

## SECTION 1: ACADEMIC BOARD COURSE PROPOSAL

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### PART 1: OVERVIEW OF PROPOSAL

Faculty: Health Sciences

Department/School presenting the proposal: Faculty of Health Sciences

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Date course approved by Faculty: 1999

1.1.1. Type of proposal: Deletion

1.1.2. Type of course: Postgraduate coursework

1.1.3. Name of award course(s)  
Name of award course/s to be deleted:

Master of Health Science (Gerontology)  
Master of Health Science (Gerontology) Honours

1.1.4. Abbreviated name  
MHlthSci (Gerontology)  
MHlthSci (Gerontology) Honours

1.1.5. Date of introduction or deletion  
Deletion: Year 2008 Semester 1

1.1.6 Availability to students

Commonwealth supported students	<input type="checkbox"/>	Full-time	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Part-time	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fee-paying local students	<input type="checkbox"/>	Full-time	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Part-time	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fee-paying international students	<input type="checkbox"/>	Full-time	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Part-time	<input type="checkbox"/>
Research Training Scheme	<input type="checkbox"/>	(PG Research students only)	

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### PART 2: DETAILS FOR ASSESSMENT OF PROPOSAL

#### 1.2.1 Purpose of the proposal

To delete the current Master of Health Sciences (Gerontology) based on a review undertaken by the Faculty of Health Sciences and the proposed introduction of a new generic Master of Health Science. In this proposal it is suggested that Gerontology be included as a specialist stream. This is in line with the rationalisation and consolidation of programme offerings within the Faculty.

#### 1.2.2 Justification for proposal

The study and practice of Gerontology is an extremely important area bearing in mind the ageing demographics of Australians and agendas for healthy ageing in Australia. Despite its importance, the degree has failed to attract large enough numbers that justify the continuation of a stand alone speciality. The inclusion of gerontology as a stream with the proposed generic Master of Health Sciences ensures that the University of Sydney continues to provide important education and continuing professional development for health practitioners who work in aged care.

#### 1.2.9 Transitional arrangements (for continuing students)

Current Students will be able to complete their degree or transfer to Master of Health Science (new generic Masters degree)

Last year of student intake under existing Resolutions:      Local students 2007  
International students 2007

Provisions in place for students enrolled under existing Resolutions: Currently enrolled students will continue in their current course until graduation from current programme.

#### 1.2.11 Resolutions

1.2.11.1 Are there changes to the list of Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates conferred by your Faculty, as listed in the Resolutions of the Senate available in the University Calendar?

Yes       *If yes, please complete Appendix 2.*  
No

1.2.11.2 Will there be new Resolutions or changes to the existing Resolutions of the Senate for the proposed Coursework award course?

Yes       *If yes, please complete Appendix 3.*  
No

1.2.11.3 Will there be new Resolutions or changes to the existing Faculty Resolutions for the proposed award course?

Yes       *If yes, please complete Appendix 4.*  
No

1.2.11.4 Will there be changes to the academic dress due to the introduction of the proposed new award course?

Yes       No

### APPROVALS

Nominated Faculty Officer  
Mr Scott Avery  
Executive Director  
Faculty Services, FHS  
Date: 11 June 2007

Dean of Faculty (or Delegate)  
Dr Steven Cumming  
Acting Associate Dean & Director  
Learning & Teaching, FHS  
Date: 11 June 2007



# Health Sciences postgrad

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### Master's degrees

- The following information should be read in conjunction with the Senate Resolutions in the University of Sydney Calendar and the relevant entry in the chapter of the presenting discipline school/centre. The Faculty of Health Sciences offers the following master's degrees:

#### 1.1 Master of Applied Science

- The degree of Master of Applied Science is available in the following areas:

- 1.1.1.1 Behavioural Science
- 1.1.1.2 Biomedical Sciences
- 1.1.1.3 Communication Sciences and Disorders
- 1.1.1.4 Education
- 1.1.1.5 Exercise and Sport Science
- 1.1.1.6 Gerontology
- 1.1.1.7 Health Information Management
- 1.1.1.8 Indigenous Community Health
- 1.1.1.9 Medical Radiation Sciences
- 1.1.1.10 Occupational Therapy
- 1.1.1.11 Orthoptics
- 1.1.1.12 Physiotherapy
- 1.1.1.13 Rehabilitation
- 1.1.1.14 Rehabilitation Counselling
- 1.1.1.15 Stuttering

#### 1.2 Master of Health Science

- The degree of Master of Health Science may be awarded in the grade of pass degree or honours\* degree in the following subject areas:

- 1.2.1.1 Augmentative and Alternative Communication
- 1.2.1.2 Behavioural Science
- 1.2.1.3 Cardiopulmonary Physiotherapy
- 1.2.1.4 Child and Adolescent Health
- 1.2.1.5 Clinical Data Management
- 1.2.1.6 Development Disability
- 1.2.1.7 Education
- 1.2.1.8 Exercise and Sport Science
- 1.2.1.9 **Gerontology** (proposal for deletion)
- 1.2.1.10 Health Informatics
- 1.2.1.11 **Indigenous Community Health** (proposal for deletion)
- 1.2.1.12 Management
- 1.2.1.13 Manipulative Physiotherapy
- 1.2.1.14 Medical Radiations Sciences
- 1.2.1.15 Medical Sonography
- 1.2.1.16 Neurological Physiotherapy
- 1.2.1.17 **Occupational Therapy** (proposal for deletion)
- 1.2.1.18 Paediatric Physiotherapy
- 1.2.1.19 Physiotherapy
- 1.2.1.20 Sexual Health
- 1.2.1.21 Speech-Language Pathology
- 1.2.1.22 Sports Physiotherapy

\* There shall be one level of honours.

#### 1.3 Master of Communication Disorders (by research only)

#### 1.4 Master of Diagnostic Radiography\*

#### 1.5 Master of Exercise and Sport Science\*

- The degree Master of Exercise and Sport Science will be awarded in the following specialisations:
  - 1.5.1.1 Master of Exercise and Sport Science (Clinical Exercise Science)\*
  - 1.5.1.2 Master of Exercise and Sport Science (Sports Performance)\*

- 1.6 **Master of Health Information Management**
- 1.7 **Master of Health Sciences\* (new course from 2008)**
- 1.8 **Master of Nuclear Medicine\***
- 1.9 **Master of Occupational Therapy**
- 1.10 **Master of Orthoptics**
- 1.11 **Master of Physiotherapy**
- 1.12 **Master of Radiation Therapy\***
- 1.13 **Master of Rehabilitation Counselling**
- 1.14 **Master of Speech Language Pathology\***

\*May be awarded in the grade of pass degree or honours degree. There shall be one level of honours.

#### 1.15 The combined degrees of:

- 1.15.1 Master of Health Science (Sports Physiotherapy) and Master of Health Science (Manipulative Physiotherapy)
- 1.15.2 Bachelor of Health Sciences and Master of Clinical Vision Sciences
- 1.15.3 Bachelor of Health Sciences and Master of Health Information Management
- 1.15.4 Bachelor of Health Sciences/Master of Rehabilitation Counselling

### 2. Eligibility for admission

- The Faculty may, on the recommendation of the head of the academic unit department or centre concerned, admit to candidature for a degree of master within the Faculty, an applicant:

- 2.1.1.1 who is a graduate of the University of Sydney and has completed courses appropriate to the area of study in which the applicant seeks to proceed, provided that the applicant's work is of sufficient merit; or
- 2.1.1.2 who has submitted evidence of general and professional qualifications to satisfy the Faculty that the applicant possesses the educational preparation and capacity to pursue graduate studies; and
- 2.1.2 who, in addition, meets any other requirements for admission to a particular program that has been prescribed by Faculty.
- 2.2 Notwithstanding section 2.1, the Academic Board may admit a person to candidature in accordance with the provisions of Part 9, section 47 of the *University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999 (as amended)*.

### 3. Availability

- 3.1 Admission to candidature for any master's degree or any program within a master's degree may be limited by quota.
- 3.2 In determining any quota the University will take into account:
  - 3.2.1 availability of resources including space, library, equipment and computing facilities; and
  - 3.2.2 availability of adequate and appropriate supervision, including both the supervision of research candidatures and the coordination of coursework programs.
- 3.3.1 In considering an application for admission to candidature the Faculty shall take account of any quota; and
- 3.3.2 will select in preference applicants who are most meritorious in terms of section 2 above.
- 3.4 Before recommending the admission of any applicant the head of the academic unit school or centre concerned shall ensure that the extent of the resources and supervision available:
  - 3.4.1 is known to and understood by the applicant; and
  - 3.4.2 is appropriate to the applicant's proposed area of study and research.

### 4. Preliminary studies

- 4.1 An applicant may be required to:
  - 4.1.1 undertake preliminary or qualifying studies; and
  - 4.1.2 complete such preliminary examinations as the Faculty may prescribe, before admission to candidature.
- 4.2 Such an applicant shall complete the preliminary studies:
  - 4.2.1 in not less than one semester; and



4.2.2 in not greater time than the Faculty may prescribe but in any case in not longer than two years.

## 5. Probationary admission

5.1 A candidate may be accepted by the Faculty on a probationary basis for a period not exceeding 12 months; and upon completion of this period the Faculty shall review the candidate's work; and

5.1.1 either confirm the candidate's status with effect from the date of the original acceptance; or

5.1.2 terminate the candidature.

## 6. Method of progression

6.1 A candidate shall proceed:

6.1.1 primarily by research and thesis; or

6.1.2 by coursework and thesis; or

6.1.3 primarily by coursework.

## 7. Time limits

7.1 A candidate may be admitted to proceed on either a full-time basis or a part-time basis.

7.2 Except with the permission of the Faculty as provided in section 7.4 below:

7.2.1 a full-time candidate proceeding primarily by research and thesis shall complete the requirements:

7.2.1.1 not earlier than the end of the fourth semester; and

7.2.1.2 not later than the end of the sixth semester of candidature;

7.2.2 a full-time candidate proceeding primarily by coursework shall complete the requirements:

7.2.2.1 not earlier than the end of the second semester; and

7.2.2.2 not later than the end of the sixth semester of candidature;

7.2.2.1 except in the case of candidates proceeding to the award of the degrees of Master of Diagnostic Radiography, Master of Exercise and Sport Science, Master of Nuclear Medicine, Master of Occupational Therapy, Master of Orthotics, Master of Physiotherapy, Master of Radiation Therapy, Master of Speech Language Pathology, Master of Occupational Therapy and Master of Orthotics;

7.2.2.2 where the minimum period of candidature is four semesters and the maximum period of candidature is eight semesters;

7.2.3 a part-time candidate proceeding primarily by research and thesis shall complete the requirements:

7.2.3.1 not earlier than the end of the sixth semester; and

7.2.3.2 not later than the end of the tenth semester of candidature;

7.2.3 a part-time candidate proceeding by coursework shall complete the requirements:

7.2.3.1 not earlier than the end of the fourth semester; and

7.2.3.2 not later than the end of the tenth semester of candidature.

7.3 The Faculty may in special circumstances:

7.3.1 extend a candidate's maximum period of candidature; and

7.3.2 prescribe special conditions to be fulfilled by the candidate.

7.4 The Faculty, at the time of admission to candidature, may permit a candidate proceeding primarily by research and thesis who holds a bachelor's degree with first or second class honours from the University of Sydney or an equivalent qualification, to complete the requirements:

7.4.1 not earlier than the end of the first year of candidature if a full-time candidate; and

7.4.2 not earlier than the end of the second year of candidature if a part-time candidate.

## 8. Credit

8.1 The Faculty may, in respect of a candidate who before admission to candidature has spent time in advanced study or research in the University of Sydney or in another university or institution:

8.1.1 deem such time to have been time spent after admission to candidature; and

8.1.2 grant credit towards the degree on the basis of a course or courses regarded as equivalent in workload and academic standard; provided that:

8.1.2.1 the time recognised or the credit granted represents no more than half of the total candidature; and

8.1.2.2 any attendance requirements as may be prescribed by resolution of the Faculty are met.

8.2 The Faculty may, under specific conditions prescribed by resolution of the Faculty, grant credit additional to that specified in section 8.1.2 to holders of graduate diplomas awarded by the Faculty.

## 9. Supervision

9.1.1 The Faculty shall appoint, on the recommendation of the head of the academic unit ~~school or centre~~ concerned, a full-time member of the academic staff of the Faculty to act as supervisor of each candidate proceeding primarily by research and thesis or by coursework and thesis; and

9.1.2 may appoint, for each such candidate, an advisory committee.

9.2 The Faculty shall appoint, on the recommendation of the head of the academic unit ~~school or centre~~ concerned, a full-time member of the academic staff of the Faculty to act as supervisor or adviser, as thought most appropriate for each candidate proceeding primarily by coursework.

9.3 The Faculty may appoint, on the recommendation of the head of the academic unit ~~school or centre~~ concerned, from amongst appropriately qualified persons, an associate supervisor to assist in the supervision of any candidature.

## 10. Enrolment

10.1 A candidate shall, unless otherwise permitted by the Faculty, enrol each year until the requirements for the degree are completed or the candidature terminated.

10.2 A candidate readmitted to candidature after an absence of more than one year shall complete the degree under such conditions as the Faculty shall determine.

## 11. Requirements for the degree

11.1 A candidate for the degree proceeding primarily by coursework shall complete the courses for the degree:

11.1.1 as prescribed by the Faculty; and

11.1.2 set out in tables of units of study.

11.2 A candidate for the degree proceeding primarily by research and thesis or by coursework and thesis shall:

11.2.1 complete the units of study for the degree as prescribed by the Faculty and set out in tables of units of study;

11.2.2 carry out supervised research on a topic which has been approved by the Faculty on the recommendation of the head of the academic unit ~~school or centre~~ concerned no later than the end of the second semester of the full-time candidature or the third semester of part-time candidature;

11.2.2.1 write a thesis embodying the results of the research; and

11.2.2.2 in completion of the requirements for the degree, lodge with the Registrar three copies of the thesis, typewritten and bound in either a temporary or permanent form.

11.3 Theses submitted in a temporary binding should be strong enough to withstand ordinary handling and postage;

11.3.1 the preferred form of temporary binding is the 'perfect binding' system;

11.3.2 ring-back or spiral binding is not acceptable.

11.4 Theses submitted in a temporary form shall have fixed to the cover a label clearly identifying:

11.4.1 the name of the candidate;

11.4.2 the title of the thesis; and

11.4.3 the year of submission.

11.5 Theses submitted in a bound form shall normally be on international standard A4 size paper sewn and bound in boards covered with bookcloth or buckram or other binding fabric.

11.5.1 The title of the thesis, the candidate's initials and surname, the title of the degree, the year of submission and the name of the University of Sydney should appear in lettering on the front cover or on the title page.

11.5.2 The lettering on the spine, reading from top to bottom, should conform as far as possible to the above except that the name of the University of Sydney may be omitted and the thesis title abbreviated.

11.5.3 Supporting material should be bound in the back of the thesis as an appendix or in a separate set of covers.

11.6 The degree shall not be awarded until the candidate has caused at least two copies of the thesis (containing any corrections or amendments that may be required) to be bound in a permanent form.

11.7 The candidate shall state in the thesis the sources from which the information was derived, the extent to which the work of others has been used and the portion of the work claimed as original.

11.8 The thesis shall be accompanied by a statement from the supervisor stating whether, in the supervisor's opinion, the form of presentation of the thesis is satisfactory.



- 11.9 A candidate may not present as the thesis a work which has been presented for a degree in this or another university, but will not be precluded from incorporating such in the thesis;
- 11.9.1 provided that in presenting the thesis the candidate indicates the part of the work which has been so incorporated.
- 11.10 On completion of the requirements for the degree by a candidate proceeding primarily by research and thesis or by coursework and thesis, the Faculty, on the recommendation of the head of the academic unit ~~school-or-centre~~ concerned, shall appoint two examiners, of whom one shall not be a member of the academic staff of the Faculty, to examine and report on the thesis.
- 11.11 All examiners shall be furnished with a copy of the course description and course requirements as published in the Faculty Postgraduate Study booklet; and
- 11.11.1 be required to award marks/grades of fail, pass, credit, distinction and high distinction according to the criteria demanded by the Faculty, which is available from Student Central Administration (Cumberland).
- 11.12 the reports of the examiners shall be made available to the head of the academic unit ~~school-or-centre~~ concerned, who shall consult with the supervisor.
- 11.13 The head of the academic unit ~~school-or-centre~~ concerned shall report the result of the examination of the candidature together with a recommendation concerning the award of the degree (mark/grade) to the Faculty which shall determine the final result and its grade.
- 11.14 In special cases the Faculty may, on the recommendation of the head of the academic unit ~~school-or-centre~~ concerned, require the candidate to take a further examination in the area of the thesis which may be an oral examination to be held at the Faculty or at such other location as may be determined by the Faculty.
- 11.15 The Faculty may permit an unsuccessful candidate to revise and resubmit the thesis for re-examination if, in the opinion of the head of the academic unit ~~school-or-centre~~ concerned, the candidate's work is of sufficient merit and may prescribe special conditions to be fulfilled by the candidate.
- 11.16 On the completion of the requirements for the degree by a candidate proceeding primarily by coursework the academic unit ~~head-of-school~~ concerned shall report the results of the examination of the coursework to the Faculty which shall determine the result of the candidature.
- 12. Progress**
- 12.1 A report on the progress towards completion of the requirements for the degree shall be prepared by the appointed supervisor at least annually in respect of each candidate proceeding primarily by research and thesis or by coursework and thesis.
- 12.2 The report shall be shown to the candidate and the candidate shall sign the report as having sighted the contents.
- 12.3 The report, after signature by the candidate, shall be forwarded to the Faculty through the head of the academic unit ~~school-or-centre~~ concerned.
- 12.4 The Faculty may, on the recommendation of the head of the academic unit ~~school-or-centre~~ concerned, call upon any candidate to show cause why that candidature should not be terminated by reason of unsatisfactory progress towards completion of the degree; and where, in the opinion of the Faculty, the candidate does not show good cause, the Faculty may terminate the candidature.

## Master of Exercise and Sport Science

- 2. Requirements for the Master of Exercise and Sport Science**
- 2.1 To qualify for the award of the Master of Exercise and Sport Science a student must:
- 2.1.1 complete successfully units of study giving credit for a total of 48 credit points; and
- 2.1.2 satisfy the requirements of all other relevant By-laws, Rules and Resolutions of the University.
- 3. Specialisations, streams or majors**
- 3.1 The award course, Master of Exercise and Sport Science, will be awarded in the following specialisations/streams/majors:
- 3.1.1 Sports Performance
- 3.1.2 Clinical Exercise Science

## 4. Requirements for the honours degree

- 4.1 To qualify for the award of the honours degree a student must complete the honours requirements published in the Faculty Resolutions relating to the course.
- 4.2 These include the completion of 60 credit points with credit grade point average, including 12 credit points in the form of 'Dissertation'.
- 4.3 There shall be one level of honours award.

## Doctor of Health Science

### 1. Admission to Candidature

#### 1.1 General admission requirements

- 1.1.1 An applicant for admission to candidature shall:
- 1.1.1.1 apply in writing to the Dean; and
- 1.1.1.2 submit with the application an outline of the proposed course of advanced study and research, including the general area of the proposed thesis.
- 1.1.2 Subject to the approval of the supervisor, head of academic unit, and the Dean, a candidate shall pursue the program of advanced study and research either:
- 1.1.2.1 within the University including research stations and teaching hospitals;
- 1.1.2.2 on fieldwork either in the field or in libraries, museums or other repositories;
- 1.1.2.3 within industrial laboratories or research institutions or other institutions considered by the Faculty to provide adequate facilities for that candidature; or
- 1.1.2.4 within a professional working environment.
- 1.1.2.4.1 A candidate shall be regarded as engaging in work within the University if he or she is undertaking approved distance and/or off-campus study, this being a mode of study in which the student would not be in regular physical attendance on a designated campus of the University.
- 1.1.3 An applicant for admission to part-time candidature, in addition to the above, shall also submit with the application a written undertaking that the applicant will:
- 1.1.3.1 have sufficient time available to complete the requirements for the degree in accordance with these Senate Resolutions, and within the maximum time period prescribed in section 8 of these Resolutions, and
- 1.1.3.2 be able to attend the University at such time and on such occasions for the purposes of consultation and participation in prescribed academic and educational activities, as may be required on the recommendation of the Dean, Pro-Dean, Associate Dean (graduate research) or head of academic unit in which the research is being supervised.
- 1.1.4 An applicant may be admitted to candidature in the off-campus mode as either a full-time or part-time candidate and will comply with the above regulations.
- 1.1.5 A candidate pursuing candidature outside Australia must also complete a cumulative minimum period of two semesters of candidature within the University.
- 1.2 Admission to candidature by the Faculty**
- 1.2.1 The Dean may admit an applicant to candidature for the degree if:
- 1.2.1.1 the candidate's application complies with the general requirements in section 1.1 above, and
- 1.2.1.2 the applicant holds or has fulfilled the requirements for:
- 1.2.1.2.1 the degree of Bachelor with First or Second Class Honours from the University of Sydney, or
- 1.2.1.2.2 an undergraduate degree deemed to be equivalent to that in 1.2.1.2.1, or
- 1.2.1.2.3 the degree of Master by research from the University of Sydney, or
- 1.2.1.2.4 the degree of Master by coursework from the University of Sydney with a credit average, or
- 1.2.1.2.5 a postgraduate degree deemed to be equivalent to either that in 1.2.1.2.3 or 1.2.1.2.4; and
- 1.2.1.3 the applicant has a minimum of three years' recent, full-time experience in the health field.
- 1.3 Admission to candidature by the Academic Board**
- 1.3.1 On the recommendation of the Faculty of Health Sciences the Academic Board may admit to candidature for the degree an applicant whose application complies with section 1.1 above and who:



- 1.3.1.1 possesses such qualifications as a deemed equivalent to those described in section 1.2; and
- 1.3.1.2 is recommended by the Faculty of Health Sciences as being suitably prepared to pursue graduate studies at this level.

## 2. Studies during the candidature

- 2.1 Except with the permission of Faculty, candidates will pursue an approved course of advanced study and research comprising a total of 144 credit points as follows:
  - 2.1.1 postgraduate units of study at a grade level as prescribed by Faculty of which no more than 48 credit points can be credited towards the award; and
  - 2.1.2 a thesis and doctoral seminar program together worth 96 credit points.
    - 2.1.2.1 In the doctoral seminar program students will be expected to present three research colloquia to their peers in the form of a thesis proposal and two 'work in progress' seminars, one of which might be analogous to an oral defence of the nearly-completed thesis.
    - 2.1.2.2 Candidates must complete a thesis of 60,000 words (or equivalent) investigating a specific aspect or specific aspects of either their own and/or others' professional practice within the course of advanced study and research approved by Faculty.
- 2.2.1 An applicant applying for credit transfer will have:
  - 2.2.1.1 satisfied the admission criteria listed above; and
  - 2.2.1.2 demonstrated a high level of competency in the completed graduate coursework for which credit transfer is requested.
- 2.2.2 Approval for credit transfer will be granted by the Graduate Studies Committee of the Faculty of Health Sciences on the recommendation of the relevant Head of Academic Unit.
- 2.2.3 Normally, credit transfer will only be granted for previously completed units of study which can be demonstrated as contributing to the candidate's total program of study in the Doctor of Health Science degree.
- 2.2.4 In exceptional circumstance up to a maximum of 48 credit points (the coursework component of the degree) may be granted as credit transfer.

## 3. Supervisors – appointment

- 3.1 The Faculty, on the recommendation of the Head of Academic Unit concerned, shall appoint a suitably qualified supervisor for each candidate:
  - 3.1.1 to take primary responsibility for the conduct of the candidature; and
  - 3.1.2 to be responsible for the progress of the candidature to the Head of Academic Unit concerned and the Faculty.
- 3.2 The Faculty, on the recommendation of the Head of Academic Unit concerned, shall normally appoint one or more associate supervisors for each candidate to assist in the supervision of that candidate.

## 4. Supervisors qualifications

- 4.1 A person appointed as a supervisor must be either:
  - 4.1.1 a member of the academic staff;
  - 4.1.2 a member of the senior research staff;
  - 4.1.3 a person upon whom the Senate has conferred an academic title or a clinical academic title; or
  - 4.1.4 such other member of the staff of the University as may be considered appropriate in a particular case by the Graduate Studies Committee.
- 4.2 A person appointed as an associate supervisor must:
  - 4.2.1 hold the qualifications referred to in section 4.1; or
  - 4.2.2 have been appointed as an honorary associate of the University; or
  - 4.2.3 have been appointed as an associate supervisor within the Faculty by the Dean.

## 5. Progress

- 5.1 At the end of each year each candidate shall provide evidence of progress to the satisfaction of the supervisor and Head of Academic Unit concerned and any Unit or Faculty Postgraduate Review Committee.
- 5.2.1 On the basis of evidence provided, the Head of Academic Unit shall recommend the conditions of candidature to apply for the following year; and
- 5.2.2 may require the candidate to provide further evidence of progress at the end of one semester or such other period as the Head of Academic Unit considers appropriate.

- 5.3 If a candidate fails to submit evidence of progress or if the Head of Academic Unit concerned considers that the evidence submitted does not indicate satisfactory progress:

- 5.3.1 the Faculty may, on the Head's recommendation, call upon the candidate to show cause why that candidature should not be terminated by reason of unsatisfactory progress towards completion of the degree; and
- 5.3.2 where, in the opinion of the Faculty, the candidate does not show good cause, the Faculty may:
  - 5.3.2.1 terminate that candidature; or
  - 5.3.2.2 impose conditions on the continuation of that candidature

## 6. The thesis

- 6.1 The candidate shall present a thesis of 60,000 words (or equivalent), which shall be a substantial and original contribution to the subject concerned.
- 6.2 The thesis shall carry a value of 96 credit points.
- 6.3 The candidate shall state:
  - 6.3.1 the sources from which the information is derived;
  - 6.3.2 the extent to which the work of others has been made use of; and
  - 6.3.3 the portion of the work that the candidate claims as original.
- 6.4 The topic of the thesis shall be approved by Faculty.
- 6.5.1 The Dean, on the recommendation of the Head of Academic Unit, shall appoint a supervisor who shall be a member of the academic staff of the Faculty.
- 6.5.2 In appropriate cases the Dean may appoint an associate supervisor.
- 6.6 A candidate may not present as the thesis any work which has been presented for a degree at this or any other university, but the candidate will not be precluded from incorporating such work in the thesis, provided that, in presenting the thesis, the candidate indicates the part of the work which has been incorporated.
- 6.7 A candidate shall submit to the Registrar four copies of the thesis in a form prescribed by the Faculty.
- 6.8 The thesis shall be accompanied by a certificate from the supervisor stating whether, in the supervisor's opinion, the form of presentation of the thesis is satisfactory.
- 6.9 When the degree has been awarded, a copy of the thesis incorporating any required emendations and revisions shall be lodged in the University Library.

## 7. Examination process

- 7.1 The HScD examination process will be conducted according to the procedures for the PhD.

## 8. Time limits

- 8.1 Subject to section 1.1 a candidate may proceed either on a full-time or part-time basis.
- 8.2 Except in special circumstances and with the approval of the Dean all candidates shall complete a minimum of six semesters of candidature taken over a period of time and in such manner as approved by the Dean.

## Diploma of Health Science

### 1. Requirements for the diploma

- 1.1 To qualify for the award of the diploma students must complete successfully units of study giving credit for 96 credit points, and satisfy the requirements of all other relevant By-laws, Rules and Resolutions of the University.

### 2. Programs of study

- 2.1 The Diploma of Health Science may be awarded in Aboriginal Health and Community Development.

## Graduate diplomas and graduate certificates

### 1. Subject areas

- 1.1 The Graduate Diploma of Health Science may be taken in the following subject areas:
  - 1.1.1 Augmentative and Alternative Communication
  - 1.1.2 Behavioural Science
  - 1.1.3 Child and Adolescent Health
  - 1.1.4 Education
  - 1.1.5 Exercise and Sport Science
  - 1.1.6 ~~Gerontology (proposal for deletion)~~
  - 1.1.7 Health Information Management\*
  - 1.1.8 ~~Indigenous Community Health (proposal for deletion)~~
  - 1.1.9 Manipulative Physiotherapy\*



- 1.1.10 Medical Radiation Sciences
- 1.1.11 Medical Sonography
- 1.1.12 Physiotherapy\*
- 1.1.13 Sexual Health
- 1.1.14 Sports Physiotherapy\*

Note: \*No commencing students

1.2 A Graduate Diploma may be taken in the following subject areas:

- 1.2.1 Communication Disorders
- 1.2.2 Health Sciences
- 1.2.3 Rehabilitation Counselling

1.3 The Graduate Certificate of Health Science may be taken in the following areas:

- 1.3.1 Augmentative and Alternative Communication
- 1.3.2 Behavioural Science
- 1.3.3 Casemix
- 1.3.4 Child and Adolescent Health
- 1.3.5 Clinical Data Management
- 1.3.6 Developmental Disability
- 1.3.7 Education
- 1.3.8 Exercise and Sports Science
- 1.3.9 ~~Indigenous Community Health (proposal for deletion)~~
- 1.3.10 Medical Radiation Sciences
- 1.3.11 Medical Sonography
- 1.3.12 ~~Occupational Therapy (proposal for deletion)~~
- 1.3.13 Physiotherapy\*
- 1.3.14 Sexual Health

1.4 A Graduate Certificate may be taken in the following subject area:

- 1.4.1 Health Sciences

Note: \*No commencing students

## 2. Eligibility for admission

2.1 The Faculty may, on the recommendation of the head of the academic unit ~~school~~ concerned, admit to candidature for a graduate diploma or a graduate certificate within the Faculty an applicant:

- 2.1.1.1 who is a graduate of the University of Sydney and has completed courses appropriate to the area of study in which the applicant seeks to proceed, provided that the applicant's work is of sufficient merit; or
- 2.1.1.2 who has submitted evidence of general and professional qualifications to satisfy the Faculty that the applicant possesses the educational preparation and capacity to pursue graduate studies; and
- 2.1.2 who, in addition, meets any other requirements for admission to a particular program that has been prescribed by Faculty.

2.2 Notwithstanding section 2.1, the Academic Board may admit a person to candidature for a graduate diploma or a graduate certificate in accordance with the provisions of Part 9, section 47 of the *University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999 (as amended)*.

## 3. Availability

- 3.1 Admission to candidature for any graduate diploma or graduate certificate or for any program within a graduate diploma or graduate certificate may be limited by quota.
- 3.2 In determining any quota the University will take into account:
  - 3.2.1 availability of resources including space, library, equipment and computing facilities; and
  - 3.2.2 availability of adequate and appropriate supervision, including both the supervision of research candidatures and the coordination of coursework programs.
- 3.3 In considering an application for admission to candidature the Faculty shall take account of any quota and will select in preference applicants who are most meritorious in terms of section 2 above.
- 3.4 Before recommending the admission of any applicant the head of the academic unit ~~school~~ concerned shall ensure that the extent of the resources and supervision available:
  - 3.4.1 is known to and understood by the applicant; and
  - 3.4.2 is appropriate to the applicant's proposed area of study and research.

## 4. Preliminary studies

- 4.1 An applicant may be required to undertake preliminary or qualifying studies, and complete such preliminary examinations as the Faculty may prescribe, before admission to candidature.
- 4.2 Such an applicant shall complete the preliminary studies in not less than one semester and in not greater time than the Faculty may prescribe.

## 5. Probationary admission

5.1 A candidate may be accepted by the Faculty on a probationary basis for a period not exceeding 12 months, and upon completion of this period the Faculty shall review the candidate's work and shall:

- 5.1.1 either confirm the candidate's status with effect from the date of the original acceptance; or
- 5.1.2 terminate the candidature.

## 6. Time limits

6.1 A candidate may be admitted to proceed on either a full-time basis or a part-time basis.

## 7. Credit

7.1 The Faculty may, in respect of a candidate who before admission to candidature has spent time in advanced study or research in the University of Sydney or in another university or institution:

- 7.1.1 deem such time to have been time spent after admission to candidature; and
- 7.1.2 grant credit towards the graduate diploma on the basis of a course or courses regarded as equivalent in workload and academic standard provided that:
  - 7.1.2.1 the time recognised or the credit granted represents no more than half of the total candidature; and
  - 7.1.2.2 any attendance requirements as may be prescribed by resolution of the Faculty are met.

## 8. Enrolment

- 8.1 A candidate shall, unless otherwise permitted by the Faculty, enrol each year until the requirements for the graduate diploma are completed or the candidature terminated.
- 8.2 A candidate readmitted to candidature after an absence of more than one year shall complete the graduate diploma under such conditions as the Faculty shall determine.

## 9. Requirements for the graduate diploma

- 9.1 A candidate for the graduate diploma or graduate certificate shall complete the courses as prescribed by the Faculty and set out in tables of courses.
- 9.2 On the completion of the requirements for the graduate diploma or graduate certificate the head of the academic unit ~~school~~ concerned shall report the results of the examination of the coursework to the Faculty which shall determine the result of the candidature.

## 10. Progress

- 10.1 The Faculty may, on the recommendation of the head of the academic unit ~~school~~ concerned, call upon any candidate to show cause why that candidature should not be terminated by reason of unsatisfactory progress towards completion of the graduate diploma or graduate certificate; and where, in the opinion of the Faculty, the candidate does not show good cause, the Faculty may terminate the candidature.