

Gold Medals

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CONVOCATION – AWARDS, PRIZES AND MEDALS TO BE LISTED IN CONVOCATION PUBLICATIONS

All graduating awards/prizes/medals will be listed in the convocation program with the relevant winners' names. Western Gold Medals are awarded annually in June.

ELIGIBILITY FOR WESTERN GOLD MEDALS

Modular Structure Requirements

Nominee eligibility requirements:

i. Achieved a minimum modular average of 80% with no grade less than 70% in the courses of the module.

Note: Students in the basic medical science modules must have achieved a minimum modular average of 85% with no grade less than 70% in the courses of the module.

- ii. No course grade of F.
- iii. Awarded Dean's Honour List per graduating students policy.

Western Gold Medals

Above calculation is used to award up to one Western Gold Medal with respect to each of the following:

- In each Faculty for the highest average for each Honours Specialization.
- In each Faculty for the highest average in each Major for students in a double Major leading to an Honours degree.
- In each Faculty for the highest average in a Specialization over all of the disciplines offered by the Faculty for students in a Four-Year degree. Note: In the Faculty of Social Science, one Gold Medal will be awarded for a Specialization in MOS and one Gold Medal for all other disciplines.
- In each Faculty for the highest average in a Major over all disciplines offered by the Faculty for students in a Four-Year degree.
- In each Faculty for the highest average in a Major across all disciplines offered by the Faculty for students in a Three-Year degree.

Note: Recipients of Faculty Named Medals are not eligible for a Western Gold Medal when similar award criteria are applied. In such circumstances, the Western Gold Medal may not be awarded to the student with the highest average.

Additional conditions are applicable for these programs:

1. Scholars Electives

Students in a standard module will be evaluated based on their performance in the module against all others in the module.

Students in a custom module will be evaluated against all other students in the Faculty in custom modules. In programs leading to Honours degrees, one Gold Medal will be awarded for the highest average in an Honours Specialization module and one Gold Medal will be awarded for the highest average in a Major module, subject to the requirements above for an Honours Specialization and a double Major.

2. Honours Business Administration

The Richard Ivey School of Business will award one Gold Medal to the Honours Business Administration program and one Gold Medal to the HBA/Approved Combined Program. The Western Gold Medal will be awarded to a student with the highest average, who has completed a full year of courses in both HBA1 and HBA2 as defined by the program. The average is calculated by a simple average of the student's HBA1 average and HBA2 average over all courses taken at Ivey. The average excludes exchange or non-Ivey courses. If an Ivey HBA student is found in breach of the Ivey Student Code of Conduct, the student may be ineligible to receive any of the Ivey Honours designations.

3. Faculty of Engineering

The Faculty of Engineering will award one Gold Medal for each Engineering program, including students in an approved concurrent or combined degree program. Students will be evaluated on an average calculated by the Faculty of Engineering on select technical and non-technical elective courses.

4. Honours Earth Sciences Programs for Professional Registration
The Faculty of Science will award one Gold Medal for the Honours Earth
Sciences Programs for Professional Registration.

5. Integrated Science

The Faculty of Science will award two Gold Medals for the Western Integrated Science program. Students will be evaluated against all Integrated Science Honours Specialization modules. Both Gold Medals will not be awarded to the same Integrated Science Honours Specialization module.

6. Concurrent/Combined Degree Programs

A Western Gold Medal may be awarded to each module/program in an approved concurrent or combined degree. Students in an approved concurrent or combined degree program will be evaluated for each module/program against all other students in the same module/program within their respective Faculties.

Students in the combined JD/MBA program are not eligible for the Gold Medal in the Faculty of Law or the Richard Ivey School of Business.