



Undergraduate Studies Committee Agenda

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Agenda Item 2

Minutes of the Undergraduate Studies Committee meeting held on Wednesday 24 September 2008

There were present: The Chair (Professor S Kable) presiding, Professor B Sutton, Associate Professors C Collyer, P McGreevy, T Ho, Drs F Burns, W Currie, S Cattle, C Comerton-Forde, J Hanrahan, M Rosenman, B Winter, Mr P Ball, Mr D Bowan, Ms J Gavan, Ms K Laing and Ms L Riley. Ms A Griffiths was in attendance.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from: Associate Professor P McGreevy, Dr D Auld, Dr A Boyd, Dr R Gibson, Ms L Brown, Ms J Gamble and Ms R Santos.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

Resolution 69/08

That the Undergraduate Studies Committee adopt the minutes of the previous meeting held on 13 August 2008 as a true record.

3. Business arising from Minutes (not dealt with elsewhere in the Agenda)

4. Report of the Chair

The Chair reported that he had attended three meetings of particular importance to the Committee.

The first was a meeting held with David Day where the Academic Reform Working Party recommendations were discussed. In light of other groups across campus, the Committee may wish to revisit whether or not it convenes a working party to look at the issue of academic reform. David Day will be attending the October meeting to speak about the work of other committees already examining academic reform.

Secondly, a meeting with Bruce Robinson confirmed a shift by the Faculty of Medicine with regards to assessment. The faculty has agreed to assess students using standard University grading. Associate Professor Collyer questioned if, in bringing in standard assessment, marks would be released to students.

Thirdly, the Chair had held a meeting with Professor Sutton about things the Academic Board might do. They have also spoken about the number of degrees offered by the University.

The Chair requested that faculty representatives on the Committee provide a short statement detailing how their respective faculties have dealt with the Academic Board changes to Honours requirements, given that twelve months have now passed since their introduction.

Professor Kable also reported that the issue of Degrees with Merit had been sitting for some time. Now that the Provost's groups have met, it may be timely to reconvene the working party that had reported to the Academic Board last year.

Resolution 70/08

That the Undergraduate Studies Committee note the report of the Chair.

5. Report of the Academic Board

It was reported that Dr Jane Hanrahan attended the last Academic Board meeting on behalf of the Chair.

Professor Sutton, acknowledging that the written report from the Academic Board meeting was self explanatory, took the opportunity to speak about recent newspaper reports. The Higher Education section of the Australian newspaper has reported on the University of Western Australia's announcement that they will moving to a model like that of the University of Melbourne. It was commented that the University of Sydney still has more students in combined programs- like the Melbourne model- than the University of Melbourne does. Talks with the Vice Chancellor suggest that there is not a push to move the University in the same direction as Melbourne.

There is currently a working party looking at the Master of Philosophy in terms of how it allows students, not taking a post graduate qualification immediately after graduation, to gain the necessary research training before a PhD. The working party is looking at the two different approaches to Masters to come up with common structures.

In the undergraduate area, the University is looking at a re-affirmation of graduate attributes. There is also a refocus by Sydney Talent, who will be presenting the focus topic at the next Academic Board meeting, to work at employment for current students in areas related to their study.

Professor Sutton stated that the academic reform process, mentioned earlier, has reaffirmed the value of generalist degrees. The working party has also canvassed the need for programs such as a Bachelor of Liberal Studies combined with Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts.

Professor Sutton also spoke of the pressure from professional associations, particularly in the United States, for a "doctorate" qualification. Professor Gwynnyth Llewellyn has spoken of the difficulty of working as a physiotherapist in the United States without a doctorate. However, it is not considered a reasonable response to external pressure to simply change the name of degrees from bachelor to doctorate. It was put forward that the Academic Board should have a clear position on what is meant by terms such as 'bachelor', 'doctorate'. He suggested that members bring forward any concerns or issues they have with regards to this issue.

Associate Professor Collyer commented that the Melbourne model raised the issue of HECS based vs. fee based places. It appears that there will be more HECS based places available at universities using the Melbourne model. Professor Sutton agreed that this appears to be the case. Kate Laing agreed to pass on any information the SRC may have on this.

Resolution 71/08

That the Undergraduate Studies Committee note the report of the Academic Board meeting of 27 August 2008, as set out in the report presented.

6. Proposals for new and amended undergraduate courses

6.1 Faculty of Arts

6.1.1 Bachelor of Arts

Celtic Studies Major

Dr Bronwyn Winter spoke to this proposal which has come about as a result of the establishment of the Sir Warwick Fairfax Chair of Celtic Studies, enabled by generous donations to the University from Lady Mary Fairfax and the Celtic community. It was commented that the estimated student demand was particularly low and this was

explained as a cautious estimate, as the faculty does not expect great demand.

Mr Peter Ball pointed out that international students will not be able to take the course on a part time basis (1.1.6).

Resolution 72/08

That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to introduce a Celtic Studies major in the Bachelor of Arts and associated combined degrees and recommend that Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval to amend these courses,
- (2) note the Resolutions of the Faculty of Arts relating to the above course, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended); and
- (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to admission, units of study, the pass degree, combined degrees, the honours degree, specially designated streams and award of the degree,

With effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

6.1.2 Bachelor of International and Global Studies International Business Major

After discussions between the Faculties of Arts and Economics and Business, it was agreed that 'International Business' be an available major in the new Bachelor of International and Global Studies. The Chair noted that International Business is a part B option on the Arts subject table, with students required to take first major from part A. It was commented that the degree remained a lot like a BA with a major in BIGS.

Resolution 73/08

That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to introduce an International Business major in the Bachelor of International and Global Studies and associated combined degrees and recommend that Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval to amend these courses,
- (2) note the Resolutions of the Faculty of Arts relating to the above course, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended); and
- (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to admission, units of study, the pass degree, combined degrees, the honours degree, specially designated streams and award of the degree,

With effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

6.2 Faculty of Medicine

Associate Professor Tessa Ho spoke to the proposed amendments adding that following the last meeting she had approached the Dean of Medicine with the view that the three point grading system proposed was not the way forward. It was confirmed that the faculty would be moving to standard grading, in line with Academic Board preference. It was likely that this would be approved formally as early as tomorrow's faculty meeting. In light of this, the Chair stated he was very comfortable with the proposal and that it now

sounds like there will be a one year transition while Medicine moves to standard grading.

The faculty was confirmed to have consulted with students regarding the changes in the proposal and maintained a constant dialogue with the student body.

Resolution 74/08

That the Undergraduate Studies Committee notes the additional information, provided by the Faculty of Medicine, to be included with the proposal to amend the MBBS Honours program that is being recommended for approval by the Academic Board.

7. Reports from Faculties

7.1 Faculty of Arts

Dr Winter explained that the substantial number of new units of study for 2009 was a result of expanding student numbers as well as departments.

It was suggested that a fuller explanation accompanying future lists of new or deleted units of study would be helpful to ensure that the intent of the degree is maintained.

The supplement on page 7 was provided following the meeting.

Resolution 75/08

That the Undergraduate Studies Committee note the new units of study to be offered by the Faculty of Arts from 2009.

7.2 Faculty of Dentistry

Resolutions to the graduate entry Bachelor of Dentistry were revised in 2005 and were presented for approval of the Committee.

It was decided that the proposal be brought back to a future meeting after consultation within the faculty so that Honours resolutions could be included.

7.3 Faculty of Law

Dr Fiona Burns spoke to the proposal to amend the mode of delivery of some units of study in the Bachelor of Laws so that they may be taught semi-intensively over a three and a half or six and a half week period. It was explained that the proposal was for the flexible delivery of subjects and that there would be monitoring of the experiment, by way of focus groups and surveys, to see whether students and staff prefer the new flexible system of delivery. It would not be applicable to students studying in combined degrees.

The Committee raised concerns over the proposal including:

- The level of student consultation was questioned, as were the implications for special considerations and census dates.
- Not clear if teachers of Law have only undergraduate or postgraduate students
- Timetabling issues, particularly if students needed to take an elective at the same time
- Issue of students who may currently be studying part time
- Assessment implications of having two groups of students sitting the same exams having taken unit of study at different times, i.e. combined vs. non-combined cohorts
- Equity of conditions of learning
- 'Experiment' requires clear parameters, needs to be clear that there is no disadvantage to students

Professor Sutton stated that more information would be required for the Academic Board to consider the proposal. It talks of rationalisation and convenience without regard to what 'learning' means. Significant pedagogical questions are raised. More specific detail was requested.

The practical issue of reporting dates was also raised, with Mr David Bowan explaining that reports were due to be lodged with Canberra by Friday. The proposal would require the reporting of same units of study but with new census dates, eg. withdrawal dates, enrolment dates.

Dr Rosenman commented that Design Computing offers intensive units and it works well, however it is only a single subject offered in this way. It was thought that this would be the first time for concurrent offering of the same unit of study.

The Chair stated that there was support of the idea for the experiment, but that more definition was needed.

8. Advanced Standing

Professor Sutton spoke to the changes in the policy. After brief discussion, agreement was reached that members would discuss the amended policy with their faculties and the policy would be discussed at the next meeting.

9. General business

- Differing workload and responsibilities of Associate Deans across faculties
In recognition of the highly variable roles of Associate Deans in different faculties, it was requested that if information was needed about individual students, staff approach administration staff in faculty offices and not Associate Deans, in the first instance.

- Awarding of marks for attendance
Dr Winter sought the input of other faculties as to whether students are awarded marks simply for being present at classes. Professor Sutton made the point that if assisting on attendance, then for the sake of equity it must be done for everyone, not applied selectively.

10. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 29 October 2008 in the Senate Room.

Supplement to Report of Faculty of Arts to Undergraduate Studies Committee concerning new Units of Study.

Rationale

New Units of Study are introduced in the Faculty of Arts for four reasons:

1. To replace a discontinued unit (as part of curriculum or staffing change).
2. To enable new members of staff to teach in their areas of specialisation
3. To develop curriculum in an expanding program or a new major or new degree.
4. As part of a new Faculty-wide initiative.

In the List below, Units corresponding to the first case are asterisked. New ECOP Units, for example, are tied to a curriculum review of Political Economy following its move to the Faculty of Arts.

Units corresponding to the second case come from most of the disciplines listed. Some of these also replace old Units as the new staff member is replacing a staff member who has retired.

As for the third case:

The CLST Units relate to the re-activation of the major in Celtic Studies; INGS Units are core Units for the new Bachelor of International and Global Studies.

The new SPAN Unit relates both to new staff and to the expansion of the Spanish program to meet student demand, notably in the area of Latin American Studies.

New ASNS, EUST and ICLS Units similarly are introduced as these programs expand. ICLS and ASNS are both tied to curriculum review (including the expanding demand for Buddhist studies in the case of ASNS, as well as a new Professor) and ICLS is introducing an Honours year from 2009.

WRIT 1001 and WRIT 1002 are in both the first and fourth category: they are new Faculty-wide Units focusing on Academic Writing in English, developed out of, and replacing, very successful existing Units in Linguistics and English respectively. They are designed for native speakers, but WRIT 1001 may be taken by non-native speakers with a high level competency in English. WRIT 1001 is designed to help students develop competency in using different registers of English in academic situations; i.e. it is designed for fluent speakers of English whose essay-writing and oral presentation skills may be weak. WRIT 1002 is more advanced: using theories of rhetoric and writing, it helps students develop sophisticated essay writing and argumentation skills. A third Faculty wide Unit in this series is under discussion; it would be designed for non-native speakers of English who have met the minimum IELTS entry requirement but still have difficulties with English writing.

New Undergraduate Units of Study 2009

Asterisked Units replace Units to be discontinued

Code	Title	Credit points
ANHS2612	Historiography Ancient and Modern	6
ANTH2663	Discerning Tastes, Anthropology of food	6
ANTH2664	Cosmology and Power in South Asia	6
ANTH2665	South Asian Popular Culture	6
ARHT2672	French Art: Rococo to Impressionism	6
ARTS2600	Internship 1	6
ASLT2618	Australian Gothic	6
ASNS1601*	Asian Traditions: Past in the Present	6
ASNS1602*	Modernity in Asia	6
ASNS2612	Chinese Religions in Modernity	6
ASNS2624	Understanding Buddhist Literature	6
ASNS2625	Buddhism in modern Asia	6
ASNS2671	Confucian East Asia	6
ASNS2672*	Japan in East Asia from 1840 Until Today	6
CLST2601*	Defining the Celts	6
CLST2602*	Old Irish 2	6
CLST2603*	Middle Welsh 2	6
CLST2604*	Middle Welsh	6
CLST2605*	Celts in History	6
CLST2606*	Old Irish	6
CLST2607*	Modern Irish Linguistics	6
CLST4011*	Celtic Studies Honours A	12
CLST4012*	Celtic Studies Honours B	12
CLST4013*	Celtic Studies Honours C	12
CLST4014*	Celtic Studies Honours D	12
ECOP1004*	Economy and Society	6
ECOP2011*	Economics of Modern Capitalism	6
ECOP2612*	Economic Policy in Global Context	6
ECOP3014*	Political Economy of Development	6
ECOP3620	Distribution of Income and Wealth	6
ECOP3911*	Theories in Political Economy	6
ECOP3912*	Research in Political Economy	6
ENGL2658*	Love and Desire in Early Modern England	6
ENGL2659	The 18th Century: Scandal and Sociability	6
ENGL2660*	Reading the Nation: Modern U.S. Writing	6
ENGL3605*	Canonical Poetry	6
ENGL3606	Fantastical Women	6
ENGL3643*	The Canterbury Tales	6
EUST2613	Romanticism and Revolution	6
FRNC3655	French Sociolinguistics	6
GRMN2641*	German Culture and Society 1806 - 1848	6
GRMN2642*	German Culture and Society 1849 - 1914	6
GRMN2685*	Artificial Humans in German Culture	6
HSTY2614	Australian Social History	6
HSTY2626	Fascism and Antifascism	6
HSTY2680	Living: Modern British Social History	6
HSTY2681*	Colonialism in Modern Asia	6
HSTY2682	Portraits of Medieval Women	6
ICLS2603*	Crosscultural Modernities	6
ICLS2622*	Great Books 3: The Twentieth Century	6
ICLS2624*	Great Books 1: The Human Condition	6
ICLS4011	Int Comparative Literary Studies Hons A	12
ICLS4012	Int Comparative Literary Studies Hons B	12

ICLS4013	Int Comparative Literary Studies Hons C	12
ICLS4014	Int Comparative Literary Studies Hons D	12
INGS1001*	Power and Money in Global Society	6
INGS1002*	Global Culture and Society	6
ITLN3667*	Images of Contemporary Italy	6
ITLN3693	Impatient Capital: 21st Century Italy	6
JPNS2672*	Japanese Media Culture and New Japan	6
JPNS3676	Monsters & Ghosts: Japanese Fantasy and SF	6
KOCR2608	Speaking Gamilaraay 2	6
LNGS2620*	Phonetics	6
LNGS2621*	Phonology	6
LNGS2622*	The Syntax of English	6
MDST2613	Sex and Sin in the Middle Ages	6
PALI2601	Pali Intermediate 1	6
PALI2602	Pali Intermediate 2	6
RLST2636*	Ancient Egyptian Religion and Magic	6
RLST2637*	Engaged Buddhism: Politics and Justice	6
SCLG2620	Sociology of Friendship	6
SCPL2603	Development and Welfare in East Asia	6
SLSS2603	Medico-Legal and Forensic Criminology	6
SPAN3623	Argentina for Export	6
USSC2601	U.S. in the World	6
WRIT1001*	Academic English	6
WRIT1002*	Academic Writing	6

Agenda item 7.3 Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery

The Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery has provided the following proposals for approval by the Committee. The changes are to Faculty course resolutions governing undergraduate degrees as well as unit of study changes for 2009.

The Faculty has also passed amendments to the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery Resolutions and has requested that they be noted by the Academic Board on November 12. These changes apply to all courses in the faculty and are included separately as appendix 1.

Recommendation

That the Undergraduate Studies Committee note the changes to units of study offered by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery as set out in the report presented.

Recommendation

That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board note the changes to the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery Resolutions as set out in the report presented.

The following attachments have been provided:

- Attachment 1 – Faculty Resolutions for all Coursework degrees

Minor Course Amendment Proposal for the Bachelor of Nursing (Post-Registration):

- Attachment 2 – Faculty Resolutions for Bachelor of Nursing (Post-Registration)

Minor Course Amendment Proposal for the Combined Degrees:

- Attachment 3 – Faculty Resolutions for the Bachelor of Arts/Master of Nursing
- Attachment 4 – Faculty Resolutions for the Bachelor of Health Science/Master of Nursing
- Attachment 5 – Faculty Resolutions for the Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sports Science)/Master of Nursing
- Attachment 6 – Faculty Resolutions for the Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing

Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery

Faculty Resolutions

Faculty Rules for all coursework degrees

These Resolutions must be read in conjunction with The University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended), which sets out the requirements for all coursework courses, and the relevant Resolutions of the Senate and Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

1. Units of study

1.1 Pre-requisites, co-requisites, assumed knowledge, mode of delivery and unit descriptors are published annually in the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery Handbook as set out in the course information sections. Refer to the relevant handbook.

2. ~~Variation to the normal load~~ **Enrolment in more/less than the minimum load**

2.1 Candidates who have shown significant academic ability may, at the discretion of the delegated academic Dean, be allowed to undertake more than the prescribed 24 credit points per semester.

2.2 Candidates who can demonstrate good reason as to why they should be allowed to undertake less than 12 credit points in any one semester may, at the discretion of the delegated academic Dean, be permitted to do so.

3. Restrictions on enrolment

3.1 In considering an application for admission to candidature the Faculty will select in preference applicants who are most meritorious in terms of the admission criteria.

3.2 The enrolment of candidates in units of study shall be limited by the exigencies of the timetable.

3.3 The applicant must demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Faculty, that during the candidature the student will be able to complete clinical and field experience required for the course.

4. Discontinuation of enrolment

4.1 A student who has discontinued candidature or whose candidature is deemed to have lapsed must apply for re-admission in accordance with the current procedures for new applicants to the degree.

5. Suspension of candidature ~~enrolment~~

5.1 Suspension of candidature is only applicable in cases of hardship or activities on the part of the student that are of national or state importance/are of a significant nature.

5.2 Examples of hardship may be illness or financial difficulties. Activities of a significant nature may be the inclusion of the student on a national sporting team, orchestra, etc that requires him/her to travel extensively for a specific period of time.

5.3 The granting of a suspension of candidature is at the discretion of the delegated academic Dean.

5.4 Suspension of candidature will be for a minimum of one semester and a maximum of two semesters and may be granted only once during the degree.

5.5 Students who have an approved suspension of candidature are eligible for re-entry to the course at the conclusion of the suspension period provided they indicate their intention to return by the specified date.

5.5.1 Students who do not indicate their intention to return by the specified date will be deemed to have a lapsed candidature and will need to follow the instructions under section 6 for re-enrolment after an absence.

5.6 In cases where a suspension of candidature is not granted, students may be required to discontinue their studies and follow the procedures for re-enrolment after an absence.

6. Re-enrolment after an absence

6.1 There is no automatic right of re-entry. Students who wish to be considered for re-enrolment need to fulfil the following conditions:

6.1.1 lodge an application by 31 October for the March semester or 30 April for the July semester for re-enrolment; and 30 in the year prior to that in which re-enrolment is sought;

~~6.1.2 attach a current academic transcript (progress status is contingent upon an absence of not more than two years from the course); and~~

6.1.3 ensure that outstanding debts with the University and/or show cause requirements are attended to before submission of the application (applications cannot be considered until financial obligations and show cause requirements are completed).

6.2 Applications will be considered in conjunction with all other applications by students applying under these conditions prior to the commencement of the academic year in which the student wishes to enrol.

7. Satisfactory progress

7.1 Refer to Faculty Resolutions, Part II, 1.2 Satisfactory Progress

8. Assessment policy

8.1 Assessment will be carried out in accordance with the *University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended)* and the general Resolutions of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

9. Transitional arrangements

9.1 No transitional arrangements are required.



Minor Course Amendment Proposal

Faculty/Board of Studies: Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery

Contact person: Ms Sarah Brown

1. **Name of award course**
GH009 Bachelor of Nursing (Post-Registration)

2. **Purpose of proposal**
To amend Faculty Resolutions for the Bachelor of Nursing (Post-Registration) degree to codify existing practice regarding admission, award and time limit requirements for the on-shore and off-shore cohorts, to include admission requirements for the Faculty's new offshore course in Abu Dhabi, and to remove general Faculty resolutions common to all coursework degrees into one section in order to avoid repetition.

In addition, to advise the Undergraduate Studies Committee of the adoption of a new unit of study for the Faculty's off-shore program in Singapore in order to meet the Singapore Nursing Board's requirements - SNGP3010 Law and Ethics in Health Care.
3. **Details of amendment**
Please refer to the attached document for changes to Faculty Resolutions.
4. **Transitional arrangements**
It is not envisaged that these proposed changes will affect any currently enrolled students.
5. **Signature of Dean**



Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery

Faculty Resolutions

Bachelor of Nursing (Post-Registration)

These Resolutions must be read in conjunction with The University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended), which sets out the requirements for all coursework courses, and the relevant Resolutions of the Senate and Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

1. Admission - Bachelor of Nursing (Post-Registration) Onshore

1.1 Bachelor of Nursing (Post-Registration) Onshore

1.1.1 Applicants for admission as candidates for the Bachelor of Nursing (Post-Registration) on shore in Sydney shall:

1.1.1.1 be registered to practise nursing in New South Wales or another state/territory of Australia or be registered as a nurse in a country other than Australia, and:

1.1.1.2 hold a qualification at the level of certificate which leads to registration as a nurse; or

1.1.1.3 hold a qualification at the level of diploma which leads to registration as a nurse; or and

1.1.1.4 have a minimum of 12 months experience as a registered nurse; and

1.1.1.5 be currently employed as a registered nurse; and

1.1.1.6 meet the Faculty's English language requirements as follows:

1.1.1.6.1 applicants with qualifications gained in a country other than Australia, where the previous qualification was not taken in English, will be required to have a minimum IELTS of 7.0 with 7.0 in each band; and

1.1.1.6.2 meet minimum standards as specified by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery of:

1.1.1.6.2.1 written and verbal English language competence and interpersonal communication; and

1.1.1.6.2.2 numeracy.

1.1.1.7 be eligible to practise as a registered nurse in a country other than Australia.

1.2 Admission - Bachelor of Nursing (Post-Registration) Offshore Singapore

1.2.1 Applicants for admission as candidates for the Bachelor of Nursing (Post-Registration) offshore in Singapore shall:

1.2.1.1 hold a Diploma in Nursing from Nanyang Polytechnic or Ngee Ann Polytechnic Singapore; or

1.2.1.2 hold an approved Diploma in Nursing from an approved institution; or

1.2.1.3 hold a Certificate in Nursing from the Singapore School of Nursing or its equivalent; and

1.2.1.4 have a minimum of 12 months experience as a registered nurse; and

1.2.1.5 be currently employed as a registered nurse; and

1.2.1.6 have attained at least O level English or meet the English language requirements of the Faculty.

1.3 Admission - Bachelor of Nursing (Post-Registration) Offshore Malaysia

1.3.1 Applicants for admission as candidates for the Bachelor of Nursing (Post-Registration) offshore in Malaysia shall:

1.3.1.1 hold an approved Diploma in Nursing from an approved institution; or

1.3.1.2 hold a Certificate in Nursing or its equivalent from an approved institution; and

1.3.1.3 possess a minimum GPA of 2.5 for their Diploma in Nursing or its equivalent; and

1.3.1.4 have a minimum of 24 months experience as a registered nurse; and

1.3.1.5 be currently employed as a registered nurse; and

1.3.1.6 meet the English language requirements of the Faculty as outlined in 1.1.1.6.

1.4 Bachelor of Nursing (Post-Registration) Offshore Abu Dhabi

1.4.1 Applicants for admission as candidates for the Bachelor of Nursing (Post-Registration) offshore in Abu Dhabi shall:

1.4.1.1 hold a Diploma in Nursing from an approved institution; or

1.4.1.2 hold a certificate in Nursing from an approved institution, or equivalent; and

1.4.1.3 have a minimum 12 months experience as a registered nurse; and

1.4.1.4 be currently employed as a registered nurse; and

1.4.1.5 meet the Faculty's English language requirements as outlined in section 1.1.1.6; and

1.4.1.6 meet any necessary security clearance requirements for access to the School of Nursing in Abu Dhabi.

1.5 All candidates

1.5.1 ^{International-} All candidates who hold qualifications not recognised by the Nurses and Midwives Board of NSW (or any other state in Australia) for registration as a nurse, are permitted to enrol in this course but will not qualify for registration in Australia.

2. Requirements for passing the degree ^{degree}

2.1 To qualify for the award of the degree:

2.1.1 candidates who are admitted under clause 1.1.1.2 ~~1.1.1.2~~ shall qualify for the pass degree by completing satisfactory units of study, to a minimum of 48 credit points, as prescribed in the table of units for the course;

2.1.2 candidates who are admitted under clause 1.1.1.3 ~~1.1.1.3~~ shall qualify for the pass degree by completing units of study, to a minimum of 24 credit points, as prescribed in the table of units for the course;

2.1.3 candidates who are admitted under clauses 1.2, 1.3 and 1.4 shall qualify for the pass degree by completing satisfactory units of study to a minimum of 48 credit points, as prescribed in the table of units for the course;

3. Award of the degree

3.1 an outstanding ~~C~~ candidates in the Pass degree who achieve an average of 75% will be eligible ~~may be admitted for admission to the degree with merit.~~

4. Details of units of study

~~4.1~~ Refer to the Faculty website/course information section of the Faculty Handbook;

5. Enrolment in more/less than the minimum load

~~5.1~~ Candidates who have a shown significant academic ability may, at the discretion of the Dean, be allowed to undertake more than the prescribed 24 credit points per semester;

~~5.2~~ candidates who can demonstrate good reason as to why they should be allowed to undertake less than 12 credit points in any one semester may, at the discretion of the Dean, be permitted to do so;

4. Cross Institutional study

4.1 Credit granted on the basis of work completed at another university or institution as part of a program of cross-institutional study is only permitted with the permission of the Dean ~~may~~ only be approved by the delegated academic.

7. Restrictions on enrolment

7.1 In considering an application for admission to candidature the faculty will select in preference applicants who are most meritorious in terms of the admission criteria;

7.2 The enrolment of candidates in units of study shall be limited by the exigencies of the timetable;

7.3 The applicant must demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the faculty, that during the candidature the student will be able to complete any clinical and field experience required for the course;

8. Discontinuation of enrolment

~~8.1~~ A student who has discontinued candidature or whose candidature is deemed to have lapsed must apply for



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re-admission in accordance with the current procedures for new applicants to the degree.

9. Suspension of enrolment

9.1 Suspension of candidature is only applicable in cases of hardship or activities on the part of the student that are of national or state importance or of a significant nature.

9.2 Examples of hardship may be illness or financial difficulties. Activities of a significant nature may be the inclusion of the student on a national sporting team, orchestra, etc that requires him/her to travel extensively for a specific period of time.

9.3 The granting of a suspension of candidature is at the discretion of the Dean.

9.4 Suspension of candidature will be for a minimum of one semester and a maximum of two semesters and may be granted only once during the degree.

9.6 In cases where a suspension of candidature is not granted, students may be required to discontinue their studies and follow the procedures for re-enrolment after an absence.

10. Re-enrolment after an absence

10.1 There is no automatic right of re-entry. Students who wish to be considered for re-enrolment need to fulfil the following conditions:

10.1.1 lodge an application by October 30 in the year prior to that in which re-enrolment is sought;

10.1.2 attach a current academic transcript (progress status is contingent upon an absence of not more than two years from the course); and

10.1.3 ensure that outstanding debts with the University and/or show cause requirements are attended to before submission of the application (applications cannot be considered until financial obligations and show cause requirements are completed).

10.2 Applications will be considered in conjunction with all other applications by students applying under these conditions prior to the commencement of the academic year in which the student wishes to enrol.

11. Satisfactory progress

11.1 Refer to the Faculty Resolutions, Part II, 1.2 Satisfactory progress

5. Time limit

5.1 A candidate for the degree may proceed on either a full-time or part-time basis:

5.1.1 a full-time candidate admitted under clause 1.1.1.2, 1.2, 1.3 or 1.4 shall complete the requirements for the degree no later than at the end of the fourth semester of candidature;

5.1.2 a part-time candidate admitted under clause 1.1.1.2, 1.2, 1.3 or 1.4 shall complete the requirements for the degree no later than the end of the eighth semester of candidature;

5.1.3 a full-time candidate admitted under clause 1.1.1.3 shall complete the requirements for the degree no later than the end of the second semester of candidature.

5.1.4 a part-time candidate admitted under clause 1.1.1.3 shall complete the requirements for the degree no later than the end of the fourth semester of candidature.

5.1.5 a part-time candidate shall complete the requirements for the degree no later than at the end of the eighth semester of candidature including time taken for a suspension of candidature; and

5.2 All candidates must complete the requirements for the degree within four calendar years of first enrolment inclusive of periods of suspension of candidature and exclusion.

5.1.6 these times are pro-rata for candidates who change their study between full and part-time.

5.3 The faculty reserves the right to require students who are asked to show cause to enrol in and successfully complete units of study in addition to the minimum number of credit points required to complete the degree.

13. Assessment policy

13.1 Assessment will be carried out in accordance with the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended) and the general Resolutions of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

6. Advanced Standing and Credit transfer policy

6.1 The course has a prescribed pattern of study.

6.2 Advanced standing is addressed in the requirements for admission to the degree, namely that candidates hold a

Certificate of Nursing or Diploma in Nursing from approved institutions.

6.3 Candidates who have successfully completed units of study at other universities or recognised institutions may apply for credit under the credit transfer policy.

6.3.1 Credit granted on the basis of work completed or prior learning in another course at this university or at another university is only permitted with the permission of the Dean may only be approved by the delegated academic.

6.3.2 Credit will only be granted as specified credit, which is recognition of previously completed studies directly equivalent to units of study in the current course.

6.3.3 The provision of non-specified credit does not apply.

6.4 Credit will not be granted for any units of study which were completed more than five years before admission or re-admission to candidature.

15. Transitional arrangements

15.1 No transitional arrangements are required.

Minor Course Amendment Proposal

Faculty/Board of Studies: Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery

Contact person: Ms Sarah Brown

1. **Name of award course**
GH014 Bachelor of Arts/Master of Nursing
GH015 Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing
GH016 Bachelor of Health Science/Master of Nursing
GH018 Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sports Science)/Master of Nursing
2. **Purpose of proposal**
To amend Faculty Resolutions for these combined degrees in order to clarify rules relating to the requirements for these degrees, candidates who abandon the combined course and to remove general Faculty resolutions common to all coursework degrees into one section in order to avoid repetition.
3. **Details of amendment**
Please refer to the attached document for changes to Faculty Resolutions.
4. **Transitional arrangements**
It is not envisaged that these proposed changes will affect any currently enrolled students.
5. **Signature of Dean**



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Faculty Resolutions

Bachelor of Arts/Master of Nursing

These Resolutions must be read in conjunction with The University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended), which sets out the requirements for all coursework courses, and the relevant Resolutions of the Senate and Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

1. Admission

1.1 Applicants for admission as candidates for the combined Bachelor of Arts/Master of Nursing shall:

1.1.1 be eligible for admittance to the Bachelor of Arts, the University of Sydney; and

1.1.2 meet the Faculty's English language requirements as follows:

1.1.2.1 Applicants with qualifications gained in a country other than Australia, where the previous qualification was not taken in English, will be required to have a minimum IELTS of 7.0 with 7.0 in each band.

1.1.2.2 meet minimum standards, as specified by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, of:

1.1.2.2.1 written and verbal English language competence and interpersonal communication; and

1.1.2.2.2 numeracy; and

1.1.3 not hold a bachelor qualification approved for the purposes of meeting the requirements to register, or be registered as a nurse in New South Wales.

1.2 Candidates who do not meet the above criteria, may be admitted by the Dean of Nursing and Midwifery.

~~1.3 Mature-age applicants will be assessed on criteria determined by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.~~

2. Units of study

~~2.1 Refer to the Faculty website.~~

2. Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts/Master of Nursing

2.1 Candidates will be under the general supervision of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery. General supervision covers all areas of policy and procedures affecting candidates such as combined course rules and enrolment procedures.

2.2 To qualify for the award of the degree of combined Bachelor of Arts/Master of Nursing, a candidate shall:

2.2.1 meet all requirements for the Bachelor of Arts and the Master of Nursing as specified in the tables of units for those degrees as follows:

2.2.1.1 Complete a minimum of 192 credit points which includes: ~~shall successfully complete a minimum of 192 credit points including:~~

2.2.1.1.1 96 ~~144~~ credit points from the Bachelor of Arts comprised of: including:

2.2.1.1.1.1 a major from Part A of the Faculty of Arts *Table of units of study*;

2.2.1.1.1.2 a maximum of 48 Junior credit points from the Faculty of Arts;

2.2.1.1.1.3 a maximum of 12 credit points from Part B from the Faculty of Arts *Table of units of study*; and

2.2.1.1.2 48 credit points from the Master of Nursing year 1 units of study in the manner prescribed in the tables of units for this degree; and attached table;

2.2.1.1.3 48 credit points from the Master of Nursing year 2 units of study in the manner prescribed in the tables of units for this degree Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, in addition to those prescribed in ~~2.2.1.1.1, 2.4~~ above, for the Master of Nursing as set out in the attached table;

3. Additional requirements

3.1 In addition to the above requirements, and in order to qualify for the award of the Bachelor of Arts/Master of Nursing, a candidate:

3.1.1 will complete a minimum of 6 credit points in a human biology subject in year 1 of the degree approved by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery; ;

3.1.2 may not enrol in any unit of study that is substantially the same as one they have already passed;

3.1.3 will, where appropriate, undertake further or remedial theoretical, clinical or practical study in addition to the minimum requirements set down in section 3.2 above ~~4.1~~ as required by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

3.1.4 will satisfy the requirements of all other relevant By-Laws, Rules and Resolutions of the University and Faculty; ;

~~3.1.5 The requirements of the award must be completed within a maximum of five calendar years for full-time students or nine calendar years for part-time students, pro-rata for those students who change their pattern of study between full and part-time, including any time taken for a suspension of candidature;~~

3.2 The Deans of the Faculties of Nursing and Midwifery and Arts shall jointly exercise authority in any matter concerning this combined degree course not otherwise dealt with in these resolutions.

3.3 Clinical Requirements

3.3.1 In addition to the requirements outlined in sections 2.3.2 above the following clinical requirements apply:

3.3.1.1 Students are required to attend clinical placements and laboratory sessions as prescribed by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

3.3.2 A candidate who is deemed to be unsatisfactory at any time during a clinical placement may have that placement terminated, be failed in that unit of study and may be required to attend a Professional Standards Subcommittee hearing. The subcommittee may:

3.3.2.1 require the candidate to undertake units of study or clinical practice in addition to the minimum credit point value for the degree set down in section 2 ~~3.1.1~~ above; and/or

3.3.2.2 ask the candidate to show good cause as to why they should be allowed to continue the degree.

3.4 A candidate whose behaviour, performance or character is ~~may be considered to be incompatible with the safe and professional practice of nurses and midwives, or commits any serious breach of the ethical standards required for the professional practice of nursing, or is convicted of an indictable offence, may be required to attend a Professional Standards Subcommittee hearing. The subcommittee may:~~

3.4.1 require the candidate to undertake units of study or clinical practice or other requirements in addition to the minimum credit point value for the degree set down in section 2 ~~4.1~~ above; and/or

3.4.2 ask the candidate to show good cause as to why they should be allowed to continue the degree.

4. Candidates who abandon the combined course

4.1 Candidates who abandon the combined course may; and:

4.1.1 ~~who do not hold a bachelor degree may elect to complete the Bachelor of Arts degree in accordance with appropriate rules governing that degree, and the Faculty of Arts will recognise up to 40 credit points completed in the Master of Nursing towards the requirements for the Bachelor of Arts; or~~

~~4.1.2 hold a bachelor degree may elect to complete either degree in accordance with the resolutions governing that degree and the Faculty of Arts will recognise up to 40 credit points completed in the Master of Nursing as satisfactory completing requirements for the Bachelor of Arts;~~

5. Award of the degree

5.1 Graduands will receive separate testamurs for both the Bachelor of Arts and the Master of Nursing in accordance with appropriate rules governing those degrees; ;



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- 5.2 Candidates for the Master of Nursing degree who achieve an average of 75% will be eligible for the award of the degree with merit.**
4. Requirements for honours degrees
- 5.5 Honours will be awarded in accordance with the resolutions for the degree to which the award is to be applied.
5. Details of units of study
- 5.1 Refer to the relevant section of the Faculty handbook
6. Enrolment in more/less than the minimum load
- 6.1 Candidates who have a shown significant academic ability may, at the discretion of the Dean, be allowed to undertake more than the prescribed 24 credit points per semester.
- 6.2 Candidates who can demonstrate good reasons as to why they should be allowed to undertake less than 12 credit points in any one semester may, at the discretion of the Dean, be permitted to do so.
6. **Cross Institutional study**
- 6.1 Credit granted on the basis of work completed at another university or institution as part of a program of cross-institutional study may not exceed 24 credit points.
8. Restrictions on enrolment
- 8.1 In considering an application for admission to candidature the Faculty will select in preference applicants who are most meritorious in terms of the admission criteria.
- 8.2 The enrolment of candidates in units of study shall be limited by the exigencies of the timetable.
- 8.3 The applicant must demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Faculty, that during the candidature the student will be able to complete clinical and field experience required for the course.
9. Discontinuation of enrolment
- 9.1 A student who has discontinued candidature or whose candidature is deemed to have lapsed must apply for re-admission in accordance with the current procedures for new applicants to the degree.
10. Suspension of enrolment
- 10.1 Suspension of candidature is only applicable in cases of hardship or activities on the part of the student that are of national or state importance or of a significant nature.
- 10.2 Examples of hardship may be illness or financial difficulties. Activities of a significant nature may be the inclusion of the student on a national sporting team, orchestra, etc that requires him/her to travel extensively for a specific period of time.
- 10.3 The granting of a suspension of candidature is at the discretion of the delegated academic Dean.
- 10.4 Suspension of candidature will be for a minimum of one semester and a maximum of two semesters and may be granted only once during the degree.
- 10.6 In cases where a suspension of candidature is not granted, students may be required to discontinue their studies and follow the procedures for re-enrolment after an absence.
7. **Re-enrolment after an absence**
- 7.1 There is no automatic right of re-entry. Students who wish to be considered for re-enrolment need to fulfil the following conditions:
- 7.1.1 **lodge an application through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) by the specified deadline; and** lodge an application by 30 October in the year prior to that in which re-enrolment is sought.
- 7.1.2 attach a current academic transcript (progress status is contingent upon an absence of not more than two years from the course); and
- 7.1.2 ensure that outstanding debts with the University and/or show cause requirements are attended to before submission of the application (applications cannot be considered until financial obligations and show cause requirements are completed).
- 7.2 Applications will be considered in conjunction with all other applications by students applying under these conditions prior to the commencement of the academic year in which the student wishes to enrol.
12. Satisfactory progress
 Refer to Faculty resolutions: Part II, 4.2 Satisfactory progress
8. **Progression Rules**
- 8.1 **Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Arts/Master of Nursing:**
- 8.1.1 may not commence Master of Nursing units of study without satisfactorily completing Year 1 units of study, that is 48 credit points, in the Bachelor of Arts with a grade point average of credit or better, with due regard to any exceptional circumstances, in which case their progression must be approved by the Dean or their nominee;
- 8.1.2 may not enrol in Year 4 Master of Nursing units of study until they have completed the requirements for the Bachelor of Arts; and
- 8.1.3 all candidates must successfully complete all year 1 Master of Nursing units of study before progressing to year 2 Master of Nursing units of study.
- 8.2 In exceptional circumstances candidates may be permitted by the delegated academic to enrol in year 2 units of study in the Master of Nursing while also enrolled in a normal year 1 pattern in the Master of Nursing provided the requested units are available in the required semester, and the pre-requisites have been met.
9. Time limit
- 9.1 A candidate for the degree may proceed on either a full-time or part-time basis:
- 9.1.1 a full-time candidate shall complete the requirements for the degree no later than the twelfth semester of candidature for a combined degree including time taken for a suspension of candidature;
- 9.1.2 a part-time candidate shall complete the requirements for the degree no later than the sixteenth eighteenth semester of candidature for a combined degree including time taken for a suspension of candidature;
- 9.1.3 these times are pro-rata for candidates who change their study between full and part-time.
15. Assessment policy
- 15.1 Assessment will be carried out in accordance with the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended) and the general Resolutions of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.
10. Credit transfer policy
- 10.1 Credit granted on the basis of work completed or prior learning in another course at this University or at another university may not exceed 24 credit points.
- 10.2 **Credit granted on the basis of work completed or prior learning in another course at this university will not exceed 96 credit points with the approval of both the Faculty of Arts and Faculty of Nursing.**
- 10.2 Credit granted on the basis of work completed at an institution other than a university may not exceed 10 credit points.
- 10.3 Credit will not be granted for any units of study which were completed more than five years before admission or re-admission to candidature.
17. Transitional arrangements
- 17.1 No transitional arrangements are required.

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Faculty Resolutions

Bachelor of Health Sciences/Master of Nursing

These Resolutions must be read in conjunction with the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended) which sets out the requirements for all coursework courses, and the relevant Resolutions of the Senate and Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

1. Admission

1.1 Applicants for admission as candidates for the combined Bachelor of Health Sciences/Master of Nursing shall:

1.1.1 be eligible for admittance to the Bachelor of Health Sciences, the University of Sydney; and

1.1.2 meet the Faculty's English language requirements as follows:

1.1.2.1 Applicants with qualifications gained in a country other than Australia, where the previous qualification was not taken in English, will be required to have a minimum IELTS of 7.0 with 7.0 in each band.

1.1.2.2 meet minimum standards, as specified by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, of:

1.1.2.2.1 written and verbal English language competence and interpersonal communication; and

1.1.2.2.2 numeracy; and

1.1.3 not hold a bachelor qualification approved for the purposes of meeting the requirements to register, or be registered as a nurse in New South Wales.

1.2 Candidates who do not meet the above criteria may be admitted by the Dean of Nursing and Midwifery.

1.3 Mature-age applicants will be assessed on criteria determined by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

2. Units of study

2.1 Refer to the Faculty website.

2. Requirements for the Bachelor of Health Sciences/Master of Nursing

2.1 Candidates will be under the general supervision of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery. General supervision covers all areas of policy and procedures affecting candidates such as combined course rules and enrolment procedures.

2.2 To qualify for the award of the degree of combined Bachelor of Health Sciences/Master of Nursing, a candidate shall complete successfully:

2.2.1 meet all requirements for the Bachelor of Health Sciences and the Master of Nursing as specified in the tables of units for those degrees as follows:

2.2.1.1 Complete a minimum of 192 credit points which includes including:

2.2.1.1.1 96 credit points from the Bachelor of Health Sciences; including:

2.2.1.1.1.1 36 credit points from the units prescribed for the Bachelor of Health Sciences; and

2.2.1.1.2 48 credit points from the Master of Nursing year 1 units of study in the manner prescribed in the tables of units for this degree; and attached table;

2.2.1.1.3 48 credit points from the Master of Nursing year 2 units of study Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, in addition to those prescribed in 2.2.3.1.1.2 above, for the Master of Nursing as set out in the attached table;

3. Additional Requirements

3.1 In addition to the above requirements, and in order to qualify for the award of the Bachelor of Health Science/Master of Nursing, a candidate:

3.1.1 will complete a minimum of 6 credit points in a human biology subject approved by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery; may not enrol in any unit of study that is substantially the same as one they have already passed;

3.1.3 will, where appropriate, undertake further or remedial theoretical, clinical or practical study in addition to the

minimum requirements set down in section 2.1.1 above as required by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery; and will satisfy the requirements of all other relevant By-Laws, Rules and Resolutions of the University and Faculty.

3.1.4 The requirements of the award must be completed within a maximum of five calendar years for full-time students or nine calendar years for part-time students including time taken for a suspension of candidature pro-rata for those students who change their pattern of study between full and part-time.

3.2 The Deans of the Faculties of Nursing and Midwifery and Health Sciences shall jointly exercise authority in any matter concerning this combined degree course not otherwise dealt with in these resolutions.

3.3 Clinical Requirements

3.3.1 In addition to the requirements outlines in section 2.3.2 above the following clinical requirements apply:

3.3.1.1 Students are required to attend clinical placements and laboratory sessions as prescribed by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

3.3.2 A candidate who is deemed to be unsatisfactory at any time during a clinical placement may have that placement terminated, be failed in that unit of study and may be required to attend a Professional Standards Subcommittee hearing. The subcommittee may:

3.3.2.1 require the candidate to undertake units of study or clinical practice in addition to the minimum credit point value for the degree set down in section 2.1.1 above; and/or

3.3.2.2 ask the candidate to show good cause as to why they should be allowed to continue the degree.

3.4 A candidate whose behaviour, performance or character is may be considered to be incompatible with the safe and professional practice of nurses and midwives, or commits any serious breach of the ethical standards required for the professional practice of nursing, or is convicted of an indictable offence, may be required to attend a Professional Standards Subcommittee hearing. The subcommittee may:

3.4.1 require the candidate to undertake units of study or clinical practice or other requirements in addition to the minimum credit point value for the degree set down in section 2.1.1 above; and/or

3.4.2 ask the candidate to show good cause as to why they should be allowed to continue the degree.

4. Candidates who abandon the combined course

4.1 Candidates who abandon the combined course may and who do not hold a bachelor degree may elect to complete the Bachelor of Health Sciences degree in accordance with appropriate rules governing that degree, and the Faculty of Health Sciences will recognise up to 48 credit points completed in the Master of Nursing towards the requirements for the Bachelor of Health Sciences; or

4.2 hold a bachelor degree may elect to complete either degree in accordance with the resolutions governing that degree and the Faculty of Health Sciences will recognize up to 48 credit points completed in the Master of Nursing as satisfactorily completing requirements for the Bachelor of Health Sciences.

5. Award of the degree

5.1 Graduates will receive separate testamurs for both the Bachelor of Health Sciences and the Master of Nursing in accordance with appropriate rules governing those degrees.

5.2 Candidates for the Master of Nursing degree who achieve an average of 75% will be eligible for the award of the degree with merit.

4. Requirements for Honours degrees

4.1 Honours will be awarded in accordance with the resolutions for the degree to which the award is to be applied.



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6. **Enrolment in more/less than the minimum load**
- 6-1 Candidates who have a shown significant academic ability may, at the discretion of the Dean, be allowed to undertake more than the prescribed 24 credit points per semester.
- 6-2 Candidates who can demonstrate good reason as to why they should be allowed to undertake less than 12 credit points in any one semester may, at the discretion of the Dean, be permitted to do so.
5. **Details of units of study**
- 5-1 Refer to the relevant section of the Faculty handbook.
6. **Cross Institutional study**
- 6.1 **Credit granted on the basis of work completed at another university or institution as part of a program of cross-institutional study may not exceed 24 credit points.**
8. **Restrictions on enrolment**
- 8-1 In considering an application for admission to candidature the Faculty will select in preference applicants who are most meritorious in terms of the admission criteria.
- 8-2 The enrolment of candidates in units of study shall be limited by the exigencies of the timetable.
- 8-3 The applicant must demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Faculty, that during the candidature the student will be able to complete clinical and field experience required for the course.
9. **Discontinuation of enrolment**
- 9-1 A student who has discontinued candidature or whose candidature is deemed to have lapsed must apply for re-admission in accordance with the current procedures for new applicants to the degree.
10. **Suspension of enrolment**
- 10-1 Suspension of candidature is only applicable in cases of hardship or activities on the part of the student that are of national or state importance of a significant nature.
- 10-2 Examples of hardship may be illness or financial difficulties. Activities of a significant nature may be the inclusion of the student on a national sporting team, orchestra, etc that requires him/her to travel extensively for a specific period of time.
- 10.3 The granting of a suspension of candidature is at the discretion of the Dean.
- 10-4 Suspension of candidature will be for a minimum of one semester and a maximum of two semesters and may be granted only once during the degree.
- 10-5 In cases where a suspension of candidature is not granted, students may be required to discontinue their studies and follow the procedures for re-enrolment after an absence.
7. **Re-enrolment after an absence**
- 7.1 There is no automatic right of re-entry. Students who wish to be considered for re-enrolment need to fulfil the following conditions:
- 7.1.1 lodge an application through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) by the specified deadline; and by October 30 in the year prior to that in which re-enrolment is sought.
- 7.1.2 attach a current academic transcript (progress status is contingent upon an absence of not more than two years from the course); and
- 7.1.2 ensure that outstanding debts with the University and/or show cause requirements are attended to before submission of the application (applications cannot be considered until financial obligations and show cause requirements are completed).
- 7-2 Applications will be considered in conjunction with all other applications by students applying under these conditions prior to the commencement of the academic year in which the student wishes to enrol.
12. **Satisfactory progress**
- Refer to Faculty resolutions, Part II, 1.2 Satisfactory progress.
8. **Progression Rules**
- 8.1 **Students enrolled in a Bachelor of Health Science/Master of Nursing:**
- 8.1.1 may not commence Master of Nursing units of study without satisfactorily completing Year 1 units of study that is 48 credit points, in the Bachelor of Health Sciences with a grade point average of credit or better, with due regard to any exceptional circumstances, in which case their progression must be approved by the Dean or their nominee;
- 8.1.2 may not enrol in Year 4 Master of Nursing units of study until they have completed the requirements for the Bachelor of Health Sciences; and
- 8.1.3 all candidates must successfully complete all year 1 Master of Nursing units of study before progressing to year 2 Master of Nursing units of study.
- 8.2 In exceptional circumstances candidates may be permitted by the delegated academic to enrol in year 2 units of study in the Master of Nursing while also enrolled in a normal year 1 pattern in the Master of Nursing provided the requested units are available in the required semester, and the pre-requisites have been met.
9. **Time limit**
- 9.1 A candidate for the degree may proceed on either a full-time or part-time basis:
- 9.1.1 a full-time candidate shall complete the requirements for the degree no later than the twelfth semester of candidature for a combined degree including time taken for a suspension of candidature;
- 9.1.2 a part-time candidate shall complete the requirements for the degree no later than the sixteenth eighteenth semester of candidature for a combined degree including time taken for a suspension of candidature;
- 9.1.3 these times are pro-rata for candidates who change their study between full and part-time.
15. **Assessment policy**
- 15-1 Assessment will be carried out in accordance with the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended) and the general Resolutions of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.
10. **Credit transfer policy**
- 10.1 Credit granted on the basis of work completed or prior learning in another course at this University or at another university may not exceed 24 credit points.
- 10.2 Credit granted on the basis of work completed or prior learning in another course at this university will not exceed 96 credit points with the approval of both the Faculty of Health Science and Faculty of Nursing.
- 10-2 Credit granted on the basis of work completed at an institution other than a university may not exceed 10 credit points.
- 10.3 Credit will not be granted for any units of study which were completed more than five years before admission or re-admission to candidature.
16. **Transitional arrangements**
- 16-1 No transitional arrangements are required.

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Faculty Resolutions

Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science)/Master of Nursing

These Resolutions must be read in conjunction with the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended) which sets out the requirements for all coursework courses, and the relevant Resolutions of the Senate and Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

1. Admission

1.1 Applicants for admission as candidates for the combined Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science)/Master of Nursing shall:

1.1.1 be eligible for admittance to the Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science), University of Sydney; and

1.1.2 meet the Faculty's English language requirements as follows:

1.1.2.1 Applicants with qualifications gained in a country other than Australia, where the previous qualification was not taken in English, will be required to have a minimum IELTS of 7.0 with 7.0 in each band.

1.1.2.2 meet minimum standards, as specified by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, of:

1.1.2.2.1 written and verbal English language competence and interpersonal communication; and

1.1.2.2.2 numeracy; and

1.1.3 not hold a bachelor qualification approved for the purposes of meeting the requirements to register, or be registered as a nurse in New South Wales.

1.2 Candidates who do not meet the above criteria may be admitted by the Dean of Nursing and Midwifery.

1.3 Mature-age applicants will be assessed on criteria determined by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

2. Units of study

2.1 Table of units

2.1.1 See the Table of units of study in the relevant chapter of the Faculty of Health Sciences Handbook relating to the degree.

2. Requirements for the Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science)/Master of Nursing

2.1 Candidates will be under the general supervision of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery. General supervision covers all areas of policy and procedures affecting candidates such as combined course rules and enrolment procedures.

2.2 To qualify for the award of the degree of combined Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science)/Master of Nursing, a candidate shall complete successfully:

2.2.1 meet all requirements for the Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science) and the Master of Nursing as specified in the tables of units for those degrees as follows:

2.2.1.1 Complete a minimum of 192 credit points which includes including:

2.2.1.1.1 96 credit points from the Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science) including:

2.2.1.1.2 86 credit points of units in the Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science) as prescribed in the attached table; and

2.2.1.1.2 48 credit points from the Master of Nursing year 1 units of study in the manner prescribed in the tables of units for this degree attached table; and

2.2.1.1.3 48 credit points from the Master of Nursing year 2 units of study Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, in addition to those prescribed in 2.2.1.1.2 above, for the Master of Nursing as set out in the attached table.

3. Additional Requirements

3.1 In addition to the above requirements, and in order to qualify for the award of the Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science)/Master of Nursing, a candidate:

3.1.1 will complete a minimum of 6 credit points in a human biology subject in year 1 of the degree approved by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery;

3.1.2 may not enrol in any unit of study that is substantially the same as one they have already passed;

3.1.3 will, where appropriate, undertake further or remedial theoretical, clinical or practical study in addition to the minimum requirements set down in section 2 above as required by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery; and

3.1.4 will satisfy the requirements of all other relevant By-Laws, Rules and Resolutions of the University and Faculty.

3.2 The requirements of the award must be completed within a maximum of five calendar years for full-time students or nine calendar years for part-time students including time taken for a suspension of candidature, pro-rata for those students who change their pattern of study between full and part-time.

3.2 The Deans of the Faculties of Nursing and Midwifery and Health Sciences shall jointly exercise authority in any matter concerning this combined degree course not otherwise dealt with in these resolutions

3.3 Clinical Requirements

3.3.1 In addition to the requirements outlined in sections 2-3.2 above the following clinical requirements apply:

3.3.1.1 Students are required to attend clinical placements and laboratory sessions as prescribed by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

3.3.2 A candidate who is deemed to be unsatisfactory at any time during a clinical placement may have that placement terminated, be failed in that unit of study and may be required to attend a Professional Standards Sub-committee hearing. The Sub-committee may:

3.3.2.1 require the candidate to undertake units of study or clinical practice in addition to the minimum credit point value for the degree set down in section 2 above; and/or

3.3.2.2 ask the candidate to show good cause as to why they should be allowed to continue the degree.

3.4 A candidate whose behaviour, performance or character is may be considered to be incompatible with the safe and professional practice of nurses and midwives, or commits any serious breach of the ethical standards required for the professional practice of nursing, or is convicted of an indictable offence, may be required to attend a Professional Standards Sub-committee hearing. The Sub-committee may:

3.4.1 require the candidate to undertake units of study or clinical practice or other requirements in addition to the minimum credit point value for the degree set down in section 2 above; and/or

3.4.2 ask the candidate to show good cause as to why they should be allowed to continue the degree.

4. Candidates who abandon the combined course

4.1 Candidates who abandon the combined course may, and;

4.1.1 who do not hold a bachelor degree may elect to complete the Bachelor Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science) degree in accordance with appropriate rules governing that degree, and the Faculty of Health Sciences will recognise up to 40 credit points completed in the Master of Nursing towards the requirements for the Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science); or

4.1.2 hold a bachelor degree may elect to complete either degree in accordance with the resolutions governing that degree and the Faculty of Health Sciences will recognize up to 40 credit points completed in the Master of Nursing as satisfactorily completing requirements for the Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science).

5. Award of the degree

5.1 Graduates will receive separate testamurs for both the Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science) and



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the Master of Nursing in accordance with appropriate rules governing those degrees.

5.2 Candidates for the Master of Nursing degree who achieve an average of 75% will be eligible for the award of the degree with merit.

6. Requirements for honours degrees

6.1 Honours will be awarded in accordance with the resolutions for the degree to which the award is to be applied.

6.2 Enrolment in more than the minimum load

6.2.1 Candidates who have a shown significant academic ability may, at the discretion of the Dean, be allowed to undertake more than the prescribed 24 credit points per semester.

6.2.2 Candidates who can demonstrate good reasons to why they should be allowed to undertake less than 12 credit points in any one semester may, at the discretion of the Dean, be permitted to do so.

5. Details of units of study

5.1 See the *Table of units of study* in the relevant chapter of the Faculty of Health Sciences Handbook relating to the degree.

6. Cross Institutional study

6.1 Credit granted on the basis of work completed at another university or institution as part of a program of cross-institutional study may not exceed 24 credit points.

8. Restrictions on enrolment

8.1 In considering an application for admission to candidature the Faculty will select in preference applicants who are most meritorious in terms of the admission criteria.

8.2 The enrolment of candidates in units of study shall be limited by the exigencies of the timetable.

8.3 The applicant must demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Faculty, that during the candidature the student will be able to complete clinical and field experience required for the course.

9. Discontinuation of enrolment

9.1 A student who has discontinued candidature or whose candidature is deemed to have lapsed must apply for re-admission in accordance with the current procedures for new applicants to the degree.

10. Suspension of enrolment

10.1 Suspension of candidature is only applicable in cases of hardship or activities on the part of the student that are of national or state importance/are of a significant nature.

10.2 Examples of hardship may be illness or financial difficulties. Activities of a significant nature may be the inclusion of the student on a national sporting team, orchestra, etc that requires him/her to travel extensively for a specific period of time.

10.3 The granting of a suspension of candidature is at the discretion of the Dean.

10.4 Suspension of candidature will be for a minimum of one semester and a maximum of two semesters and may be granted only once during the degree.

10.5 In cases where a suspension of candidature is not granted, students may be required to discontinue their studies and follow the procedure for re-enrolment after an absence.

7. Re-enrolment after an absence

7.1 There is no automatic right of re-entry. Students who wish to be considered for re-enrolment need to fulfil the following conditions:

7.1.1 lodge an application through the Universities Admission Centre (UAC) by the specified deadline; and by 30 October in the year prior to that in which re-enrolment is sought;

7.1.2 attach a current academic transcript (progress status is contingent upon an absence of not more than two years from the course); and

7.1.3 ensure that outstanding debts with the University and/or show cause requirements are attended to before submission of the application (applications cannot be considered until financial obligations and show cause requirements are completed).

7.2 Applications will be considered in conjunction with all other applications by students applying under these conditions prior to the commencement of the academic year in which the student wishes to enrol.

12. Satisfactory progress

Refer to Faculty resolutions, Part II, 4.2 Satisfactory progress

8. Progression Rules

8.1 Students enrolled in a Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sports Science)/Master of Nursing:

8.1.1 may not commence Master of Nursing units of study without satisfactorily completing Year 1 units of study that is 48 credit points, in the Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science) with a grade point average of credit or better, with due regard to any exceptional circumstances, in which case their progression must be approved by the Dean or their nominee;

8.1.2 may not enrol in Year 4 Master of Nursing units of study until they have completed the requirements for the Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science); and

8.1.3 all candidates must successfully complete all year 1 Master of Nursing units of study before progressing to year 2 Master of Nursing units of study.

8.2 In exceptional circumstances candidates may be permitted by the delegated academic to enrol in year 2 units of study in the Master of Nursing while also enrolled in a normal year 1 pattern in the Master of Nursing provided the requested units are available in the required semester, and the pre-requisites have been met.

9. Time limit

9.1 A candidate for the degree may proceed on either a full-time or part-time basis.

9.1.1 A full-time candidate shall complete the requirements for the degree no later than the twelfth semester of candidature for a combined degree including time taken for a suspension of candidature;

9.1.2 A part-time candidate shall complete the requirements for the degree no later than the sixteenth eighteenth semester of candidature for a combined degree including time taken for a suspension of candidature.

9.1.3 These times are pro-rata for candidates who change their study between full and part-time.

15. Assessment Policy

15.1 Assessment will be carried out in accordance with the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2006 (as amended) and the general Resolutions of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

10. Credit Transfer Policy

10.1 Credit granted on the basis of work completed or prior learning in another course at this University or at another university may not exceed 24 credit points.

10.2 Credit granted on the basis of work completed or prior learning in another course at this university will not exceed 96 credit points with the approval of both the Faculty of Health Science and Faculty of Nursing.

10.2 Credit granted on the basis of work completed at an institution other than a university may not exceed 10 credit points.

10.3 Credit will not be granted for any units of study which were completed more than five years before admission or re-admission to candidature.

17. Transitional arrangements

17.1 No transitional arrangements are required.

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Faculty Resolutions

Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing

These Resolutions must be read in conjunction with the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended) which sets out the requirements for all coursework courses, and the relevant Resolutions of the Senate and Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

1. Admission

1.1 Applicants for admission as candidates for the combined Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing shall:

1.1.1 be eligible for admittance to the Bachelor of Science, University of Sydney; and

1.1.2 meet the Faculty's English Language Requirements as follows:

1.1.2.1 Applicants with qualifications gained in a country other than Australia, where the previous qualification was not taken in English, will be required to have a minimum IELTS of 7.0 with 7.0 in each band.

1.1.2.2 meet minimum standards, as specified by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, of:

1.1.2.2.1 written and verbal English language competence and interpersonal communication; and

1.1.2.2.2 numeracy; and

1.1.3 not hold a bachelor qualification approved for the purposes of meeting the requirements to register, or be registered as a nurse in New South Wales.

1.2 Candidates who do not meet the above criteria, may be admitted by the Dean of Nursing and Midwifery.

~~1.3 Applicants with qualifications gained in a country other than Australia, where the previous qualification was not taken in English, will be required to have a minimum IELTS of 7.0 with 7.0 in each band;~~

~~1.3 Mature-age applicants will be assessed on criteria determined by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.~~

2. Units of study

~~2.1 Refer to the Faculty website.~~

2. Requirements for the Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing

2.1 Candidates will be under the general supervision of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery. General supervision covers all areas of policy and procedures affecting candidates such as combined course rules and enrolment procedures.

2.2 To qualify for the award of the degree of combined Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing, a candidate shall ~~complete successfully:~~

2.2.1 meet all requirements for the Bachelor of Science and the Master of Nursing as specified in the tables of units for those degrees as follows:

2.2.1.1 Complete a minimum of 192 credit points which includes: including:

2.2.1.1.1 ~~96~~ 44 credit points from the Bachelor of Science, including:

~~2.2.1.1.1 96 credit points from the units prescribed for the Bachelor of Science; and~~

2.2.1.1.2 48 credit points from the Master of Nursing year 1 units of study in the manner prescribed in the tables of units for this degree; and attached table;

2.2.1.1.3 48 credit points from the Master of Nursing year 2 units of study Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, in addition to those prescribed in ~~2.2.1.1.2~~ 2.2.1.1.2 above, ~~for the Master of Nursing as set out in the attached table;~~

3. Additional Requirements

3.1 In addition to the above requirements, and in order to qualify for the award of the Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing, a candidate:

3.1.1 will complete a minimum of 6 credit points in a human biology subject in year 1 of the degree approved by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery;

3.1.2 may not enrol in any unit of study that is substantially the same as one they have already passed;

3.1.3 will, where appropriate, undertake further or remedial theoretical, clinical or practical study in addition to the minimum requirements set down in ~~section 2.3.1.1~~ section 2.3.1.1 as required by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery; and

3.1.4 will satisfy the requirements of all other relevant By-Laws, Rules and Resolutions of the University and Faculty;

~~3.1.5 The requirements of the award must be completed within a maximum of five calendar years for full-time students or nine calendar years for part-time students including time taken for a suspension of candidature, pro-rata for those students who change their pattern of study between full and part-time.~~

3.2 The Deans of the Faculties of Nursing and Midwifery and Science shall jointly exercise authority in any matter concerning this combined degree course not otherwise dealt with in these resolutions.

3.3 Clinical Requirements

3.3.1 In addition to the requirements outlined in section 2 above, the following clinical requirements shall apply:

3.3.1.1 Students are required to attend clinical placements and laboratory sessions as prescribed by the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

3.3.2 A candidate who is deemed to be unsatisfactory at any time during a clinical placement may have that placement terminated, be failed in that unit of study and may be required to attend a Professional Standards Sub-committee hearing. The Subcommittee may:

3.3.2.1 require the candidate to undertake units of study or clinical practice in addition to the minimum credit point value for the degree set down in ~~section 2.3.1.1~~ section 2.3.1.1 above; and/or

3.3.2.2 ask the candidate to show good cause as to why they should be allowed to continue the degree.

3.4 A candidate whose behaviour, performance or character ~~is~~ may be considered to be incompatible with the safe and professional practice of nurses and midwives, or commits any serious breach of the ethical standards required for the professional practice of nursing, or is convicted of an indictable offence, may be required to attend a Professional Standards Subcommittee hearing. The Subcommittee may:

3.4.1 require the candidate to undertake units of study or clinical practice or other requirements in addition to the minimum credit point value for the degree set down in ~~section 2.3.1.1~~ section 2.3.1.1 above; and/or

3.4.2 ask the candidate to show good cause as to why they should be allowed to continue the degree.

4. Candidates who abandon the combined course

4.1 Candidates who abandon the combined course may either:

4.1.1 elect to complete the Bachelor of Science degree in accordance with the resolutions governing that degree, and the Faculty of Science will recognise up to 40 credit points completed in the Master of Nursing towards the requirements for the Bachelor of Science; or

~~4.1.2 elect to complete the Master of Nursing degree if they already hold a bachelor degree in accordance with the resolutions governing the degree of Master of Nursing;~~

5. Award of the degree

5.1 Graduands will receive separate testamurs for both the Bachelor of Science and the Master of Nursing in accordance with appropriate rules governing those degrees;

5.2 Candidates for the Master of Nursing who achieve an average of 75% will be eligible for the award of the degree with merit.

5.3 Honours will be awarded in accordance with the resolutions for the degree to which the award is to be applied.



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6. Details of units of study
- 6.1 Refer to the Faculty website.
6. Enrolment in more/less than the minimum load
- 6.1 Candidates who have a shown significant academic ability may, at the discretion of the Dean, be allowed to undertake more than the prescribed 24 credit points per semester.
- 6.2 Candidates who can demonstrate good reasons as to why they should be allowed to undertake less than 12 credit points in any one semester may, at the discretion of the Dean, be permitted to do so.
6. Cross-institutional study
- 6.1 Credit granted on the basis of work completed at another university or institution as part of a program of cross-institutional study may not exceed 24 credit points.
8. Restrictions on enrolment
- 8.1 In considering an application for admission to candidature the Faculty will select in preference applicants who are most meritorious in terms of the admission criteria.
- 8.2 The enrolment of candidates in units of study shall be limited by the exigencies of the timetable.
- 8.3 The applicant must demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Faculty, that during the candidature the student will be able to complete clinical and field experience required for the course.
9. Discontinuation of enrolment
- 9.1 A student who has discontinued candidature or whose candidature is deemed to have lapsed must apply for re-admission in accordance with the current procedures for new applicants to the degree.
10. Suspension of enrolment
- 10.1 Suspension of candidature is only applicable in cases of hardship or activities on the part of the student that are of national or state importance/are of a significant nature.
- 10.2 Examples of hardship may be illness or financial difficulties. Activities of a significant nature may be the inclusion of the student on a national sporting team, orchestra, etc that requires him/her to travel extensively for a specific period of time.
- 10.3 The granting of a suspension of candidature is at the discretion of the Dean.
- 10.4 Suspension of candidature will be for a minimum of one semester and a maximum of two semesters and may be granted only once during the degree.
- 10.5 In cases where a suspension of candidature is not granted, students may be required to discontinue their studies and follow the procedures for re-enrolment after an absence.
7. Re-enrolment after an absence
- 7.1 There is no automatic right of re-entry. Students who wish to be considered for re-enrolment need to fulfil the following conditions:
- 7.1.1 lodge an application through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) by the specified deadline; and by October 30 in the year prior to that in which re-enrolment is sought;
- 7.1.2 attach a current academic transcript (progress status is contingent upon absence of not more than two years from the course); and
- 7.1.3 ensure that outstanding debts with the University and/or show cause requirements are attended to before submission of the application (applications cannot be considered until financial obligations and show cause requirements are completed).
- 7.2 Applications will be considered in conjunction with all other applications by students applying under these conditions prior to the commencement of the academic year in which the student wishes to enrol.
12. Satisfactory progress
- Refer to Faculty resolutions, Part II, 1.2 Satisfactory progress.
8. **Progression Rules**
- 8.1 **Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing:**
- 8.1.1 may not commence Master of Nursing units of study without satisfactorily completing Year 1 units of study that is equating 48 credit points, in the Bachelor of Science with a grade point average of credit or better, with due regard to any exceptional circumstances, in which case their progression must be approved by the Dean or their nominee;
- 8.1.2 may not enrol in Year 4 Master of Nursing units of study until they have completed the requirements for the Bachelor of Science; and
- 8.1.3 all candidates must successfully complete all year 1 Master of Nursing units of study before progressing to year 2 Master of Nursing units of study.
- 8.2 In exceptional circumstances candidates may be permitted by the delegated academic to enrol in year 2 units of study in the Master of Nursing while also enrolled in a normal year 1 pattern in the Master of Nursing provided the requested units are available in the required semester, and the pre-requisites have been met.
9. Time limit
- 9.1 A candidate for the degree may proceed on either a full-time or part-time basis:
- 9.1.1 a full-time candidate shall complete the requirements for the degree no later than the twelfth semester of candidature for a combined degree including time taken for a suspension of candidature;
- 9.1.2 a part-time candidate shall complete the requirements for the degree no later than the sixteenth eighteenth semester of candidature for a combined degree including time taken for a suspension of candidature;
- 9.1.3 these times are pro-rata for candidates who change their study between full and part-time.
15. Assessment policy
- 15.1 Assessment will be carried out in accordance with the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended) and the general Resolutions of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.
10. Credit transfer policy
- 10.1 Credit granted on the basis of work completed or prior learning in another course of this University or at another university may not exceed 24 credit points.
- 10.2 Credit granted on the basis of work completed or prior learning in another course at this university will not exceed 96 credit points with the approval of both the Faculty of Science and Faculty of Nursing.
- 10.3 Credit granted on the basis of work completed at an institution other than a university may not exceed 18 credit points.
- 10.3 Credit will not be granted for any units of study which were completed more than five years before admission or re-admission to candidature.
17. Transitional arrangements
- 17.1 No transitional arrangements are required.

Agenda Item 8 **Honours update from faculties**

FACULTY RESPONSES TO ACADEMIC BOARD HONOURS POLICY

September/October 2008

List 2

Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources

Provided

Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning

Provided

Faculty of Arts

The Arts Faculty has had an identifiable Honours year with minimum 12cp research component for as long as I can recall. Last year, the Faculty conducted a review of Honours programs and several recommendations for uniformisation (in terms of balance between number of seminars and length of thesis) and more centralised coordination of honours enrolments and administration were put forward, which were broadly endorsed by Faculty; implementation discussions are currently under way.

Dr B Winter

Faculty of Dentistry

Faculty of Education and Social Work

In 2007, Honours within the Faculty of Education & Social Work was based solely on a WAM result. In 2008, based on Academic Board policy, the Faculty changed its Honours resolutions. Students wishing to enrol in the Honours program now require a WAM of, at least 70, averaged across 48 credit points of study excluding junior units of study and professional experience. Students are required to complete Research Honours A (6 credit points) and Research Honours B (6 credit points) over two consecutive semesters. The Honours program is assessed, at least in part, by a dissertation of 10,000 words or its equivalent.

This year 96 students enrolled in the Honours program in Semester 1. At the end of Semester 2, 74 Students will submit their dissertations for examination. The program has been managed by an overall Honours Co-ordinator and each undergraduate program ie BEd Primary, BEd Combined & BEd Human Movement has their own Honours Co-ordinator.

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Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies

Provided

Faculty of Health Sciences

Faculty of Law

New honours proposal expected for October meeting.

Faculty of Medicine

New honours program passed at October 2008 meeting of Academic Board.

Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery

Faculty of Pharmacy

Provided

Faculty of Science

Sydney College of the Arts

Provided

Sydney Conservatorium of Music

Provided