AERIAL VIEW OF THE CARIBBEAN MARITIME UNIVERSITY
NOTICE TO STUDENTS

Upon registering, each student at the Caribbean Maritime University formally agrees to observe and obey all the policies and rules governing students and the operation of the University.

The University has the right to alter any information appearing in this or any other publication relating to admission, its programmes continuation of study, fees and the requirements for granting of degrees, diplomas or certificates and any other matter.

New and returning students are expected to familiarise themselves with the information in the Student Handbook.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fritz Pinnock, Ph.D, M.Sc., B.Sc (Hon), MBIM, MILDM, FCILT

Welcome to the Caribbean Maritime University (CMI) - soon to be the Caribbean Maritime University (CMU). You have joined the CMI at an exciting time when global development is being characterized by the shift of power from Europe and the Americas in the West to China in the East. There is a greater shift from countries competing against countries, to countries working together to contribute to the global supply chain.

As a student of the CMI, you have a unique opportunity to take advantage of these developments by preparing yourself for the dynamic world of work that awaits you in this industry.

The CMI offers an innovative approach to education and training where every degree programme offered is underpinned by global professional certification for example the professional seafaring programmes are endorsed and recognized by the International Maritime Organization and the logistics programmes are accredited by the Chartered University of Logistics and Transport in London. The CMI also has secured institutional accreditation from the International Standards Organization and Accreditation Service for International Colleges for all its programmes. We are preparing you for the world. Jamaica is just one option.

We encourage you to maximize on your opportunity to hone your talents, develop your professionalism, build on existing skills, and develop new ones by pursuing the industry relevant academic and social programmes that can unlock new and existing careers.

You have joined the privileged group of students who will charge the way forward in global trade and development. Be proactive, be socially conscious and develop your talents.

All the best!
REGISTRAR’S MESSAGE

Maureen Smith, LLB

I take great pleasure in welcoming all new and returning students to the Caribbean Maritime University. The Office of the Registry is the University’s chief Administrative Office and we aim to provide services that exceeds the expectation of our students. The Registry addresses matters relating to student recruitment and admission, examination administration, financial aid and a host of other services.

Your pursuit of higher education will take you through frictions and accord. The frictions will test and sharpen your academic prowess as well as your courage and integrity. The accord will come each time your hard-work meets or exceeds your expectations and your courage and integrity have strengthened.

Enjoy the journey you have embarked upon, believing that your life will be transformed. Our Registry staff here to serve you.

STUDENTS’ UNION PRESIDENT'S

Romaine Wallace
It is with great enthusiasm that I extend a warm welcome to you as you join the Caribbean Maritime University’s family. **Redefining maritime and logistics excellence through innovation** is our primary goal, and we are happy to have you here whether you are returning or you are here for the first time.

The Student Union 2016/17 is ready and excited to assist you along your educational journey and also to assist in making this experience a once in a lifetime passage. As President of the Students’ Union, my team and I are excited to work with you and to provide programmes and services that foster success academically, culturally and physically.

My charge to you includes three pillars to success, As you seek to soar to achieve and excel at the CMI:

**Own it:** a solid foundation enables a glorious masterpiece. You are responsible for your education, so take charge and connect with your lecturers, your classmates, and your seniors daily to share your knowledge and skills and to embrace and maximize your available resources.

**Personalize it:** be the best you can be. “I learned that courage was not the absence of fear, but the triumph over it” -Nelson Mandela. Here at the C.M.I. we offer a well detailed extra-curricular program to foster your development and keep it balanced. I implore you to spend time enhancing or finding the talent in you. Always lend a hand in volunteering your services and get involved.

**Elevate it:** take your education seriously, raise the bar, set standards and have fun. Never miss a moment in earning the best education possible, as this will set you up for the career of your dreams. Remember your goals and your aim, stay focused and stick to it.

You are welcome to visit the Students’ Union office to express your concerns, issues and suggestions to any of the elected representatives; it is our responsibility to see to it that your comfort and rights are given priority, as we are here to serve you. To those of you who are returning, we are glad to have you back, and we look forward to another great academic year.

Ultimately, with Christ in the vessel we can smile at the storm. Have fun and be confident.” If you haven’t confidence in self, you are twice defeated in the race of life. With confidence, you have won even before you have started.” - Marcus Garvey.

CHAPTER 1
CHAPTER I

GENERAL OVERVIEW OF THE CARIBBEAN MARITIME UNIVERSITY

Vision

The maritime university of choice for global leaders.

Mission

Redefining maritime excellence through innovation and technology.

Core Values

Respect, Student Success, Accessibility, Service, Excellence, Diversity, Innovation, Integrity and Teamwork

Scope

The University seeks to:

a. demonstrates its ability to consistently provide products and services that meet customer & regulatory requirements.

b. enhance customer satisfaction through the effective application of the ISO 9001:2015 QMS, including processes for improvement of the system and the assurance of conformity to customer & applicable regulatory requirements.

To this end, the CMU’s scope of operations will be to advance education, training, research and consultancy in the area of maritime studies, with particular focus on the development of capacity building in various aspects of shipping, logistics and related fields, the certification of seafarers, promotion of awareness of maritime safety and security, protection of the marine environment and the promotion of efficiency of international shipping for the benefit of the people of Jamaica, the Caribbean and the wider international community.

Objectives
• To provide quality maritime education and related technical and vocational training.

• To produce graduates of a high calibre in keeping with international standards.

• To provide professional maritime and technical consultancy services.

• To serve as the regional maritime information data centre.

• To foster and promote professionalism and the development of staff.

• To foster and enhance maritime environmental awareness, response and planning, in keeping with international conventions.

Tagline

“Redefining Maritime and Logistics Excellence through Innovation”
**Historical Overview of the CMU**

The University is sited on the Palisadoes Peninsula flanked by the Royal Jamaica Yacht Club to the East, the Gun Boat Beach on the West and the sea to the North and South. As a result of the location, CMU’s immediate neighbours are therefore, Port Royal, Harbour View and Bull Bay. The University is actually halfway between the Norman Manley International Airport and the Harbour View City Centre and adorned by luscious vegetation and salubrious environment. This tranquil salubrious environment makes it an ideal place for learning.

What is known today as the Caribbean Maritime University (CMU) was established in 1980 as the Jamaica Maritime Training University (JMTI), the result of the collaborative effort of the Government of Jamaica and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway (NORAD). The aim of the school at the time was to train Jamaican nationals to man the Jamaica Merchant Marine (JMM) fleet of five ships.

Temporarily located at 9 Norman Road, Kingston, the school started with thirty (30) Jamaican students enrolled in the Merchant Certificate Class III as deck and engineering officers and was run with a full maritime complement of five (5) Norwegian lecturers. Training was designed in accordance with the Norwegian and British systems of training of seafarers and was well above the minimum requirements of the 1978 Inter-governmental Maritime Consultative Organization (IMCO) (later known as the International Maritime Organization (IMO)) Convention for Seafarers.

A need developed for “able-bodied seamen” for Jamaica Merchant Marine (JMM) and several short courses of three (3) months duration were run for personnel selected by JMM. An important part of the training was the fire fighting and safety training accessible to other organizations including Air Jamaica flight crews.

While the school operated in temporary quarters, a more suitable site was found at Palisadoes Park. A school of initially 20,000 square feet floor space in several buildings was designed and built. By May 1984, the entire JMTI was in new buildings.

The initial opening of JMTI was arranged to coincide with the first graduation of the class IV officers, held at the end of June 1984.

Six years later (1990), the University was identified by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) as the national TRAINMAR Centre through which UNCTAD programmes could be delivered in the Caribbean. The initiative was set up with the aim of equipping senior and middle level managers of the land based ports, shipping and allied industry with the requisite skills to function effectively in the global market.

TRAINMAR programmes encompassed courses in supervisory management, maritime documentary fraud, practical freight forwarding, maritime insurance, bills of lading, terminal and ship agency operations and port security.
Within five (5) years of its commencement, over four hundred (400) persons were trained in such areas as terminal and ship agency operations and port security.

Among the agencies that benefitted from TRAINMAR courses were Alcan Jamaica Limited, Petroleum Corporation Jamaica Limited, Rapid Sheffield, Jamaica, and Guardian Life Insurance Brokers. It is noteworthy that today some of these companies still access customized short courses offered by the University.

The Jamaicanization of the University

The University became fully Jamaicanized in 1992 with LCdr Michael Rodriguez as the first Jamaican-born Executive Director.

In recognition of the call of the University to emphasize education and training, the name was changed from JMTI to Jamaica Maritime University (JMI) in 1992.

In January 1993, the JMI became an autonomous statutory body under the laws of Jamaica and within the then Ministry of Public Utilities and Transport in accordance with the JMI Act of 1992. The Shipping Association of Jamaica (SAJ) and the Port Authority of Jamaica (PAJ) became legal partners of the University.

With the industry well served by the national TRAINMAR Centre, in 1994, the JMI introduced the region’s first professional certification for the port and shipping industry, the Diploma in Shipping Logistics (DISL). Such was the success of the Diploma in Shipping Logistics that two (2) years later (1996), the JMI signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the University of the West Indies Distance Education Centre (UWIDEC) establishing the Caribbean Diploma in Shipping and Logistics in the Eastern Caribbean. Under this programme, fifty six (56) students in Barbados, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Trinidad and Tobago and St. Kitts received classroom instruction via satellite transmissions.

Following on the heels of this initiative in 1998, the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) recognized the University as the preferred centre for regional maritime education and training. In that same year, the Diploma in Shipping and Logistics obtained academic recognition from the World Maritime University (WMU) enabling graduates of the course to matriculate into its degree programmes.

In 1997, the University sought to strengthen its partnerships by signing an MOU with the University of Technology (UTech) establishing an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Industrial Systems, Operations and Maintenance (ADISOM). This union was born out of the recognition that a need existed in the allied industry for trained service technicians at the lower to supervisory levels. To bridge this gap the Associate Degree in Industrial Systems, Operations and Maintenance was introduced in September of 1997 on a full-time basis over a two year period. The following year, the programme was offered on a part-time basis with duration of four (4) years. The year 1997 also saw funding opportunities opening up to needy students with the establishment of the Jamaica Maritime University’s Trust Fund. This local fund still provides scholarships, bursaries and grants to deserving students today.

While the University had always offered its seafaring courses above the standard required by the
International Maritime Organisation (IMO), the quality of these offerings was ratified by this body in the year 2000. In May 2000, a formal declaration of reciprocal recognition of the Standards of Training, Certification and Watch Keeping (STCW, 1995) Certificates of Competency was issued to Jamaica by the Maritime Coast Guard Agencies of the United Kingdom. This meant that officers who graduated from the CMU were now confirmed as holding qualifications of equal standing with those trained to certified standards throughout the world. Later that year, Jamaica was listed among the countries on the IMO ‘White list’ of nations complying with the STCW 95 Convention. This seal of approval further validated the CMU as a training institution of merit.

By 2001, the need to give the University an international flavour, content and stature was demonstrated by changing its name from JMI to the Caribbean Maritime University (CMU). In 2004 the University sought and gained accreditation for the Diploma in International Shipping and Logistics (DISL) and the Associate of Applied Science Degree in Industrial Systems Operation from the University Council of Jamaica (UCJ).

A New Era

Over the thirty two (32) years of the University’s existence, the size of the student population has increased from thirty (30) students and two (2) programmes in 1980 to over three thousand students (3000) students in 2017. This does not include the many and varied short course offerings that are delivered to corporate Jamaica and the international shipping industry. As the University has grown so also have the support structures that are essential to its viability, these include the number and calibre of faculty, the teaching and learning resources, the physical facilities and the student services offerings.

As the only maritime university in Jamaica, and the only ISO 9001:2015 certified educational institution in the Caribbean region, the Caribbean Maritime University (“CMU”) can lay claim to being the premier higher education institution for maritime and logistics studies in the region. CMU is a university established by the Caribbean Maritime University Act, 2017 to advance education, training and research in the area of maritime studies, the development of capacity building in various aspects of shipping, logistics and related fields, the certification of seafarers, the promotion of awareness of maritime safety and security, the protection of the marine environment and the promotion of efficiency in international shipping, for the benefit of the people of Jamaica, the Caribbean and the wider international community. The university offers a wide range of programmes and specialized courses and these are delivered through CMU’s five (5) faculties;

- Faculty of Shipping and Logistics
- Faculty of Marine and Nautical Studies
- Faculty of Engineering and Applied Technology
- Faculty of Advanced Skills and Professional Development
Additionally, CMU’s specialized centres offer training and certification in special, technical and customized courses that promote competence and professionalism to suit the needs of the maritime and allied industries.

The Caribbean Maritime University Bill was approved by the Senate on 24 February, 2017. The Governor General signed the CMU Charter as officially signed in as of September 28, 2017. As a statutory body, CMU is governed by its Act, Charter, Statutes and Ordinances. The principal policy-making body is the University Council, which is responsible for the academic policy and strategic direction of the university and which has general control over the conduct of the affairs of the university. The Chancellor of the university is usually an eminent public figure, who serves as titular head of the university and presides over all major ceremonies. The Executive Leadership Team manages the operations of the university and consists of the President, Deputy President, Vice Presidents, Associate Vice Presidents, University Registrar, University Treasurer and the University Librarian. CMU’s daily operations are executed through the university’s seven (7) functional units, which handle the administration of the functions and activities of the university. The Office of the Registrar, together with the Office of Academic and Student Affairs handle all student matters such as, selection and admission of undergraduate students, selection of graduate students, provision of student welfare, determination of the content of courses, organization of lectures and seminars, provision of teaching and learning resources, examination of theses, management of examinations and awarding of degrees.

The CMU is committed to producing industry ready graduates, law abiding and disciplined leaders. It is committed to breaking the back of unemployment in the country and, to developing programmes that will meet the needs and expectations of the widest cross-section of Jamaican and the Caribbean youth, emphasizing good work ethics and best practises for the maritime and logistics sectors.

THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CMU INCLUDE:

- Academic programmes leading to graduate and post graduate awards and professional certifications
- Marine related programmes leading to academic and professional certifications
- Short professional development programmes
- Consultancy, research and training for national and international agencies and institutions.
- Advanced Skills certifications and awards

MILESTONES, PARTNERSHIPS, MEMBERSHIPS, APPLICATIONS AND ACCREDITATIONS
Throughout its thirty two (32) years of existence, particularly since late 2006, and driven by its Blue Ocean Strategy philosophy, the CMU has forged many alliances in its quest to remain relevant in meeting the needs and expectations of the maritime and land based shipping industry of the Caribbean and the world. The University has forged in excess of twenty new major partnerships to say nothing about the strengthening of old and existing ones.

Jamaica in 2000 was listed among 72 countries on the IMO’s “White List” of nations complying with the Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping Convention (STCW95) Convention. Consequently, the Caribbean Maritime University enjoys the elite status of being the only IMO approved maritime education and training institution in Jamaica.

All maritime courses are offered in accordance with the International Maritime Organisation’s Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watch-keeping for Seafarers 1995 (STCW’95).

In Jamaica, we have established close relationship with the University of the West Indies and the University of Technology, Jamaica, through collaborative programmes and we are recognized by the University Council of Jamaica as a tertiary institution.

In the region we have secured endorsement from the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) as the preferred institution for maritime education and training and from the Caribbean Shipping Association (CSA).

The United Kingdom (UK) now accepts Jamaica’s Certificate of Competencies (COC’s) as equivalent to its own and satisfies competency requirements for service on UK Registered Ships and for entry into advanced training and examination in the UK Nautical Universitys.

The CMU is also the only ISO 9001:2008 Certified Institution in the Western Hemisphere.

In an effort to ensure the highest standards of education and training within the three Schools, the CMU has adopted relevant quality assurance measures. The University Council of Jamaica (UCJ) provides the quality framework for the entire programme offerings of the School of Academic Studies. The offerings of the Marine and Professional Studies School are authorized by the International Maritime Organization (IMO). With a view to ensuring quality standards of training in the Advanced Studies School, National Council on Technical and Vocational Education and Training (NCTVET) accreditation status has been attained by the University. The accreditation of these programmes is one bench mark of excellence that the University upholds. All programmes in the logistics field within the School of Academic Studies are accredited by the Chartered University of Logistics and Transport in the United Kingdom. The University also has institutional accreditation from the Accreditation Service for International Schools, Colleges and Universities in the United Kingdom.

**FACULTIES, SCHOOL AND CENTRES OF THE UNIVERSITY**

**Faculties:**

In recognition of the diversity of the technical and academic competencies within the University
and in the interest of good governance and accountability, the CMU is organized into several Faculties, School and Centres. Each Faculty is headed by a Dean who is supported by a Head of School, lecturing staff and administrative personnel.

- **Faculty of Shipping and Logistics**

  This faculty provides salient training in Logistics, which is an integral component of every organization but particularly so in the production, distribution, and trade. Effective logisticians can significantly impact the bottom line of organizations. As this awareness grows, so too will job opportunities in this field. Beyond the planning and forecasting, product assembly, storage, and management of the supply chain are international trade, security, and coordination of distribution channels. All these aspects (on land, on the sea and in the air) work together as a whole to support domestic and international businesses. The fast-paced industries of immigration, shipping, security and port management are global fields which offer tremendous employment opportunities. Practitioners in these areas are high in demand and low in supply. The undergraduate programmes in this Faculty are designed to prepare candidates to gain entry-level and middle-level employment in these sectors. They also seek to develop in candidates, the knowledge, skills, and flexibility to participate in the global marketplace. The Post Graduate programmes equip students with higher-order skills and abilities.

**Programmes:**

- Bachelor of Science in Logistics and Supply Chain Management
- Bachelor of Science in Port Management
- Bachelor of Science in International Shipping
- Bachelor of Science in Custom Processes, Freight Forwarding and Immigration
- Bachelor of Science in Cruise Shipping and Marine Tourism
- Bachelor of Science in Security Administration and Management
- Bachelor of Science in Cyber Security and Digital Forensics
- Diploma in Shipping and Logistics

- **Faculty of Marine and Nautical Studies**

  The programmes within this faculty provide training for persons wishing to develop a career in seafaring. Students enrolled in these programmes are trained in the rudiments and theory of nautical studies and are taught shipboard operations to the management level.
Programmes:

- Bachelor of Science in Marine Transportation
- Bachelor of Engineering in Marine Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Naval Architecture and Marine Surveying
- Master and Chief Mate Programmes
- Chief Engineering and Second Engineer Programme

- Faculty of Engineering and Applied Technology

This faculty spearheads engineering-led research-based academic activities geared towards a culture of applied research. It focuses on multidisciplinary growth areas that are globally relevant such as biotechnology, alternative energy, robotics, mechanical engineering, chemical engineering and electrical engineering. These programmes are accredited by the University Council of Jamaica (UCJ) and the Accreditation Service for International Schools, Colleges, and Universities (ASIC UK).

Programmes:

- Bachelor of Engineering in Industrial Systems
- Bachelor of Science in Marine Biotechnology
- Bachelor of Science in Marine Biotechnology
- Bachelor of Science in Digital Forensic & Cyber Security
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Programming and Artificial Intelligence
- Bachelor of Science in Logistics Engineering
- Associate Degree in Industrial Systems Operations and Maintenance

- Faculty of Advanced Skills and Professional Development

This Faculty serves two main types of students; those seeking alternative pathways to educational advancement and industry personnel who want to enhance their professional expertise in a variety of areas. Alternative pathways include occupational degrees, foundation courses and government assisted programmes while other industry-based courses include customized offerings that are tailored to suit individual and organizational needs across sectors.
Programmes:

- Associate Degree in Logistics and Supply Chain Operations
- Associate Degree in Intermodal and Transport Operations
- Pre-University Programmes in Engineering Studies
- Pre-University Programmes in Logistics and Supply Chain Management
- Pre-University Programmes in Marine Studies
- Pre-University Programme in Multi-Purpose Rating
- City and Guilds Certificate in Engineering
- City and Guilds Certificate in Welding Fabrication
- City and Guilds Degree in Engineering
- City and Guilds Degree in Welding and Fabrication
- NCTVET/NVQ/CVQs Welding and Fabrication (levels I-III)
- NCTVET/NVQ/CVQs Mechanical Instrumentation (levels I-III)
- NCTVET/NVQ/CVQs Instrumental and Control (levels I-III)
- NCTVET/NVQ/CVQs Electrical Maintenance (levels I-III)
- NCTVET/NVQ/CVQs Port Operations (levels 1-III)
- NCTVET/NVQ/CVQs Warehousing Operations (levels I-III)
- NCTVET/NVQ/CVQs Stevedoring Operations (levels I-III)
- Career Advancement Programme Youth Employment Solutions (CAP YES)
- Technology Advancement Programme (TAP)
- Young Engineering Programme (YEP)
- Gantry Crane Operators Training
- Pre-College Programmes
- Career Advancement Programme Youth Employment Solutions
- Career Advancement Programme (CAP)
- Occupational Environmental, Health & Safety (OHS) Training
- Warehouse Management
• Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation CPR
• Traffic Crash Investigating & Reporting
• Articulated Truck Driver Training
• Basic Oil and Chemical Tanker Course
• Accident Prevention and Control
• Hazard Types and Control
• Report Writing
• Logistics and Supply Chain Management
• Procurement and Inventory Management
• Forklift Operation and Safety Course
• Working in Confined Spaces

• Faculty of General Studies:
  This Faculty has direct responsibility for:
  • Undergraduate Research Supervision
  • General Education Courses

School:
• School of Graduate Studies and Research
  The School of Graduate Studies is an emerging area of development that the university is investing in to ensure that higher level studies are undertaken in critical areas of shipping, logistics, maritime studies and related areas.

The Programmes
  • Doctorate of Philosophy
  • Master of Science in Cruise Shipping and Marine Tourism
  • Master of Science in Logistics Engineering
Centres:
1. Maritime Training Centre
   ➢ Offers all IMO STCW Courses

2. Festo Authorized Certification and Training Centre (FESTO FACT Centre)
   ➢ Master of Engineering in Mechatronics (FESTO Certification)
   ➢ Master of Engineering in Automation (FESTO Certification)
   ➢ Bachelor of Engineering in Mechatronics (FESTO Certification)
   ➢ Bachelor of Engineering in Automation (FESTO Certification)

3. Centre for Climate Change and Renewable Energy
   ➢ Research and Projects on Climate Change Initiatives

4. The Andrew Wheatley Centre for Digital Innovation and Advanced Manufacturing
   ➢ 3D Printing and Engineering

SERVICES OFFERED
1. Consultancy services

2. Workshop services (Welding and fabrication, assessment services)

3. NCTVET Training in stevedoring competences (levels 1 to 3)

4. Emergency response planning & administration (search and rescue, emergency procedures, medical care, fire fighting, crowd management)

5. Marine Diesel/Power plant services

6. Crewing services
7. Customized short courses

8. Maintenance & Repair (Marine related systems and industrial systems)

**Facilities**
The facilities comprise:

- Classrooms;
- Laboratories:
- Workshop
- Diesel and Welding
- Mechanical
- Bridge
- Engine Room
- Crane
- Desktop
- Fire fighting
- Radar and Crowd Control

* Boiler Work room

* Shop/Labs;

* Engineering Workshop

* Radar/ARPA/Ship handling

* GMDSS Simulator

* Engine Room Simulator

* Simulators;

* HARPA Simulator

* Simulator
Navigation

Ship Handling

ECDIS

Computer Lab;

Auditoriums;

Conference Facility;

Library;

Residential Accommodations (on and off campus)

Students’ Recreation Unit;

Canteen and Dining Area;

Tuck Shop

130 ft. Jetty

60 ft. Fully equipped luxury yacht

Campuses of the Caribbean Maritime University

- The Main Campus, of the Palisadoes (All programmes except the Customs, Processing, Freight Forwarding and Immigration are offered)
- The Port Royal Campus, Port Royal (The Customs, Processing, Freight Forwarding and Immigration and Engineering programmes are offered)
• The Air Jamaica Campus, Air Jamaica Building on Harbour Street (Customized courses, Logistics, Engineering and Pre-College, Occupational Health and Safety Programmes are offered)

Sites of the Caribbean Maritime University

• Sam Sharpe Campus, Montego Bay (Logistics and Engineering programmes are offered)
• Knox Community College Franchise, Mandeville (Logistics programme is offered)
• Moneague Teachers College (Logistics and Post-Graduate Diploma Courses are offered)
• Jamaica Theological Seminary (CAP YES programme is offered)
• Charlie Smith and Trench Town High Schools (Pre-College programmes are offered)
• Hydel High School (CAP YES programme is offered)
• Kingston High School (Pre-College programme offered)
• Fogo Road (Pre-College Programme is offered)
CHAPTER II

GENERAL INFORMATION

This handbook details the rules, codes and guidelines of the Caribbean Maritime University as they relate to students. Students who are pursuing Cadet/Officer programmes will be guided by additional internal regulations governing their programmes. All students have a responsibility to familiarise themselves with the guidelines contained herein.

2.1 STUDENTS’ RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

**Students’ Rights:**

- To expect the best quality education the University can provide;
- To be provided with an innovative, equitable and supportive environment that enables students to achieve their full potential;
- To be provided with current and clear guidelines regarding course content, time demands and assessment details and criteria;
- To expect impartial, constructive and prompt assessment of their work.
- To have access to the facilities and resources necessary for students' academic goals to be achieved;
- To be treated with respect by both staff and fellow students;
- To expect that scheduled classes will take place, or to be informed on time of alternative arrangements;
- To have access to staff to whom questions and difficulties can be referred; and
- To membership and participation in the Students’ Union (with the exemption of Cadets in the Marine and Professional School)

**Students’ Responsibilities**

- To read and understand the Student Handbook
- To take an active role in planning and pursuing studies;
- To ensure that they are well informed about the requirements of the course that is being undertaken;
- To attend classes on time;
- To discuss with relevant staff any problems that they may encounter;
- To make the best possible use of opportunities and facilities that the University provides;
- To meet stipulated deadlines;
- To respect the rights and welfare of the University staff and students;
- To respect University’s property and those of others;
- To comply with the code of conduct specific to their programme of study;
- To comply with the University’s rules and regulations;
- To complete and submit evaluations of lecturers; and
To respect others and their property

2.2 EVALUATION OF LECTURERS

The University recognizes the importance of high quality teaching for the academic preparation of its students and as such, the completion of course lecturer evaluation forms are obligatory.

2.3 DRESS CODE

CMI adopts a Para-military dress code which students must maintain according to the guidelines outlined herein.

Uniforms must be kept clean, free from damage and must be ironed. Students must keep uniforms buttoned and zipped while ensuring that metallic devices such as insignia, belt buckles, and belt tips are free of scratches and corrosion and are in proper lustre or remain properly subdued.

Students must keep shoes and boots cleaned and/or shined. Absolutely no sneaker allowed. Students will replace the epaulettes, insignia, and nameplates, when unserviceable or no longer conform to standards.

Students must ensure that articles carried in pockets do not protrude from the pocket or present a bulky appearance.

Uniform Appearance and Fit

Fitting instructions and alterations of uniforms will be made in accordance with the following summary of general fitting guidelines:

General:

- **These rules apply to both on and off campus.**
- All shirts (male/female) are to be tucked into pants/skirts at all times.
- Trousers, pants, or shirts **must not** be tightly worn.
- Male students are not permitted to wear earrings while in uniform
- Female students are allowed to wear only one (2) pair of earrings, two in each earlobe. Second pair must be a stud or sleeper earring.
- Nose rings are prohibited with uniform.
- Student’s undergarments should not be visible.

Males
• **Trousers will be fitted and worn with the lower edge of the waistband at the top of the hipbone, plus or minus ½ inch.** The front crease of the trousers will reach the top of the instep, touching the top of the shoe at the shoelaces.

• Trousers must be cut on a diagonal line to reach a point approximately midway between the top of the heel and the top of the standard shoe in the back. The trousers may have a slight break in the front.

**Females**

• **Knee-length skirts. Skirts lengths will be no more than 1 inch above or 2 inches below the centre of the knee.**

• **Pants will be fitted and worn with the lower edge of the waistband at the top of the hipbone, plus or minus ½ inch**

**General Hair Standards**

The requirement for hair grooming standards is necessary to maintain uniformity within the student population. Many hairstyles are acceptable, as long as they are neat and conservative. It is not possible to address every acceptable hairstyle, or what constitutes eccentric or conservative grooming. CMI allows headdress associated with religious beliefs based on appropriate documentation to facilitate the request.

All students will comply with the hair, and grooming policies while in uniform on or off campus.

Extreme/ eccentric hairstyles are not authorized. Students will not cut designs in their hair or scalp. If students use dyes, tints, or bleaches, they must choose those that result in natural hair colours. Colours that detract from a professional appearance are prohibited. Students should avoid using colours that result in an extreme appearance.

Applied hair colours that are prohibited include, but are not limited to purple, blue, pink, green, orange, bright (fire engine) red, and fluorescent or neon colours.

It is the responsibility of Staff to use good judgment in determining if a particular hairstyle or applied colours are acceptable, based upon the overall effect on the student’s appearance.

**Male Hair Standards**

Male haircuts will conform to the set standards outlined herein. The hair on top of the head must be neatly groomed. The length and bulk of the hair may not be excessive or present a ragged, unkempt, or extreme appearance. The hair must present a tapered appearance. A tapered appearance is one where the outline of the student’s hair conforms to the shape of the head, curving inward to the natural termination point at the base of the neck. The hair will not fall over the ears or eyebrows, or touch the collar, except for the closely cut hair at the back of the neck. The block-cut fullness in the back is permitted to a moderate degree, as long as the tapered look is maintained.
Males are not authorized to wear braids, cornrows, or dreadlocks (unkempt, twisted, matted, individual parts of hair) while in uniform on or off campus. Hair that is clipped closely or shaved to the scalp (bald-headed) is authorized.

Sideburns must be neatly trimmed and must not be flared; the base of the sideburn will be a clean-shaven, horizontal cut or tapered.

Males will keep their face clean-shaven or neatly groomed in uniform on or off campus; beards should be neatly trimmed, tapered, and tidy. Moustaches and beards will not present a chopped off or bushy appearance, and no portion of the moustache will cover the upper lip line. Handlebar moustaches and goatees are not authorized.

If appropriate medical authority prescribes beard growth, the length required for treatment must be specified. For example, "The length of the beard will not exceed ¼ inch." Students will keep the growth trimmed to the level specified by appropriate medical authority, but they are not authorized to shape the growth into goatees, or any excessively loud manner.

Males are prohibited from wearing wigs or hairpieces while in uniform on or off campus, except to cover natural baldness or physical disfiguration caused by accident or medical procedure. When worn, wigs or hairpieces will conform to the standard haircut criteria.

**Female Hair Standards**

Female students must ensure their hair is neatly groomed and that the length and bulk of any synthetic hair or extensions used is not excessive. The hair must not present a ragged, unkempt, or extreme appearance. Likewise, styles that result in shaved portions of the scalp (other than the neckline) or designs cut into the hair are prohibited.

Females may wear braids and cornrows as long as the style is conservative and holding devices must comply with the standards below. Hair must not fall over the epaulettes or obscure the insignia/ name tag. Any wigs, extensions, hairpieces, or weaves must comply with grooming policies.

Hair-holding devices may be used only for securing the hair. Females will not place hair-holding devices in the hair for decorative purposes. All hair-holding devices must be plain and of a clear colour matching the student’s hair. Authorized hair holding devices include, but are not limited to, small scrunches, comb clips, hair pins, clips, rubber bands and bandies/ hair bands.

Devices that are conspicuous, excessive or decorative are prohibited.

**Headdress**

Students shall not wear hair covering unless otherwise stipulated by the University *i.e. safety or based on religious practices.*
Religions requiring the wearing of special headdress must provide the University with a confirmation letter written by their respective religious leaders. This letter should include an address and contact number of the place of fellowship to allow for background checks. The wearing of religious headdress is not a fad and should be respected.

**Makeup**

Makeup must be moderate and as best as possible, mach the natural skin tone of the wearer. Bright colours are not permitted for lipstick eye makeup and blushes. All extensions of facial hair i.e. lashes must be moderate.

**Program Uniforms**

Please see dress code signs across the campus.

House shirts and club shirts must be worn on the days assigned for these by the Students' Union.

**Bachelor of Engineering in Marine Engineering and Bachelor of Science in Marine Transportation:**

- Please see Cadet Internal Regulations

**Students in all other full time Bachelors Degree Programmes:**

- White shirt
- Black trousers / skirt
- Black shoes
- Plain black Socks
- Epaulettes according to the programme of study
- Plain white undershirt

**Career Advancement (CAP) e/Pre-University Programm shall wear:**

- White shirt with the CAP Logo
- Black pants/ skirt
- Plain black socks
- Black shoes

**Part time students:**

- Part time students will adhere to the visitors dress code outlined by the University. *(No Minni skirts, short shorts, spaghetti straps or midriff blouses,)*
Dress code for workshop/labs
Students are required to wear lab coats and coveralls, safety goggles and hard metal tip boots as required. These are to be purchased by students and should be worn at lab sessions

Note: All students are required to wear and visibly display their I.D.s while on campus. Coveralls and safety shoes should be worn by all persons, where the circumstances so require.

Coveralls are not permitted in the Canteen, Administrative Offices, Nurse's Station or the Library.

2.4 RESOURCES

2.4.1 Computer Lab:
The University has three, two of which are located beside the Cafeteria and the other located in the Library. Wi-Fi access is available to all students on campus. To access same students should speak with a representative in the Management Information Systems (MIS) located in the labs.

2.4.2 Library Services:
The CMI Library offers a wide range of information, resources and services to faculty and students to support the learning process. Facilities include a computer laboratory which provides students and staff with computer access for research purposes. Print resources include books, journals and magazines. Electronic resources include e-books, online databases, e-magazines and newsletters, newspaper archives and CD ROM. Services offered include printing, photocopying, and referral to use resources in other university and college libraries.

Books are loaned on a three week and overnight basis. In order to borrow books and other resources students must visit the library and complete the registration process.

Opening hours
Mondays - Fridays  7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Saturdays & Sundays  8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

2.5 STUDENT AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

The Student Affairs Department is the link between the Administration and the student body. It seeks to foster a close and amicable relationship between the two entities and to make representations to the Administration on behalf of students. This office aims to promote student success and to create a campus community geared towards facilitating students' growth and development. It comprises the following Units:
2.5.1 The Counselling Unit
The CMI Counselling Unit was established to help students deal effectively with the inherent stresses of campus life. The Unit is thoroughly committed to the need for confidentiality in Client/Counsellor communications. Individuals may consider their counselling session to be an opportunity for open discussion of private concerns without fear of disclosure.

2.5.1.1 Career Counselling
Career Counselling provides students with the resources, skills and experiences necessary to make informed educational and career choices.

2.5.1.2 Group Counselling
The Unit helps students to develop new skills and understanding through workshops and programmes offered to student. These workshops cover an ever-changing variety of topics designed to help students further their personal, academic, and career development. The Centre also offers stress management sessions for individuals and groups.

2.5.1.3 Personal Counselling
The purpose of individual or personal Counselling is to assist individuals in:

- acquiring a better understanding of themselves and of the emotional conflict which may be interfering with their academic performance and personal life;
- expanding their awareness of available alternatives;
- acquiring greater confidence in their decision-making skills;
- feeling more able to accept responsibility for their own lives.

2.5.1.4 Staff:
The counselling staff consists of a trained Clinical Psychologist and a part-time campus Chaplin who use a multi-disciplinary approach in working with students, faculty and staff. They are experienced in working with all phases of adult development.

2.5.1.5 Drug Information Service (DIS)
Every student is required to complete a drug consent form. If a student is suspected of abusing illegal substance, the University may request that drug testing be done.

The University through its Nurse and Counsellor is equipped to counsel/refer students on drug related issues. Pamphlets and drug related journals and textbooks can be obtained from these individuals for further information.

2.5.2 Wellness Centre
This Unit addresses health related issues of staff and students. Clients can be assured that they will receive confidential medical attention or referral for appropriate medical intervention. Each student is required to complete a medical history form on their first visit to the centre. This Unit provides:

- Nurses’ Station
- First Aid services for students and staff
- Formal and informal educational support and counselling related to healthy lifestyle is offered through seminars, health fairs and workshops
- Family planning education

2.5.2.1 Opening hours:
Mondays to Fridays 8:15a.m. – 8:00p.m

2.5.2.3 Emergency Services
Persons with life threatening emergencies who visit the Wellness Centre will receive supportive care and then be transferred to an appropriate hospital or health centre.

2.5.2.4 Medical Report
CMI Wellness Centre personnel do not write reports for students who have missed classes, labs or exams due to illness or injuries. However, students who seek or receive medical care may receive documentation of their visit upon request.

If the personnel within the Centre believes that limited physical activities or sick leave is needed, the student should receive those recommendations in writing from a medical doctor and submit this medical certificate to the Registry.

Students who become ill or see a physician outside of CMI are responsible for obtaining a Medical Certificate from that physician.

2.5.2.5 Staff
The University employs a full-time registered nurse and one relieve nurse for the evening sessions.

2.5.3 Accommodation
The University provides boarding at its Admiralty residence in Port Royal for its students.

2.5.3.1 Application Requirement
Boarding is facilitated through the Student Affairs Department. All students requesting boarding **must** complete and submit a Boarding Application Form (available online or at the reception area) for consideration. All resident students must sign an agreement form with the University that and keep a copy of this form for themselves. The application period is January – June each year. Persons living in rural Jamaica will be given preference.

**NB: All returning students desirous of returning on hall must re-apply for residency each school/academic year. Additionally, boarding fees are non-refundable.**

2.5.3.2 Leadership
The accommodation facility is headed by several Wardens who ensure that the rules and regulations are upheld. These individuals will also monitor the overall cleanliness of the facility and its surroundings.
2.5.3.3 External Accommodation Assistance
Students who were unsuccessful in obtaining CMI accommodation may seek off-campus accommodation (an approved list is available in the Student Affairs Office).

2.5.3.4 Boarding Fees
Boarding fees are paid on a annual basis. Students should ensure that a copy of all proof of payment is submitted to the Student Affairs Department, as cross reference will be made with the University’s Accounting Department. **All Resident Student will be required to pay a refundable caution fee if no damage is done (please consult housing agreement document for further information).**

2.5.3.5 Resident Student Handbook
All resident students will be furnished with a Resident Student Handbook which lists the regulations governing the halls as well as other general information. In addition to this, Cadets must adhere to the regulations laid out in the Cadet Residential Regulations.

2.6 PLACEMENT DEPARTMENT

As an integral part of their programmes, students at the University are required to have a period of on the job experience. The Placement Department provides guidance and counselling to students prior to their placement in the industries for job experience and monitors their progress. (Cadets see Discipline Regulations for the Cadet Programme)

2.6.1 Industry Awareness

All full-time students are placed in the industry to gain relevant experience. At the end of this period students are required to submit a written report on their experience. A log book to track activities during Industrial Awareness is housed in the Placement Office.

2.6.2 Career Fair

A Career Fair is usually held each year. Students are given the opportunity to interface with industry personnel and prospective employers. They are also exposed to job readiness workshops and seminars.

2.6.3 Crewing Advising

Support Services include:
- securing placement for cadets
- assisting with sourcing permanent jobs for graduates
- liaising with Industry to establish job needs, trends and relevance of training, as a basis for continuous improvement

**NOTE:** All students must receive clearance from the Accounting Division before job placements/training can be facilitated.

2.7 FINANCIAL INFORMATION
2.7.1 Fee Payment
The University Treasurer recommends fee structure to the University Council for approval each academic year. The University reserves the right to make changes in both fees and the procedures for payment without prior notice. All fees, as per contract, are payable before registration unless otherwise authorised. Fees may be paid by cash or Manager’s Cheque at any Branch of the National Commercial Bank or at the CMI using a debit or credit card and Manager’s cheque only. The University reserves the right to dictate the minimum limit for use of debit and credit cards. Card transactions will also attract a service charge per transaction. Fees must be paid with vouchers issued by Caribbean Maritime University. Upon payment students must present the yellow copy of the voucher to the Accounts department. The Accounts department will issue a confirmation of bank payment form. The stamped and completed form must be submitted to the Admissions Office. The student will then be issued an authorisation card permitting him/her to access University services over the registration period.

(Upon submission of payment voucher, please allow three (3) working days for the update of payment record)

2.7.2 Fees

The components of fees are as follows:
1. Application (Non-refundable)
2. Tuition
3. Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance (Applicable to all fulltime students)
4. Medical Health Insurance (Applicable to all fulltime students)
5. Student Union dues/Cadet Social Fund Dues (Applicable to all students)
6. Other auxiliary fees

Note: Boarding Fees and the caution fee are paid by resident students only.

Health Insurance Coverage is mandatory for all full-time students. Exemptions may be allowed in instances where students already have health insurance coverage; documentary proof must be submitted to the Student Services Department during the week of Registration.

In addition, some programmes may have other prescribed fees for laboratory materials or special projects.

Available Financing Options
Assistance is available through the Government of Jamaica Students' Loan Scheme (Students Loan Bureau), National Youth Service (JAMVAT), Banks and Credit Unions. The Student Services Manager can be contacted for information regarding these and other options.

2.7.3 Payment Options
Payment options are available to candidates deemed eligible for entry. The Registrar, in consultation with the Head of the Accounting Department and in keeping with the University’s
policies, is authorised to assess applicant's eligibility and execute the required contractual agreement.

2.7.4 Summary of Payment Options

**Full Time Students:**
1. Full Payment
2. 60:40 Plan
3. 50:50 Plan

**Part Time Students:**
1. Full Payment
2. 40:30:30

**Cadets:**
1. Full Payment
2. 40:30:30

**Masters Students:**
1. Full Payment
2. 50:50
3. Modular Plan

All plans are subject to finance charges and applicable fees. Penalty charges will also be applied for not adhering to the signed agreement.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** The University reserves the right to negotiate specialized plans on a case by case basis. These plans will attract higher finance charges and are generally not recommended. These plans will lead to higher risks and higher administrative costs for the University.

2.7.5 Fee Refund Policy

Only students who have formally withdrawn from the University will be considered to have terminated their contract with the Institution. A participant may cancel his/her enrolment contract at no penalty by notifying the University before the start of the course/programme, except that CMI will retain the registration fee. Changes in registration and programmes may also be accommodated without charge within the first two weeks of the semester (unless the change requires additional tuition fees).

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A student who requests leave of absence, receives a refund of tuition following the schedule:
A student who is expelled or suspended will not be entitled to any refund of fee. *Application for withdrawal* form may be obtained from the Admissions Department.

**Opening Hours:**

**Cashier**
- Mondays - Thursdays: 8:15am – 6:30pm
- Fridays: 8:15am – 4:15pm

**Accounts Department**
- Mondays – Fridays: 8:15am to 4:15pm

**2.7.6 Financial Assistance**
The recommended available sources of funding for students who are experiencing difficulty in funding their education are listed below:
- Student Loan Bureau Scheme
- Employer Support
- Scholarship Offerings

NB: Students seeking external funding to cover tuition fees are to ensure that they make the necessary follow-up with those institutions and make sure that the relevant approval information is forwarded to the CMI.

The President will not entertain discussions with students regarding outstanding fee payments. Such discussions must be held with personnel the Accounts Department.

**2.8 REGISTRATION**

All applicants are expected to register at least one week prior to the commencement of any programme of study. Registration after the prescribed period may be permitted at the discretion
of the Registrar however, this may attract a fee. The registration process is not considered complete until the following have been done:

a) All fees, as stated in the contract, have been paid in full
b) All matriculation requirements have been met, and all relevant supporting documents received by the Admissions Department.
c) The bank voucher is presented to the Accounts Department and the student’s copy shown to the Admissions Department

Each student will be furnished with a registration package prior to the process, which outlines the registration procedures. The University reserves the right to prohibit registration or withdraw an individual from a programme for failing to meet registration conditions. Unregistered individuals must not attend classes. The University reserves the right not to register an individual after the advertised closure of the official registration periods. Payment of fees alone does not by itself constitute registration.

Registration Periods
The registration exercise is held three times for the academic year and all new and returning students, including those with make-good status, (repeating or re-sitting courses) during the academic year, are required to register with the University in-person during the following periods:

a) August/September, during the week prior to the commencement of the September to December semester.

b) January, during the week prior to the commencement of the January to April semester

c) May, during the week prior to the commencement of the May to August semester (Part-time students only).

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:
1. Students who have unpaid fee balances will not be permitted to sit Semester II or Summer Session examinations.
2. Students who have Make–Good status cannot register for full time programmes but instead must register as “Make – Good”.

2.9 ORIENTATION & ENROLMENT

2.9.1 Orientation Exercise

Orientation is an essential aspect of the Caribbean Maritime University’s (CMI) programme. This process serves to introduce students to the Institution’s historical background and to inform them of what they can expect their student life at CMI to be.

All students entering the University are required to participate in the Institution’s Orientation
exercise that takes place at the commencement of each academic year. For new students entering at other times of the year a special orientation session is organized.

2.9.2 Conditions of Enrolment

2.9.2.1 Attendance Policy

The academic year consists of three semesters, which are fifteen (15) weeks each.

1st semester – September to December

2nd Semester – January – April and 3rd Semester - May to August.

(a) All full-time students are expected to attend classes for at least 80% of the prescribed contact hours of a module/course and 75% for part-time students.

(b) Students should notify the Registrar and the Director(s) of the relevant School(s) in advance of the start of a module/term of any predictable or unavoidable absence to avoid having a penalty applied.

(c) Failure to comply will result in such students being barred from sitting examinations in that module/course, if the minimum 80% or 75% requirement is not maintained. This applies to all programmes.

NB: Cadets are to refer to the Cadet Academic Procedure.

2.9.2.2 Other Enrolment Conditions

(a) If a student decides to cancel his/her enrolment in a programme the following apply:

   i. Cancellation must be made in writing.
   ii. The deposit/registration fee is not refundable.
   iii. Where a cancellation request is received after the commencement of the programme, refund will be in keeping with the University’s Refund Policy.

(b) If students change their programme of study during the term, no refund will be given, even if the new programme results in a lower fee.

(c) If the new programme attracts a higher fee, the student must pay the difference.

(d) Programmes and Courses/modules will be run only if considered viable by the University.

(e) While start and end dates of programmes are not expected to change, the University reserves the right to alter dates of programmes/courses/modules or examinations. These changes will in no way affect the terms and conditions of a student's contract with the University and adequate notification will be given.
(f) All changes of contact information must be relayed to the Admissions Office in writing and supporting documentation submitted.

(g) The University reserves the right to inform a student's sponsor(s) of the student’s academic or attendance record.

(h) The University reserves the right to place a student arriving late for an intended course, into a course which commences at a later date.

(i) Students who arrive late for their intended course of study must pay the full fee for the programme or course.
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ACADEMIC MATTERS

3.1 ACADEMIC TERMINOLOGIES, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

The University operates a 12-month academic year - September to August. The year is divided into two semesters and a summer session as follows:

Semester 1  September - December  
Semester 2  January - April  
Summer Session  May - August

Classes are normally scheduled for Mondays to Fridays between the hours of 8:00a.m. and 5:00p.m. for full-time students and 5:30pm to 8:30pm for part-time students. Some programmes require students to attend classes on Saturdays and Sundays.

**Academic Judgement**
Academic judgment involves evaluating a body of a student's work, in order to make an overall judgment about that student's performance (and award a grade that accurately reflects that).

**Advanced Placement**
Applicants who have previously completed one or more years at the Caribbean Maritime University or a programme at another approved educational institution may be eligible for admission to a level higher than first year/semester (advanced standing).

Students admitted to undergraduate programmes with advanced standing must complete at least 50% of the programme credits as a registered student of the University, including 85% of the upper division programme credits, to receive an University award.

**Associate Degree**
An award made upon successful completion of a programme of study or training at the post secondary level, which requires no fewer than 60 credit hours of instruction.

**Certificate**
Certificates (short and customized programmes) are awarded upon the successful completion of an approved group of courses not constituting a degree or diploma.

**Core Course**
A compulsory course for students pursuing a particular programme.

**Course Exemptions**
Students entering the CMI from another approved educational institution may be granted course exemptions for undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. However, credits earned from other institutions are not transferable to CMI’s programme/courses.
Where applicable, the following guidelines will apply:

- A written request for course exemption must be submitted to the Office of the Registrar no later than two (2) weeks after the commencement of the course. The following should be carefully noted:
  a) The student must have satisfied the necessary prerequisites for the programme.
  b) Individual courses will be evaluated for exemption by the relevant Dean of the School. The credit value of the course and the details of the syllabus must be comparable to those of the CMI for the course(s) for which exemption is sought.
  c) It will be the student's responsibility to provide original certified transcript, course syllabi and all relevant information to assist in the determination of course equivalencies. In some cases an interview may be required.

Credit Course
A credit course is an approved course for which credit may be earned. A credit is granted when a student achieves a grade within the University's grading scheme for a course approved as a credit course.

Credit Hours
- One academic credit (or credit hour), is given for every 15 hours of lecture, tutorial or seminar instruction during a semester.
- Two (2) or three (3) hours of laboratory/practical instruction are considered the equivalent of one lecture hour in counting credits earned in a laboratory or studio course.
- Other course instructional delivery modes may require other class/student contact hours for credit hour assignments.

Deferral of Programme
A student recently admitted may apply for deferral of entry to that programme for no more than one academic year. This deferral must be received no later than a month following the commencement of the programme.

Degree
An academic qualification or title awarded to or conferred upon a student by the University based on the successful completion of a minimum of 120 credit hours and/or other academic requirements.

Diploma
An award made upon successful completion of a programme of study or training at the post secondary level, which requires no fewer than 60 credit hours of instruction.

Elective
An elective is a course which allows students the option of choosing from a specified list of alternatives.

Full-time Student
Students taking a minimum of 36 credits during an academic year.
Grade Review
A review of any part of the examination process that does not include academic judgement (see Examination Regulations).

Integrated Group Project
This occurs when instead of a mid-term examination, students are required to complete a group project. This piece of work is mandatory and may not be done individually, as the aim is to foster team work. Each respective lecturer has discretionary power on when papers are to be submitted.

Leave of Absence
This is an approved interruption of a programme for a short period of time. Students should apply in writing to the Office of the Registrar for leave of absence. The period of interruption should not exceed three years. A request form must obtained from the Admissions Office.

Major Research Project
This applies to students pursuing the Degree programmes, where a major component for the award of the Degree is a project. This project must be submitted in partial fulfilment of the requirement for the programme. This must also be submitted no later than one semester following the end of contact sessions, and in any case, prior to graduation. It is the responsibility of the University to assign competent persons to direct and supervise students completing research projects. At the undergraduate degree level, students may be required to write a detailed report that summarizes the research project conducted as part of their academic pursuits. They may also be required to display/ demonstrate aspects of this project.

The objective in writing the research paper is to describe in detail what was done in the research process, to establish rationale for the research conducted and to detail the findings/ results of that research. The CMI uses the APA (6th ed.) writing style standards for academic writings.

Minor project
This is a project forming part of coursework requirements.

At the diploma level, you are required to write a proposal for a research/ capstone project that you may choose to carry out later on in your academic career.

Occasional Student
One pursuing a programme not leading to a degree or other qualification awarded by the University and not required to pass any regular entrance examination or fulfil any specific entry requirement. Such a student must satisfy the faculty concerned of his/her educational suitability to enter the course(s) pursued.

Option/Specialization
A group of courses related to a major area of specialised study within a programme, frequently developing a common base. Students may select specialization in Marine Engineering/Transportation Programmes, Shipping and Logistics Programmes etc.

**Part-time Student**
One taking fewer than 36 credit hours during an academic year or fewer than 18 credits per semester.

**Plagiarism**
All submitted assignments including the research project, must reflect students’ authentic intellectual effort. Plagiarism is a major form of academic misconduct and can be sanctioned by expulsion (See Examination Regulations).

**Programme**
A plan of study lasting over a specified period of time which leads to the award of a Degree, Diploma, Certificate or other academic honours of the University.

**Programme Completion Time-frame**
The maximum permissible time-frame to complete a programme is the prescribed duration plus two (2) years.

**Progress Report**
This is a statement detailing a student's academic performance. Progress reports are prepared at the end of each academic year for all groups free of cost. Progress reports requested prior to that time are prepared within the stipulated time frame at a cost.

**Readmission**
Re-entry of a student who has withdrawn from a programme prior to successful completion of all the required modules within the allowable time-frame.

**Reinstatement**
Restoration by the Academic Committee of a student to his/her former academic relationship with the University. Reinstatement applies to students who were on leave of absence and such other categories as may be determined by the Registrar.

For students who have been suspended/dismissed, reinstatement will be subject to the terms and conditions of their suspension. Students are required to request a reinstatement in writing from the Office of the Registrar.

**Semester**
A prescribed period of study, normally 15 weeks in duration, including teaching, revision and examination.

**Statement**
There are normally two types of University Statements, namely:
a) Statement of successful completion: issued to those who have successfully completed a course or set of related courses.
b) Statement of participation: issued to those who participated in a short course or workshop that is not formally evaluated and for which no formal certificates are awarded.

Transcript/Statement
An accumulated academic record which is an official document sent upon request to an approved third party at a cost. Students may request transcript to be prepared by the University and forwarded to institution/organization of their choice. This request can be made after the student has completed at least one semester of a programme offered by the University.

No transcript will be prepared for students who are not in good financial or other standing (e.g. Library and examination clearance) with the University. Procedure:
• Complete a transcript request form
• Pay required fee
• Request is then processed by the Admissions Office within three weeks of the request

Each additional transcript will attract an additional fee. The student copy of a transcript is called a statement where marks received are expressed as letter grades.

Transfer
A change from one programme to another or from one campus of the University to another. Students should apply to the Director of Academic Studies using the prescribed form.

Upper Division Courses
Courses comprising the area of specialization normally pursued in the final programme of study.

Withdrawal from Course
Permission to withdraw from a course must be obtained from the Office of the Registrar or from the Director of Academic Studies, following a written request. This request is subject to conditions.

3.2 GRADUATION REQUIREMENT (AWARDS)
To be eligible for graduation a student should satisfy all obligations to the University:

3.2.1 Eligibility Requirements:
• Successful completion of the course of study
• Good financial standing with the University
• Clearance from various academic departments including the Library

3.2.2 Award of Certification of Completion
Candidates must meet all Standards of Training, Certification and Watch-keeping for Seafarers 1995 (STCW’95) for written, and practical examinations before a certificate of completion is issued by the University.
3.2.3 Award of Diploma/Associate Degrees
Any student admitted to the Bachelor Degree Programme (with the exception of SAM and Customs) may be awarded, on successful completion of the first two years, a Diploma/Associate Degree at the discretion of the University.

3.3 CONFIDENTIALITY OF STUDENTS’ PERSONAL INFORMATION

Custodianship of student records is vested in the Office of the Registrar. All information concerning students is entrusted to the University in confidence.

3.3.1 Introduction
The CMI collects and holds personal information about all of its students. The privacy of this information is an imperative part of the University’s relationship with its students, and the University recognizes its responsibility to collect, manage, use and disclose personal data in adherence to legislative requirements, and in accordance with prevailing community expectations of best practices.

Definitions
1. Student means any current or former student of the Caribbean Maritime University (CMI).

2. Personal Information means information or an opinion (including information or an opinion forming part of a database), whether true or not, and whether recorded in a material form or not, about an individual whose identity is apparent, or can reasonably be ascertained, from the information or opinion.

3. Sensitive Information could means:
   a) personal information about an individual's racial or ethnic origin,
   b) political opinion, membership of a political association, religious beliefs or affiliations,
   c) health status (either physical or emotional), disability,
   d) philosophical beliefs,
   e) membership of a professional or trade association, membership of a trade union,
   f) sexual preferences or practices,
   g) or criminal record;

4. Record means:
   (a) a document; or
   (b) a database (however kept); or
   (c) a photograph or other pictorial representation of a person; but does not include:
      (i) a generally available publication; or
      (ii) anything kept in a library, art gallery or museum for the purposes of reference, study or exhibition; or
      (iii) letters or other articles in the course of transmission by post.

Personal information is confidential, and will not be used or disclosed except in the following instances:
• As stipulated by any Act University by the Jamaican Parliament for eg. the Access to Information Act, if relevant.

• Where the interests of the individual concerned and the preservation of confidentiality and privacy are overridden by legal obligations of disclosure. Compliance with such obligations is mandatory.

### 3.3.2 Procedures for Collection of Personal Information

The University collects and holds a range of personal information about all of its students. (The first set of information is requested upon application to the University and is recorded on the application form.) The information held includes personal statistics (such as name, student ID number, address, telephone number, age, enrolment status, pictures, etc), academic records (course and enrolment details, assessment results, academic standing), and personal welfare information (emergency contacts, medical reports, financial information).

Information collected is used for a variety of purposes, including:

- a) Student admission;
- b) Enrolment and academic progression;
- c) Programme and course administration;
- d) Communications with students;
- e) Statistical purposes, such as year planning;
- f) Scholarship administration;
- g) Provision of student services;
- h) Conduct of student elections;
- i) Financial management;
- j) Mandatory reporting to external agencies;
- k) Discretionary reporting for a strictly limited number of external bodies; and
- l) Promotion of the University - in the case of photographic records and other images

The University will collect personal information only where it is necessary for one or more of the University’s functions or activities. Where personal information is collected, all reasonable steps will be taken to inform the student of:

- a) The purpose for which the information is collected;
- b) Any person to whom, or body or agency to which the University usually discloses information of that kind;
- c) Any law that requires or authorizes particular information to be collected.
- d) Before accessing students’ records, authorized personnel must complete the relevant sign-out log in the Admissions Department.

The University will take all reasonable steps to ensure that personal information collected is accurate, relevant, up-to-date, complete, and not misleading. To this end, the University will take reasonable steps to allow individuals to correct inaccurate information as appropriate.

### 3.3.3 Use and Disclosure of Personal Information

Personal information will be used only for a purpose to which it is relevant. Where information has been obtained for a particular purpose, it will not be used for any other purpose, unless:
a) The individual concerned has consented to its use;
b) Use of the information is required by law;
c) The University believes it is necessary to prevent or lessen a serious and imminent threat to the life or health of the individual concerned or another person.

The University will not disclose personal information about students to people, bodies or agencies outside the University (including parents, spouses or other relatives of the student), or to staff who have no need of the information, unless:

a) The student has given written permission for the University to disclose the information;
b) The University has taken reasonable steps to inform the student that information of that kind is usually passed on to those persons, bodies or agencies;
c) The University is required by law or Funding bodies to disclose the information;
d) The University believes the disclosure is necessary to prevent or lessen a serious and imminent threat to the life or health of the individual concerned or of another person.

3.3.4 Sensitive Information
The University will not collect sensitive information, unless such collection is required by law, or occurs with the consent of the individual student.

3.3.5 Storage of Personal Information
Access to students’ records of personal information will be given only to staff members who need the information in order to carry out their duties and responsibilities with respect to the personal and/or academic interests of students.

Staff members granted access to student records are presumed to be aware of and accept the responsibility for the confidentiality of such records. Where information is no longer needed for any legitimate purpose it will be destroyed using a confidential disposal method.

3.3.6 Procedures for Providing Clients Access to Records
The University will take reasonable steps to allow individual students to view the personal information the University holds about them.

A student should make a written request to view his/ her file. This request should be submitted to the Admissions Department. Where viewing is permitted, this will be done in the presence of authorized Registry personnel.

3.4 TERMINOLOGIES, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES ON EXAMINATIONS AND ASSESSMENT

Full information on General Examination Regulations, Conduct of Examinations, Instructions to Candidates taking a Written Examination, Assessed Coursework and Review of examination Results are found in the Chapter IV of this Handbook.
3.4.1 Administration of External Examinations for Professional Programmes

- The examinations of the professional seafarers in Jamaica are administered in collaboration with the Maritime Authority of Jamaica, which is the local representative of the International Maritime Organisation (I.M.O.).

- The examination papers are prepared and administered by the Maritime Authority of Jamaica which acts as external examiners/moderators in keeping with the International Maritime Organization STCW ’95 Conventions. Answer scripts are also submitted to the MAJ for grading.

3.4.2 Assessment Policy
Students must be informed of course assessments with accompanying weighting in their course outline.

3.4.3 Assignments/Course Work
1. A statement of authorship must be completed for all major written assignments which are submitted for any course done at the CMI. The Statement of Authorship form is available from the respective schools.

2. Every assignment has a due date. Students are expected to submit assignments on or before the assigned due date.

3. Give yourself as much time as possible to complete each assignment so you can complete it to the best of your ability and you do not have to rush or worry about incurring late submission penalties. Avoid leaving the completion of an assignment to the last minute/hour/day just in case unforeseen problems occur.

The University recognises that students may suffer from a sudden illness or other serious or significant event that is unforeseen and/or unpreventable and which adversely affects their ability to complete an assessment; in such case, the student will need to submit a report with supporting evidence to their Head of Department and the Registrar within five working days of the date on which the assignment was due.

Evidence of Mitigating Circumstances: It is not enough to just tell your department that you believe your assessment performance has been affected by a mitigating circumstance. You must also submit the appropriate evidence of the mitigating circumstances. This means you must supply your Head of Department and the Registrar with supporting documents from an appropriate third-party as evidence of the mitigating circumstances. The evidence must explain:
- What the circumstance are;
- exactly how it affected you in relation to your studies/assessment; and
- precisely when (i.e. identifying which assessment were affected).
Examples of evidence of mitigating circumstances:

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<td>Serious physical illness</td>
<td>Medical certificate/hospital report/report from qualified medical practitioner</td>
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<td>Psychological illness</td>
<td>Report from a psychiatrist, psychologist or student counselling service</td>
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<td>Severe personal difficulties</td>
<td>Report from student counselling service, student welfare service or another qualified professional</td>
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<td>Sudden illness or death of an immediate family member</td>
<td>A medical report from a qualified medical practitioner or a copy of a death certificate accompanied if necessary by formal documentation confirming relationship with deceased</td>
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<td>Sudden deterioration in a long standing medical condition or disability</td>
<td>A medical report from an appropriate qualified medical practitioner</td>
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<td>Being the victim of serious crime</td>
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<td>Legal proceedings requiring attendance at court</td>
<td>Documentary evidence from the court or a solicitor</td>
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<td>National Duties/Company business</td>
<td>Written communiqué from commanding officer/supervisor on relevant letter head</td>
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The listing above are some examples for your reference. The onus is on the student to inform his/her individual lecturer, Head of Department and the Registrar about the mitigating circumstances that have affected the completion of coursework/assignment for the lecturer.

Note Well: The following will not be considered as Special Circumstances:

- Computer failure (you should ensure adequate backups)
- Printer queues (time management is an important academic skill)
- Lack of access to resources (better planning will ensure this does not happen)
- Illness for which medical certificate is not available
- Poor time management
- More than one deadline on the same day
- Inability to answer questions or struggling with the material
- Crisis games, performance productions, or departmental study trips
- Non-academic activities

3.4.4 Course-Lecturer Evaluation

Once per semester each class will be asked to complete lecturer/course evaluation forms. This exercise is mandatory. The responses will be analyzed and the results may have implications for
both course delivery and content and both students and lecturers.

3.4.5 **Evaluation Policy**

At least a 50% pass must be obtained as aggregate percentage score and the final grade, determined as follows:

- Course assignments, etc. .................................................................50%
- End of Semester Assessment ..........................................................50%

3.4.6 **Examination Receipt**

This is a receipt issued to a student in return for an examination script submitted to the invigilator by the student. The student’s examination card acts as this receipt. Receipts are also issued for terminal research projects.

3.4.7 **Examination Schedule**

Regular coursework assignments, that is, tests and assignments form an integral part of the University's overall evaluation process. Examinations are as follows:

(a) **End of Semester/Module Examinations**

Examinations are conducted at the end of each semester or module. Students are advised of the period for such examinations at the beginning of the semester or module through the initial issuing of the timetable. Examination time tables are published prior to the examinations.

- Degree – Examinations are conducted at the end of each semester
- Diploma/Associate Degree – Examinations are conducted at the end of each semester
- Certificate - Examinations are conducted at the end of each semester. Modular courses are assessed at the end of a module. Certificate of Competency (Refer to the Maritime Authority’s Regulations & Procedures guidelines).
- Past Papers – Participants are encouraged to refer to the past examination papers for each course. Samples of past papers for each module can be perused in or obtained from the Library.

(b) **Re-sit Examinations normally held in:**

- Jan/Feb for courses delivered in Semester 1
- May/June for courses delivered in Semesters 2
- Sept/Oct for courses delivered in the Summer Session

A student is allowed to sit a maximum of four resits. Consideration may be allowed only in exceptional cases.
3.4.8 **Official Notification of Examination Results**

Results are officially posted on the Student Management System at the end of each semester. The download of these grades is unofficial. Official transcripts must be requested by the student from the Registry (a cost is attached).

3.4.9 **Projects**

Students should observe their faculty and/or lecturer’s deadlines for submission of projects. For courses in which a terminal project is required, final award will not be granted unless this project is submitted within the prescribed time frame. Students need to be aware that their projects are the property of the University and may be retained by the University.

It is the responsibility of the University to assign competent persons to direct and supervise students conducting approved final research projects.

Research projects are undertaken in partial fulfillment of the requirement for a course or programme and therefore absolutely **no certificate** will be issued or graduation allowed before the Research project is passed.

3.4.10 **Repeat Modules/Courses**

A student who obtains a repeat “F” grade in a module will be required to redo or repeat the module. A repeat module form should be completed and the appropriate fees paid before repeating that module. This should be done prior to commencement of the appropriate module/modules. It is also the responsibility of the participant to follow up and confirm the starting date of the module(s).

3.4.11 **Re-sit Examinations**

A student who obtains a D/D+ grade in a module will be required to re-sit. The date of the examination will be communicated via various communication media (web page, facebook page and internal notice boards). The result of this examination supersedes all previous grades.

Re-sits are granted in accordance with the following guidelines:

- If a student registers for a re-sit examination and is absent from it, a failing grade will be awarded.
- If a student fails at the first re-sit opportunity, he/she must register for and repeat the course before making the next attempt at a re-sit.

3.4.12 **Registering for Re-sit /Supplemental**

It is the responsibility of each student to note the specific closing dates for registration, for re-sit/supplemental examinations and for the repeat module. The onus is on the student to complete
and submit the required registration forms and to pay the required fees. Registration for these exams should be done two (2) weeks prior to the scheduled period of examination.

3.5. GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA)
The GPA is the sum of the grade point earned (credit x grade point) for each course divided by the number of credits taken. The GPA is used for determining the class of awards. Previously failed course grades are therefore not used in the computation of the final GPA.

3.5.1 Grading Procedure
- The final result for each course is expressed as a grade and grade point
- A student’s overall academic performance will be determined by weighting each course grade point earned in accordance with their credit allocation and expressed as a grade point average
- The final grade for a course is determined by weighting the allocation of marks for coursework, assignments and final assessment
- Any student who misses one or more of these components must communicate with lecturer/HoD to have issues resolved prior to the end of the semester and the posting of final grades.
- A course will have been passed if the final result is C- and above. However, some courses have a higher passing grade to meet professional requirements
- The final grade will be the weighted average of the coursework and the final examination
### 3.5.2 Grading Scheme

**CMI ASSESSMENT GRADES – SCHEME:** Degree, Diplomas, Associate Degrees

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<td><strong>A+</strong></td>
<td>90 – 100</td>
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<td><strong>A</strong></td>
<td>85 – 89</td>
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<td><strong>A-</strong></td>
<td>80 – 84</td>
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<td><strong>EXCELLENT</strong></td>
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<td><strong>B+</strong></td>
<td>75 – 79</td>
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<td><strong>B</strong></td>
<td>70 – 74</td>
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<td><strong>B-</strong></td>
<td>65 – 69</td>
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<td></td>
<td><strong>GOOD</strong></td>
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<td><strong>C+</strong></td>
<td>60 – 64</td>
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<td><strong>C</strong></td>
<td>55 – 59</td>
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<td><strong>C-</strong></td>
<td>50 – 54</td>
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<td></td>
<td><strong>PASS</strong></td>
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<td><strong>D+</strong></td>
<td>45 – 49</td>
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<td><strong>D</strong></td>
<td>40 – 44</td>
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<td></td>
<td><strong>FAIL</strong></td>
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<td><strong>F</strong></td>
<td>0 – 39</td>
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**N.B:** This grade scheme does not apply to students in the Marine and Professional Studies School prior to A/Y 2014/15.
3.6 ACADEMIC PROGRESS

The regulations governing students (FT/PT) academic progress and requirements are outlined below:

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<th>STATUS</th>
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<tr>
<td>Promote</td>
<td>Pass all courses</td>
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<tr>
<td>Promote and Trail</td>
<td>Student trailing up to 4 courses (FT) or 3 courses (PT) at the end of the academic year can be promoted to the next level. Students will not be promoted to the upper level of a programme (year 3) with outstanding subjects from year one. In addition, promotion will not be given to final year (year 4) with subjects outstanding for yr 2. Please note, students who are allowed to advance to third year can only trail two subjects.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Repeat</td>
<td>Students failing 5 or more courses (FT) or 4 courses (PT) at the end of the academic year.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Make Good</td>
<td>Final Semester students are allowed to make good so as to satisfactorily complete the programme within the time stipulated for the completion of the programme. However, this cannot be a core course.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Withdrawal</td>
<td>Students wishing to withdraw or to suspend a programme of studies should complete the requisite form and submit same for approval.</td>
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<td>Expired</td>
<td>Students who fail to meet the requirements for an award within the specified timeframe (within seven years) will be required to reapply to the programme.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Incomplete</td>
<td>Used in the instance where an aggregate score cannot be calculated because a component work has not been submitted up to one semester after the completion of the course.</td>
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STUDENT regulations students academic the for promotion below:-

3.6.1 Classes Degree

3.6.1.1 First Class Honours
(a) A of 3.7.
(b) All final year of have the with no grade

3.6.1.2 Class
(a) A of 3.4.
(b) Pass

First Class Honours
minimum GPA courses in the programme study must been passed at first attempt less than a ‘B’ in each course.

Upper Second Honours
minimum GPA with a minimum of
‘C’ in one re-sit of a failed course is permitted at the end of the final programme year of study.

3.6.1.3 Lower Second Class Honours
(a) A minimum GPA of 2.8 in the two final years of study
(b) Pass with a minimum of two re-sit of a failed course is permitted at the end of the final programme year of study.

3.6.1.4 Pass
(a) A minimum GPA of 1.70
(b) The programme must be completed within the prescribed time-frame.

3.6.2 Classes of Awards for Diploma/Associate Degrees

3.6.2.1 With Distinction
(a) A minimum GPA of 3.5.
(b) All courses in the final programme year of study must have been passed at the first attempt.

3.6.2.2 With Credit
(a) A minimum GPA of 3.0.
(b) One re-sit of a failed course is permitted.

3.6.2.3 Pass
(a) A minimum GPA of 1.70
(b) The programme must be completed within the prescribed time-frame.

NB: In consideration of the classes of awards the highest grade that a student can receive for a resit is a pass.
CHAPTER 1V
EXAMINATION REGULATIONS FOR MASTERS DEGREES, FIRST DEGREES, ASSOCIATE DEGREES, DIPLOMAS AND CERTIFICATES

Approved by the Executive Management Committee on December 14, 2015

With effect from Academic Year 2016 – 2017

(All previous Rules and Regulations are hereby revoked)

Extracts from the Caribbean Maritime University Examination Regulations

SECTION I

The Award of First Degrees, Associate Degrees, Undergraduate Diplomas and Certificates

1. (i) All Full time students shall normally spend a minimum of four academic years or eight semesters in the Caribbean Maritime University before being eligible for the award of a First Degree

(ii) All Part-time students shall normally spend a minimum of four Calendar years or twelve semesters in the Caribbean Maritime University before being eligible for the award of a First Degree

(iii) In the case of Associate Degrees and Diplomas all students shall normally spend a minimum of two years or four semesters full-time or two-three years or eight semesters part-time.

(iv) The duration of the (written) Masters programme is 12 months full time and 18 months part-time.

(Note: The examination regulations for research projects are published in a separate document)

2. After the Dean has approved the Pass List, a certificate for each successful final year student shall be prepared under the Official Seal of the Caribbean Maritime University and dated in accordance with the approved award dates. The certificates shall be issued to Graduates either at the Graduation Ceremony immediately following the date on the certificate or handed or forwarded to each graduate on written and signed request.

AEGROTAT FIRST DEGREE, MASTERS DEGREE, ASSOCIATE DEGREE DIPLOMA OR CERTIFICATE
3. A candidate may apply through theRegistrar to the Academic Board for the award of an Aegrotat Degree, Associate Degree, Diploma or Certificate where he/she has been absent due to illness from part of the examination in the final year of his/her academic programme. The number of outstanding credits which will entitle the candidate to make such application shall be limited to 6 (i.e. two courses)

(i) All applications from or on behalf of candidates must be accompanied by a medical certificate signed by a Medical Practitioner approved for this purpose by the Caribbean Maritime University and shall reach the Registrar not later than thirty days from the last course examination which should have been taken by the candidate.

(iii) All applications, together with reports from those who have taught the candidate in the courses concerned and a recommendation from the relevant Examiners of his/her School shall be referred to Academic Committee through the Dean of the relevant School.

(iv) An Aegrotat Bachelors, or Masters Degree, Associate Degree, Diploma or Certificate shall be awarded without Distinction or Class.

(v) Holders of an Aegrotat Degree, Diploma or Certificate shall not be permitted to re-apply for the same Degree, Associate Degree, diploma or Certificate. Holders of an Aegrotat Degree may proceed to a higher degree if accepted by the Academic Committee.

(vi) Notwithstanding the provisions set out above, the Caribbean Maritime University shall not award a posthumous aegrotat degree, associate degree, diploma or certificate except in cases where the decision to award such degree was made before the candidate’s death.

GENERAL EXAMINATION REGULATIONS

SECTION II
4. The Caribbean Maritime University conducts the following examinations in relation to its offering of First Degrees, Associate Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates:

- End of Semester
- Mid Term/Coursework
- Re-Sit/Supplemental
- Substitute
- Special
- Oral (for finalizing candidates only)
- Exams only
- Repeat

5. Registration for a course means registration for the examination of that course.

6. (I) The dates of all examinations other than Coursework Examinations shall be determined by the Registrar.

   (ii) The Examination Timetable in respect of written end-of-semester examinations shall be published at least one month before the series of examinations begins or two weeks in the case of Supplemental and Resit examinations. Any changes in dates after publication shall be posted on the Web and other media sites. Candidates will not be informed individually of such changes. In no circumstance will any such change be made later than one week prior to the commencement of the series of examinations. End-of-Semester examinations are held in April/May and December.

   (iii) Students shall be advised by the relevant Lecturer or Head of Department of the dates for submission or conduct of Coursework exercises which count towards the final assessment, at least two weeks in advance of the dates on which such exercises should be submitted or conducted.
7. Students who, without a valid reason, are absent from any examination of a course for which they are registered, shall receive a failing grade. Such students will have to register for and repeat the course in the ensuing academic year.

Resit/Supplemental examination

8. A Resit/Supplemental examination may be permitted by the Registrar on the advice of the Dean and Head of Department when a student, who having attended classes, passed the coursework, sat and failed the original end of semester examination with a mark of 40-49 in that course. In such circumstances the student shall be awarded the minimum passing mark of 50 (C-).

Substitute Examination

9. A Substitute Examination may be permitted by the Registrar acting on the recommendation of the Dean and Head of Department. Such examination may be offered where extenuating circumstances beyond the control of the student affect his/her performance and/or attendance at an examination, and shall be held within the dates of the relevant series of examinations as determined by the Registrar. In such circumstances the candidate shall be awarded the grade which he/she has achieved.

Special examination

10. A Special Examination may be granted only in exceptional circumstances such as grave or chronic illness or compassionate reasons, for example a sudden death in the immediate family of the candidate.

Oral Examination (for finalizing students only) – See also Reg.27

11. The relevant Board of Examiners may recommend that an Oral examination be offered to a finalizing student who has failed not more than two (2) courses and whose marks for those courses are within five (5) marks of the pass mark i.e. 45 – 49. The grade awarded in such circumstance shall be no greater than a C-.

   (a) If an Oral Examination is granted the student may choose to decline the offer and opt for Exams Only instead (See Reg. 12 below)

   (b) The Oral Examination shall be held as soon as possible after the original examination. The student must contact the Registrar and Head of the relevant Department concerned immediately so that arrangements may be made for the Oral.
(c) The Oral Examination shall concern the course as a whole, and not be restricted to the questions set in the examination which the student did. The Chief Examiner and at least one other Examiner shall be present at an Oral Examination.

(d) If the student fails the Oral, he/she will not have a right of appeal or review.

(e) A student shall be allowed only ONE Oral Examination for any ONE Course.

Exams Only

12. Students shall only be entitled to register for “Exams Only” in the following circumstances after having previously been registered for and attended classes in a course.

(a) He/she obtained a D/D+ grade in a course or module will be required to re-register, pay the appropriate “Exams Only” fee and re-sit the examination at the next available opportunity as advertised by the Registrar. The total grade awarded in such circumstance shall be no greater than a C-.

(b) He/she has failed one or two of the final courses needed to complete the degree programme and obtained a mark of no less than 45% in each course.

(c) He/she has obtained a medical excuse, certified by a doctor approved by the CMI, for not having attempted an examination.

(d) In exceptional circumstances the Dean after consultation with the Registrar, may grant a student deferral from sitting an examination and permission to take it on a subsequent occasion by virtue of special assignments overseas for an employer (part-time students only) or by virtue of being selected to represent the country on a national team. In both instances formal representation will have to be made by the employer/national association. (See also Reg.23)

Repeat Course and write the Examination

13. A student who obtains an “F” grade in a module/course i.e. 0-39 marks, shall be required to re-register for the course; pay the appropriate fee; submit coursework and sit the examination. Part-time students shall be required to attend at least 75% of the classes and Full-time students shall be required to attend 80% of the classes. In such circumstance the grade obtained for the course shall be reflected on the candidate’s transcript.

14. No candidate shall be admitted to an examination unless:

(i) He/she has satisfied all the requirements and passed all the pre-requisite Courses/qualifying examinations prescribed in the Programme brochure.
(ii) He/she has been exempted from any such requirements by the relevant Dean on the
Recommendation of the Head of Department.  (*For example a student with CAPE (CXC) Grade 1 Mathematics may be exempt from Level 1 Mathematics*)

(iii) Students may apply to the Dean through the Head of Department for exemptions.

Such application must be submitted no later than two weeks after the start of the programme.

15. Any candidate who has been absent from the CMI for a prolonged period during the teaching of a particular course for any reason other than illness or whose attendance at prescribed lectures, classes, or practical classes or has been unsatisfactory or who has failed to submit essays or other exercises set by his/her teachers, may be debarred by the relevant Dean on the recommendation of the relevant Head of Department from taking any CMI examinations. The written procedures to be used shall be prescribed by the Dean in consultation with the Heads of Department and approved by the relevant Faculty Board.

16. Any student who, having registered for a course and examination fails to take the examination shall be deemed to have failed the examination unless the Registrar on the recommendation of the Dean shall approve otherwise. Procedures governing absence from coursework tests or other coursework exercises shall be prescribed by the Dean in consultation with the Heads of Department and approved by the relevant Faculty Board.

17. If the performance of a candidate in any part of any examination is likely to have been affected by factors of which the examiners have no knowledge the candidate may report the circumstances in writing to the Registrar. If the candidate decides to report such circumstances, he/she must do so within five working days of that part of the examination, which may have been affected.

18. In cases of illness the candidate shall submit to the Registrar a medical certificate as proof of illness, signed by a Medical Practitioner approved for this purpose by the CMI. The candidate shall send the medical certificate within five working days from the date of the examination in which his/her performance was affected. A certificate received after this period will be considered only in exceptional circumstances.

19. Where in the opinion of the Medical Practitioner concerned a candidate is unable to submit a medical certificate in person, the Medical Practitioner may do so on the candidate’s behalf within five working days from the date of the relevant examination

20. The Registrar shall pass on the information in 17, 18, and 19 above to the Dean and relevant Examiners to assist them in their duties related to marking of scripts and determination of grades.
21. The Examiners shall not take cognizance of illness or other circumstances which have not been referred to them by the Registrar.

22. In cases of illness, if a candidate submits a Medical Certificate, but nevertheless chooses to write the examination, he/she may not appeal the results on the grounds of illness.

23. A candidate may apply to the Registrar for permission to be absent from a scheduled examination if he/she has been selected to represent his/her country at a national or international event. In such cases, the candidate shall be permitted to sit the examination at the next available sitting as determined by the Registrar. If such candidate has completed the course, he/she shall be allowed to write “Exams Only.” (See Reg. 12(d)

24. All examinations shall be conducted by means of any one or more of the following:

(i) Written examinations
(ii) Oral Examinations
(iii) Practical Examinations
(iv) Coursework (which shall include written in-course tests, practical work, dissertations, essays, projects, studies and other forms of coursework exercise as approved by the Department)

25. Where it is intended that an oral examination shall form the whole or part of an examination, the students should be so advised at the beginning of the Semester by the Head of Department.

26. In every case the Examiners shall be at liberty to put oral questions to any candidate.

27. No oral examination shall be aborted until half-an-hour after the starting time. At each oral examination there shall be at least two Examiners. The Examiners shall be in attendance during the first half-an-hour or until the examination is concluded whichever is the later. None of these Examiners shall chair an oral examination.

28. In the case of In-Course Tests, Written and Practical Examinations, every script shall bear the candidate’s Identification number but not his/her name. In the case where an electronic storage device is used, only the candidate’s student Identification number but not his/her name shall be written.

29. The place at which a written end- of- semester examination shall be held shall be determined by the Registrar. The place at which other examinations or In-course tests shall be held shall be determined by the Head of the Department concerned.
30. All examination results and Pass Lists shall be provisional until approved by the Academic Board on the recommendation of the Dean of the relevant School and the Registrar.

31. Any formal complaint which a candidate may make in connection with his/her examination must be referred to the Registrar and must not be dealt with by an examiner.

32. Any candidate who, for reason of permanent or temporary incapacity desires special arrangements during examinations should apply to the Registrar. The arrangements desired should be specified and the Registrar may require a Medical Certificate as proof of such incapacity. The Registrar shall inform the Dean and the Examiners of the circumstances in which the examination was performed.

33. Any amanuensis assistance provided to candidates with disabilities shall first be approved by the Registrar. Normally the CMI will defray the additional cost involved.

34. Any candidate with a disability which may inhibit the completion of an examination in the normal time may apply for extra time, whether for a mid-semester or final examination. A Medical Certificate may be required by the Registrar as proof of such disability. Extra time may be granted on the authority of the Dean and Head of Department. The quantum of such extra time shall be similarly determined but shall not exceed thirty minutes.

35. A mark-sheet/grade sheet once submitted may not be altered except with the express permission of the Dean unless the alterations arise from errors in the calculation or omission of marks/grades. The approved procedures and forms shall be used.

36. All examination materials (papers, scripts or otherwise) shall be addressed to the Registrar under confidential cover and submitted to the Examinations Section of the Registry by the Chief Examiner.

37. Where the Examiners decide that electronic non-programmable calculators may be used in an examination, this shall be stated in the rubric of the question paper.

38. The use of programmable calculators is not permitted if so decided by the Examiners and stated in the rubric of the question paper.
39. Only silent, cordless calculators may be used.

SECTION V

CONDUCT OF WRITTEN EXAMINATIONS

(a) INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES TAKING A WRITTEN EXAMINATION

91. It is the responsibility of each candidate to ascertain the dates, times and venues of the examination(s) for which he/she is registered.

92. The examination timetable for all written and practical examinations shall be posted on the Student Management System, the CMI Website and other Media sites at least one month in advance of end of Semester examinations; or in the case of Supplemental/Re-Sit Examinations, at least two weeks in advance of the start of the examination session. Any changes in dates and/or times shall be brought to the attention of candidates by means of additional notices. In no circumstance will any such change be made later than one week prior to the commencement of the series of examinations.

93. Students who identify clashes in their examination schedule must report this to the Registrar within five (5) working days of the date on which the time-table was published in order to have the matter resolved.

94. Candidates who are absent from an examination owing to mis-reading the timetable shall be liable to the normal penalties for absence from an examination and will have to await the next officially scheduled sitting to take the examination. The penalties shall include being given an “F” grade.

95. Candidates shall collect their examination cards by the stated deadline before the commencement of each series of end-of-semester examinations, or Supplemental/Re-Sit examinations.

96. Any candidate who fails to comply with Regulation 95 above shall be liable to pay the prescribed late fee.
97. Candidates should be at the Examination Room thirty (30) minutes before the advertised time of any examination.

98. Candidates are required, on the direction of the Chief Invigilator, to enter the Examination Room no later than fifteen minutes before the scheduled start of the examination to enable the examination to begin on time.

99. Candidates arriving late shall not be allowed extra time. A candidate arriving more than fifteen minutes late may be admitted to the Examination Room but his/her written or practical work will be accepted for marking only if he/she can satisfy the Registrar that he/she has a valid reason for being late. In exceptional circumstances a candidate may be admitted up to half-an-hour after the scheduled start of the examination. In such cases the same rule and procedure outlines herein shall apply.

100. Candidates shall form a single queue to enter the Examination Room and must show the Invigilator(s) at the entrance their valid Caribbean Maritime University Identification Card and their Examination Card. If a Candidate does not have a CMI Identification Card or his/her Examination Card, the Chief Invigilator shall send him/her to the Registrar for a temporary ID or Examination Card Pass. In both cases, the candidate will be advised that there is a monetary penalty which must be paid before his/her results are released.

101. While in the Examination Room candidates are required at all times to comply with the instructions of the Chief Invigilator and/or Assistant Invigilators. Failure to comply may result in the candidate being disqualified from the examination. Disorderly behavior may result in the candidate being expelled from the Examination Room. In such cases the Chief Invigilator shall write a report to the Registrar.

102. Candidates may be permitted by the Chief Invigilator to leave the Examination Room during the course of an examination provided that an-hour has elapsed from the start of the examination and there is more than half-an-hour left before the completion of the examination.
103. Candidates who leave the Examination Room shall not be re-admitted unless throughout the period of their absence they have been continuously under the supervision of an Invigilator.

104. Candidates are required to supply themselves with pens, pencils, rulers, erasers, and geometrical instruments, which shall be taken into the Examination room in a clear plastic bag. Geometry instruments must be removed from their containers.

105. Except as specifically permitted by their Department and stated in the rubric of the question paper, no books, paper, printed or written document or pictures or any unauthorized aid or equipment including cellular telephones, pagers, electronic calculators and hand-held computers, computerized wrist-watches or any electronic or communication devices may be taken into or be received in an Examination Room by any candidate.

106. Unless otherwise permitted, all examinations shall be written in permanent blue or black ink.

107. Candidates may be required for computer-based examinations to bring Laptops into an Examination Room as permitted by the relevant Department and these shall be subjected to the necessary security precautions. Only silent, cordless laptops may be used.

108. Candidates who are writing examinations under special conditions e.g. an approved medical condition, may be permitted by the relevant Head of Department to use special aids in the Examination Room.

109. Candidates shall not smoke, eat or drink (except water) in an examination.

110. (a) A candidate who needs a drink of water must raise his/her hand to attract the attention of an Invigilator who will bring the water to the candidate’s desk.

   OR

   (b) Candidates are permitted to bring a small unlabelled bottle of plain water into the examination room but the bottle must be placed under his/her desk.

111. Candidates shall write their identification numbers and not their names using permanent ink distinctly at the top of the cover of every answer book and/or separate sheet of paper which is handed in. Candidates shall not write their names anywhere on the answer book or supplementary book.
112. Candidates must display their Identification cards and their Examination Cards in a prominent position on their desks. Candidates shall not be allowed to write an examination without a valid CMI Identification Card.

113. Each candidate shall be required to sign the Attendance Register which bears his/her name and number. This activity must be carried out by the Assistant Invigilators as directed by the Chief Invigilator during the first half-an-hour of the examination.

114. The use of scrap paper is not permitted. All rough work must be done in the answer book or in supplementary answer books which must be submitted to the Chief Invigilator together with the main answer book.

115. A candidate shall not break, tear, soil or otherwise deface or mutilate any CMI property other than the question paper (where applicable) provided for his/her use in the Examination Room.

116. A candidate shall not write anything on the Examination Card.

117. A candidate shall not remove from the Examination Room any material supplied

118. Candidates who are permitted to leave before the end of the examination period must not leave scripts or other examination exercises or material on their desks but must hand them in to the Chief Invigilator or an Assistant Invigilator.

119. Candidates shall not begin to write until permission is given by the Chief Invigilator at the scheduled time. There shall be no writing whatsoever prior to that permission except where the Chief Invigilator gives permission ahead of the start of the examination for the candidates to fill in the data required on the cover of the answer book and any such writing shall be restricted only to that.

120. At the end of the time allocated all candidates shall stop writing and/or making any amendments when instructed to do so by the Chief Invigilator and shall gather their
answer books together in order. They shall not leave their desks until an Invigilator has collected their scripts and/or examination exercises.

121. Assistant Invigilators shall collect each candidate’s answer script and sign his/her Examination Card at the appropriate place as evidence that the candidate handed in a script for that particular examination. Candidates must keep their Examination Cards in a secure place.

122. Where an alleged infringement of Regulations 101, 105, 109, 111, 114-120 is in question the Registrar may at his/her discretion offer the candidate the option of paying a fine to be determined by the Registrar instead of referring the alleged infringement to the Disciplinary Committee comprising the Head of the relevant Department, the relevant Examiner(s), the President of the Student Council or a student nominated by the President of the Student Council. If the candidate declines this option, the Registrar shall refer the allegation to the Disciplinary Committee. Whatever action is taken, a report shall be placed on the student’s file.

(B) CHEATING

123. Cheating is a major offence.

124. Cheating is any attempt to benefit one’s self or another by deceit or fraud.

125. A candidate must not directly or indirectly give assistance to any other candidate, or permit any other candidate to copy from or otherwise use his/her papers.

126. A candidate must not directly or indirectly accept assistance from any other candidate or use any other candidate’s papers.

127. Any writing or drawings or other work found with a candidate during an examination other than in his/her answer book or supplementary answer book shall be regarded as an attempt to cheat.

128. Candidates are required to deposit all unauthorized material including bags, briefcases, folders, clipboards, pencil cases, cellular telephones, pagers, or any other electronic or communication device, alarm watches, earphones, notebooks and scrap paper at the place provided for this purpose before entering the Examination Room. Where a candidate fails to comply with this Regulation a report shall be made to the Registrar who shall arrange for an inquiry to be conducted.

129. Any candidate who fails to comply with Regulations 125 - 128 above and
Regulations 130(ii) – 135 below may be regarded as attempting to cheat and if so an Inquiry shall be conducted as provided for in Regulation 136.

130. Plagiarism is a form of cheating.

(i) Plagiarism is the unauthorized and/or unacknowledged use of another person’s intellectual efforts and creations however recorded, including whether formally published or in manuscript or in typescript or other printed or electronically presented form and includes taking passages, ideas or structures from another work or author without proper and unequivocal attribution of such source(s), using the Conventions for attributions or citing used by the Caribbean Maritime University (i.e. the APA Format – 6th Edition).

(ii) Students must give written credit and acknowledgement to the sources of thoughts, ideas, and/or words quoted directly, paraphrased or used with reference to a general idea. In cases where words are used which were written by someone else the student must enclose the cited portion with quotation marks and provide an appropriate citation (e.g. footnote, endnote, bibliographical reference)

131. Course requirements are expected to be fulfilled through original work for each course. Consequently, a student shall not use for credit the same material in a term paper, book report, project or class assignment which was written for credit in another class without the knowledge and permission of the Lecturer.

132. A student shall not buy, sell, steal, transport or solicit in part or in whole the contents of an examination or other assignment.

133. Candidates shall not engage in any form of communication in the Examination Room with other candidates while an examination is in progress.

134. A student shall not exchange places with another person for the purpose of taking an examination or completing an assignment. A student who arranges for another person to write an examination on his/her behalf, as well as the person who undertakes to write the examination, will be subject to disciplinary action which could lead to suspension or expulsion from the Caribbean Maritime University
135. A student shall not fabricate information for any report or other academic exercise.

136. If any candidate is suspected of cheating or attempting to cheat, the circumstances shall be reported in writing to the Registrar. The Registrar shall refer the matter to the Disciplinary Committee and shall invite the candidate for an interview and shall conduct an investigation. If the candidate is found guilty of cheating or attempting to cheat, the Committee shall disqualify the candidate from the examination in the course concerned and may also disqualify him/her from all examinations taken in that examination session and may also disqualify him/her from all further examination of the CMI, for any period of time and may impose a fine to be determined by the Registrar. If the candidate fails to attend and does not offer a satisfactory excuse prior to the hearing, the Committee may hear the case in the candidate’s absence.

137. When investigating allegations of cheating, the quorum of the meeting of the Disciplinary Committee shall include the Registrar, the Dean, the Head of the relevant Department, the President of the Students Council or in his/her absence a student nominated by the President of the Students Council and one experienced member of the teaching staff. The Registrar or his/her representative shall be the Secretary to the Committee.

138. Appeals against decisions of the committee shall be received by the Registrar within two weeks of the date on which the decision is communicated to the student. Such appeals shall be heard by an Appeal Committee. The Appeal Committee may uphold or reverse the decision and may vary the penalty in either direction within the limits prescribed in Regulation 136. The decisions of the Appeal Committee shall be final.

SECTION VI
ASSESSED COURSEWORK

174. Methods of assessment counting towards the final mark for a course shall be subject to the approval of the School on the recommendation of the relevant Department.

175. The evaluation policies and procedures shall be included in the course outline(s) and must be discussed by the lecturers with the students at the beginning of the semester.

176. The relevant Examiner of the coursework being assessed must advise the students in writing about the coursework requirement:

(i) In the case of a course taught in the first semester, before the end
of the second week of that semester

(ii) In the case of a course taught in the second semester, before the end of the first week of the semester

(iii) Copies of this advice must be posted on the appropriate Notice Board and sent to the relevant Dean. The information must include the nature, amount and weighting of the coursework

177. The dates of coursework exercises shall be posted on the School and Departmental Notice Boards at least two weeks in advance of the date(s) on which such exercises should be submitted.

178. The Head of each Department in which coursework in the form of written test(s) is assessed, shall ensure that the test(s) is/are invigilated and that such Invigilators abide by the Guidelines for Invigilators as set out in the Invigilators Handbook

179. Where coursework is in the form of a take home assignment, the Lecturer responsible for the course shall ensure that each student is given a receipt on submission of his/her coursework assignment.

180. Coursework is due on the date specified by the lecturer of the course and is normally collected in class unless otherwise specified by the lecturer.

181. Where an extension has not been agreed in advance, or where a student submits an assignment after the agreed extension has expired, the department/lecturer will impose a penalty for late submission. For the first day that elapses between the expiration of the deadline and the receipt of the work by the department/lecturer, 5% point will be deducted from the student's mark for that assignment. 5% mark will be lost for each day up to 10 days that the assignment is outstanding. Any assignment received after the first ten days but up to the three weeks after the stated deadline will see a 50% points deducted. After three weeks (15 days) any assignment received will attract a mark of zero.

182. A student may apply for an extension of time if there are extenuating circumstances which prevent him/her from submitting the assignment on the due date. Such application must be submitted at least one week before the assignment is due and must be accompanied by supporting documentation for the request.

183. All assignments for each course must be submitted before a student is awarded a grade.
184. All assigned work must be completed within the semester.

185. Examiners shall inform students in writing of their marks/grades for individual pieces of coursework. Such information shall be communicated to students within three (3) weeks of the test or submission.

186. Each Examiner responsible for coursework is required before the start of the end-of-Semester examinations to submit to the relevant Dean a coursework mark-sheet/grade sheet indicating marks/grades for each component, and the final percent and grade for the coursework.

187. In respect of those courses in which the students collaborate in a team and submit reports on their coursework projects, the report of each team shall identify which portions of its contents have been contributed by which student, and each student shall be assessed on the individual contribution of his/hers.

188. All coursework shall be written work except as provided below:

   (i) Oral tests authorized for the examination of certain courses, for example: Spanish

   (ii) Oral components specifically authorized by the relevant Departments on the following conditions:

       (a) The marks/grades to be allocated to an oral presentation shall not exceed 20% of the coursework.

       (b) The minimum number of examiners required to be present shall be two.

   (iii) The marks/grades to be allocated to participation in class discussion shall not exceed 5% of the coursework

189. Where a student is set a coursework project/research paper in which he/she is offered a choice of topic, he/she shall not choose a topic which entails work which he/she has already submitted or intends to submit in relation to another course. If all the topics from which he/she must choose entail the use of such work, he/she shall not be treated as having been offered a choice.
190. A student who fails to comply with Regulation 189 shall be denied the credit for the work in one of the courses, which shall be chosen by him/her.

SECTION VII

REVIEW OF EXAMINATION RESULTS

191. A student who is dissatisfied with the results of his/her examination should report his/her dissatisfaction in writing to the Registrar. Such report must be made within two weeks of publication of results, and in the case of the Supplemental or Re-sit examinations within five working days of the publication of results.

192. The Registrar shall forward the student’s request to the Dean of the Faculty concerned.

193. The student may request:

(a) To go through his/her failed script with the Examiner;

(b) To have his/her script(s) remarked.

194. In carrying out the process of going through examination scripts with students who have failed courses, the Examiner must disclose the marks/grades.

195. The process of going through the script should include failed answers in multiple choice examinations.

196. A student who wishes to have his/her script re-marked must pay a fee to be determined by the Registrar to have his/her script re-marked by a new and independent Examiner.

197. Where re-marking of a script under regulation 196 above results in a higher mark than that previously recorded, the fee shall be refunded provided that the increased mark results in a change of grade.

198. Where a re-marking is requested the Registrar shall request the Head of the Department concerned or, in his/her absence the Dean, to select a new and independent Examiner. Such person shall be appointed by the Registrar to re-mark the script. The appointment shall be made within one week of the date on which the request is made. Where the Registrar deems it necessary, more than one Examiner may be nominated and appointed. Such recourse shall not
normally be used except where a team of Examiners has already been involved in the initial examination of the candidate.

199. Where the Head of the Department is an Examiner, the selection shall be made by the Dean and vice versa. Where both the Dean and the Head of the Department are examiners, the Registrar shall make the selection after such consultation, as he/she considers appropriate.

200. The new examiner(s) no later than 10 working days after receiving the script(s) shall return the re-marked script(s) with a written report and where applicable, signed mark sheet/grade sheet to the Registrar.

201. Re-marking shall not apply to a single piece of coursework which counts for less than 50% of the total mark for the course.

202. The Registrar shall inform the candidate of the result of the re-marking.

203. The results of the re-marking shall be conveyed by the Registrar and the Head of the Department and the Dean concerned.

204. The Dean, if necessary, shall issue an amended Pass List for submission to the Academic Board.

205. The Registrar shall make an annual statistical report to President/ Academic Board on cases where scripts have been re-marked.
CHAPTER V
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CODE OF CONDUCT
(excluding Examination Matters)

This section is intended to encourage respect, integrity and good behaviour among students of the University. It outlines general disciplinary standards, gives general notice of prohibited conduct and the associated sanctions. The code should be read broadly, and is not designed to define misconduct in exhaustive terms.

5.1 DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE

The Disciplinary Committee is responsible for the monitoring the general conduct of students. The committee is headed by a Chairman appointed by the President. Decisions at this Committee are taken by a simple majority. The appropriate officers shall have jurisdiction to investigate and administer appropriate sanctions.

5.2.1 Committee Composition:

This committee comprises a minimum of five who shall be selected from:

- Dean of Discipline
- Registrar
- Associate Vice President Marine and Professional Studies
- Dean of Marine and Professional Studies
- Vice President – Academics and Student Affairs
- Academic Dean
- Heads of Departments
- Student Affairs Director
- Assistant Director – Student Affairs
- Lecturers
- Representative of Students’ Union and or head of Company of Cadets
- Any person acting in the above capacity

The standing members are the sitting Disciplinary Committee must have a minimum composition (quorum) of five members. The Chairman, one Director/Dean/Registrar/HoD, student/cadet representative and Student Affairs Director. Any other person so designated by the Management of the University.

5.2.2 The Disciplinary Committee shall have jurisdiction to investigate and administer appropriate sanctions.
5.2 DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

5.2.1 Breach of Discipline

Breach of discipline shall be categorized into minor, major or gross misconduct.

5.2.2 Schedule A - Classification of Offences

Minor Offences

Minor Offences shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Coming to school under the influence of alcohol
2. Failure to comply with a reasonable instruction given by an employee of the University
3. "Horse-play" or other similar conduct likely to cause injury to person or damage to property
4. Disruption of legitimate University activity
5. Loitering in a prohibited zone
6. Playing of loud music on University property
7. Parking in an unauthorised zone or area
8. Non-observance of University traffic regulations
9. Non-compliance with school dress code

Major Offences

Major offences shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Use of abusive, offensive or obscene language
2. Gambling on University property
3. Using University property without permission
4. Parking in an unauthorised zone or area (Repeated Offence)
5. Non-observance of University traffic regulations (Repeated Offence)
6. Abuse of University E-mail facility
7. Smoking in non-smoking areas
8. Refusal to provide identification when asked to do so by an employee of the
University.
9. Display of sexually suggestive or degrading material in any common area.

10. Persistent commission of the offences classified as minor offences
11. Causing damage to property or third party on University’s premises
12. Failure to comply with a reasonable instruction given by an academic staff or senior administrative staff
13. Use or possession of stones, knife, gun, heavy object, etc., as a weapon against another person on the University’s premises
14. Threatening an University employee
15. Coming to school under the influence of unapproved drugs – marijuana, cocaine, etc.
16. Indiscriminate use of alcohol on University Property
17. Verbal threats, assaults and malicious abuse to fellow students or third parties on University property
18. Possession and/or use of dangerous substance such as any chemical, toxin, gas or nerve agent on University property
19. Possession of University property without permission
20. Disruption of teaching and learning process
21. Infringing safety regulations or disregarding notices concerning safety precautions in any part of the University
22. Impersonation or unauthorised possession of identification card
23. Any conduct on or off the campus that puts the University into disrepute
24. Non-payment of tuition or any other prescribed University fee

Gross Misconduct

Gross misconduct shall include, but not limited to, the following:
1. Any proven act of discrimination on grounds of sex, disability, race, religion, class

2. Any form of bullying and/or personal harassment
3. Persistent commission of offences classified as major offences

4. Intentionally causing malicious damage to the University’s property, property of an employee of the University or fellow student
5. Physical assault, fighting or battery of an individual on the University premises
6. Falsification of report, record, or any other document
7. Stealing University property
8. Proven sexual misconduct on the University’s property including its boarding facility
9. Provoking or inciting students to riot or to behave in a disorderly manner
10. Unauthorised use or disclosure of confidential information
11. Sexual harassment of student, visitor or employee of the University
12. Unauthorised possession of firearm or any lethal weapon or instrument on the University’s property
13. Discharge of a firearm on the University’s property
14. Making a duplicate key for any building in the University
15. Committing a criminal offence
16. Unauthorised access to records and databases of the University or of any member of
staff
17. Impersonation or unauthorised possession of identification card
18. Non-compliance with punishment made under Disciplinary Committee
19. Use of any objects (stones, knife, gun, heavy object) as a weapon against person on
the University’s premises. (Repeat offence)

5.2.3 Classification of Sanctions
The University, through the Disciplinary Committee, shall have the right to classify
sanctions.

5.2.3.1 Sanctions for Minor Offences
The University reserves the right to sanction minor offences by one or a combination of the
following:
1. Oral reprimand
2. Written warning
3. Fine not exceeding $5,000.00. The Disciplinary Committee will in all cases state the
time within which a fine shall be paid and the appropriate penalty to be imposed in a case
where the fine is not paid within the period specified by the Disciplinary Committee.
4. Community Service not exceeding 40 hours. Students on community service will be
required to be attired in a vest designated for this purpose.
5. Exclusion from designated areas and/or activities of the University.
6. Order/Instruction to write letter of apology.
7. Withdrawal from University’s representation or Students’ Union representation
8. Reimbursement for damages to person and/or property, inclusive of an administrative fee

5.2.3.2 Sanctions for Major Offences
The University reserves the right to sanction major offences by one or a combination of the
following:
1. Fine not exceeding $20,000.00.
2. Community service not exceeding 200 hours.
3. Suspension not exceeding one year from the University
4. Binding student over to good behaviour
5. Order/Instruction to write and publish letter of apology
6. Withdrawal from University/Student Union representation
7. Expulsion from the University
8. Reimbursement for damages to persons and/or property, inclusive of an administrative
fee.

5.2.3.3 Sanctions for Gross Misconduct
The University reserves the right to sanction gross misconduct by one or a combination of
the following:
1. Revocation of University’s Certification
2. Suspension not exceeding three years from the University
3. Expulsion
4. Reimbursement for damages to persons and/or property, inclusive of an administrative fee.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** The Institution holds very high behavioural standards and expects students to act responsibly within the parameters of not only the Institution’s Regulations but those of the civil laws of Jamaica. Disciplinary issues involving STEALING, FIGHTING, RAPE and the use of ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES will be dealt with in the strictest manner and sanctions will not only be based on the Institution’s Regulations but also on the laws of Jamaica. The University reserves the right to refer any offence which it deems criminal to the Police for determination.

### 5.3 APPEALS FOR DISCIPLINARY OFFENCES

All sanctions imposed by the Disciplinary Committee are subject to an appeal by the affected student. Appeals are to be addressed to the President who will forward the appeal to the external Disciplinary Appeals Committee (DAC) which is appointed by the Chairman of the Board.

**Disciplinary Appeals Committee (DAC)**

1. On receipt of the Disciplinary Committee’s findings and decision, the student, if not in agreement with the decision, can within 10 working days, appeal the decision by writing to the President.

The President shall refer the matter to the Disciplinary Appeals Committee which shall investigate and report within 10 working days its findings and final decision. The final decision will be communicated to the President who will forward the decision from the Appeals Committee to the Registry.

2. The Disciplinary Appeals Committee will comprise of external persons selected by the Chairman of the Board.

3. The student has the right to have representation at all the levels of the proceedings, if so desired, and shall communicate his/her intent in writing to the DAC at least five (5) working days prior to the hearing.

4. The Disciplinary Appeals Committee may confirm, reverse or vary the decisions of the Disciplinary Committee.
5.4 STUDENT GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

A. Policy

Students with grievances to be addressed, may air their issues as appropriate in the procedures outlined herein. The policy of the CMU is to provide a timely, equitable and efficient method of the resolution of a student grievance.

B. Grievance Procedural Guidelines

1. Academic issues will be addressed, as appropriate, as seen in the Student Grievance Procedural Manual

2. Non academic concerns will be addressed, as appropriate, through
   a. University Registrar
   b. The Student Affairs Director/Assistant Director
   c. University Counsellor/Chaplin
   d. The Deans of relevant faculties
   e. Students’ Union Representative / Head of Company of Cadet

3. The student may represent him/herself or may seek an representative to assist in the process. The representative may be a student/staff.

5.5 HARASSMENT POLICY

Harassment speaks to repeated, intrusive or unwanted acts, words or gestures intended to adversely affect the safety, security or privacy of another regardless of the relationship between the parties involved.

Harassment can be sexual, racial, cultural, physical, emotional. This can also be any other form of personal harassment arising from physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, ethnic origin, age, religion etc.

Where it is reported or otherwise discovered that there have been instances of harassment, an internal investigation will be launched. Depending on the outcome of the situation the University deserves the right to escalate the matter as being appropriate.

All forms of harassment should be reported to the Registry Division.

5.5.1 Policy Statement

Harassment is any unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favours and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature. The Caribbean Maritime University is committed to eliminating all forms of harassment. All individuals of CMU should be treated with dignity and respect. If harassment does occur, the policy aims to ensure that adequate procedures are readily available to deal with the problem and prevent it from reoccurring. Harassment can have a detrimental effect upon the health, confidence, morale, learning and performance of those
affected by it.

5.5.2 Classification of Sexual Harassment
Unwelcome actions such as the following are inappropriate and, depending on the circumstances, may in and of themselves meet the definition of sexual harassment or contribute to a hostile environment:

- sexual pranks, or repeated sexual teasing, jokes, or innuendo, or in any other form;
- verbal abuse of a sexual nature;
- touching or grabbing of a sexual nature;
- repeatedly standing too close to or brushing up against a person;
- repeatedly asking a person to socialize during off-school hours when the person has said no or has indicated that he or she is not interested;
- giving gifts or leaving objects that are sexually suggestive;
- repeatedly making sexually suggestive gestures;
- making or posting sexually demeaning or offensive pictures, cartoons or other materials;
- unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature that affects the University.

A victim of sexual harassment can be a male or a female. The victim can be of the same sex as the harasser. The harasser can be a lecturer, administrator, student, other University employees, or any other person on campus or non-employee who has a business relationship with the University.
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The Caribbean Maritime University seeks to enrich its students holistically by supporting not only their academic progression but also their involvement in co-curricular activities. These co-curricula need ranges from leadership involvement, community building, volunteerism, artistic expressions to sporting endeavors, among others.

### 6.1.1 Clubs and societies at the CMI:
- Rotaract Club
- Tourism Action Club
- Universities, Colleges Christian Fellowship (UCCF)
- Environmental Club
- Circle K

### 6.1.2 Sporting Involvements:
- Netball
- Football
- Basketball
- Cheerleading
- Swimming
6.1.3 Other Activities:

- Mr and Miss C.M.I
- Sports Day
- Heritage Week Celebration
- Crazy Dress day
- Domino competition
- Semester parties

6.2 COMMUNITY STANDARDS

All students are expected to observe the University regulations as well as the regulations, procedures and guidelines. Non-compliance with these policies or regulations may result in disciplinary action. It is the responsibility of all students to discourage other persons from violating these standards and to report any violation of community standards to the relevant personnel.
6.3 CAMPUS SECURITY & SAFETY

Students are encouraged to be vigilant and observant as it concerns their personal safety and security. Personal property remains the sole responsibilities of the owner and as such the university shall not be liable for any loss, theft, or damage to said property.

6.3.1 Student Identification/Class Cards

All students are expected to visibly display their identification card while on campus as this is consider to be a part of their uniform. Security checks conducted on campus may require students to present and/or tender their identification for inspection on demand by the Safety Officer or security personnel or other member of staff.

6.3.2 Vehicle Inspections

All vehicles entering or exiting the campus are subject to search. Our control system records the license plate number of all vehicles entering the premises.

6.3.3 Parking

Designated parking spaces are reserved for Senior Management. Otherwise parking is open to students and staff on a first come first serve basis.

NOTE: All vehicles are to be parked face out.

6.3.4 Personal Safety

Students are encouraged to be especially cautious when walking alone on the road from the main roadway to the entrance of the University – you are encouraged to travel in groups at all times and not travel alone. Students are also cautioned to be careful while walking alone on campus at nights. If students are concerned about or are fearful for their personal safety or security while on campus, a report should be made to the Campus Marshal or security personnel immediately. Any suspicious activity in or around the campus should also be reported immediately to the relevant security personnel listed above at extension 4336.

6.4 PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY/SAFETY

6.4.1 Alcohol Consumption
The use of alcohol on campus is prohibited except in circumstances where a written request is made by a student group/club or society for an authorized function and written permission by the relevant officer has been granted. Students are encouraged to drink responsibly. At these special functions students deemed to be intoxicated shall not be admitted.

Under no circumstances may an individual under the legal drinking age (age 18) consume alcohol on any campus of the CMI.

6.4.2 Illegal Drugs/Substances

CMU has a zero tolerance stance on the use of illegal drugs/substances. Students found in breach shall be disciplined.

For this reason, the following activities will result in disciplinary hearing:

3.4.2.1 Reasonable suspicion regarding use, possession, or sale of illegal drugs.

3.4.2.2 Any of the above activities by guests of any students.

6.4.3 Fire Safety Precautions

The following are guidelines which students should follow as precautions to an emergency or fire:

Know exit points from all buildings. Fire evacuation plans are located in various areas on campus. Notify the Office of the Occupational Health and Safety if this plan is missing. This plan should not be covered or removed.

Do not obstruct doors, passages or walkway since it could mean the difference between life and death for someone escaping a fire. Never leave personal belongings or trash in the passages.

Do not tamper with fire alarms, fire extinguishers or smoke detectors. This is a serious crime. Misuse of any fire safety equipment will result in disciplinary action and a $500.00 fine.

In the event of an alarm, all students must evacuate the building through the nearest exit as quickly as possible. Once outside, move away from the building. Failure to comply with an alarm will result in disciplinary action.

Do not return to the building until the Safety Officer or Campus Marshal has indicated it is safe to do so.

**REMINDER:** The lives of community members and your own life depend on the
operation of fire safety equipment. Do not, under any circumstance, tamper with smoke or heat detectors, sprinklers, fire extinguishers, fire hoses, or any alarm system. Students found tampering with such equipment can be subject to fines, disciplinary action and criminal prosecution.

6.5    GENERAL CONDUCT/REQUIREMENTS

6.5.1    Bulletin/Notice Boards

Students are expected to regularly read the contents of bulletin/notice boards on campus. Students wishing to post announcements on the boards must obtain approval from the Office of the Registrar. Circulations of unapproved material are prohibited.

6.5.2    Parties/Fete/Other Student Functions/Activities

Permission is to be sought from the Student Services Department for the hosting of all student related functions/activities. Students are to submit a written request attached with a detailed project proposal no less than two weeks in advance to the relevant office when seeking such permission. Where permission is granted, all functions should end by 12:00 midnight (unless otherwise permitted).

Kindly note that the Student Services Department will outline the criteria/stipulations for hosting such functions.

6.5.3    Damages to the University’s Property

Damages to or destruction of the University’s property are prohibited. Students held liable will be disciplined accordingly.

6.5.4    Disorderly Assembly

6.5.4.1    Organizations/students may not interfere with the free movement of other students around the campus or with the use of CMI’s facilities or with the normal operation of CMI.

6.5.4.2    Organizations/students may not act in a manner that disturbs the academic pursuits or that infringes on the privacy rights, health or safety of the CMI community, or in any manner that is inconsistent with the goals and values that are integral to the welfare of the CMI community.

6.5.4.3    Organizations/students may not harass others. Harassment includes, but is not limited to, threats, intimidations, verbal abuse, nuisance by whatever means of communication, following Harassing is not limited to acts based on sex, race, creed, national ethnicity, religion or disability.

6.5.4.4    Obscene or indecent conduct is prohibited.
6.5.4.5 Organizations/students must comply with the directions of CMI officials acting in the performance of their duties.

6.5.4.6 Tampering with elections is prohibited.

6.5.5 Educational Related Trips

Any approved group trip by CMI students must be accompanied by at least one CMI official. Students travelling outside of Jamaica are not covered by the accidental death and dismemberment insurance coverage offered by the University.

6.6 SERVICES/FACILITIES

6.6.1 Civic Services

- **Transportation:**
  
  Bus service via JUTC (from Downtown Kingston en-route to Norman Manley Airport or Port Royal) is accessible to students. There is a special arrangement for morning drop-off and one evening pick-up at the Institution’s campus. (See the Student Services Office for further details).

- **Banking:**
  
  Students who are interested in opening an account while at the University may do so at the National Commercial Bank located on Windward Road or at other financial institutions located in Downtown Kingston.

  24 hours banking machines are also available:
  ✓ National Commercial Bank
    - Harbour View Shopping Centre
  ✓ Scotia Bank
    - outside of the supermarket at the Harbour View Shopping Centre
  ✓ Victoria Mutual Building Society - inside the Esso Gas Station

  There is also a cambio service located at the Harbour View Mini Stadium, where there is a branch of WESTERN UNION and also Grace Kennedy Remittance Services.

6.6.2 Postal Services

A post office is situated in the Harbour View Shopping Centre. Students may also receive mail through the University. These may be collected at the Receptionist Desk. Mails not collected will only be kept for a period no longer than 6 months.

6.5.3 Medical Centre

A private medical centre is located behind the Harbour View Shopping Centre and a
government runned medical clinic is located on Neptune Avenue in the community.

6.5.4 Pharmacy
A fully equipped pharmacy is situated in the Harbour View Shopping Centre.

6.5.5 Library
A branch of the Jamaica Library Service is located in the Harbour View community.

6.5.6 Other Facilities within the Shopping Centre:
- Supermarket
- Meat Store
- Wholesale Store
- Auto Shop
- Book Store
- Barber
- Variety Stores
- Fast Food Restaurants – Tastee & Rouney’s,
- Restaurants - Golden Spoon
- Digicel Outlet (For Telephone & Accessories)
- Gas Cylinder Outlet
- Computer Store
- Fishing Equipment Store
- Wholesale household chemical store
- Nurseries
- Hair Dressing Salon

6.7 CMI STUDENTS’ UNION
Student government is a vital aspect of every institution; as such Caribbean Maritime University has a democratic student body that represents the student population. CMI’s Students’ Union (SU) is a member of the Jamaica Union of Tertiary Students (JUTS). CMI, JUTS, and CMI’s Student Union is responsible for the efficient management of all aspects of students’ academic and social development. The SU also acts as a mediator between the students and administration/faculty. SU promote students welfare through its specialized committees that seeks to address student’s concerns. This task is carried out through professional and innovative leadership by all Council members.

“SHOWCASING QUALITY LEADERSHIP: IMPACTING THE FUTURE THROUGH QUALITY REPRESENTATION”

The members of the SU will be operating under the theme “Showcasing quality leadership:
impacting the future through quality representation” for the academic year 2016-2017. This theme is to inform the student population that the SU is ready and committed to work and showcase immaculate leadership on their behalf.

6.7.1 Students’ Union Mission

The Union's Mission is to:

- Act in matters of education, welfare and publicity on behalf of the Student body
- Coordinate actions of Council Sub-Committees
- Appoint Student representatives to C.M.I's Committees and Working groups as requested by the Management
- Encourage and assist affiliated Clubs, Societies and Sporting Teams
- Disseminate information about the affairs of the Student Council to students
- Preparation and review of strategic plan
- Prepare an annual budget
- Play a part in the regulating the standard of discipline among students
- Appoint ad hoc advisory committees as necessary
- Meet monthly
- Plan in conjunction with the Administration, the Orientation exercise for new students in September
- Assist in the Election process of new Students’ Union Officers

The purpose of the Students’ Union is to serve as the official voice of the student body. The SU acts as a mediator between the students and administration/faculty. SU promote students welfare through its specialized committees that seeks to address student’s concerns.

6.7.2 Leadership Behaviour Requirements for Executive Members

1. Giving and asking for instructions, ideas, opinions, feelings
2. Clarifying, synthesizing and giving examples
3. Periodically summarizing what has taken place and the major points discussed (at
meetings)
4. Encouraging and supporting participation by all students
5. Evaluating the effectiveness of the UNION and diagnosing difficulties in Student Union functioning
6. Giving direction to discussions
7. Energizing discussions
8. Helping the 'sending' skills of each member of the executive body and student body (at group meetings and in group activities)
9. Helping the 'receiving' skills of the members of the executive and student body
10. Being an active listener
11. Moderating controversies by disagreeing with others in ways that promote intellectual disagreement without personal rejection and helping other members disagree in the same manner.
12. Beginning, ending and keeping on time during the meeting of the group or any other forum

6.7.3 Students’ Union Composition

**President**

- Shall be official representative of the Student Body, voicing any concerns raised by the students.
- Shall preside on an alternate basis (if possible) over all meetings of the Students’ Council General Meetings.
- Shall convene and preside over the Executive Meetings.
- Shall be ex-officio member of all council sub-committee.
- Should the President become temporarily incapacitated, the Vice-Presidents shall assume all responsibilities until such time as the President is capable of returning to office.
- Shall deal with all matters concerning revision, interpretation and enforcement of the Constitution.
- Shall see that the Constitution of any organizations sponsored by the council shall be in agreement with the Constitution of the Students' Council.
- Shall see that all business of the council be conducted according to the Students' Council Rules of Procedure.
- Shall initiate new activities deemed beneficial to the Student Body.
- Shall represent the Student Body to the administration.
- Shall take the initiative in aiding in the tasks of all other executive members, Chair of your SA Union, represents your interests on CMI committees and is available to assist you with matters of interest and concern.
- Represents students to external bodies (eg. the community).

**Vice President (Education)**

- Addresses issues such as time-tableing clashes, quality of teaching, assessment and grievances

**Vice President (Activities)**

- Extra-curricular activities on campus such as heritage week cultural show, walkathons, etc. and clubs and societies which are affiliated with the SA.

**Treasurer**

Oversees the financial accountability of the SU and its affiliated clubs and societies:

- Shall prepare and present an annual financial budget.
- Shall in addition prepare a quarterly budget and statement of account
- Shall make all disbursements by cheque where possible.
- Shall head the Council’s fundraising committee
- Shall prepare and present a report of each fundraising activity two weeks after such activity

**Assistant Treasurer**

- Assists Treasurer in carrying out functions.

**Secretary**

- Shall prepare and present minutes to Council 3 days in advance of the next regular meeting.
- Shall record the minutes of all Directorate meetings.
- Shall prepare, send and be responsible for all correspondence related to Student Council activities and present the necessary correspondence to the Council.
- Shall be responsible for keeping all attendance records of Council meetings.
• Shall maintain an up-to-date copy of the Student’s Council constitution in a type-written form:

• Shall take the initiative in aiding other members of the Directorate in their tasks

ASSISTANT SECRETARY

• Assists Secretary in carrying out functions

PART-TIME/EXTERNAL OFFICER

• Represents students who are studying externally/part-time, i.e. on the Montego Bay campus and any other campus’s and assist in providing support and relevant information to these individuals.

INTERNATIONAL OFFICER

• Represents international students’ issues and concerns. Also seek to foster interaction and cultural integration of this specialized group.

PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER

The Editor of the student newsletter or any publication

• Shall be responsible for the promotion and dissemination of information to the CMI student body, Management and staff to external personnel eg. Other schools, clubs, etc. (including visiting these external campuses, organization in order to disseminate information)

ASSISTANT PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER

• Assists PRO in carrying out functions.

SPORTS OFFICER (MALE/FEMALE)

• General sporting activities on/off campus

WELFARE OFFICER

• Addresses general welfare issues of all students. Responsible for the dissemination of special Union bursaries and assistance.

RESIDENTIAL REPRESENTATIVE
• Represents Residential students on the Students’ Union.
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Note: Other events will be added to the calendar of activities accordingly.
CASES FOR INSTANT DISMISSAL

Notwithstanding the provision inside the Students Handbook the cases for instant dismissal include:

- Malicious destruction of property
- Theft
- Fighting
- Use / Trade of illicit drugs
- Three (3) breaches of the Dress Code

NB: Students not properly attired will be denied access into the campus.