Semester 2, 2009/2010 Bidding Round Descriptions

Round 0

a) Advanced bids for all modules can be placed during Round 0.

b) Students are advised to select the modules which they wish to bid from both the Programme and General Account. Unless advance bids are placed students do not have to enter the bid points for the modules selected at this round.

c) Students must ensure that they have met the pre-requisites and have no timetable clashes for the modules they selected to bid for. The system will prompt them if they do not meet any pre-requisites, have timetable clashes or exceed the workload allowed. In such cases, students must revise their selections.

d) Students can only “select” and place advance bids up to the average number of modular credits allowed (i.e. typically 23 MCs) (both allocated or bid for) during Round 0.

e) When declaring majors that require special approval, permission should be obtained before the next bidding round begins.

Round 1A [Pr,Pn (maj)]

a) Returning and New Students bid together but there are separate queues till Round 2A

b) Students will place bids for the Major modules. Pay from the Programme account.

c) Students may place advance bids for the modules they selected.

d) Decide on the bid amount based on the information available.

e) Allocation will take place once the system closes.

Round 1B [Pr,Pn (maj)]

a) Same as Round 1A. It is a second chance for students who missed/were not allocated the major modules they desired in Round 1A.

Round 2A [Pr +Pn (maj), G (GEM, SS, USP, Restricted Minor)]

a) Students will place bids for their Major modules. Pay from the Programme account.

b) USP students will place bids for USP First-Tier modules. Pay from the General account.

c) Restricted minor students will bid for their minor modules (not offered by their own faculty). Pay from the General account.

d) Students will place bids for the GEM and SS modules. Pay from the General account.

e) Students may place advance bids for the modules they selected.

Round 2B [Pr + Pn (maj, non-major), G (GEM, SS, USP, Restricted Minor)]

a) Students will place bids for their Major modules, and faculty modules they selected to read in order to fulfill UE requirements. Pay from the Programme account.
b) Minor students (for both open and restricted minor programmes) will place bids for their minor modules **(offered by their own faculty)**. Pay from the **Programme account**.1

c) Students will place bids for the GEM, SS, USP First-Tier modules and restricted minor modules **(not offered by own Faculty/School)**. Pay from the **General account**

**Round 2C [Pr + Pn + G(All modules including breadth and CFM)]**

a) All remaining quota (from the Programme and General account) for each module will be merged to optimize class enrolment. A student bidding a module using the Programme account and a student bidding that same module using the General account will compete on equal grounds. **This means that there will NOT be protection for new, major or any student from this round onwards.**

b) USP students will place bids for USP Course-Based Advanced modules (CBMs) or the USP Multidisciplinary Seminar modules (UMSs) offered by their Faculty/School. Pay from the **Programme account**.

c) Place bids for faculty/major/ULR/UE/CFM modules which will be paid from the relevant accounts.

d) Decide on the bid amount based on the information available.

e) Allocation will take place once the system closes.

f) Students will get the bidding results (successful or not) via email.

**Round 3 onwards [Pr + Pn + G]**

a) This round is essentially the same as the previous except that students can accelerate.

b) Place bids for faculty/major/ULR/UE/CFM modules which will be paid from the relevant accounts.

c) Students may accelerate (i.e. register for more modules than the average workload stipulated by their faculty) as long as they still have bid points in their accounts. However, acceleration is subject to approval by their faculty/school.

d) Decide on the bid amount based on the information available.

e) Allocation will take place once the system closes.

f) Students will get the bidding results (successful or not) via email.

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1 For semester 2, this category of minor students does not get to bid till this 4th round. Reason: To accumulate balance quota from new and returning student queues for major students before releasing to minor/other students.