is to be given to students who have taken the largest number of credit hours; and
- (4) If the tie still persists, the Faculty of Agriculture and Food Sciences Awards Committee, along with any others appointed by the Dean, will meet to select the recipient.

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