

**Report of the Graduate Studies Committee****11.2 Report of the Graduate Studies Committee meeting held on 12 August 2009**

The Committee met on 12 August 2009 when there were present: The Chair (Associate Professor P McCallum) presiding, Professors R Cumming, R Magnusson and G Murray, Associate Professors J Shields and E Tipton, Drs D Field, M Govendir, J Hanrahan, A Marshall, U Roehm (for Associate Professor F Dehghani) and P Sinclair, and Ms I Horton (for Associate Professor B Buckley), Mr T Howells (for Mr B Shelton), Ms R Kumar and Mr C Riley (for Mr P Ball). Ms M Kemmis was in attendance.

**11.2.1 Reports from Faculties****11.2.1.1 Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources: Master of Agriculture, Graduate Diploma in Agriculture and Graduate Certificate in Agriculture** F6-F11

The Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources has made some further minor amendments to the Master of Agriculture, Graduate Diploma in Agriculture and Graduate Certificate in Agriculture as set out in the attached report. Please note that the amendments to research degrees mentioned in this report will be referred to the Research and Research Training Committee for endorsement.

**Recommendation**

*That the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources to amend the Master of Agriculture, Graduate Diploma in Agriculture and Graduate Certificate in Agriculture, and*
- (2) *approve the amendments to the Faculty Resolutions related to the courses*

*with effect from 1 January 2010, as set out in the report presented.*

**11.2.1.2 Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning****(1) Master of Architecture** F12

The Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning is proposing to amend the Architectural Experience requirement for admission to the Master of Architecture and to make amendments to the faculty resolutions.

**Recommendation**

*That the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the Master of Architecture, and*
- (2) *approve the amendments to the Faculty Resolutions related to the courses*

*with effect from 1 January 2010, as set out in the report presented.*

**(2) Master of Heritage Conservation, Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts, Master of Urban and Regional Planning** F13

The Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning is proposing to make minor amendments to the Faculty resolution relating to admission to the above courses in order to ensure the Faculty selects high quality candidates for admission to its programs.

**Recommendation**

*That the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the Master of Heritage*

*Conservation, Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts and Master of Urban and Regional Planning, and*  
(2) *approve the amendments to the Faculty Resolutions related to the courses with effect from 1 January 2010, as set out in the report presented.*

- (3) **Master of Heritage Conservation** F14  
The Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning is proposing to make minor changes to existing units of study and amend the Faculty's table of requirements for the Master of Heritage Conservation.

**Recommendation**

*That the Academic Board note the report from the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning regarding amendments to the units of study in the Master of Heritage Conservation, as set out in the report presented.*

- (4) **Graduate Diploma of Urban Design and Graduate Certificate of Urban Design** F15  
The Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning is proposing to make amendments to the existing requirements of the Graduate Diploma and Graduate Certificate of Urban Design and amend the Faculty resolutions accordingly

**Recommendation**

*That the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the Graduate Diploma of Urban Design and Graduate Certificate of Urban Design, and*  
(2) *approve the amendments to the Faculty Resolutions related to the courses with effect from 1 January 2010, as set out in the report presented.*

- (5) **Postgraduate courses – credit transfer** F16  
The Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning is proposing to amend the current Faculty resolutions relating to credit transfer in accordance with the provisions of the revised *University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended)*.

**Recommendation**

*That the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the credit transfer requirements for its postgraduate courses, and*  
(2) *approve the amendments to the Faculty Resolutions related to the courses with effect from 1 January 2010, as set out in the report presented.*

**11.2.1.3 Faculty of Arts**

- (1) **Master of Professional Communication, Graduate Diploma in Professional Communication and Graduate Certificate in Professional Communication** F17  
The Faculty of Arts is proposing to amend the English language requirements for the Master of Professional Communication, Graduate Diploma in Professional Communication and Graduate

Certificate in Professional Communication, as set out in the attached report.

**Recommendation**

*That the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the English language requirements for the Master of Professional Communication, Graduate Diploma in Professional Communication and Graduate Certificate in Professional Communication; and*
- (2) *approve the amendments to the policy "Postgraduate English Language Requirements"*  
*with effect from 1 January 2010, as set out in the report presented.*

**(2) Master of Arts, Graduate Diploma in Arts and Graduate Certificate in Arts** F18-F19

The Faculty of Arts has changed the name of one of the subject areas in this suite of courses. "Art History and Theory" will now be known as "Art History". The resolutions for these courses are to be amended to reflect this change.

**Recommendation**

*That the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the Master of Arts, Graduate Diploma in Arts and Graduate Certificate in Arts, and*
- (2) *approve the amendments to the Faculty Resolutions related to the courses*  
*with effect from 1 January 2010, as set out in the report presented.*

**11.2.1.4 Faculty of Dentistry: Doctor of Clinical Dentistry – English Language Requirements** F20-F22

The Faculty of Dentistry is seeking to amend the English language requirements for the Doctor of Clinical Dentistry. At the Committee's last meeting it was agreed that further information on the rationale for the change would be provided. The original submission and the extra information are attached for the Committee's consideration.

**Recommendation**

*That the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Dentistry to amend the English language requirements for the Doctor of Clinical Dentistry, Graduate Certificate in Clinical Dentistry and Graduate Diploma in Clinical Dentistry, and*
- (2) *approve the amendments to the policy "Postgraduate English Language Requirements"*  
*with effect from 1 January 2010, as set out in the report presented.*

**11.2.1.5 Faculty of Economics and Business**  
**(1) Graduate Certificate in Innovation and Enterprise** F23-F24

The Faculty of Economics and Business is proposing to amend the Graduate Certificate in Innovation and Enterprise to provide greater flexibility to students through the introduction of elective options in the area of Entrepreneurship. This change will also allow the program to be marketed to international students unable to study on a part-time basis.

**Recommendation**

*That the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Economics and Business to amend the Graduate Certificate in Innovation and Enterprise, and*
- (2) *approve the amendments to the Faculty Resolutions related to the course*

*with effect from 1 January 2010, as set out in the report presented.*

**(2) Master of Transport Management, Graduate Diploma in Transport Management, Graduate Certificate in Transport Management and associated combined degrees** F25-F27

The Faculty of Economics and Business is proposing to amend the Master of Transport Management, Graduate Diploma in Transport Management, Graduate Certificate in Transport Management and the associated combined degrees to make the program less prescriptive and allow students greater access to the range of elective options available in the transport program while still ensuring that the core foundations of transport management are taught to each student. This will allow students to choose particular pathways that have been identified for students who wish to select a program that prepares them for careers in areas such as transport planning, transport policy and strategy, rail policy and planning, sustainable transport, or traffic and transport modelling. These amendments will also allow students in the Graduate Diploma or Certificate to take advantage of some of the elective options available.

**Recommendation**

*That the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Economics and Business to amend the Master of Transport Management, Graduate Diploma in Transport Management, Graduate Certificate in Transport Management and associated combined degrees, and*
- (2) *approve the amendments to the Faculty Resolutions related to the courses*

*with effect from 1 January 2010, as set out in the report presented.*

**11.2.1.6 Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies: Master of Information Technology** F28-F31

The Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies has made some amendments to units of study within various streams of the Master of Information Technology, as set out in the attached reports.

**Recommendation**

*That the Academic Board note the reports from the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies regarding amendments to the units of study in various streams of the Master of Information Technology, as set out in the report presented.*

**11.2.1.7 Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery: Master of Nursing and associated combined degrees** F32

The Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery has submitted the attached report providing full details of the new unit of study "Human Bioscience in Health" in the Master of Nursing and associated combined degrees.

**Recommendation**

*That the Academic Board note the report from the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery regarding the unit of study "Human Bioscience in Health" in the Master of Nursing and associated combined degrees, as set out in the report presented.*

**11.2.1.8 Sydney College of the Arts: Master of Film and Digital Image and Master of Interactive and Digital Media** *F33-F34*

The Sydney College of the Arts has amended the units of study in the Master of Film and Digital Image and the Master of Interactive and Digital Media, as set out in the attached reports.

**Recommendation**

*That the Academic Board note the reports from the Sydney College of the Arts related to units of study in the Master of Film and Digital Image and Master of Interactive and Digital Media, as set out in the report presented.*

**11.2.2 Proceedings of the Committee**

**11.2.2.1 Framework for Doctoral Study and Graduate Entry Professional Programs**

The Committee noted a paper from the Chair on the use of the term "doctor" in coursework and research degrees. The Committee agreed to form a Working Party to develop a framework for such usage.

**11.2.2.2 Other reports**

The Committee also:

- noted a report from the Chair on graduate attributes; and
- noted the report of the Academic Board's meeting of 27 May 2009.

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## Minor Course Amendment Proposal

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**Faculty/Board of Studies: Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources**

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**1. Name of award course**

Master of Agriculture, Graduate Diploma in Agriculture and Graduate Certificate in Agriculture

**2. Purpose of proposal**

The purpose of this proposal is to amend the Postgraduate degree resolutions and policies, Resolutions of the Faculty, for the award courses Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Agriculture as follows:

- I. The purpose of this proposal is to make minor amendments to the recently submitted minor course amendments proposal of the Resolutions of the Faculty approved by the Graduate Studies Committee 13th May 2009 (see Graduate Studies Committee Agenda 17th June 2009). These minor amendments are to remove minor ambiguities in the text where appropriate as identified by members of the Faculty but, these amendments do not change the intention of the previously document approved by the Graduate Studies Committee.
- II. As a consequence of the disbanding of the Faculties of Science minor changes have been made to the Faculty resolutions: Resolution 10 affecting the coursework degrees (GradCert, GradDip & MAgr) and Resolution 14 & 15\* affecting the research degrees Master of Science in Agriculture, Master of Agricultural Economics and PhD to re-establish the Authority and Membership of the Faculty's Board of Postgraduate Studies.

\* Please note: the resolutions relating to the research degrees will be referred to the Research and Research Training Committee for endorsement.

**3. Details of amendment**

The complete emended resolutions are attached.

Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources  
10. Postgraduate degree resolutions and policies  
Resolutions of the Faculty 2009, p85-89,

Amendments to previously approved document (GSC 13th May 2009)

~~4.2 Candidates for the Graduate Diploma complete a total of 36 credit points made up of 18 credit points from their selected specialisation as specified in TABLE A and the balance from elective units chosen from any other units listed in TABLE B (subject to meeting prior learning requirements and timetabling).~~ Candidates for the Graduate Diploma complete a total of 36 credit points made up of electing units as specified in Tables listed in the Postgraduate Course Requirements chapter of the Faculty Handbook (subject to meeting prior learning requirements and timetabling).

4.4 The specified requirements (excluding total credit points) for the completion of degrees maybe reviewed by the Faculty on a case-by-case basis, based on academic grounds. Any recommended changes arising must be approved by the Dean.

## 5. Subject Areas

5.1 The Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Agriculture may be awarded in the following subject areas and the testamur for the award will specify the subject area: Faculty defined subject areas.

~~Agribusiness~~  
~~Agricultural Economics~~  
~~Agricultural Technologies~~  
~~Natural Resource Management~~  
~~Resource Economics~~  
~~Sustainable Agriculture~~  
~~Turf Management~~

6.2.2 obtains a WAM of less than 50 based on units of study for a given semester; or

Minor changes to re-establish the Authority and Membership of the Faculty's Board of Postgraduate Studies

## 10. Delegation Authority

10.1 In accordance with Senate Resolutions, the Board of Postgraduate Studies exercises the Faculty's powers and functions in regard to Faculty's management of each higher degree candidature. In these resolutions:

10.2 Allowable actions include approval of: Faculty delegates its responsibility to the Board of Postgraduate Studies. The Board of Postgraduate Studies may authorise the Associate Dean (Postgraduate Studies) to take executive action on behalf of the Board when, in his or her opinion, timely action is necessary and unlikely to be contentious in discussion by the Board, with such actions taken and relevant documents to be reported and tabled at the next meeting of the Board of Postgraduate Studies for consideration and formal approval. Allowable actions include approval of:

~~0.0 The Board of Postgraduate Studies awards the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Agriculture whenever the coursework results are satisfactory.~~

~~0.0 The Board of Postgraduate Studies delegates the following responsibilities to the Dean who in turn delegates them to the Associate Dean (Postgraduate): approval of:~~

~~10.2.1 admission to candidature~~

~~10.2.2 suspension of candidature~~

10.2.3 variations of requirements for candidature

~~10.2.4 award of the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Agriculture.~~

Note – the following amendment will be referred to the Research and Research Training Committee:

## 14. Delegation Authority

14.1 In these resolutions Faculty delegates its responsibility to the Board of Postgraduate Studies. In accordance with Senate Resolutions, the Board of Postgraduate Studies exercises the Faculty's powers and functions in regard to Faculty's management of each higher degree candidature.

14.2 The Board of Postgraduate Studies delegates the following responsibilities to the Dean who in turn delegates them to the Associate Dean (Postgraduate): approval of:

The Board of Postgraduate Studies may authorise the Associate Dean (Postgraduate Studies) to take executive action on behalf of the Board when, in his or her opinion, timely action is necessary and unlikely to be contentious in discussion by the Board, with such actions taken and relevant documents to be reported and tabled at the next meeting of the Board of Postgraduate Studies for consideration and formal approval. Allowable actions include approval of:

14.2.1 award of the degree of Doctor of Philosophy under conditions approved by the University's Committee for Graduate Studies

- 14.2.2 award of the Master of Science in Agriculture and Master of Agricultural Economics degrees ~~when there is no apparent reason for debate by the Board~~
- 14.2.3 appointment of examiners
- 14.2.4 admission to candidature
- 14.2.5 supervisory arrangements
- 14.2.6 variation of candidature
- 14.2.7 extension of candidature
- 14.2.8 completion of candidature away from the University
- 14.2.9 suspension of candidature
- 14.2.10 the award of Faculty scholarships, the Faculty Research Support Scheme(FRSS) and the Postgraduate Research Support Scheme(PRSS) monies
- 14.2.11 ~~approval of~~ continuance following receipt of annual progress reports.

**15. Board of Postgraduate Studies**

- 15.1 Pursuant to the resolutions of Senate the Faculty appoints the following to the Board of Postgraduate Studies:
  - 15.1.1 Dean
  - 15.1.2 Pro Dean
  - 15.1.3 Associate Dean (Postgraduate Studies)
  - 15.1.4 Professors of the Faculty
  - ~~0.0 Discipline Leaders (or nominees)~~
  - 15.1.5 Postgraduate Coordinators or their nominees
  - ~~0.0 Two elected representatives of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources.~~

**4. Transitional arrangements**

As approved by Graduate Studies Committee 13th May 2009.

**5. Other relevant information**

**6. Signature of Dean**

## Amendment to Faculty Resolutions

The Faculty Resolutions relating to the Master of Agriculture, Graduate Diploma in Agriculture and Graduate Certificate in Agriculture are amended, with effect from 1 January 2010 as follows (additions indicated by underlined, deletions indicated by strikethrough):

### Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Agriculture

1.1 Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Agriculture candidates will proceed by coursework.

1.2 Students may undertake part-time candidature.

1.3 Students may commence candidature in either first or second semester subject to the candidate being able to meet the requirements for the degree as described in Clause 4 of these resolutions.

### 2. Admission requirements

2.1 Admission requirements for the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Agriculture are normally a bachelor's degree or an equivalent qualification.

2.2 In some instances the admission requirements may be met by evidence of general or professional qualifications and appropriate work experience to indicate that the student has the academic preparation and capacity to complete the course in question.

2.3 With the approval of the Dean, students may be granted admission with advanced standing if they have completed relevant prior learning at an equivalent level elsewhere.

### 3. Periods of candidature

3.1 The period of candidature for a full-time candidate for the Graduate Certificate will be one semester.

3.2 The period of candidature for a full-time candidate for the Graduate Diploma will be one year.

3.3 The Master of Agriculture will normally take three semesters (18 months) of full time study to complete, but may be completed in two semesters with Faculty approval.

### 4. Coursework to be completed

4.1 ~~Candidates for the Graduate Certificate complete a total of 24 credit points made up of 12 credit points from their selected specialisation as specified in TABLE A and the balance from elective units chosen from any other units listed in TABLE B (subject to meeting prior learning requirements and timetabling).~~ Candidates for the Graduate Certificate complete a total of 24 credit points made up from a selection of units specified in the units of study Tables listed in the Postgraduate Course Requirements chapter of the Faculty Handbook.

4.1.1 Students who have completed relevant prior learning at an equivalent level may be given up to 6 credit points advanced standing with the approval of the Dean.

4.2 ~~Candidates for the Graduate Diploma complete a total of 36 credit points made up of 18 credit points from their selected specialisation as specified in TABLE A and the balance from elective units chosen from any other units listed in TABLE B (subject to meeting prior learning requirements and timetabling).~~ Candidates for the Graduate Diploma complete a total of 36 credit points made up of electing units as specified in Tables listed in the Postgraduate Course Requirements chapter of the Faculty Handbook (subject to meeting prior learning requirements and timetabling).

4.2.1 Students who have completed relevant prior learning at an equivalent level may be given up to 12 credit points advanced standing with the approval of the Dean.

4.3 ~~Candidates for the Master of Agriculture complete a total of 48 credit points made up of 24 credit points from their selected specialisation as specified in TABLE A and the balance from elective units chosen from any other units listed in TABLE B (subject to meeting prior learning requirements and timetabling) or, with the Dean's approval, two appropriate 6 credit point units offered from outside the Faculty.~~ Candidates for the Master of Agriculture complete a total of 48 credit points made up of a research project equating to 24 credit points and the balance from electing units as specified in units of study in Tables listed in the Postgraduate Course Requirements chapter of the Faculty Handbook (subject to meeting prior learning requirements and timetabling) or with the Dean's approval, two appropriate credit point units offered from outside the Faculty. All research projects will commence in Semester 1 unless exemption is approved by the Dean.

4.3.1 Students who have completed relevant prior learning at an equivalent level may be given up to 12 credit points advanced standing with the approval of the Dean.

4.4 The specified requirements (excluding total credit points) for the completion of degrees maybe reviewed by the Faculty on a case-by-case basis, based on academic grounds. Any recommended changes arising must be approved by the Dean.

4.5 Advanced standing is given only when:

4.5.1 no unit of study for which credit is granted has been a basis for the award of any other degree or diploma;

4.5.2 the unit or units were passed at a level of competence or with such additional assessment or other requirements as may be determined by the Board in each case;

4.5.3 the unit or units were completed within six years immediately preceding the commencement of candidature for the Master of Agriculture, the Graduate Diploma or the Graduate Certificate.

4.6 Students may transfer between programs and receive credit for any completed units, provided they have not taken out the award from which they are transferring.

4.6.1 To achieve the objectives of the courses, especially for students seeking training in a new discipline, some classes may be taught in conjunction with advanced undergraduate units.

4.6.2 However, postgraduate coursework students will engage in additional consultation and more advanced assignment work than their undergraduate counterparts.

4.6.3 They will also be assessed against a higher standard.

## 5. Subject Areas

5.1 The Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Agriculture may be awarded ~~in the following subject areas and the testamur for the award will specify the subject area:~~ Faculty defined subject areas.

~~Agribusiness~~

~~Agricultural Economics~~

~~Agricultural Technologies~~

~~Natural Resource Management~~

~~Resource Economics~~

~~Sustainable Agriculture~~

~~Turf Management~~

## 6. Satisfactory progress

~~6.1 The Board of Postgraduate Studies may require a candidate proceeding by coursework to show good cause why he or she should be allowed to re-enrol in a unit of study which has been twice failed or discontinued to count as failure. The Faculty requires students to demonstrate satisfactory progress with their studies.~~ 6.1 The Faculty requires students to demonstrate satisfactory progress with their studies.

~~6.2 A student may be deemed not to have made satisfactory progress in any semester if the student:~~

~~6.2.1 fails to complete at least half the credit point he/she is enrolled; or~~

~~6.2.2 obtains a WAM of less than 50 based on units of study for a given semester; or~~

~~6.2.3 fails a unit of study for the second time; or~~

~~6.2.4 has an unsatisfactory attendance record; or~~

~~6.2.5 is unable to complete the degree in the maximum time.~~

~~6.3 A student who fails to demonstrate satisfactory progress in any semester of enrolment may become subject to the relevant Academic Board policy on progression.~~

~~6.4 In accordance with the relevant University and Faculty policies, a student who has repeatedly failed to demonstrate satisfactory progress may be called upon to show good cause why he or she should be allowed to re-enrol in the degree course.~~

~~6.5 Where a student fails to show good cause why he or she should be allowed to re-enrol, the Dean may exclude the student from re-enrolment in the degree.~~

## 7. Withdrawal from units of study

7.1 A candidate for a Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Master of Agriculture who discontinues enrolment in a Semester 1 unit of study on or before 31 March in that year, will be recorded as withdrawn from that unit.

7.2 A candidate for a Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Master of Agriculture who discontinues enrolment in a Semester 2 unit of study on or before 31 August in that year, will be recorded as withdrawn from that unit.

#### **8. Discontinuation**

8.1 A candidate for a Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Master of Agriculture who discontinues enrolment in a unit of study after the withdrawal period but before the end of classes in that unit, will be recorded as 'Discontinued - Not to count as failure' in that unit.

#### **9. Completion of course**

9.1 Except by permission of the Dean, no student will be allowed to sit for any examination unless the requirements specified by the Faculty have been completed.

9.2 The Dean may call upon any student who has been absent from more than 10 per cent of classes in any semester to show cause for such absence.

9.3 Students who fail to show sufficient cause may be excluded from admission to examinations. No excuse for absence from lectures, demonstration or practical work will be received unless tendered in writing to the Faculty Office within one week after attendance is resumed.

#### **10. Delegation Authority**

10.1 In accordance with Senate Resolutions, the Board of Postgraduate Studies exercises the Faculty's powers and functions in regard to Faculty's management of each higher degree candidature. In these resolutions:

10.2 Allowable actions include approval of: Faculty delegates its responsibility to the Board of Postgraduate Studies. The Board of Postgraduate Studies may authorise the Associate Dean (Postgraduate Studies) to take executive action on behalf of the Board when, in his or her opinion, timely action is necessary and unlikely to be contentious in discussion by the Board, with such actions taken and relevant documents to be reported and tabled at the next meeting of the Board of Postgraduate Studies for consideration and formal approval.

Allowable actions include approval of:

~~0.0 The Board of Postgraduate Studies awards the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Agriculture whenever the coursework results are satisfactory.~~

~~0.0 The Board of Postgraduate Studies delegates the following responsibilities to the Dean who in turn delegates them to the Associate Dean (Postgraduate): approval of:~~

10.2.1 admission to candidature

10.2.2 suspension of candidature

10.2.3 variations of requirements for candidature

10.2.4 award of the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Agriculture.

## Minor Course Amendment Proposal

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Faculty/Board of Studies: Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning

### Contact person:

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**1. Name of award course**

Master of Architecture

**2. Purpose of proposal**

To make minor amendments to the Resolutions of the Faculty pertaining to the Architectural Experience Requirement for admission to the Master of Architecture.

**3. Details of amendment**

At its meeting held on the 5th of August the Faculty Board resolved to approve the following amendment to the Faculty Resolutions contained in the 2009 Handbook (p.153 Res.12-1.2.7)

1.2 Pursuant to 1.1.3 above, an applicant for admission to the Master of Architecture may satisfy the Architectural Experience Requirement by the date of enrolment,

1.2.1 by completing the requirements for award of the degree of Bachelor of Design in Architecture with honours; or,

1.2.2 by completing professional work experience as an employee in architecture (minimum of 630 hours recorded in the Architects Accreditation Council of Australia (AACA) Log Book) or a signed letter from the supervising architect detailing duties and number of hours worked; or

1.2.3 by admission to an approved University of Sydney international exchange for the first semester of enrolment; or

1.2.4 by completing professional work experience in ~~an approved related~~ a related industry (minimum of 630 hours appropriately recorded, detailing hours worked and duties performed). The work undertaken must be relevant to architectural practice or

1.2.5 by completing field study in relation to architecture (~~including, but not limited to, local and/or international field study~~), appropriately documented to the satisfaction of the Faculty The study should be relevant to architectural practice. Various research methods may be used including interviews and detailed comparative analysis of drawings. The final study should be produced as an illustrated report of approximately 20 A4 pages.; or

1.2.6 Completing a postgraduate qualification in a related discipline; or

1.2.7 by a combination of methods described in 1.2 above.

**4. Transitional arrangements**

Nil

**5. Other relevant information**

Nil

**6. Signature of Dean**

Professor Warren Julian

## Minor Course Amendment Proposal

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Faculty/Board of Studies: Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning

### Contact person:

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**1. Name of award course**

Master of Heritage Conservation, Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts, Master of Urban and Regional Planning

**2. Purpose of proposal**

To make minor amendments to the Faculty resolution relating to admission of the above courses in order to ensure the Faculty selects high quality candidates for admission to its programs.

**3. Details of amendment**

At its meeting held on 5th August the Faculty Board resolved to amend the Faculty resolutions relating to admission for the aforementioned Master programs as detailed in the Faculty Handbook 2009 as follows:

**Master of Heritage Conservation (p. 139 res. 1.3.1)**

1.3 An applicant for admission to candidature for the degree of Master of Heritage Conservation shall:

1.3.1 hold a bachelor degree of the University of Sydney with a credit average or hold qualifications deemed by the Dean to be equivalent;

**Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts (p.140 res1.3.1)**

1.3 An applicant for admission to candidature for the degree of Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts shall:

1.3.1 hold a bachelor degree of the University of Sydney with a credit average or hold qualifications deemed by the Dean to be equivalent;

**Master of Urban and Regional Planning (p142 Res 1.3.1)**

1.3 An applicant for admission to candidature for the degree of Master of Urban and Regional Planning shall:

1.3.1 hold a bachelor degree of the University of Sydney with a credit average or hold qualifications deemed by the Dean to be equivalent;

**4. Transitional arrangements**

Nil

**5. Other relevant information**

Nil

**6. Signature of Dean**

Professor Warren Julian

## Minor Course Amendment Proposal

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Faculty/Board of Studies: Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning

Contact person:

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1. **Name of award course**

Master of Heritage Conservation

2. **Purpose of proposal**

To make minor changes to existing units of study and amend Faculty's table of requirements of the above course.

3. **Details of amendment**

At its meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup> of August the Faculty resolved to:  
approve the following amendments to the Faculty tables of requirements as contained in the 2009 Faculty Handbook for the Master of Heritage Conservation.(p.140 Res.3.4)

Under the new structure, the core will decrease from 48 to 42 credit points and optional units will increase from 12 to 18 credit points.

The following units will **be deleted** from the core and optional units of study:

**Core units:** Planning Procedures, Graduate Internship

**Optional Units:** Conservation of Materials, Conservation of Finishes, Planning Law

The following units will **be added** to the core and optional units:

**Core units:** Heritage Law and Policy

**Optional units:** Conservation of Modern Materials, Conservation of Traditional Materials, Conservation Design Studio, Modern Architectural History.

4. **Transitional arrangements**

Candidates who commenced candidature prior 2010 may choose to proceed in accordance with the resolutions in force at the time they enrolled.

5. **Other relevant information**

Nil

6. **Signature of Dean**

Professor Warren Julian

## **Minor Course Amendment Proposal**

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**Faculty/Board of Studies: Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning**

**Contact person:**

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**1. Name of award course**

Graduate Certificate of Urban Design, Graduate Diploma of Urban Design

**2. Purpose of proposal**

To make amendments to the existing requirements of the above courses and amend the Faculty resolutions accordingly.

**3. Details of amendment**

At its meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> of May 2009 the Faculty Board resolved to approve the following amendments to the Faculty resolutions as contained in the 2009 Faculty Handbook ( p.142 Res 3.1, 3.2)

3.1 To qualify for the award of the Graduate Certificate in Urban Design, a candidate must successfully complete 24 credit points from units of study selected from Table G, the faculty's table of graduate units of study, including ARCH9001 Urban Design Studio A, to the limits specified in the table of requirements below.

3.2 To qualify for the award of the Graduate Diploma in Urban Design, a candidate must successfully complete 48 credit points from units of study selected from Table G, the faculty's table of graduate units of study, including ARCH9001 Urban Design A and ARCH9002 Urban Design Studio B, to the limits specified in the table of requirements below.

level embedded course in this sequence, will graduate from that course.

**4. Transitional arrangements**

Candidates who commenced candidature prior 2010 may choose to proceed in accordance with the resolutions in force at they time they enrolled.

**5. Other relevant information**

Nil

**6. Signature of Dean**

Prof Warren Julian

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## Minor Course Amendment Proposal

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**Faculty/Board of Studies: Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning**

**Contact person:**

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**1. Name of award course**

Various Postgraduate courses

**2. Purpose of proposal**

To amend the current Faculty resolutions relating to credit transfer in accordance with the recommendations made by the Postgraduate Coursework working Party in compliance with the new University of Sydney (Postgraduate Coursework) Rule 2009.

**3. Details of amendment**

At its meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> of August the Faculty Board resolved to approve the following amendments to the Faculty Resolutions as contained in the 2009 Faculty Handbook. (p 136,144)

1.Delete resolutions 9.6 & 9.7 from the Credit Transfer Policy of the Postgraduate degree Resolutions (p144 2009 Handbook)

~~9.6 A graduate of the Master of Information Technology or Master of Interactive and Digital Media at the University of Sydney may be granted a maximum of 24 credit points of credit from coursework undertaken in that degree, towards the core, optional and/or elective requirements of the Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts. In all other circumstances and regards resolutions 9.1 to 9.5 apply.~~

~~9.7 A graduate of the Bachelor of Design in Architecture (Urban Design and Planning) at the University of Sydney may be granted a maximum of 24 credit points of unspecified credit from coursework undertaken in that degree, towards the elective requirements of the Master of Urban and Regional Planning. In all other circumstances and regards resolutions 9.1 to 9.5 apply.~~

2. Add the following to the Credit transfer policy of the Postgraduate Coursework degree resolutions-Section 2 (p.144 2009 Handbook) and Master of Architecture(p.136 2009 Handbook)

Credit shall not be granted for any Graduate Internship unit

**4. Transitional arrangements**

Candidates who commenced candidature prior 2010 may choose to proceed in accordance with the resolutions in force at the time they enrolled.

**5. Other relevant information**

Nil

**6. Signature of Dean**

Professor Warren Julian

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**Proposal for Academic Development  
Notification of faculty variation or approval**

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**Faculty of ARTS**

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**1. Name of award course**  
Master of Professional Communication  
Graduate Diploma in Professional Communication  
Graduate Certificate in Professional Communication

**2. Purpose of proposal**  
To amend the Academic Board's policy on *Postgraduate English Language Requirements* for the above postgraduate courses in the Faculty of Arts, commencing 2010.

**3. Details of amendment**  
The Faculty of Arts requests an amendment to the policy at *Appendix 1 – Schedule of approved Faculty variations, above the University minimum requirements*, as follows:

<b>Faculty</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Requirements (above the University minimum)</b>	<b>Approval Date</b>
Faculty of Arts	Master of Professional Communication Graduate Diploma in Professional Communication Graduate Certificate in Professional Communication	IELTS – Overall band score of 7.0 with a minimum of 6.0 in each band	16 June 2009

**4. Transitional arrangements**

N/A.

**5. Other relevant information**

N/A

**6. Signature of Acting Dean, Assoc Professor Anne Dunn**

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## Minor Course Amendment Proposal

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**Faculty: Arts**

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**1. Name of award course**

Name change to subject area in the  
Master of Arts  
Graduate Diploma in Arts  
Graduate Certificate in Arts

**2. Purpose of proposal**

To amend the subject area as a result of a name change to the discipline. 'Art History and Theory' to be changed to 'Art History' for the Master of Arts, Graduate Diploma in Arts, Graduate Certificate in Arts in the Faculty of Arts.

Approved by the Faculty's Postgraduate Matters Committee on 6 July 2009.

**3. Details of amendment**

Faculty of Arts Postgraduate award Resolutions  
Master of Arts

4. Subject areas

- 4.1 The degree may be awarded in the following subject areas and requires the completion of at least 24 credit points in the subject area:
- 4.1.1 Ancient World Studies
  - 4.1.2 Arabic and Islamic Studies
  - ~~4.1.3 Art History and Theory~~
  - 4.1.4 Australian Studies
  - 4.1.5 Curatorship and Modern Art
  - 4.1.6 English
  - 4.1.7 Gender Studies
  - 4.1.8 Hebrew, Biblical and Jewish Studies
  - 4.1.9 History
  - 4.1.10 Holocaust Studies
  - 4.1.11 Italian Renaissance Studies
  - 4.1.12 Philosophy
  - 4.1.13 Social Policy
  - 4.1.14 Sociology
  - 4.1.15 Studies in Religion

Graduate Diploma in Arts

- 4.1 The diploma may be awarded in the following subject areas and requires the completion of at least 24 credit points in the subject area:
- 4.1.1 Ancient World Studies
  - 4.1.2 Arabic and Islamic Studies
  - ~~4.1.3 Art History and Theory~~
  - 4.1.4 Australian Studies
  - 4.1.5 English
  - 4.1.6 Gender Studies
  - 4.1.7 Hebrew, Biblical and Jewish Studies
  - 4.1.8 History
  - 4.1.9 Holocaust Studies
  - 4.1.10 Italian Renaissance Studies
  - 4.1.11 Latin

- 4.1.12 Philosophy
- 4.1.13 Social Policy
- 4.1.14 Sociology
- 4.1.15 Studies in Religion
- 4.1.15 Tourism and History

Graduate Certificate in Arts

4.1 The certificate may be awarded in the following subject areas and requires the completion of at least 24 credit points in the subject area:

- 4.1.1 Ancient World Studies
- 4.1.2 Anthropology
- ~~4.1.3 Art History and Theory~~
- 4.1.4 Australian Studies
- 4.1.5 English
- 4.1.6 Gender Studies
- 4.1.7 History
- 4.1.8 Holocaust Studies
- 4.1.9 Italian Renaissance Studies
- 4.1.10 Latin
- 4.1.11 Media and Cultural Studies
- 4.1.12 Philosophy
- 4.1.13 Research Methods
- 4.1.14 Social Policy
- 4.1.15 Sociology
- 4.1.16 Studies in Religion
- 4.1.17 Tourism and History

**4. Transitional arrangements**  
Not applicable

**5. Other relevant information**

**6. Signature of Dean**

Associate Professor Anne Dunn  
Acting Dean, Faculty of Arts

4 August 2009

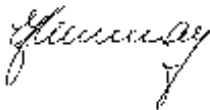
## **Change to English language requirement for international coursework degree students**

International students who just meet the current English language requirements for entry to our coursework degree programs often experience difficulties with English in our programs.

The Postgraduate Studies Committee Meeting held on 30 October 2008 approved the recommendation for a change to the English language requirements for international coursework degree students.

At present, the minimum English language requirement for international coursework degree students is an IELTS of 7.0 with no band below 6.0.

The recommendation now is for the English language requirement for international coursework degree students to be changed to an IELTS of 7.0 with **no band below 6.5** and the equivalent change for other tests.



Greg Murray

**Appendix One: Schedule of approved Faculty variations, above the University minimum requirements**

Faculty	Course	Requirements (above the University minimum)	Approval Date
Faculty of Dentistry	<del>Master of Dental Science in Oral Medicine and Oral Pathology, Orthodontics, Paediatric Dentistry, Periodontics, Prosthodontics</del> <u>Doctor of Clinical Dentistry</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• IELTS 7 with no band below <del>6.0</del> <u>6.5</u> or</li><li>• TOEFL 600 plus TWE <del>4.5</del> <u>5.0+</u> or</li><li>• Computer-based TOEFL 250 with an Essay Rating of <del>4.5</del> <u>5.0</u>.</li></ul>	<del>18 April 2007</del> <u>1 July 2009</u>

**Faculty of Dentistry**  
**Doctor of Clinical Dentistry**

Justification for the English language requirement for international coursework degree students to be changed to an IELTS of 7.0 with no band below 6.5 and the equivalent change for other tests.

This change in the English language requirement follows closely the change from the MDS to the DClinDent degree and where the thesis language requirement has increased from 40K to 50K words and where the examination process now follows closely the degree of Doctor of Philosophy examination requirements as stipulated by the Resolutions of the Academic Board.

We have anecdotal evidence that students who have an IELTS of 6.0 have difficulty meeting their written English language requirements. Students with IELTS of 7.0 and above perform much better.

Greg Murray  
Associate Dean (Postgraduate Studies)  
Faculty of Dentistry

## Minor Course Amendment Proposal

Faculty/Board of Studies: Faculty of Economics and Business

Contact person: Dr Richard Seymour

**1. Name of award course**

Graduate Certificate in Innovation and Enterprise

**2. Purpose of proposal**

To amend the Faculty Resolutions for the Graduate Certificate in Innovation and Enterprise (with effect from 2010) to provide greater flexibility to students through the introduction of elective options in the area of Entrepreneurship. This change will also allow the program to be marketed to international students unable to study on a part-time basis.

Current Course Requirements	Amended Course Requirements
<i>4 compulsory units:</i>	<i>2 core units:</i>
IBUS5011 Foundations of Entrepreneurship	IBUS5011 Foundations of Entrepreneurship
IBUS6015 Innovation and Enterprise Special Project	IBUS6015 Innovation and Enterprise Special Project
IBUS6012 International Entrepreneurship	<i>2 elective units selected from:</i>
IBUS6014 Intellectual Property Management	IBUS6012 International Entrepreneurship
	IBUS6013 Entrepreneurial Restructuring & Renewal
	IBUS6014 Intellectual Property Management
	IBUS6016 Social Entrepreneurship
	IBUS6017 Enterprise & the Creative Industries

**3. Details of amendment**

Faculty Resolutions (Section 1) for the Graduate Certificate in Innovation and Enterprise as published in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook 2009, p244 are to be amended as follows:

**3. Requirements for the graduate certificate**

3.1 To qualify for the award of the graduate certificate a student must successfully complete units of study amounting to a total of 24 credit points, comprising:

~~— 4 compulsory units of study as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook.~~

3.1.1 2 core units of study (12 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook; and

3.1.2 2 elective units of study (12 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook

**4. Transitional arrangements**

This minor amendment to course requirements will not have a significant impact on current students. However, currently enrolled students will be advised on the expansion of offerings and will be permitted to follow either the new or old Faculty Resolutions.

**5. Other relevant information**

N/A

**6. Signature of Dean**

## **Graduate Certificate in Innovation and Enterprise**

### *Course rules*

#### **1. Admission**

1.1 An applicant for admission to candidature for the graduate certificate must:

1.1.1 have completed a bachelor's degree, graduate diploma, graduate certificate or equivalent at an institution approved by the Faculty and at a standard acceptable to the Faculty; or

1.1.2 have met the work experience requirements of the Faculty; or

1.1.3 be concurrently enrolled in a relevant research program at an institution approved by the Faculty; and

1.1.4 if required, attend an interview.

1.1.4 have met other minimum standards specified by the Faculty, including:

1.1.4.1 written, aural and oral English language competence and communication skills; and

1.1.4.2 evidence of academic motivation and learning preparedness.

1.2 In exceptional circumstances, the Faculty may admit as a candidate an applicant not holding the qualifications specified in 1.1, but who, in the opinion of the Faculty, has qualifications and experience equivalent to these and sufficient to enable the candidate to successfully undertake the award.

#### **2. Units of study**

2.1 The units of study which may be taken for the graduate certificate are set out under the tables of postgraduate units of study in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook, together with:

2.1.1 credit point value;

2.1.2 the units of study with which they are mutually exclusive;

2.1.3 the semesters in which they are offered;

2.1.4 co-requisites/prerequisites/assumed learning/assumed knowledge; and

2.1.5 any special conditions.

#### **3. Requirements for the graduate certificate**

3.1 To qualify for the award of the graduate certificate a student must successfully complete units of study amounting to a total of 24 credit points, comprising; ~~4 compulsory units of study as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook.~~

3.1.1 2 core units of study (12 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook; and

3.1.2 2 elective units of study (12 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook

#### **4. Award of the graduate certificate**

4.1 The Graduate Certificate in Innovation and Enterprise will be awarded in the pass grade.

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## Minor Course Amendment Proposal

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**Faculty: Faculty of Economics and Business**

**Contact person: Professor David Hensher**

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**1. Name of award course**

Master of International Business & Master of Transport Management  
Master of Logistics Management & Master of Transport Management  
Master of Transport Management  
Master of Transport Management & Master of Commerce  
Master of Transport Management & Master of Urban and Regional Planning  
Graduate Diploma in Transport Management  
Graduate Certificate in Transport Management

**2. Purpose of proposal**

To amend the Faculty Resolutions (Section 1) for the Master of Transport Management and associated embedded sequences and combined degree programs (with effect from 2010) to make the program less prescriptive and allow our students greater access to the range of elective options available in the transport program while still ensuring that the core foundations of transport management are taught to each student. This will allow students to choose particular pathways that we have identified for students who wish to select a program that prepares them for careers in areas such as transport planning, transport policy and strategy, rail policy and planning, sustainable transport, or traffic and transport modelling. These amendments will also allow students in the Graduate Diploma or Certificate to take advantage of some of the elective options available.

**3. Details of amendment**

**Amendments for the Master of Transport Management; page 321 of the 2009 Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook:**

*Course requirements*

To be awarded the Master of Transport Management, students must successfully complete a total of eight units of study (48 credit points), comprising:

~~Six~~ Three core units of study (~~36~~ 18 credit points) as indicated under Core units of study. ~~All four three core units of study (24 credit points) listing under Table A must be completed.~~

~~The remaining two core units (12 credit points) are chosen from those listing under Table B.~~

~~Two~~ Five elective units of study (~~12~~ 30 credit points) chosen from the units of study listed under Elective units of study.

*Core units of study*

~~Table A.~~

Students must complete ~~all four of~~ the following core units of study (~~24~~ 18 credit points):

TPTM6495 Analysis Tools for Transport and Logistics  
TPTM6241 Transport Modes and Systems  
TPTM6450 Transport Policy  
~~TPTM6130 Transport and Logistics Economics~~

~~Table B.~~

~~Students must choose two core units of study (12 credit points) from the following options:~~

~~TPTM6180 Geographical Information Systems  
TPTM6350 Strategic Transport Modelling  
TPTM6360 Traffic Systems Management and Control  
TPTM6425 Survey Design and Management~~

*Elective units of study*

TPTM6115 Organisational Logistics  
TPTM6130 Transport and Logistics Economics  
TPTM6155 Logistics and Supply Chain Management  
TPTM6160 Aviation Management and Logistics  
TPTM6180 Geographical Information Systems  
TPTM6190 Logistics Systems  
TPTM6200 Maritime Logistics  
TPTM6224 Intelligent Transport and Logistic Systems  
TPTM6240 Public Transport Policy and Planning  
TPTM6330 Research Project  
TPTM6350 Strategic Transport Modelling  
TPTM6360 Traffic Systems Management and Control  
TPTM6425 Survey Design and Management  
TPTM6440 International Freight Transportation  
TPTM6470 Sustainable Transport and Logistic Systems

**Amendments for the Graduate Diploma in Transport Management; page 325 of the 2009 Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook:**

*Course requirements*

To be awarded the Graduate Diploma in Transport Management, students must successfully complete a total of six units of study (36 credit points), comprising:

- ~~six~~ three core units of study (~~36~~ 18 credit points) as indicated under Core units of study in section Master of Transport Management in this chapter. ~~All four core units of study (24 credit points) listed under Table A must be completed. The remaining two core units (12 credit points) are chosen from those listing under Table B.~~
- three elective units of study (18 credit points) as indicated under Elective units of study in section Master of Transport Management in this chapter.

**Amendments for the Graduate Certificate in Transport Management; page 326 of the 2009 Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook:**

*Course requirements*

To be awarded the Graduate Certificate in Transport Management, students must successfully complete a total of four units of study (24 credit points), comprising:

- ~~the four~~ three compulsory core units of study (~~24~~ 18 credit points) from Table A, as indicated under Core units of study in section Master of Transport Management in this chapter.
- one elective unit of study (6 credit points) as indicated under Elective units of study in section Master of Transport Management in this chapter.

**Faculty Resolutions (Section 1) as published in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook to be amended as follows:**

Master of International Business & Master of Transport Management

3.1.3 6 3 core units of study (36 18 credit points) in Transport Management as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook; and  
3.1.4 3 elective units of study (18 credit points) in Transport Management as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook.

Master of Logistics Management & Master of Transport Management

3.1.3 6 3 core units of study (36 18 credit points) in Transport Management as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook; and  
3.1.4 3 elective units of study (18 credit points) in Transport Management as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook.

Master of Transport Management

3.1.1 6 3 core units of study (36 18 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook; and  
3.1.2 2 5 elective units of study (12 30 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook.

Master of Transport Management & Master of Commerce

3.1.4 6 3 core units of study (36 18 credit points) in Transport Management as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook; and  
3.1.5 3 elective units of study (18 credit points) in Transport Management as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook.

Master of Transport Management & Master of Urban and Regional Planning

3.1.1.1 6 3 core units of study (36 18 credit points) in Transport Management as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook; and  
3.1.1.2 2 5 elective units of study (12 30 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook.

Graduate Diploma in Transport Management

3.1.1 6 3 core units of study (36 18 credit points) in Transport Management as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook; and  
3.1.2 3 elective units of study (18 credit points) in Transport Management as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook.

Graduate Certificate in Transport Management

3.1.1 4 3 core units of study (24 18 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook; and  
3.1.2 1 elective unit of study (6 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook.

**4. Transitional arrangements**

Since the proposed amended program imposes fewer restrictions on unit of study choice for students than the current program and does not entail the removal of any units currently available there should not be any transitional issues for students. However, in order to ensure that students are aware of their options currently enrolled students will be advised on the expansion of offerings.

**5. Other relevant information**

N/A

**6. Signature of Dean**

## **Minor Course Amendment Proposal**

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**Faculty/Board of Studies:** Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies

**Contact person:** Dr. Uwe Roehm

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**1. Name of award course**

Master of Information Technology (Computer Science)

**2. Purpose of proposal**

This proposal is to strengthen the Computer Science major by including a new foundational and a new specialist unit of study.

COMP5211 – Algorithms – is a foundational unit of study that covers the basics of algorithms and complexity analysis, as is a fundamental skill in computer science.

COMP5456 – Computational Methods in Life Sciences – is a unit of study that covers the essentials of bioinformatics data gathering, manipulation, mining and storage that underpin bioinformatics research.

Including these units of study in the Computer Science major will complement the existing units in this major well, give new students which lack the assumed knowledge a foundational unit where they can pick up the algorithmic skills so essential to computer science, and will also strengthen the research-led teaching side of this major.

**3. Details of amendment**

Adding:

COMP5211 Algorithms (Semester 1,2)

into Faculty of Eng. & IT Handbook 2009, p170, under “Computer Science major” section and into the list of Foundational units on page 167.

COMP5456 Computational Methods in Life Sciences (Semester 2)

into Faculty of Eng. & IT Handbook 2009, p170, under “Computer Science major” section and into the list of Specialist units on page 168.

**4. Transitional arrangements**

N/A

**5. Other relevant information**

N/A

**6. Signature of Dean**

## **Minor Course Amendment Proposal**

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**Faculty/Board of Studies: Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies**

**Contact person: Dr. Uwe Roehm**

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**1. Name of award course**

Master of Information Technology (Health Informatics)

**2. Purpose of proposal**

This proposal is to strengthen the Health Informatics major by including a new unit of study on computational methods in Life Sciences.

COMP5456 – Computational Methods in Life Sciences – is a unit of study that covers the essentials of bioinformatics data gathering, manipulation, mining and storage that underpin bioinformatics research. Including this unit of study in the Health Informatics major will complement the existing units in this major well and will strengthen the research-led teaching side of this major.

**3. Details of amendment**

Adding:

COMP5456 Computational Methods in Life Sciences (Semester 2)

into Faculty of Eng. & IT Handbook 2009, p172, under “Health Informatics major” section.

**4. Transitional arrangements**

N/A

**5. Other relevant information**

N/A

**6. Signature of Dean**

## **Minor Course Amendment Proposal**

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**Faculty/Board of Studies: Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies**

**Contact person: Dr. Uwe Roehm**

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**1. Name of award course**

Master of Information Technology (Project Management)

**2. Purpose of proposal**

INFO5110 System Analysis and Modelling provides a comprehensive introduction to the analysis of complex software systems and into several key techniques and notations for the effective modelling of data and processes. Including this unit of study in the IT Project Management major will complement the existing units in this major well and give the students a wider choice in completing this major.

**3. Details of amendment**

Adding:

INFO5110 System Analysis and Modelling (Semester 2)

into Faculty of Eng. & IT Handbook 2009, p167, into the "Foundational units" section, and into p172, under "Project Management major" section.

**4. Transitional arrangements**

N/A

**5. Other relevant information**

N/A

**6. Signature of Dean**

## **Minor Course Amendment Proposal**

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**Faculty/Board of Studies: Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies**

**Contact person: Dr. Uwe Roehm**

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**1. Name of award course**

Master of Information Technology (Software Engineering)

**2. Purpose of proposal**

INFO5110 System Analysis and Modelling provides a comprehensive introduction to the analysis of complex software systems and into several key techniques and notations for the effective modelling of data and processes. Including this unit of study in the Software Engineering major will complement the existing units in this major well and give the students a wider choice in completing this major, especially when they lack some of the assumed knowledge of the specialist software units.

**3. Details of amendment**

Adding:

INFO5110 System Analysis and Modelling (Semester 2)

into Faculty of Eng. & IT Handbook 2009, p167, into the "Foundational units" section, and into p170, under "Software Engineering major" section.

Extend the rule for the Software Engineering major on page 170 as follows:

"Students may count either COMP5028 or COMP5214 or INFI5110 towards this major, but not more than one of these foundational units."

**4. Transitional arrangements**

N/A

**5. Other relevant information**

N/A

**6. Signature of Dean**

## **Minor Course Amendment Proposal**

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**Faculty/Board of Studies:** *Approved in principle by Faculty Board 27 April 2009*  
*Approved by Curriculum Sub Committee 1 May 2009*

**Contact person:** Dr Murray Fisher

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**1. Name of award course**

Master of Nursing  
Bachelor of Arts/Master of Nursing  
Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing  
Bachelor of Health Sciences/Master of Nursing

**2. Purpose of proposal**

The Faculty proposed a minor course amendment for these courses that was approved by Academic Board on 27 May 2009 in regards to minor amendments to (i) admission criteria, (ii) current unit of study offerings and (iii) clinical placement arrangements in the final year of the course. However, details pertaining to the unit of study, Human Biosciences in Health, were not finalised at that time and discussions were still being held with the Faculty of Science. The unit of study descriptor for this unit was tabled at the May 2009 Graduate Studies Committee meeting.

This proposal is to advise the Graduate Studies Committee that the unit of study, NURS5083 Human Bioscience in Health, will be taught by the School of Biology, Faculty of Science, in collaboration with the Faculty of Nursing & Midwifery.

**3. Details of amendment**

Nursing students will be attending lectures and laboratory classes for the unit of study BIOL1003 Human Biology, which is an undergraduate unit. However, there will be additional workshops and assignments designed for Masters level nursing students, which all nursing students enrolled in NURS5083 will be required to take. The Faculty of Nursing will be involved in the development and coordination of these components of the unit, which will be pitched at Masters level.

**4. Transitional arrangements**

N/A

**5. Other relevant information**

N/A

**6. Signature of Dean**

## **Minor Course Amendment Proposal**

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**Faculty/Board of Studies: Sydney College of the Arts**

**Contact person: Ms Isobel Horton**

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**1. Name of award course**

Master of Film and Digital Image

**2. Purpose of proposal**

To append to the Faculty Resolutions of the MFDI, an amendment for the inclusion of a suite of appropriate elective units of study.

At the time the MFDI degree was originally constituted, there were two units of study from the Faculty of Arts included in the structure. However, the Arts Faculty had not been able to offer these units with any degree of regularity and it became clear that offering candidates a suite of electives would be more beneficial.

**3. Details of amendment**

Table B elective units of study in the MFDI to be amended to include the following units from the Faculty of Arts:

- ARHT 6940 Editing the Moving Image
- ARHT 6939 Documentary Film
- ARHT 6925 Cinematographic Performance
- ARHT 5904 Cross-Cultural Art & Film

**4. Transitional arrangements**

N/A

**5. Other relevant information**

**6. Signature of Dean**

## **Minor Course Amendment Proposal**

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**Faculty/Board of Studies: Sydney College of the Arts**

**Contact person: Ms Isobel Horton**

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**1. Name of award course**

Master of Interactive and Digital Media

**2. Purpose of proposal**

To append to the Faculty Resolutions of the MIDM, an amendment for the inclusion of a suite of appropriate elective units of study.

At the time the MIDM degree was originally constituted, there were two units of study from the Faculty of Arts included in the structure. However, the Arts Faculty had not been able to offer these units with any degree of regularity and it became clear that offering candidates a suite of electives would be more beneficial.

**3. Details of amendment**

Table B elective units of study in the MIDM to be amended to include the following unit from the Faculty of Arts:

- ARIN6914 Remixable Media

and the following unit of study from the Faculty of Engineering

- PMGT5887 Computer Applications in PM

**4. Transitional arrangements**

N/A

**5. Other relevant information**

**6. Signature of Dean**