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STATUTES
MADE UNDER
THE UNIVERSITY OF GUYANA ACT
Cap. 39:02
(as amended)

UNDER SECTION 19 OF THE UNIVERSITY OF GUYANA ACT THE FOLLOWING STATUTES
HAVE BEEN MADE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE UNIVERSITY –

STATUTE 1
Definitions

In these Statutes –

“Academic Staff” means the Professors, Senior Lecturers, Lecturers, Assistant Lecturers, and such other persons holding full-time appointments as members of the teaching or research staff of the University;

“the Regulations” means the Regulations made under the Act;

“UA Staff” means members of the staff of the University on the UA Salary Scales;

“UB Staff” means members of the staff of the University on the UB Salary Scales.

STATUTE 2
Officers of the University

The officers of the University are:–

(a) the Chancellor;
(b) the Pro-Chancellor;
(c) the Principal and Vice-Chancellor
(d) the Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor;
(e) the Registrar;
(f) the Bursar; and
(g) the Deans of Faculties

STATUTE 3
Members of the University

1. The following persons shall be members of the University:–

(a) the officers of the University;
(b) the members of the Council;
(c) the members of the Academic Board;
(d) the Librarian;
(e) the Emeritus Professors;
(f) the members of the UA and UB Staff;

(g) the Wardens or other Chief Officers of Halls of Residence maintained and licensed by the University;

(h) the Graduates;

(i) such other Teachers and Officers as may by Statute be granted the status of members of the University; and

(j) the Undergraduates.

2. The Council may, at any time, remove any person from membership of the University notwithstanding that he is qualified for such membership under this Statute.

STATUTE 4

Chancellor and Pro-Chancellor

1. The Chancellor shall hold office for an initial period of three years and he shall be eligible for re-election.

2. The Pro-Chancellor shall hold office for an initial period of three years and he shall be eligible for re-appointment.

3. The Chancellor and the Pro-Chancellor may resign their respective offices by writing under their hand addressed to the Council.

Statute 5

Principal and Vice-Chancellor

1. The Principal and Vice-Chancellor shall exercise general supervision over the educational arrangements of the University and shall supervise the admission of students. He may, without assigning any reason, refuse to admit any person as a student.

2. Subject to these Statutes, the Principal and Vice-chancellor shall be ex-officio Chairman of the Academic Board and all committees of the Council and the Academic Board.

3. The Principal and Vice-Chancellor shall maintain and promote the good order of the University for which he shall be responsible to the Council. He shall also be responsible for the general administration of the University.

4. The Principal and Vice-Chancellor may resign his office by writing under his hand addressed to the Council.

STATUTE 6

Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor

1. Subject to the approval of the Council, the Principal and Vice-Chancellor may appoint as his Deputy a Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor who shall be selected from among members of the academic staff.

2. The Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor shall assist the Principal and
Vice-Chancellor in the general administration of the University and shall perform such duties as
may be assigned to him by the Principal and Vice-Chancellor. He shall act for the Principal and
Vice-Chancellor in his absence.

3. The duties of the Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor shall be assigned to him for
the tenure of his appointment and shall be approved at the time of his appointment. Other
duties may however be assigned to him from time to time by the Principal and Vice-Chancellor.

4. The Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor shall hold office for a term of two years
commencing on the first day of September in the year in which he is appointed or until he
resigns or ceases to be a member of the academic staff or he is removed from office by the
Council on the recommendation of the Principal and Vice-Chancellor.

5. The tenure of office of the Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor may be renewed for
a further period of one year on the recommendation of the Principal and Vice-Chancellor and
with the approval of the Council.

6. No person may hold the office of Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor for more
than three consecutive years.

7. The Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor may resign his office by writing addressed
to the Principal and Vice-Chancellor who must report this to the Council.

8. If the Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor resigns before the expiration of his term
of office or if for any other reason the office of the Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor
becomes vacant during an academic year, the Council on the recommendation of the Principal
and Vice-Chancellor may appoint a person eligible to hold the office to fill the vacancy for the
unexpired portion of the academic year in which the office becomes vacant.

STATUTE 7
Registrar

1. The Council shall appoint a Registrar at such remuneration and on such other terms and
conditions as the Council may determine.

2. The primary duties of the Registrar shall be to undertake all matters pertaining to the
registration of students in accordance with selection procedures established by the Academic
Board. In addition, the Registrar shall organize the supervision of examinations and the
publication of examination results and shall perform the functions of Secretary to the Council,
the Academic Board, and all committees of those Boards.

3. The Registrar shall perform such other functions as the Council may assign to him.

4. In the exercise of his functions the Registrar shall at all times be responsible to the
Principal and Vice-Chancellor or any person acting on his behalf.

STATUTE 8
Bursar

1. The Council shall appoint a Bursar at such remuneration and on such other terms and
conditions as the Council may determine.

2. The Bursar shall receive on behalf of the University all monies and other property to
which the University may in any manner become entitled and his receipt shall be a sufficient
discharge therefor.
3. The Bursar shall perform such other functions as the Council may assign to him.

4. In the exercise of his functions the Bursar shall at all times be responsible directly to the Principal and Vice-Chancellor or any person acting on his behalf.

**STATUTE 9**

**The Deans of Faculties**

1. The Dean of each Faculty shall be appointed by the Principal and Vice-Chancellor on the nomination of the Board of that Faculty from among the members of the Faculty eligible to hold office.

2. Persons eligible to hold office are the Professors and Senior Lecturers within the Faculty.

3. Where there is no Professor or Senior Lecturer in the Faculty, the nomination shall be made from among Lecturers with at least five years’ university experience.

4. The Dean shall be responsible for the general supervision of the Faculty and shall be the Chairman of the Board of the Faculty (except when the Principal and Vice-Chancellor is present) and an ex-officio member of all committees of the Faculty.

5. A Dean shall hold office for two years commencing on the first day of September in the year in which he is appointed.

6. On the recommendation of the Board of the Faculty and, with the approval of the Principal and Vice-Chancellor the tenure of office of a Dean may be extended for a further period of one year.

7. No Dean may hold office for more than three consecutive years.

8. A Dean may resign his office by writing addressed to the Principal and Vice-Chancellor.

9. If a Dean resigns before the expiration of his term of office or if for any reason the office of the Dean becomes vacant during an academic year the Principal and Vice-Chancellor on the nomination of the Board of the Faculty, shall appoint a person eligible to hold the office to fill the vacancy for the unexpired portion of the academic year in which the office becomes vacant.

**Statute 10**

**Other Officers**

The Council may from time to time appoint such other officers as are deemed necessary with such functions and paid at such remuneration and upon such terms and conditions of service as the Council may determine.

**STATUTE 11**

**Auditors**

1. The Council shall at each Annual Meeting of the Council appoint one or more persons as Auditors. No person shall be appointed as an Auditor:-

(a) who is or any whose partners is a member of the Council or any member of staff who is employed in the Bursar’s Department of the University; or

(b) who is not a competent accountant of high standard and in the active practice of his profession.
2. Each Auditor shall hold office until the next Annual Meeting of the Council and shall be eligible for re-appointment. He shall receive such remuneration as shall be determined by the Council.

3. Each Auditor shall have the right of access at all reasonable times to such books, records, accounts and vouchers of the university and shall be entitled to require from the Officers of the University such information and explanations as may be necessary for the performance of his functions.

4. If the office of an Auditor becomes vacant by reason of his death, resignation, or any other cause, before the expiration of his term of office the Council shall appoint another person to be Auditor for the unexpired period of his predecessor’s term of office.

**STATUTE 12**

**Powers of the Council**

Subject to the Act and these Statutes, the Council shall be the governing body of the University and shall exercise all the powers thereof. Without prejudice to the generality of its powers, the Council shall, in particular, exercise the following powers:-

(a) to make the appointments authorized by the Statutes;

(b) with the consent of the Academic Board to institute, confirm, abolish or hold in abeyance any Professorship, Associate Professorship or other academic office in the University;

(c) to confer after report from the Academic Board the title of Emeritus Professor or Honorary Professor, honorary Associate Professor or Fellow;

(d) to govern, manage and regulate the finances, accounts, investments, property, business and all affairs whatsoever of the University and for that purpose to appoint bankers and any other officers or agents whom it may deem expedient to appoint;

(e) to invest any monies belonging to the University including any unapplied income, in such stocks, funds, fully paid shares or securities as the Council may from time to time thinks fit, whether authorized by the general law for the investment of trust monies or not, or in the purchase of property whether movable or immovable, with the like power of varying such investments from time to time by sale or re-investment or otherwise:

Provided that the Council may in its discretion retain as long as it shall think fit any investment given or bequeathed to the University although not falling within the description of investments authorized as aforesaid;

(f) to sell, buy, exchange, lease, grant or take on lease movable and immovable property on behalf of the University;

(g) to borrow money on behalf of the University, and for that purpose (if the Council thinks fit) to mortgage or charge all or any part of the property of the University whether movable or immovable, unless the conditions of any will, deed or gift or other similar instrument are thereby contravened, and to give such other security whether upon movable or immovable property or otherwise as the Council thinks fit;

(h) to receive from the Academic Board estimates of expenditure required to carry out the work of the University and to seek to provide the requisite money in so far as the estimates are approved by the Council;
(i) to provide for the welfare of all persons in the employment of the University, and the spouses and dependents of such persons, including the payment of money, pensions or other payments, and to subscribe to benevolent and other funds for the benefit of such persons;

(j) to enter into, vary, carry out and terminate contracts on behalf of the University;

(k) to select a Seal, Arms and Mace for the University and to have the sole custody and use of the Seal;

(l) to promote and to make provision for research within the University;

(m) to determine the terms and conditions of service upon which Examiners and Visiting Assessors shall be appointed by the Academic Board;

(n) to take into consideration and, if the Council deems it proper to do so, give effect to reports from the Academic Board on those matters upon which the Academic Board is authorised or required by these Statutes to make reports;

(o) to award Honorary Degrees on the proposal of the Academic Board;

(p) to dismiss any member of the staff of the University pursuant to the procedure hereinafter prescribed.

STATUTE 13
Meetings of the Council

1. The Annual Meeting of the Council shall be held in each calendar year within fifteen months of the preceding meeting on such day and at such hour and place as shall be appointed by the Principal and Vice-Chancellor. At such meeting an Annual Report of the work of the University together with an audited Statement of Accounts thereof shall be presented by the Principal and Vice-Chancellor and the Council shall make appointments as are required to be made at the Annual Meeting. The business referred to in this Statute is hereinafter referred to as Annual Business.

2. A copy of the Report and the Statement of Accounts referred to in the last preceding section shall be sent to every member of the Council at least seven days before the date of the Annual Meeting and the Statement of Accounts shall be open to inspection at the office of the University during the year following such Annual Meeting at such reasonable hours and under such conditions as the Council shall determine.

3. The quorum of the Council shall be one-third of its membership.

4. In the absence of a quorum no business other than the adjournment of the meeting of the Council shall be transacted. The adjourned meeting shall be held within one month after the date of the adjourned meeting. The Annual Business may be completed at an adjourned Annual Meeting in the absence of a quorum.

5. An Extraordinary Meeting of the Council may be convened at any time at the instance of the Principal and Vice-Chancellor or at the written request of not less than eight members of the Council.

6. Notice of the Annual Meeting shall be circulated by the Registrar at least twenty-one days before the date thereof and an agenda paper shall be circulated at least seven days before any meeting of the Council.
7. A Special Resolution of the Council means a resolution passed by the votes of not less than three-fourths of the members of the Council present and voting, being not less than one-half of the whole membership of the Council, at a meeting of which notice setting out the business to be transacted has been given not less than twenty-one days before the meeting, and confirmed by a like majority at a subsequent meeting of which like notice has been given and held not less than one or more than twelve calendar months after the first meeting.

8. It shall be the duty of the Council to make financial provision for reasonable travelling and subsistence expenses for members of the Council when attending the meetings of the Council or of any committee thereof.

**STATUTE 14**

**Academic Board**

The Academic Board shall consist of:-

(a) the Principal and Vice-Chancellor (ex-officio Chairman);

(b) the Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor if appointed;

(c) the Deans of Faculties;

(d) the Assistant Deans of Faculties;

(e) all full Professors;

(f) the Heads of Departments;

(g) the Directors of Institutes associated with the University;

(h) the Chairman of the Board for Graduate Studies;

(i) the Librarian;

(j) one representative from among the teaching staff of each Faculty not included among those listed above;

(k) except when the Academic Board is exercising its powers under Statute 15(2)(c) two representatives of the Students’ Society;

(l) the persons for the time being holding such appointments on the staff of the University as may be specified by the Principal and Vice-Chancellor;

(m) an academic member of the University of Guyana Staff Association.

**STATUTE 15**

**Powers of the Academic Board**

1. The Academic Board shall be the academic authority of the University and shall have the control and general direction of research, instructions and examinations and of the award of Degree, Certificates and other distinctions.

2. Subject to these Statutes, the Academic Board shall have the following powers:-

(a) to direct and regulate the teaching and the instructions within the University, and the examinations held by the University, subject to the powers of the Council herein before defined;
(b) to exercise the powers conferred by section 14 of the Act provided that any person in respect of whom it is proposed to exercise such power shall be given the opportunity to be heard before the Academic Board and before the Council on appeal from the Academic Board;

(c) to award Degrees (other than Honorary Degrees), Diplomas, Certificates and other distinctions;

(d) to make recommendations to the Council with respect to the award to any person of an Honorary Fellowship or Honorary Degree or title of Professor Emeritus;

(e) to make, after report from the Board of Faculties concerned Rules for giving effect to the Statutes and Regulations of the University relating to the courses of study and examinations;

(f) to regulate, subject to the Statutes and Regulations of the University, the admission of persons to courses of study in the University and their continuance at such courses;

(g) to prepare estimates of expenditure required to carry out the work of the University and to submit them to the Council for approval. For this purpose, the Academic Board may establish an Estimates Committee which shall include the Deans of Faculties;

(h) to appoint examiners and visiting assessors after a report from the Boards of Faculties concerned;

(i) to formulate, modify or revise subject to the control of the Council, schemes for the organization of the Faculties, Schools, Institutes, Delegacies, Boards or Departments of the University, and to assign to them their respective subjects, and also to report to the Council as to the expediency of the establishment at any time of other Faculties, Schools, Institutes, Delegacies, Boards or Departments, or as to the expediency of the abolition, combination or sub-division of any of them;

(j) to review, amend, control or disallow any act of any Faculty, School, Institute, Delegacy, Board or Department and to give directions to any such body;

(k) to fix subject to any conditions made by the Founders or Donors thereof which are accepted by the Council the times and mode and conditions of competition for Fellowships, Scholarships, Studentships, Exhibitions and other prizes and to award the same;

(l) to report to the Council on any matter referred to it by Council;

(m) to discuss and declare an opinion on any matter whatsoever relating to the University;

(n) to make provision for the supervision of the welfare of Students of the University and the regulation of their conduct;

(o) to exercise disciplinary powers in respect of any student (including the power to dismiss him from the University) subject to a right of appeal against dismissal to the Council:

Provided that the Council may, at any time, by directions in writing to the Academic Board, reserve to itself the power to exercise disciplinary control over students and to dismiss them from the University in respect of such matters as may be specified in those directions.

(p) to recommend to the Council the form and description of the academic dress for the purposes of the University;
(q) to exercise all such powers as are or may be conferred on the Academic Board by the
Act, Statutes and Regulations and to do such other things as the Council may authorize.

3. The Academic Board may make regulations for the purpose of exercising any functions
conferred on it either by this Statute or otherwise.

STATUTE 16
Meetings of the Academic Board

1. The Academic Board shall meet at least once in each term and at any time at the instance
of the Principal and Vice-Chancellor or at the written request of not less than six members of
the Academic Board.

2. One-half of the membership of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

STATUTE 17
Boards of Faculties

There shall be a Board of each of the Faculties which shall consist of:-

(a) the Principal and Vice-Chancellor or his nominee;

(b) the Dean and the Assistant Dean of the Faculty;

(c) the persons severally in charge of the branches of the Faculty;

(d) such of the teachers assigned to the Faculty and having the prescribed qualifications as
the Board may determine;

(e) such persons, whether or not members of the University, as the Board may determine
with the approval of the Academic Board.

STATUTE 18
Powers of the Boards of Faculties

Subject to the Act, these Statutes and the Regulations the Board of each Faculty shall have
the following powers:-

(a) subject to the approval of the Academic Board, to regulate the teaching and study of the
subjects assigned by the Faculty and to constitute Committees;

(b) to recommend Examiners for appointment by the Academic Board;

(c) to report to the Academic Board on rules relating to courses of study for degrees and
other distinctions and on any other matters relating to the work of the Faculty;

(d) to make recommendations to the Academic Board for the award of Degrees (other than
Honorary Degrees), Diplomas, Certificates, Fellowships, Studentships and Prizes within
the Faculty;

(e) to consider any matters relating to the Faculty and to report thereon to the Academic
Board and to deal with any matters referred or delegated to it by the Academic Board.
STATUTE 19
Meetings of Boards of Faculties

1. The Dean of the Faculty or in his absence the Assistant Dean shall be Chairman of the meetings of the Board of the Faculty except when the Principal and Vice-Chancellor is present when he shall be Chairman.

2. The Board of each Faculty shall meet at least once in each term and at any time at the instance of the Principal and Vice-Chancellor, the Dean of the Faculty, or at the written request of not less than four members of the Board of the Faculty.

3. One-third of the membership of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

STATUTE 20
Finance and General Purposes Committee

1. Membership

There shall be a Finance and General Purposes Committee which shall consist of the following members:-

(a) the Pro-Chancellor;
(b) the Principal and Vice-Chancellor;
(c) six members of the Council appointed by the Council;
(d) a representative of the Ministry responsible for Finance;
(e) a representative of the Ministry responsible for Education;
(f) three representatives of the Academic Board, one of whom shall be a Dean;
(g) a representative of the University of Guyana Staff Association;
(h) a representative of the Students' Society.

The Registrar shall be Secretary to the Committee.

The Bursar or his nominee shall be entitled to attend meetings of the Committee.

2. Powers

Between meetings of the Council, the Committee shall exercise the powers of the Council in all matters relating to the receipt and expenditure of money, the control of property, and any other matters which the Council may delegate to it.

Decisions of the Finance and General Purposes Committee shall be reported to the Council at the first subsequent meeting of the Council. The Council may modify or revoke any decision of the said Committee but any act taken by the University as a result of the original decision of the Committee shall nevertheless be valid and binding on the University.

3. Meetings
(a) the Pro-Chancellor shall be the Chairman of the Committee. In his absence, the Principal and Vice-Chancellor shall be the Chairman;

(b) the quorum for meetings of the Finance and General Purposes Committee shall be eight members.

PAGE 13 – STATUTE 21 – Appointments Committee – clause (g) amended by Council on April 28, 2005, to read “a member of the University of Guyana Staff Association” instead of “a non-academic member of the University of Guyana Staff Association.”
1. **Membership**

There shall be an Appointments Committee which shall consist of the following members:

(a) the Principal and Vice-Chancellor;

(b) five members of the Council appointed by the Council;

(c) a representative of the Ministry responsible for Education;

(d) the Deans of the Faculties;

(e) the Head of the relevant Department;

(f) a nominee of the Academic Board;

(g) a non-academic member of the University of Guyana Staff Association.

The Registrar shall be Secretary to the Committee.

2. **Powers**

The Committee shall have the following powers:

(a) to exercise on behalf of the Council and subject to the general policy decisions of the Council the powers of the Council in respect of the appointment of UA Staff and UB Staff other than the appointment of officers of the University;

   Provided that the Committee shall, at the request of the Council or at least two members of the Committee, refer any such matter to the Council for its determination;

(b) in particular, and without derogating from the power conferred by (a), to recommend to the Council whether the appointment of a member of the UA Staff should be confirmed, or extended for a further period.

3. **Report by Registrar**

The Registrar shall report to the Council decisions of the Committee under this Statute.

4. **Meetings**

(a) the Principal and Vice-Chancellor shall be the Chairman of the Committee;

(b) the quorum for meetings of the Appointments Committee shall be eight members of whom two must be members of the Council.

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**STATUTE 22**

**Committee of Deans**

1. There shall be a Committee of Deans which shall consist of the following members:
(a) the Principal and Vice-Chancellor who shall be the Chairman;
(b) the Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor;
(c) the Deans of Faculties;
(d) the Registrar who shall be the Secretary.

2. It shall be the function of the Committee:-

(a) (i) to act as an informal co-ordinating body to advise the Academic Board on Faculty quota, selection procedures and related matters;

(ii) to act on behalf of Faculties during vacation on matters relating to examinations, admission and re-admission to the University;

(iii) to make recommendations to the Academic Board on all matters relating to scholarships, prizes, bursaries, and similar awards;

(iv) to deal with such other matters as may be referred to it by the Academic Board;

(b) to deal with, on behalf of the Principal and Vice-Chancellor, such matters as may be referred to it by him;

(c) to deal with such matters as may be necessary for the efficient running of the University during any period when the Principal and Vice-chancellor and the Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor (if appointed) are for any reason unable to perform their functions.

STATUTE 23
The Guild of Graduates

1. The Council shall prescribe by Regulations conditions for entry in and removal from the register of the names of members of the Guild of Graduates and the annual or other fee for the registration of members of the Guild of Graduates.

2. The Chancellor or, in his absence, the Pro-Chancellor, shall preside at its meetings; of the Guild of Graduates.

3. The Guild of Graduates shall have the following powers:-

(a) to elect its Chairman, who shall, in the absence of the Chancellor or Pro-Chancellor;

(b) to elect representative as members of the Council;

(c) to advise the Council on any matters relating to the University referred to it by the Council;

(d) to regulate its proceedings, and report thereon to the Council and the Academic Board;

(e) to address questions to the Council or the Academic Board on any matter affecting the University.

4. (a) The Registrar of the University shall be the Registrar of the Guild of Graduates and shall keep a Register containing the names of all persons who are members of the Guild of
Graduates.

(b) The Register shall be conclusive evidence that any person whose name appears therein is a member of the Guild of Graduates and is thereby entitled to vote at meetings of the Guild of Graduates and that any person whose name does not appear therein is not so entitled.

5. Meetings of the Guild of Graduates shall be summoned at such times and in such manner as may be prescribed by the rules of the Guild.

STATUTE 24
Students

The students of the University shall be those persons receiving regular instruction at the University and they shall be subject to the disciplinary control of the university.

STATUTE 25
Discipline

Staff on UA Scale

1. If it appears to the Council that there is reasonable cause to believe that the Principal and Vice-Chancellor, the Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor, or any other member of the UA Staff may be guilty of grave misconduct, or is unable to perform the functions of his office as might warrant the termination of his employment, the Council shall:-

(a) give him notice, in writing, of the reason for the action contemplated;

(b) if he or the Council so request within the period of fourteen days beginning with the date of the notice, make arrangements:

(i) for a Special Committee, comprising two members of the Academic Board (not being members of the Council appointed by the Academic Board), and three other persons appointed by the Council none of whom shall be members of the Council, to investigate the charges;

(ii) for the person to whom the investigation relates to be afforded the opportunity of being heard on his own behalf and to be allowed legal representation at the hearing by the Committee with respect to the charges;

and if the Council, after considering the report of the Special Committee, is satisfied that the person to whom the investigation relates ought to be removed from office may terminate his appointment.

2. Where it appears that the member of staff to whom the investigation aforesaid relates should be suspended from exercising the functions of his office, the Council shall cause a notice signed on its directions, to be sent to him prohibiting him from exercising the functions of his office, pending the final decision of the Council.

3. During the period of suspension the staff member shall be paid at such rate of pay being not less than half pay, as the Council may deem fit.

Provided that if the matter is determined in favour of the staff member the Council shall
direct the whole of the pay withheld under this section to be paid to the member of staff.

Students

4. Where it appears to the Principal and Vice-Chancellor that any student of the University has been guilty of misconduct, the Principal and Vice-Chancellor, after consultation with the Committee of Deans, may direct that:-

(a) the student shall not, during such period as may be specified in the direction, participate in such activities of the University or make use of such facilities of the University, as may be specified; or

(b) the activities of the student shall, during such period as may be specified in the direction, be restricted in such manner as may be so specified; or

(c) the student be suspended from the University for such period as may be specified in the direction; or

(d) the student be expelled from the University:

Provided that before a direction is given under this section the Principal and Vice-Chancellor shall afford the student an opportunity of making representations to him against the giving of the direction.

5. Where a direction is given under paragraph (c) or (d) of the foregoing subsection in respect of any student, the student, may, within one month beginning with the date of his suspension or expulsion, as the case may be, appeal to the Council; and where such an appeal is brought, the Council shall afford the student an opportunity of being heard (with legal or other representation, if he so desires) before a Joint Committee comprising three members of the Council, one student nominated by the Students' Society and two members of the Academic Board nominated by the Board. The Council after considering the report of the Joint Committee may either confirm or set aside the direction or modify it in such a manner as it thinks fit.

6. An appeal from a direction shall not affect the operation of the direction pending the determination of the appeal.

7. Nothing in this Statute shall be construed as preventing the restriction or termination of a student's activities at the University on grounds other than misconduct.

STATUTE 26
Proceedings

1. The Council, the Academic Board, the Boards of the Faculties and the Guild of Graduates may, respectively, appoint such and so many standing, special and advisory committees as may seem to them fit. The functions of any Committee shall be such as the body appointing it may from time to time direct.

2. Subject to the Act, these Statutes and the Regulations, the Council, the Academic Board, the Boards of Faculties and the Guild of Graduates may from time to time make Standing Orders for governing their respective proceedings, provided that where any matter fails to be decided by the votes of the members comprising any body established or functioning under the authority of these Statutes the Principal and Vice-Chancellor if presiding over any such body
shall have an original and a casting vote.

3. The body appointing a committee may make rules of procedures for the committee but subject thereto every committee may regulate its own procedure.

STATUTE 27
Validity of Acts

No act done by the Council, the Academic Board, or any committee or other body constituted under these Statutes shall be invalid by reason of:-

(a) any vacancy in the membership thereof; or

(b) any defect in the qualifications of any member or any irregularity in his appointment or election; or

(c) any minor irregularity (not calculated to cause any prejudice, injustice or hardship to any person) in the convening or conduct of any meeting thereof.

STATUTE 28
The Students’ Society

1. There shall be a Students’ Society of the University.

2. The Constitution, functions, privileges and other matters relating to the Students’ Society shall be prescribed by regulations duly made by the Students’ Society and approved by the Council.

STATUTE 29
Saving

Notwithstanding the revocation by Statute 30 of the Statutes made by the Council on 15th November, 1963 (including all amendments thereto), anything done under those Statutes, if in force immediately before the coming into force of these Statutes shall continue in force until it is altered, or superseded or otherwise terminated under these Statutes and so far as it could have been done under these Statutes.

STATUTE 30
Revocation

The Statutes made by the Council on 15th November, 1963 (including all amendments thereto) are hereby revoked.

Made by the Council this 4th day of September, 1978.
AMENDMENTS

PAGE 2, STATUTE 1 - DEFINITIONS

In these Statutes –

“Academic Staff” means the Professor, Readers, Senior Lecturers, Lecturers, Assistant Lecturers, and such other persons holding full-time appointments as members of the teaching or research staff of the University.

PAGE 5, STATUTE 9, SECTIONS 2, 3, 6 AND 7 – THE DEANS OF FACULTIES

2. Persons eligible to hold office are the Professors, Readers and Senior Lecturers within the Faculty.

3. Where there is no Professor, Reader or Senior Lecturer in the Faculty, the nomination shall be made from among Lecturers with at least five years’ University experience.

6. On the recommendation of the Board of the Faculty and, with the approval of the Principal and Vice-Chancellor the tenure of office of a Dean may be extended for a further period of one year at a time.

7. No Dean may hold office for more than five (5) consecutive years.

PAGE 7, STATUTE 13, SECTION 1 – MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL

1. The Annual Meeting of the Council shall be held in each calendar year within fifteen months of the preceding meeting or within such longer period as the Council may decide on such day and at such hour and place as shall be appointed by the Principal and Vice-Chancellor. At such meeting an Annual
Report of the work of the University together with an audited Statement of Accounts thereof shall be presented by the Principal and Vice-Chancellor and the Council shall make appointments as are required to be made at the Annual Meeting. The business referred to in this Statute is hereinafter referred to as Annual Business.

**PAGE 8, STATUTE 14, SECTIONS (F) AND (G) - ACADEMIC BOARD**

(f) The Heads of Departments; including Directors of Institutes established within Faculties

(g) The Directors of Institutes in the University other than those at (f)

**PAGE 10, STATUTE 18, SECTION (a) - POWERS OF THE BOARDS OF FACULTIES**

(a) Subject to the approval of the Academic Board, to regulate the teaching and study of the subjects assigned to the Faculty and to constitute Committees

**PAGE 14, STATUTE 23, SECTION 3 (a) - THE GUILD OF GRADUATES**

3. The Guild of Graduates shall have the following powers:-
   (a) to elect its Chairman, who shall, in the absence of the Chancellor or Pro-Chancellor, preside at its meetings

**PAGE 15, STATUTE 25, SECTIONS 4, 5, 6 (a), (b), (c), (d), 7 (a), (b), 8 and 9 - DISCIPLINE**

**STUDENTS**

4. Where it is brought to the attention of the Principal and Vice-Chancellor that a student of the University may have mis-conducted himself, the Principal and Vice-Chancellor shall inform the student in writing of the alleged misconduct, and the student shall have seven (7) days to submit to the Principal and Vice-Chancellor an explanation in writing of his conduct
5. Upon receipt of an explanation in writing from the student, the Principal and Vice-Chancellor shall conduct such further enquiries into the student’s alleged misconduct as he considers necessary.

6. If the student fails and/or neglects to submit an explanation in writing as required under Section 4 (above) or if the Principal and Vice-Chancellor has conducted further enquires as required under Section 5 (above), and it appears to the Principal and Vice-Chancellor that the student has been guilty of misconduct, the Principal and Vice-Chancellor, after consultation with the Committee of Deans, may direct that –

(a) the student shall not, during such period as may be specified in the direction, participate in such activities (including examinations) of the University, as may be specified; or

(b) the activities of the student shall, during such period as may be specified in the direction, be restricted in such manner as may be specified; or

(c) the student be suspended from the University for such period as may be specified in the direction; or

(d) the student be expelled from the University.

7. (a) Where a direction is given under paragraph (c) or (d) of the foregoing sub-section in respect of any student, the student may, within fourteen (14) days of the giving of such direction, appeal to the Council setting out in detail the grounds of appeal, and the appeal shall be considered by a Standing Committee of the Council which shall be the Students’ Appeals Joint Committee comprising the Pro-Chancellor and three (3) other members of the Council, one (1) student nominated by the Students’ Society and two (2) members of the Academic Board nominated by the Board.

(b) The Joint Committee, if it thinks it necessary, may invite the Principal and Vice-Chancellor to submit to it a memorandum setting out reasons for his decision. The Joint Committee may either confirm or
set aside the decision or modify it in such manner as it thinks fit, and its decision shall be final.

8. An appeal from a direction shall not affect the operation of the direction pending the determination of the appeal.

9. Nothing in this Statute shall be construed as preventing the restriction or termination of a student’s activities at the University on grounds other than misconduct.

Amendment to Statute 25

Statute 25 - Student

4. Where it appears to the Principal and Vice-Chancellor or his delegate that any student of the University has been guilty of misconduct, the Principal and Vice-Chancellor or his delegate after duly informing the student of the allegation(s) and providing the student with an opportunity to respond to the allegation(s), may direct that:

(a) the student shall not, during such period as may be specified in the direction, participate in such activities of the University; or make use of such facilities of the University as may be specified; or

(b) the activities of the student shall, during such period as may be specified in the direction, be restricted in such manner as may be so specified; or

(c) the student be suspended from the University for such period as may be specified in the direction; or

(d) the student be expelled from the University:

Provided that before a direction is given under this section the Principal and Vice-Chancellor or his delegate having received and examined the student’s response, or if the student omitted to respond, concludes that the student has admitted guilt in his response, or by virtue of his non-response.

5. Where it appears to the Principal and Vice-Chancellor or his
delegate that any student of the University has been guilty of misconduct, and the Principal and Vice-chancellor or his delegate after duly informing the student of the allegation and providing the student with an opportunity to respond and the student having responded in the negative, the Principal and Vice-Chancellor or his delegate may direct that:-

(a) the student shall not, during such period as may be specified in the direction, participate in such activities of the University; or make use of such facilities of the University as may be specified; or

(b) the activities of the student shall, during such period as may be specified in the direction, be restricted in such manner as may be so specified; or

(c) the student be suspended from the University for such period as may be specified in the direction; or

(d) the student be expelled from the University:

Provided that before a direction is given under this section the Principal and Vice-Chancellor or his delegate shall afford the student an opportunity of a hearing.

6. Where a direction is given under paragraphs 4 (c) or (d) or 5 (c) or (d) in respect of any student, the student, may within one month beginning with the date of his suspension or expulsion as the case may be, appeal to the Council; and where such an appeal is brought, the Council shall afford the student an opportunity of being heard (with legal or other representation, if he so desires) before a Joint Committee comprising three members of the Council, one student nominated by the Students’ Society and two members of the Academic Board nominated by the Board. The Joint Committee having heard the grounds for the appeal may either confirm or set aside the direction or modify it in such a manner as it thinks fit. The Joint Committee should report its decision to the University’s Council.

7. An appeal from a direction shall not affect the operation of the direction pending the determination of the appeal.

8. Notwithstanding the provisions of clause 4 and 5 and with
specific reference to cheating in examinations, the Committee of Deans may, at the behest of the Vice-Chancellor within the ambit of the penalties provided for in clauses 4 and 5, establish a schedule of penalties for cheating in examinations; and review that schedule from time to time as they might deem fit or at the behest of the Vice-Chancellor.

8. Nothing in this Statute shall be construed as preventing the restriction or termination of a student’s activities at the University on grounds other than misconduct.