By-Laws made by the Council of the University of Colombo under Section 135 of the Universities Act No. 16 of 1978, as amended subsequently and in terms of Section of the University of Colombo, Institute of Agro-Technology and Rural Sciences Ordinance No.2 of 2008.

THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF AGRO-TECHNOLOGY HONORS

Amendment to the By Laws of Bachelor of Agro-technology Honours (B. Ag.Tec.Hon.) Degree By-Laws No 30 of 2019.

By-Laws Amendment

1. These By-Laws may be cited as the Bachelor of Agro-technology Honours (B. Ag.Tec.Hon.) Degree By-Laws No. ..22.. of 2022.

2. Section 10 under **PART II - ADMISSION AND REGISTRATION** is hereby amended by changing the following subsection 1 and 5:

   10.
   1. Three passes in G.C.E (A/L) in Science Stream or Technology Stream subjects.
   5. **For lateral entry students :**
   5.1 Applicants who completed a Diploma (NVQ Level 05) in Agriculture from recognized institutes can enter into the second year of study by completing 30 credits Bridging course.

   OR

   5.2 Applicants who completed a Higher Diploma (NVQ Level 06) in Agriculture from recognized institutes can enter into the third year of study by completing 60 credits Bridging course.

   And

   5.3 Pass the selection examination conducted by the Institute.

3. Section 18 of **PART III – THE PROGRAMME** is hereby amended by its addition by the following sub sections 18.1, 18.2 and 18.3:

   18.1. Diploma (NVQ Level 05) in Agriculture holders will acquire 30 credits from the bridging course and that 30 credits cover the course content of the first year of the degree. The remaining 90 credits earn from the rest of the academic years (second year, third year and fourth year) and successfully acquire 120 credits. They will spend a minimum of 03 years in the Institute.

   18.2. Higher Diploma (NVQ Level 06) in Agriculture holders will acquire 60 credits from bridging course and that 60 credits is covering the course content of the first year and second year of the degree. The remaining 60 credits earn from the rest of the academic years (third year and fourth year) and successfully acquire 120 credits. They will spend a minimum of 02 years in the Institute.

18.3. All lateral entry students selected for second year of study and third year of study should follow the bridging course and sit for the examination with the registration.

4. Section 28 of **PART IV – ASSESSMENT & EXAMINATION** is hereby amended by addition of subsection 28.1:

28.1. **For lateral entry students:** A student shall not be permitted to sit for the bridging examinationfor more than three (03) consecutive sittings and the student should pass the bridging exam before completing his/her academic programme.

5. **Schedule: Curriculum** is hereby amended by its addition to the following section of the structure of the bridging course:

Structure of the Bridging Course

Second-year bridging course

Course	Subjects	Credit allocation
Agronomy	Principles of Crop production Principles of Crop protection Principles of Horticulture	02 02 02
Livestock Management	Anatomy of Farm Animals Management of Farm Animals	03 03
Agriculture Economics and Extension	Principles of Agriculture Economics Principles of Agriculture extension	03 03
Agriculture Engineering	Irrigation and water resource engineering Farm power and Mechanization Agriculture meteorology	03 02 01
Food and Post-Harvest Technology	Food Technology Post-Harvest Technology	03 03
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Third-year bridging course

Course	Subjects	Credit allocation
Agronomy	Principles and practices of Crop production Principles and Practices of Crop protection Principles and practices of Horticulture	04 04 04
Livestock Management	Anatomy of Farm Animals Management of Farm Animals	06 06

Agriculture Economics and Extension	Principles of Agriculture Economics Principles of Agriculture extension	06 06
Agriculture Engineering	Irrigation and water resource engineering Farm power and Mechanization Agriculture meteorology	06 04 02
Food and Post-Harvest Technology	Food Technology Post-Harvest Technology	06 06
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