



**REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE AWARD OF THE FOLLOWING
DISTINCTIONS:**

BEST ACADEMIC RECORD (BACHELOR'S DEGREE)

EXTRAORDINARY END-OF-DEGREE AWARD



UNIVERSIDAD CATÓLICA SAN ANTONIO DE MURCIA

Preamble

Organic Law 2/2023, of 22 March, on the University System establishes in Article 3 that, within the framework of their autonomy, universities may implement policies relating to students, regulating them through their Statutes in the case of public universities, and through their organisational and operational regulations in the case of private universities, as well as through other internal regulations.

Universidad Católica San Antonio de Murcia (UCAM), in exercise of its university autonomy, hereby regulates the award of the distinction for Best Academic Record and the Extraordinary End-of-Degree Award in respect of Bachelor's Degree programmes delivered at UCAM.

Article 1. Purpose

The purpose of this call is to recognise those students who have completed their Bachelor's Degree studies at Universidad Católica San Antonio de Murcia with the highest distinction, in order to encourage and recognise academic excellence in the following categories:

- Best Academic Record
- Extraordinary End-of-Degree Award

Article 2. Eligibility Requirements

1. The awards may be granted to students who have completed their Bachelor's Degree studies during the academic year immediately preceding the call at Universidad Católica San Antonio de Murcia.
2. The two students who, having completed their Bachelor's Degree, have obtained the highest overall average mark within their degree programme may be eligible for the *Best Academic Record distinction*. Both students who have obtained recognition of credits and those who have completed their studies in full at UCAM may apply.
3. Of the two students selected for the *Best Academic Record distinction* in each Bachelor's Degree programme, the student with the highest overall average mark may be eligible for the *Extraordinary End-of-Degree Award*, provided that such average mark is equal to or higher than 9.0 and that the student has completed their studies in full at UCAM.

Where the two selected students hold identical overall average marks, the *Extraordinary*

End-of-Degree Award shall be granted to the student who has passed their modules in fewer examination sittings.

Article 3. Number of awards

1. Two Best Academic Record distinctions may be granted for each Bachelor's Degree programme at Universidad Católica San Antonio de Murcia.
2. One *Extraordinary End-of-Degree Award* may be granted for each Bachelor's Degree programme at Universidad Católica San Antonio de Murcia.

Article 4. Calculation of the Overall Average Mark

1. The overall average mark for each academic record shall be calculated using the following formula:

The sum of the credits obtained by the student, each multiplied by the corresponding numerical grade awarded, divided by the total number of credits obtained by the student.

2. The calculation shall take into account the results obtained by the student in each of the modules successfully completed within the curriculum, graded in accordance with the numerical scale established in Royal Decree 1125/2003 of 5 September, which regulates the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) and the grading system applicable to official university qualifications valid throughout the national territory, based on the following numerical scale from 0 to 10, expressed to one decimal place:

5.0–6.9: Pass (AP).

7.0–8.9: Merit (NT).

9.0–10: Distinction (SB).

3. In the case of recognised modules, the numerical grade incorporated into the recognised module shall be taken into account.

Article 5. Assessment of Academic Records

1. The list of candidates selected in accordance with the criteria set out in the preceding Articles shall be forwarded to the University Protocol Office for subsequent validation by the President of the University.
2. Once the overall list of candidates for each academic year has been validated by the President, it shall be referred to the Office of Academic Planning for the inclusion of the corresponding distinction in the student's academic record.

Article 6. Resolution and notification.

1. Candidates selected and validated in accordance with the provisions of the preceding Article shall be formally notified by the University Protocol Service of having been awarded the distinction of *Best Academic Record* and/or the *Extraordinary End-of-Degree Award*.

Article 7. Awards Ceremony.

1. Universidad Católica San Antonio de Murcia may organise a diploma award ceremony, where applicable.
2. The Protocol Office shall arrange for the delivery of the relevant documentary accreditation to the student.

Additional Provision One. Supplementary Regulations.

Additional provisions may be approved where required by specific circumstances. Such provisions may not contradict the general principles set out in these Regulations.

Additional Provision Two. Entry into force.

This Resolution shall enter into force on the day following its approval by the President of Universidad Católica San Antonio de Murcia.