Engineering Embedded Honours FAQ

How is my honours grade calculated?

Your honours grade will be calculated using the below formula (where N2, N3 and N4 do not exceed 24);

$$\text{Honours Average} = \frac{2 \times \frac{N_2}{24} \times A_2 + 3 \times \frac{N_3}{24} \times A_3 + 5 \times \frac{N_4}{24} \times A_4}{2 \times \frac{N_2}{24} + 3 \times \frac{N_3}{24} + 5 \times \frac{N_4}{24}}$$

Please refer to the Honours Calculation Tool - Engineering .

Do fails count in the calculation of my honours grade?

No, any courses that you have failed, or withdrawn from, will not count in the calculation of your final honours grade.

Do exchange courses count toward the calculation of my honours grade?

Only courses completed at the University of Adelaide are considered in the honours calculation. Courses completed at other institutions and credited to a University of Adelaide degree (i.e. transfer credit from exchange) are NOT counted towards the calculation.

How are my courses weighted?

In a standard 4 year engineering degree, level 2 courses are worth 20%, level 3 courses are worth 30% and level 4 courses (including your honours project) are worth 50% of your honours grade.

Note: the level of a course is linked to the first number of the course code, e.g. COMP SCI 2103 is a level 2 and MECH ENG 4115 is a level 4. This is irrespective of what year it is scheduled in your program or when you studied it.

I'm in a double degree, which courses count towards my honours grade?

All level 2, 3 and 4 courses from both degrees (except for fails and withdraws) will count in the calculation of your honours grade.

I'm doing a double degree, how does that affect the weighting?

The weighting for honours grades is based on 24 units being completed at each level, therefore as the total unit value of courses at a level decreases so does the weighting that level holds. The average of all marks from that level will still be used in the calculation, but will not be allocated any more weighting. For further explanation please see the Honours Calculation Policy.

I have over 24 units at level 2/3/4 which courses will be counted in the calculation?

All students must comply with the rules for their Academic Program. Students should ensure that they only enrol for course that may be presented towards their award. Surplus courses will not be counted towards your honours calculation. If you have completed courses in surplus to your program requirements, a manual calculation based on the earliest enrolment will occur. This may or may not include the courses that will give you the most favourable result.

If your study plan and Academic Program Rules include more than 24 units at a level, all grades will count towards your honours calculation but the weighting of the level (20%, 30% or 50%) will not increase.

I internally transferred into a new program, do the courses from my old degree count towards my honours?

All level 2, 3 and 4 courses, undertaken at University of Adelaide, that contribute units towards your current program (i.e. not credit, exchanges or surplus courses), will be included in the honours calculation.

Where will my honours class be recorded?

Your honours class will be recorded on your AHEGS (eQuals) and your academic transcript as well as your testamur.

How do I use the honours calculation tool?

Enter all of your level 2, 3 and 4 courses with results, making sure to include if the course counts towards your program (final column YES/NO option). You are required to enter information in the yellow columns.

The calculation will adjust automatically as you enter your results. When you have entered all courses please check the Final Calculation for your honours grade as a percentage and compare with the table to get your honours band.

ECMS Honours Mark Calculator

This tool can be used by graduating Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) students who have completed all course requirements to calculate their honours mark.

Subject Area	Catalogue Number	Course Title	Units	Mark	Course Level	Does this course count towards your program?
EXMPL	2019	Example Course	3	65	2	Yes
						Yes
						Yes
						Yes
						Yes
						Yes

Honours Calculation

Level	Units By Level	Level Weighting	
1	0	0	Level 1 courses do not count towards Honours calculations
2	0	0	
3	0	0	
4	0	0	
Total Units	0		
Final Calculation	Enter Course Data		All courses must have a numerical mark and units **or** marked as "No" for a final calculation to be valid.

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Weighted average Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) AQF 8	
>=78%	First
<78% but >=73%	Second A
<73% but >=68%	Second B
<68% but >=50%	Third