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## Graduate Studies Committee Agenda

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### Notice of Meeting

A meeting of the **Graduate Studies Committee** will be held at **2.00pm** on **Wednesday 18 June 2008** in the Western Tower Room. (Room S 495, first floor of the Western Tower area of the Quadrangle Building on the Camperdown Campus, opposite the Clock Tower.)

Members who are unable to attend are asked to notify Megan Kemmis at the above address. Enquiries concerning this meeting may also be directed to Ms Kemmis.

*Megan Kemmis*

for

Dr W Adams

**Registrar**

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### Agenda

### Pages

**1. Apologies**

Apologies have been received from:

**2. Minutes of previous meeting**

*pages 10-22*

***Recommendation***

*That the Graduate Studies Committee adopt the minutes of the previous meeting held on 14 May 2008 as a true record.*

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

**4. Report of the Chair**

**4.1 The New Sydney Masters Degree**

*page 23*

***Recommendation***

*That the Graduate Studies Committee note the Chair's report on the new Sydney Masters degree.*

**4.2 Student Appeals against Academic Decisions** page 23

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board amend the Academic Board Resolutions regarding Student Appeals against Academic Decisions as set out in the report presented.*

**4.3 Oral report**

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee note the report of the Chair.*

**5. Report of the Academic Board** pages 24-25

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee note the report of the Academic Board meeting of 28 May 2008, as set out in the report presented.*

**6. Proposals for new and amended postgraduate courses** pages 26-32

**6.1 Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning**

- (1) **Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts, Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts (Honours), Graduate Diploma in Interaction Design and Electronic Arts and Graduate Certificate in Interaction Design and Electronic Arts**

page 26, separate attachment

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the Master of Design Science, Graduate Diploma in Design Science and Graduate Certificate in Design Science to delete the streams in Design Computing and Digital Media, and introduce the Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts, Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts (Honours), Graduate Diploma in Interaction Design and Electronic Arts and Graduate Certificate in Interaction Design and Electronic Arts,*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
- (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
- (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning; and*
- (c) *approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the courses; and*
- (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the courses; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

- (2) **Master of Architectural History and Theory, Graduate Diploma in Architectural History and Theory and Graduate Certificate in Architectural History and Theory**

page 26, separate attachment

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning to delete the Master of Architectural History and Theory, Graduate Diploma in Architectural History and Theory and Graduate Certificate in Architectural History and Theory,*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning; and*
  - (c) *approve the rescission of Resolutions of Senate relating to the courses; and*
- (3) *approve the rescission of the Faculty Resolutions relating to the courses;*  
*with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

## 6.2 Faculty of Arts

- (1) **Master of Economic and Social Sciences, Graduate Diploma in Economic and Social Sciences and Graduate Certificate in Economic and Social Sciences** *page 27, separate attachment*

### **Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the Master of Economics (Social Sciences) to become the Master of Economic and Social Sciences and introduce the Graduate Diploma in Economic and Social Sciences and Graduate Certificate in Economic and Social Sciences,*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Arts; and*
  - (c) *approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the courses; and*
- (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the courses;*  
*with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

- (2) **Master of Letters in US Studies** *pages 27-28, separate attachment*

### **Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to introduce the Master of Letters in US Studies*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Arts; and*
  - (c) *approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the course; and*
- (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the course;*  
*with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

### 6.3 Faculty of Economics and Business

#### (1) Master of Business and Graduate Diploma in Business

page 28, separate attachment

##### **Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Economics and Business to delete the Master of Business and Graduate Diploma in Business,*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Economics and Business; and*
  - (c) *approve the rescission of Resolutions of Senate relating to the courses; and*
- (3) *approve the rescission of the Faculty Resolutions relating to the courses;*

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

#### (2) Master of Business Information Systems

pages 28-29, separate attachment

##### **Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Economics and Business to delete the Master of Business Information Systems,*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Economics and Business; and*
  - (c) *approve the rescission of Resolutions of Senate relating to the course; and*
- (3) *approve the rescission of the Faculty Resolutions relating to the course;*

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

### 6.4 Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies

#### (1) Master of Professional Engineering

page 29, separate attachment

##### **Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies to introduce the Master of Professional Engineering,*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the*

*Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies;  
and*

- (c) approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the course; and*
- (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to the course; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

**(2) Master of Engineering (Biomedical Engineering)**

*page 29, separate attachment*

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies to amend the Master of Engineering to introduce the Biomedical Engineering stream,*
- (2) recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies and the Master of Engineering; and*
- (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to the course; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

**6.5 Faculty of Health Sciences**

**(1) Master of Health Science**

*pages 29-30, separate attachment*

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences to amend the Physiotherapy stream and delete the streams of Cardiopulmonary Physiotherapy, Manipulative Physiotherapy, Neurological Physiotherapy, Paediatric Physiotherapy, Sports Physiotherapy, Sports Physiotherapy/Manipulative Physiotherapy and Speech-Language Pathology from the Master of Health Science*
- (2) recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Masters Degrees in the Faculty of Health Sciences; and*
- (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to the course; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

**(2) Master of Health Sciences (Speech and Language Pathology)**

*pages 30-31, separate attachment*

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences to amend the Master of Health Sciences to introduce the stream of Speech and Language Pathology*
- (2) recommend that Senate:*

- (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
- (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Masters Degrees in the Faculty of Health Sciences; and*
- (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the course; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

**6.6 Faculty of Medicine: Master of Medicine (Refractive Surgery) and Graduate Diploma in Medicine (Refractive Surgery)** *pages 31-32*

***Recommendation***

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Medicine to introduce the Master of Medicine (Refractive Surgery) and Graduate Diploma in Medicine (Refractive Surgery),*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Medicine; and*
  - (c) *approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the course; and*
- (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the course; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

**7. Report from Faculties** *pages 33-63*

**7.1 Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning**

**7.1.1 Master of Design Science** *pages 33 and 37-42*

***Recommendation***

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the Facilities Management stream and the honours requirements for the Master of Design Science, and*
- (2) *approve the requirements for the honours degree, with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

**7.1.2 Master of Facilities Management, Master of Heritage Conservation and Master of Urban Design** *pages 33 and 43-51*

***Recommendation***

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the honours requirements for the Master of Facilities Management, Master of Heritage Conservation and Master of Urban Design, and*
- (2) *approve the requirements for the honours degrees, with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

- 7.1.5 Master of Design Science, Master of Facilities Management, Master of Heritage Conservation, Master of Housing Studies, Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts, Master of Urban Design and Master of Urban and Regional Planning** pages 33 and 52

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend the Academic Board approve the proposal from the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the specialised credit arrangements for the Master of Design Science, Master of Facilities Management, Master of Heritage Conservation, Master of Housing Studies, Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts, Master of Urban Design and Master of Urban and Regional Planning, and with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

- 7.2 Faculty of Arts: Master of Public Policy, Graduate Diploma in Public Policy and Graduate Certificate in Public Policy** pages 33-34 and 53-54

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the selection of core units of study for the Master of Public Policy, Graduate Diploma in Public Policy and Graduate Certificate in Public Policy, and*
  - (2) *approve the requirements for the pass degree, honours degree, graduate diploma and graduate certificate*
- with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

**7.3 Faculty of Law**

- 7.3.1 Master of Administrative Law and Policy, Master of Criminology, Master of Environmental Law, Master of Environmental Science and Law, Master of Health Law, Master of International Business and Law, Master of International Law, Master of International Taxation, Master of Labour Law and Relations, Master of Taxation, Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law, Graduate Diploma in Corporate, Securities and Finance Law, Graduate Diploma in Criminology, Graduate Diploma in Environmental Law, Graduate Diploma in Health Law, Graduate Diploma in International Law, Graduate Diploma in International Business Law, Graduate Diploma in Public Health Law and Graduate Diploma in Taxation** pages 34 and 55-58

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Law to amend the units of study in the Master of Administrative Law and Policy, Master of Criminology, Master of Environmental Law, Master of Environmental Science and Law, Master of Health Law, Master of International Business and Law, Master of International Law, Master of International Taxation, Master of Labour Law and Relations, Master of Taxation, Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law, Graduate Diploma in Corporate, Securities and Finance Law, Graduate Diploma in Criminology, Graduate Diploma in Environmental Law, Graduate Diploma in Health Law, Graduate Diploma in International Law, Graduate Diploma in International Business Law, Graduate Diploma in Public Health Law and Graduate Diploma in Taxation; and*
- (2) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the courses;*

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

- 7.3.2 Master of Administrative Law and Policy, Master of Asian and Pacific Legal Systems, Master of Business Law, Master of Criminology, Master of Environmental Law, Master of Health Law, Master of International Law, Master of International Taxation, Master of Jurisprudence, Master of Labour Law and Relations, Master of Laws, Master of Taxation, Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law, Graduate Diploma in Corporate Securities and Finance Law, Graduate Diploma in Criminology, Graduate Diploma in Environmental Law, Graduate Diploma in Health Law, Graduate Diploma in International Business Law, Graduate Diploma in International Law, Graduate Diploma in Jurisprudence, Graduate Diploma in Law, Graduate Diploma in Public Health Law and Graduate Diploma in Taxation: Amendment of assessment procedures** *pages 34-35 and 59-60*

***Recommendation***

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Law to amend the assessment procedures for the Master of Administrative Law and Policy, Master of Asian and Pacific Legal Systems, Master of Business Law, Master of Criminology, Master of Environmental Law, Master of Health Law, Master of International Law, Master of International Taxation, Master of Jurisprudence, Master of Labour Law and Relations, Master of Laws, Master of Taxation, Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law, Graduate Diploma in Corporate Securities and Finance Law, Graduate Diploma in Criminology, Graduate Diploma in Environmental Law, Graduate Diploma in Health Law, Graduate Diploma in International Business Law, Graduate Diploma in International Law, Graduate Diploma in Jurisprudence, Graduate Diploma in Law, Graduate Diploma in Public Health Law and Graduate Diploma in Taxation; and*
- (2) approve the faculty requirements relating to the courses; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

- 7.3.3 Master of Administrative Law and Policy, Master of Asian and Pacific Legal Systems, Master of Criminology, Master of Environmental Law, Master of Health Law, Master of International Taxation, Master of Jurisprudence, Master of Labour Law and Relations, Master of Laws and Master of Taxation: Deletion of honours** *pages 35 and 61-63*

***Recommendation***

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Law to delete the award of the degree with honours in the Master of Administrative Law and Policy, Master of Asian and Pacific Legal Systems, Master of Criminology, Master of Environmental Law, Master of Health Law, Master of International Taxation, Master of Jurisprudence, Master of Labour Law and Relations, Master of Laws and Master of Taxation; and*
- (2) approve the faculty requirements relating to the courses; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

**7.4 Sydney College of the Arts: Postgraduate courses**

*pages 35-36*

***Recommendation***

*That the Academic Board approve the amendments to the policy "Postgraduate English Language Requirements", as set out in the report presented.*

**8. General business**

**9. Next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 13 August 2008.

## **Agenda Item 2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

### **Minutes of the Graduate Studies Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 14 May 2008**

**There were present:** The Chair (Associate Professor P McCallum) presiding, Professors G Murray and B Sutton, Associate Professors B Buckley, M Collins, P Dunbar-Hall, A Mitchell and J Shields, Drs J Clegg, J Grigg, L Hossain, G Sutton and R Walker, and Ms J Gamble, Ms S Hanfling, Mr J Masters, Mr C Riley and Mr B Shelton. Associate Professor N O'Dwyer, Dr P Cowley and Ms M Kemmis were in attendance.

#### **1. Apologies**

Apologies were received from: Professors M Behnia, L Burns and J Trehwella, Associate Professors D Dragovich and J Thistlethwaite (Drs J Grigg and G Sutton attended in her place) and Dr M Boughton.

#### **2. Minutes of the previous meeting**

##### **Resolution 20/08**

The Graduate Studies Committee adopted the minutes of the previous meeting held on 26 March 2008, as a true record.

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

There was no business arising from the minutes.

#### **4. Report of the Chair**

##### **4.1 Postgraduate Coursework at the University of Sydney**

The Chair drew members' attention to the circulated report on the review of postgraduate coursework at the University. He outlined the recommendations of the report as follows:

1. That the University of Sydney adopt a framework recognising two types of Master's degrees:
  - o The Advanced Learning Master's degree
  - o The Professional Master's degree.
2. That all coursework master's programs at the University of Sydney will have the following characteristics:
  - o All degrees will contain a synthesizing or "capstone" experience which will provide students with an opportunity to draw together and synthesise the learning that has taken place
  - o All will provide:
    - An opportunity for research training
    - An opportunity for interdisciplinary study either through units within the degree or through an opportunity for double degree programs
    - An opportunity for professional experience or an industry relevant project
    - An opportunity for international experience
3. That there be a Postgraduate Coursework rule that sets out admission rules, minimum requirements, examination of the capstone experience, and other guidelines within which faculties can develop programs within a common framework.
4. That a template be developed for double degree programs, including combining coursework and research master's programs, that allows individual students to pursue programs tailored to their needs in consultation with the appropriate Head or Postgraduate Coordinator.
5. That Master's degrees be offered at one grade only (except in the case of certain graduate entry programs).

6. That a set of generic attributes of postgraduate coursework graduates be articulated.
7. That further investigation be undertaken to investigate ways of improving postgraduate completion rates, overall satisfaction and other aspects of the postgraduate learning experience.

He noted that there was support from the Deans for the report's recommendations and asked that future course proposals address these recommendations, particularly the inclusion of a capstone experience and an opportunity for research training. He pointed out that opportunities for international and professional experience would be limited, but faculties should consider how such experiences could be made available to some, if not all, students.

With regard to the fifth recommendation, he advised that the availability of honours was still under discussion, and that a number of faculties had made a strong case for offering honours. The use of honours was particularly advocated for graduate entry professional degrees where students would not otherwise have an opportunity to take honours in their chosen discipline. The Chair suggested that honours in such cases would be appended rather than integrated, and that discussions would need to be held on identifying a minimum length for an honours component.

On the issue of honours in masters degrees, members made the following comments:

- the Faculty of Health Sciences currently has masters degrees with either appended or integrated honours;
- the Faculty of Pharmacy had appended honours in the Master of Herbal Pharmacy and integrated honours in the Master of Pharmacy;
- the Faculty of Architecture, Design & Planning had used both integrated and appended honours, but had seen a decrease in honours students when it shifted from integrated to appended honours for at least one course;
- the Faculty of Economics and Business had moved away from honours mainly to comply with international accreditation bodies;
- the Faculty of Engineering & Information Technologies had a number of courses which included a thesis worth 24 credit points;
- Dr Clegg recommended that students who undertake a research component in a postgraduate coursework degree be identified in some manner, either through the use of honours or some other mechanism;
- the Chair noted that some research elements of coursework masters were already recognised for eligibility for postgraduate research scholarships, but these needed to be differentiated from honours;
- concerns were raised regarding the resourcing of students undertaking honours, noting that they would often require training in research methodology;
- the Chair noted there were tensions between providing an opportunity for honours in a graduate-entry professional masters degree and providing a research component as an alternative to elective coursework; and
- it was noted that the issue of how coursework masters provided a pathway to a PhD needed further discussion.

The Chair suggested that the Committee continue discussion on this report at its June meeting.

**Resolution 21/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee note the report from the Chair regarding the Working Group on Postgraduate Coursework at the University of Sydney.

**4.2 Oral report**

The Chair advised members that he had no other matters on which to report.

**5. Report of the Academic Board**

Professor Sutton advised members that the revised Charter of Academic Freedom had been endorsed by Senate earlier in the month.

**Resolution 22/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee note the report of the Academic Board meeting of 16 April 2008, as set out in the report presented.

**6. Proposals for new and amended postgraduate courses**

**6.1 Faculty of Arts**

**(1) Master of Art Curatorship, Graduate Diploma in Art Curatorship and Graduate Certificate in Art Curatorship**

Associate Professor Dunbar-Hall, who had reviewed this proposal, commented that it was well constructed and referred to feedback from relevant industry groups. He noted that there appeared to be inconsistent references to types of visual art (e.g. "contemporary, Asian and Aboriginal art" on page 2 of the proposal vs. "Aboriginal and Asian art" on page 11) however Associate Professor Mitchell advised that these were given as examples, rather than comprehensive lists.

Dr Clegg pointed out that clause 12.4 in the Faculty resolutions should refer to two consecutive instances of being identified as at risk, rather than three. The Chair also commented on the graduate attribute "be well versed in the history and theory of the visual arts, cinematic forms included" and asked how this would be mapped to specific units of study, given that none of the units listed appeared to have a significant historical emphasis. After the meeting, the Faculty advised that they would amend this attribute to read "be well versed in current practices in the visual arts, including cinematic forms".

Members noted that the internship element of the Masters degree would provide a capstone experience for the program. The Committee approved the proposal, subject to the amendment of clause 12.4 in the faculty resolutions.

**Resolution 23/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to introduce the Master of Art Curatorship, Graduate Diploma in Art Curatorship and Graduate Certificate in Art Curatorship,
- (2) recommend that Senate:
  - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;
  - (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Arts; and
  - (c) approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the courses; and
- (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to the courses;

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

**(2) Master of Economics (Social Sciences), Graduate Diploma in Economics (Social Sciences) and Graduate Certificate in Economics (Social Sciences)**

The Chair noted that no reviewer had been appointed to this proposal, given that it was a revision of an existing course. He expressed concern that the Masters degree was being reduced from 72 credit points to 48 credit points noting that the Master of Economics in the Faculty of Economics and Business (which had originally developed the Master of Economics (Social Sciences)) would remain a 72 credit point course. He noted that there was no reference to amending the name of the course, and queried the impact on recent graduates of the previous 72 credit point degree.

Associate Professor Mitchell advised that the Faculty of Arts was in the process of aligning the courses transferred to it from the Faculty of Economics and Business with its existing courses. He agreed that the retention of "Economics" in the title was of some concern but noted that staff in the discipline of political economy had argued strongly for the name to remain unchanged. Associate Professor Shields advised that the Faculty of Economics and Business did not object to the retention of the original degree name.

Professor Sutton noted that there had been a great deal of discussion at that morning's Undergraduate Studies Committee regarding the nomenclature for the Bachelor of Economic and Social Sciences (also transferred to the Faculty of Arts from the Faculty of Economics and Business) and that "Political and Social Sciences" had been suggested as an alternative title.

It was agreed that the proposal would be referred back to the Faculty with a request that the following matters be addressed:

- that the title of the course be reconsidered and aligned with the related Bachelor's degree, and that the title also be considered both in terms of the academic purpose of the degree and the impact on recent graduates if the course is reduced to 48 credit points without altering the title;
- that the Faculty reconsider the suggested transitional arrangements which would allow existing students to graduate having completed 48 credit points; and
- that clause 12.4 in the Faculty resolutions be amended to refer to two, not three, consecutive instances of being identified as at risk.

**(3) Master of English Language in Australia, Graduate Diploma in English Language in Australia and Graduate Certificate in English Language in Australia**

The Chair queried the generous sunset clause, with the final year of the course given as 2014. It was agreed that this would be checked with the Faculty.

Members approved the proposal to delete these courses.

**Resolution 24/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to delete the Master of English Language in Australia, Graduate Diploma in English Language in Australia and Graduate Certificate in English Language in Australia,
- (2) recommend that Senate:
  - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;
  - (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Arts; and
  - (c) approve the deletion of Resolutions of Senate relating to the courses; and
- (3) approve the deletion of the Faculty Resolutions relating to the courses;

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

**(4) Master of Health Communication, Graduate Diploma in Health Communication and Graduate Certificate in Health Communication**

Dr Walker advised members that he had reviewed this proposal and had found it innovative and interesting. He noted that there was substantial evidence of consultation, but that there was nothing to suggest the Faculty had utilised this consultation to develop a clear idea of the number of students the course was likely to attract. He noted that the assessment information on page 10 of the proposal could have been expressed more clearly, and was better understood in the context of the units of study outlined later in the proposal. Likewise the student workload outlined on page 11 of the proposal was not transparent and it was difficult to work out how many hours of student effort per credit point would be required (following the meeting the Faculty clarified that there would be 1.5 hours of study per credit point). He further noted that the proposal referred to students needing a credit average for entry into the masters, but this was not included in the Faculty resolutions.

The Chair pointed out that this would need to be corrected in the resolutions, and that clause 12.4 would also need to be amended to refer to two, not three, consecutive instances of being identified as at risk. He also asked whether the Faculty could look at identifying a capstone experience for this course, given that the internship would be an elective. (Note: the Faculty has responded on this issue as follows:

“The department will seriously consider the capstone suggestion, however the department does not have administrative resources to offer a compulsory internship unit at this stage, nor is the department sure that this would be an appropriate unit for all students, particularly those who are already employed in the industry. Instead the department proposes to offer all students the option of nominating a capstone experience from the existing core units during their second (or final) semester. This would be in the form of a presentation to the class (or during a specially organised capstone ‘event’ if numbers are sufficient). Internship students would be entitled to choose a topic relevant to their placement for such a presentation.”)

Members approved the proposal pending the requested amendments to the Faculty resolutions.

**Resolution 25/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to introduce the Master of Health Communication, Graduate Diploma in Health Communication and Graduate Certificate in Health Communication
- (2) recommend that Senate:
  - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;
  - (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Arts; and
  - (c) approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the courses; and
- (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to the courses; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

**(5) Master of Letters in US Studies**

Members noted that Associate Professor Shields had been asked to review this proposal. He noted that this degree would be the elite version of the Master of US Studies, and that it provided a strong example of the type of degree described in the postgraduate review, as it will provide students with the option of undertaking research (leading to a treatise), an internship or international study. He asked for clarification as to whether students who graduated from the Master of Letters in US Studies would also receive a Master of US Studies. Associate Professor Mitchell advised that this degree was based on the Faculty's model for other Masters of Letters degrees, and that graduates would only receive the Master of Letters in US Studies.

The Chair noted that clause 3.1.2 in the Faculty resolutions referred to four core units of study, which were not listed in the proposal. He also noted that the current Faculty Handbook listed one core unit of study for the Master of US Studies, which differed from the information originally given to the Committee in 2007. The Committee requested advice from the Faculty on the core units of study for both degrees.

Associate Professor Shields also asked whether students who did not successfully complete the Master of Letters in US Studies would be allowed to graduate with the Master of US Studies. Associate Professor Mitchell advised that this would be the case, and it was noted that the Faculty resolutions should be amended to reflect this. It was also noted that the resolutions allowed for the degree to be awarded as either pass or with merit, and that this did not align with the recommendations from the postgraduate review. As with the previous proposals, clause 12.4 of the Faculty resolutions also required amendment to refer to two, not three, consecutive instances of being identified as at risk.

Associate Professor Shields also pointed out that the student attributes listed were generic and did not include course-specific attributes. He also pointed out that the list of consultees in the proposal appeared to be the same list used in the proposal for the Master of US Studies. Further, he suggested that the research

methods unit be offered in the Master of US Studies as preparation for entry into the Master of Letters in US Studies. The Faculty could also consider allowing high-performing students to articulate to the Master of Letters in US Studies at an earlier point from the Master of US Studies.

It was agreed that the proposal would be referred back to the Faculty for further consideration.

**(6) Master of Public Affairs, Graduate Diploma in Public Affairs and Graduate Certificate in Public Affairs**

The Chair noted that, as with the proposal to delete the Master of English Language in Australia, the sunset clause for this deletion was quite generous. It was agreed that Ms Kemmis would liaise with the Faculty of Arts regarding the sunset clause.

The Committee approved the proposal to delete these courses.

**Resolution 26/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to delete the Master of Public Affairs, Graduate Diploma in Public Affairs and Graduate Certificate in Public Affairs,
- (2) recommend that Senate:
  - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;
  - (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Arts; and
  - (c) approve the deletion of Resolutions of Senate relating to the courses; and
- (3) approve the deletion of the Faculty Resolutions relating to the courses;

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

**(7) Master of Translation Studies and Graduate Diploma in Translation Studies**

Associate Professor Buckley advised that he had reviewed the proposal and had clarified some points with Associate Professor Mitchell prior to the meeting. He noted that the accreditation requirements had strongly influenced the final shape of the degree. He particularly praised the consultation and benchmarking undertaken by the Faculty. He queried the reference to "Chinese" rather than Mandarin or Cantonese. Associate Professor Mitchell and Dr Cowley advised that, as translation studies related to text rather than speech, the course would look at modern standard Chinese. It was also noted that Chinese would be the main language offered, with Arabic as a possible alternative. Unless there was significant demand, other languages would not be offered. The Chair recommended that this should be pointed out in the admission requirements for the degree.

Dr Clegg queried the requirements for articulation from the Graduate Diploma to the Masters, noting that the proposal referred to a distinction average, while the Faculty resolutions stated a credit average. Dr Cowley clarified that it should be a credit average as stated in the resolutions. Professor Sutton asked why the Faculty had not introduced the course as an undergraduate degree, and was

advised that the language skills required, as well as the emphasis on the theory of translation and cross-cultural communication made it more appropriate for introduction at the postgraduate level. Professor Sutton asked for a short briefing to take to Senate on this issue.

Members approved the proposal.

**Resolution 27/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to introduce the Master of Translation Studies and Graduate Diploma in Translation Studies
- (2) recommend that Senate:
  - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;
  - (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Arts; and
  - (c) approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the courses; and
- (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to the courses; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

**(8) Graduate Certificate in Arts**

Associate Professor Mitchell advised that the Faculty had developed a new major in research methods. The introduction of the major to the Graduate Certificate in Arts would be the first step in developing a research stream for various degrees in the Faculty, as well as the possibility of distinct degrees in this area. Professor Sutton asked that Committee be kept advised of the Faculty's development of such programs.

Dr Clegg noted that there was nothing listed under Clause 13 (Satisfactory Progress) in the Faculty resolutions and it was agreed that this should be amended. The Chair noted that the Provost had suggested that the recommendations in the postgraduate review should apply to graduate certificates and diplomas and suggested that the Faculty could consider introducing a viva voce or other similar item to the Graduate Certificate.

Members approved the proposal pending amendment of the Faculty resolutions.

**Resolution 28/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the Graduate Certificate in Arts,
- (2) recommend that Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal noting that there are no related amendments to Resolutions of Senate;
- (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to the course; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

**6.2 Faculty of Dentistry: Doctor of Clinical Dentistry, Master of Dental Science, Graduate Diploma in Clinical Dentistry, Graduate Certificate in Clinical Dentistry**

The Chair reminded members that the Committee had considered this proposal at its February meeting and had asked the Faculty to respond to a number of queries. He noted that the Faculty's responses were outlined in the agenda, and that a set of revised resolutions had also been approved. He suggested making some further amendments to the resolutions, including deleting "preferably" from clause 15.1, and extending the clauses related to the examination of the thesis to quote more directly from the PhD rules.

There was discussion of the time limits for the degree and it was noted that students could take a further twelve months (full-time equivalent) in which to complete their thesis. It was pointed out that students must be enrolled at the time of submission for the thesis and it was suggested that the Faculty could use the UNC (incomplete) grade in such cases.

Members approved the proposal pending the amendment of the Faculty resolutions.

**Resolution 29/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Dentistry to introduce the Doctor of Clinical Dentistry, delete the Master of Dental Science and amend the Graduate Diploma in Clinical Dentistry and the Graduate Certificate in Clinical Dentistry,
- (2) recommend that Senate:
  - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;
  - (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Dentistry; and
  - (c) approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the Doctor of Clinical Dentistry, the deletion of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Master of Dental Science and the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Graduate Diploma in Clinical Dentistry and the Graduate Certificate in Clinical Dentistry; and
- (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to the degree; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

**6.3 Faculty of Economics and Business: Graduate Diploma in Marketing**

Associate Professor Shields told the Committee that that Senate Resolutions for the Graduate Diploma in Marketing had been omitted in error from the original course proposal. The resolutions were now being forwarded for approval. Members endorsed the resolutions.

**Resolution 30/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board recommend that Senate approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the Graduate Diploma in Marketing in the Faculty of Economics and Business, with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

**6.4 Faculty of Health Sciences:**

**(1) Master of Exercise Physiology**

Associate Professor Collins advised the Committee that she had reviewed the proposal and asked for clarification of a couple of minor points. She noted that the use of Commonwealth-supported and fee-

paying places in the degree was not clear. Ms Gamble advised that the Faculty had determined that only fee-paying places would be available. Professor Collins also noted that the honours component was not outlined in depth in the proposal, and further queried the lack of benchmarking with the University of Queensland. Associate Professor O'Dwyer advised that the Queensland course had only commenced this year.

With regard to the admission requirements for honours, Ms Gamble advised that this should be a credit average and that clause 4.1.1 of the Faculty resolutions would be amended. Dr Clegg queried the satisfactory progress clauses in the Faculty resolutions and also asked whether part-time study would be offered. Ms Gamble advised that more detailed advice on satisfactory progress was outlined in the Faculty handbook to allow coverage of issues such as clinical placements. Associate Professor O'Dwyer advised that part-time study was not possible given the clinical emphasis of the course.

Members noted that a reference on page two of the proposal to a combined degree referred to an earlier concept which had since been abandoned. The course was currently being considered for accreditation, however if accreditation was not received students would be able to apply for accreditation through other avenues.

Members approved the proposal pending amendment of the Faculty resolutions.

#### **Resolution 31/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences to introduce the Master of Exercise Physiology,
- (2) recommend that Senate:
  - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;
  - (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Health Sciences; and
  - (c) approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the course; and
- (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to the course; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

Ms Gamble advised members that the next two proposals referred to the deletion of streams from the Master of Health Science. Both streams were attracting only small numbers of students and neither stream provided accreditation in the relevant occupational area. Professor Sutton asked whether there were substitute qualifications available through the University. Ms Gamble advised that the School of Psychology was likely to provide qualifications in this area but agreed that this would be checked. Following the meeting the Faculty advised that the "School of Psychology offers programs that can lead to registration as a psychologist that comply with the new accreditation criteria. As such, students who complete these programs will be able to work in the areas and undertake careers in the behavioural science and child and adolescent health area".

Members approved both proposals.

**(2) Master of Health Science (Child and Adolescent Health), Master of Health Science (Child and Adolescent Health) (Honours) and Graduate Certificate of Health Science (Child and Adolescent Health)**

**Resolution 32/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences to delete the Master of Health Science (Child and Adolescent Health), Master of Health Science (Child and Adolescent Health) (Honours) and Graduate Certificate of Health Science (Child and Adolescent Health),
  - (2) recommend that Senate:
    - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;
    - (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Health Sciences; and
    - (c) approve the deletion of Resolutions of Senate relating to the courses; and
  - (3) approve the deletion of the Faculty Resolutions relating to the courses;
- with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

**(3) Master of Health Science (Behavioural Science), Master of Health Science (Behavioural Science) (Honours) and Graduate Certificate of Health Science (Behavioural Science)**

**Resolution 33/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences to delete the Master of Health Science (Behavioural Science), Master of Health Science (Behavioural Science) (Honours) and Graduate Certificate of Health Science (Behavioural Science),
  - (2) recommend that Senate:
    - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;
    - (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Health Sciences; and
    - (c) approve the deletion of Resolutions of Senate relating to the courses; and
  - (3) approve the deletion of the Faculty Resolutions relating to the courses;
- with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

**6.5 Faculty of Medicine: Master of Medicine (Refractive Surgery) and Graduate Diploma in Medicine (Refractive Surgery)**

Members noted that Ms Gamble had reviewed this proposal. She noted that the proposal addressed an emerging workforce need and would be the first course of this type offered in the southern hemisphere. The course had strong industry and cross-institutional links (including collaboration with the University of Otago) and strong support from practitioners. She noted that the proposal appeared to focus on the graduate diploma, rather than the masters degree. She also noted the reference to an honours component in Section 3 of the proposal, which was not mentioned in Section 1. Dr Griggs

advised that this would be a treatise requiring an additional 12 credit points of study, in line with the honours component for the overall Master of Medicine.

Ms Gamble also queried the costs involved in producing DVDs for the proposed distance education. Dr Griggs advised that the Faculty currently used a production company to produce such DVDs for a range of courses and this would be an extension of the current arrangement. He also clarified that students entering this course would have studied ophthalmology prior to admission. Dr Sutton advised that the Faculty had already received expressions of interest from potential overseas students, including students from the UK where the Government had just amended accreditation requirements to require completion of specialist postgraduate studies in refractive surgery for such practitioners.

The Chair noted that the generic admissions requirements for the Master of Medicine should be amended to outline the specific admission requirements for the refractive surgery stream, including the requirement that the student have completed studies in ophthalmology and that they be registered in their country or state as an ophthalmologist. The Chair also recommended expanding the Satisfactory Progress clause in the Faculty requirements to specifically reference the Academic Board's policy "Identifying and Supporting Students at Risk".

It was agreed that the resolutions should be amended and circulated to members prior to the proposal being referred to the Academic Board for approval. Members gave in principle approval to the proposal pending receipt of the amended resolutions.

#### **Resolution 34/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Medicine to introduce the Master of Medicine (Refractive Surgery) and Graduate Diploma in Medicine (Refractive Surgery),
  - (2) recommend that Senate:
    - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;
    - (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Medicine; and
    - (c) approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the course; and
  - (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to the course;
- with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

## **7. Report from Faculties**

### **7.1 Faculty of Arts: Parallel Teaching of Pali and Sanskrit**

Associate Professor Mitchell advised members that this request had been submitted by the School of Languages and Cultures, noting that similar arrangements had been approved for other languages. He pointed out that teaching in both languages focussed on reading skills and were strongly linked to specific research streams. The Chair noted that the proposal was consistent with the Academic Board's parallel teaching policy.

Members approved the proposal.

#### **Resolution 35/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend the Academic Board approve the application from the Faculty of Arts for parallel teaching of

undergraduate and postgraduate students in Pali and Sanskrit units of study, as set out in the report presented.

**7.2 Faculty of Health Sciences: Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science)/Master of Nursing**

Ms Gamble advised that this proposal related to amendments in the Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science), and in particular amended a range of units of study to bring the degree into alignment with other degrees offered by the Faculty.

Members approved the proposal.

**Resolution 36/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board approve the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences to amend the Health Sciences units within the Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science)/Master of Nursing, with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

**7.3 Sydney College of the Arts: Master of Documentary Photography, Master of Film and Digital Image, Master of Interactive and Digital Media and Master of Studio Art**

The Chair noted the new Faculty Resolutions for the four degrees and queried whether Senate Resolutions had also been provided. He further noted that it would be useful to see the Tables of Units of Study, particularly with regard to the cross-faculty offerings for the Master of Film and Digital Image. It was agreed that this information would be circulated to members. The new resolutions were approved in principle pending receipt of this additional information.

**Resolution 37/08**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Sydney College of the Arts to rescind the Faculty Resolutions for the Master of Documentary Photography, Master of Film and Digital Image, Master of Interactive and Digital Media and Master of Studio Art, and introduce new Faculty Resolutions for all four courses; and
- (2) approve the faculty requirements relating to the courses; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.

**8. General business**

There were no items of general business.

**9. Next meeting**

Members noted that the next meeting would be held on Wednesday, 18 June 2008.

## Agenda Item 4 Report of the Chair

### 4.1 The New Sydney Masters Degree

The Chair will provide a report on this matter at the meeting.

#### **Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee note the Chair's report on the new Sydney Masters degree.*

### 4.2 Student Appeals against Academic Decisions

At its meeting of 26 March 2008 the Graduate Studies Committee endorsed the revised Academic Board Resolutions regarding Student Appeals against Academic Decisions. The amended resolutions were subsequently approved at the Academic Board meeting of 16 April 2008.

The presidents of the SRC and SUPRA expressed concern at the April Academic Board meeting regarding the timelines for students wishing to submit an appeal. Following discussions with the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Academic Board on this matter, the following amendment has been submitted:

- 5.1 If a student is concerned about any academic decision, he or she should first discuss the issue with the relevant teacher or unit of study co-ordinator. Students are encouraged to take the earliest opportunity to discuss their concerns with relevant staff. This should normally be done within a) 15 working days of the student being advised of the particular academic decision or, b) in the case of ~~matters~~ academic decisions relating to a unit of study, within 15 working days of the unit of study result being posted by the University. During this time the student should attempt to resolve the matter with the relevant teacher or unit of study co-ordinator.

In addition, the Chair of the Academic Board wishes to make a further amendment to clause 4.1 as follows:

- 4.1 **Timeliness.** *All disputes should, wherever feasible, be resolved as quickly as possible.* Timelines prescribed in these procedures should always be followed, unless there are exceptional circumstances. If the timeline is to be exceeded by staff, the student must always be informed of the length of, and the reason for, the delay. A student may request an extension to these timelines where they can provide good grounds for the granting of such an extension. Such requests are to be made in writing and, where possible, before the timeline expires. In assessing whether or not a student has submitted an appeal in a timely fashion, or whether an extension should be granted, faculties should give due regard to the circumstances surrounding the appeal and the personal circumstances of the student. Faculties will not unreasonably deny a request for an extension of the period in which a student may submit an appeal.

#### **Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board amend the Academic Board Resolutions regarding Student Appeals against Academic Decisions as set out in the report presented.*

## **Agenda Item 5 Report of the Academic Board**

### **5.1 Report of the Academic Board meeting held on 28 May 2008**

The agenda for the meeting of the Academic Board on 28 May 2008 may be accessed on the web: <http://www.usyd.edu.au/su/ab/>

#### **5.1.1 Approval of New and Amended Courses**

The Academic Board approved proposals for the following new and amended courses:

- Faculty of Arts: introduction of the Master of Art Curatorship, Graduate Diploma in Art Curatorship and Graduate Certificate in Art Curatorship, Master of Health Communication, Graduate Diploma in Health Communication and Graduate Certificate in Health Communication, Master of Translation Studies and Graduate Diploma in Translation Studies, deletion of the Master of English Language in Australia, Graduate Diploma in English Language in Australia and Graduate Certificate in English Language in Australia, Master of Public Affairs, Graduate Diploma in Public Affairs and Graduate Certificate in Public Affairs, amendment of the Graduate Certificate in Arts, and approval of the request to allow parallel teaching of undergraduate and postgraduate students in Pali and Sanskrit units of study;
- Faculty of Dentistry: introduction of the Doctor of Clinical Dentistry, deletion of the Master of Dental Science and amendment of the Graduate Diploma in Clinical Dentistry and the Graduate Certificate in Clinical Dentistry;
- Faculty of Economics and Business: introduction of Resolutions of Senate for the Graduate Diploma of Marketing;
- Faculty of Health Sciences: introduction of the Master of Exercise Physiology, deletion of the Master of Health Science (Child and Adolescent Health), Master of Health Science (Child and Adolescent Health) (Honours) and Graduate Certificate of Health Science (Child and Adolescent Health), Master of Health Science (Behavioural Science), Master of Health Science (Behavioural Science) (Honours) and Graduate Certificate of Health Science (Behavioural Science), and amendment of Health Sciences units within the Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science)/Master of Nursing; and
- Sydney College of the Arts: rescission of the Faculty Resolutions for the Master of Documentary Photography, Master of Film and Digital Image, Master of Interactive and Digital Media and Master of Studio Art, and the introduction of new Faculty Resolutions for all four courses.

#### **5.1.2 Proceedings of the Committee**

The Academic Board noted the proceedings of the Graduate Studies Committee meeting held on 14 May 2008.

#### **5.1.3 Report of the Chair of the Academic Board**

The Academic Board, in relation to items in the report of its Chair:

- endorsed the nomination of a staff member to the Academic Board;
- noted a report on the outcome of various PhD theses where early submission had been approved; and
- noted a brief update on the academic reform program.

#### **5.1.4 Other matters**

The Academic Board also:

- noted the report of the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Campus Infrastructure and Services) on the Campus 2020 Master Plan for the University of Sydney;
- approved amendments to the Resolutions of Senate relating to Governance: Faculties, Colleges, College Boards, Boards of Studies, Departments, Schools and Committees;

- approved amendments to the policy “PhD: Guidelines for Examiners of Doctor of Philosophy Thesis”,
- approved amendments to the membership of the Central Promotions Committees for 2008, and
- approved the amendment of the terms of reference for the Wentworth Medal Committee to allow the Committee to deal with matters relating to the John Elliott Medal, including determining the annual essay topic and determining the annual winner (or winners) of the Medal and prize.

## Agenda Item 6 Proposals for New and Amended Courses

### 6.1 Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning

- (1) **Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts, Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts (Honours), Graduate Diploma in Interaction Design and Electronic Arts and Graduate Certificate in Interaction Design and Electronic Arts** *separate attachment*

The purpose of this proposal is to remove two existing streams from the Design Science postgraduate award courses, and introduce a new course that is a thorough revision and merger of the two. The new program is designed to meet the needs of research-led teaching on a postgraduate level, and the current practice in the industry of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts.

#### **Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the Master of Design Science, Graduate Diploma in Design Science and Graduate Certificate in Design Science to delete the streams in Design Computing and Digital Media, and introduce the Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts, Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts (Honours), Graduate Diploma in Interaction Design and Electronic Arts and Graduate Certificate in Interaction Design and Electronic Arts,*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
- (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning; and*
  - (c) *approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the courses; and*
- (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the courses; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*
- (2) **Master of Architectural History and Theory, Graduate Diploma in Architectural History and Theory and Graduate Certificate in Architectural History and Theory** *separate attachment*

This embedded sequence of award courses was created in 2008 to reinvigorate a dormant program in Architectural History, Theory and Criticism. It attracted just one applicant in 2008. The Faculty has formed the view that however desirable it may be to have a course of this nature, it is not viable.

#### **Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning to delete the Master of Architectural History and Theory, Graduate Diploma in Architectural History and Theory and Graduate Certificate in Architectural History and Theory,*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
- (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning; and*
  - (c) *approve the rescission of Resolutions of Senate relating to the courses; and*

- (3) *approve the rescission of the Faculty Resolutions relating to the courses;*  
*with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

## 6.2 Faculty of Arts

### (1) **Master of Economic and Social Sciences, Graduate Diploma in Economic and Social Sciences and Graduate Certificate in Economic and Social Sciences** *separate attachment*

This proposal is for a revision and effective amalgamation of previously existing coursework programs (FC033 and FC036) offered in the Faculty of Economics and Business (FC036 transferred to the Faculty of Arts as DC062 in 2008) to create a unified program with a common core in the Faculty of Arts, aimed at attracting increased numbers of local and international coursework students, while retaining a research pathway for outstanding students. The proposal consolidates and develops a unique program that has typically attracted those with training in humanities and social sciences who wish engage more with economic debate. The proposed changes will make better use of existing teaching resources and create additional higher degree opportunities in political economy.

The proposal was considered at the May meeting of the Graduate Studies Committee and was referred back to the Faculty for further revision (see page 11 of the minutes in this agenda for details). The Faculty has now submitted an amended proposal, which alters the name of the course from the Master of Economics (Social Sciences) to the Master of Economic and Social Sciences.

#### **Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the Master of Economics (Social Sciences) to become the Master of Economic and Social Sciences and introduce the Graduate Diploma in Economic and Social Sciences and Graduate Certificate in Economic and Social Sciences,*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
- (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
- (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Arts; and*
- (c) *approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the courses; and*
- (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the courses;*  
*with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

### (2) **Master of Letters in US Studies** *separate attachment*

During the process of developing the proposal for the new postgraduate program in US Studies in March 2007, it was decided that an advanced option should also be developed. However, it was decided at the time to submit a separate course proposal for this. Therefore the purpose of this proposal is to introduce a merit-based advanced component to the new postgraduate program in United States Studies which will be known as Master of Letters in US Studies. The MLitt program will provide students with the opportunity to take a third semester to further develop their expertise in US Studies. In order to provide maximum benefit to students enrolling in this third semester, three choices will be made available: a treatise; an internship; or additional units taken at USyd and/or a US university through a postgraduate exchange or semester abroad program. Through the exchange or semester abroad program in particular, key strategic relations with US universities will be strengthened or, in some cases, established. Such

universities will include: Georgetown, Harvard, Stanford, Berkeley, UCLA, and the University of Texas.

The proposal was considered at the May meeting of the Graduate Studies Committee and was referred back to the Faculty for further revision (see pages 13 to 14 of the minutes in this agenda for details). The Faculty has now submitted an amended proposal.

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to introduce the Master of Letters in US Studies*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Arts; and*
  - (c) *approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the course; and*
- (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the course; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

**6.3 Faculty of Economics and Business**

**(1) Master of Business and Graduate Diploma in Business** *separate attachment*

The purpose of this proposal is to discontinue the current Master of Business and Graduate Diploma programs as a result of a Faculty review of program offerings. In 2009, the Faculty of Economic and Business will introduce the Master of Management and as such teaching resources have been reallocated accordingly.

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Economics and Business to delete the Master of Business and Graduate Diploma in Business,*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Economics and Business; and*
  - (c) *approve the rescission of Resolutions of Senate relating to the courses; and*
- (3) *approve the rescission of the Faculty Resolutions relating to the courses; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

**(2) Master of Business Information Systems** *separate attachment*

The purpose of this proposal is to discontinue the current Master of Business Information Systems degree as a result of a Faculty review of program offerings. Due to low enrolment numbers since its introduction in 2006, the decision has been made to discontinue the Master of Business Information Systems.

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Economics and Business to delete the Master of Business Information Systems,*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*

- (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Economics and Business; and*
- (c) *approve the rescission of Resolutions of Senate relating to the course; and*
- (3) *approve the rescission of the Faculty Resolutions relating to the course;*  
*with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

#### **6.4 Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies**

##### **(1) Master of Professional Engineering** *separate attachment*

The purpose of this proposal is to introduce a new award course, the Master of Professional Engineering or MPE degree for new students and also to provide a transition pathway for existing Master of Engineering students to transfer to the MPE in 2009.

##### **Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies to introduce the Master of Professional Engineering,*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies; and*
  - (c) *approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the course; and*
- (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the course;*  
*with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

##### **(2) Master of Engineering (Biomedical Engineering)** *separate attachment*

The purpose of this proposal is to introduce a new award course, the Master of Engineering (Biomedical). The course is designed to meet the needs of the Australian and overseas biomedical industry by producing graduates with the strongest possible technical skills in areas of relevance to the rapidly growing local and global biomedical industry.

##### **Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies to amend the Master of Engineering to introduce the Biomedical Engineering stream,*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies and the Master of Engineering; and*
- (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the course;*  
*with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

#### **6.5 Faculty of Health Sciences**

##### **(1) Master of Health Science** *separate attachment*

The Master of Health Science (Physiotherapy) is proposed to subsume the seven specialist post-graduate masters courses offered by the Discipline of Physiotherapy. These courses are Master of Health Science (Cardiopulmonary Physiotherapy), Master of Health Science (Sports Physiotherapy), Master of Health Science (Manipulative Physiotherapy), Master of Health Science (Manipulative Physiotherapy), Master of Health

Science (Neurological Physiotherapy), Master of Health Science (Paediatric Physiotherapy) and Master of Health Science (Physiotherapy). In the new course, a Generic stream and a Combined Sports and Manipulative Physiotherapy stream will no longer be offered. Also, all Honours programs will be deleted.

The Faculty also intends to delete the current Master of Health Sciences (Speech Language Pathology) based on a review undertaken by the Faculty of Health Sciences and the 2008 introduction of a generic Master of Health Science and Graduate Certificate. In this proposal it is suggested that Speech Language Pathology be included as a specialist stream. This is in line with the rationalisation and consolidation of programme offerings within the Faculty.

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences to amend the Physiotherapy stream and delete the streams of Cardiopulmonary Physiotherapy, Manipulative Physiotherapy, Neurological Physiotherapy, Paediatric Physiotherapy, Sports Physiotherapy, Sports Physiotherapy/Manipulative Physiotherapy and Speech-Language Pathology from the Master of Health Science*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Masters Degrees in the Faculty of Health Sciences; and*
- (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the course; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

**(2) Master of Health Sciences (Speech and Language Pathology)**

*separate attachment*

This proposal will introduce a new stream in the Graduate Certificate of Health Sciences, Graduate Diploma of Health Sciences (exit only), Master of Health Sciences, Master of Health Sciences Honours. Existing streams include Occupational Therapy, Indigenous Health, Gerontology and Orthoptics. The healthcare environment has changed dramatically in recent years and the health sector needs people with generic skills who can adapt to this changing sector. These existing courses will allow students who have a background in the health professions and/or relevant disciplines to develop discipline or cross discipline based knowledge and research skills so they can critically evaluate and integrate evidence based practice into their work across a range of health disciplines. The new stream will provide speech pathology graduates with the opportunity to extend their undergraduate education by providing them with flexible pathways (streams) for professional development. The opportunity for choice of units of study provides students with flexibility and enables them to select subjects relevant to their professional development needs, thus equipping students with the knowledge, understanding and expertise to work within the contemporary health care sector.

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences to amend the Master of Health Sciences to introduce the stream of Speech and Language Pathology*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*

- (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Masters Degrees in the Faculty of Health Sciences; and*
- (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the course; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

**6.5 Faculty of Medicine: Master of Medicine (Refractive Surgery) and Graduate Diploma in Medicine (Refractive Surgery)** *page 31*

This proposal aims to introduce a new graduate diploma and masters degree in refractive surgery for local and international medical graduates. It will be the first of its kind in the southern hemisphere and aims to address a gap in the postgraduate training of ophthalmologists in the area of refractive surgery. The diploma and degree will have appeal to Australian, New Zealand and overseas ophthalmologists and should eventually become a prerequisite to practicing refractive surgery in Australia and New Zealand as it has been in the United Kingdom.

The proposal was considered at the May meeting of the Graduate Studies Committee and was approved subject to amended admissions resolutions being received and circulated (see pages 18 to 19 of the minutes in this agenda for details). The Faculty has now provided the amended resolutions, which are set out on the following page. The full proposal is available online at:

[http://www.usyd.edu.au/ab/committees/grad\\_studies/docs/Refractive\\_Surgery.pdf](http://www.usyd.edu.au/ab/committees/grad_studies/docs/Refractive_Surgery.pdf)

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Medicine to introduce the Master of Medicine (Refractive Surgery) and Graduate Diploma in Medicine (Refractive Surgery),*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
  - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal;*
  - (b) *approve the amendment of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Medicine; and*
  - (c) *approve the introduction of Resolutions of Senate relating to the course; and*
- (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the course; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

## **Master of Medicine**

### **Master of Science in Medicine**

#### **1. Admission**

1.1 Except as provided in Part 9, section 47 of the *University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999*, the Faculty of Medicine may, on the recommendation of the head of a discipline in the Faculty:

1.1.1 admit to candidature for the degree of Master of Medicine:

1.1.1.1 an applicant who holds the degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery of the University of Sydney;

1.1.1.2 and in the case of the specialty of Refractive Surgery, who

1.1.1.2.1.1 is eligible to undertake a subspecialty fellowship in their final year of accredited training having completed all the requirements of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Ophthalmologist's or equivalent body; or

1.1.1.2.1.2 is registered by their state, territory or country to practice ophthalmology; and

1.1.1.2.2 has appropriate medical indemnity;

1.1.2 admit to candidature for the degree of Master of Science in Medicine:

1.1.2.1 an applicant who holds the degree of bachelor with first or second class honours, or

1.1.2.2 an applicant who holds the degree of bachelor of the University of Sydney without first or second class honours and who has completed equivalent work or passed a preliminary examination or examinations as prescribed by the Faculty.

## Agenda Item 7 Reports from Faculties

### 7.1 Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning

#### 7.1.1 Master of Design Science

pages 37-42

The Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning is proposing to amend the Master of Design Science to make the Facilities Management Stream a secondary stream and to embed the honours component of the degree into the overall degree structure.

#### **Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the Facilities Management stream and the honours requirements for the Master of Design Science, and*
- (2) *approve the requirements for the honours degree, with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

#### 7.1.2 Master of Facilities Management, Master of Heritage Conservation and Master of Urban Design

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The Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning is proposing to amend the Master of Facilities Management, the Master of Heritage Conservation and the Master of Urban Design to embed the honours component of the degree into the overall degree structure.

#### **Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the honours requirements for the Master of Facilities Management, Master of Heritage Conservation and Master of Urban Design, and*
- (2) *approve the requirements for the honours degrees, with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

#### 7.1.5 Master of Design Science, Master of Facilities Management, Master of Heritage Conservation, Master of Housing Studies, Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts, Master of Urban Design and Master of Urban and Regional Planning

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With the introduction of the Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts, the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning is proposing to amend the specialised credit arrangements applying to the new course and other existing postgraduate coursework degrees (with the exception of the Master of Architecture).

#### **Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend the Academic Board approve the proposal from the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the specialised credit arrangements for the Master of Design Science, Master of Facilities Management, Master of Heritage Conservation, Master of Housing Studies, Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts, Master of Urban Design and Master of Urban and Regional Planning, and with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

### 7.2 Faculty of Arts: Master of Public Policy, Graduate Diploma in Public Policy and Graduate Certificate in Public Policy

pages 53-54

The Faculty of Arts is intending to amend the Faculty Resolutions for the Master of Public Policy, Graduate Diploma in Public Policy and Graduate Certificate in Public

Policy to introduce one compulsory core unit and one core unit from a pool of core units. Currently students must complete a minimum of three 'core' units for a Master/Graduate Diploma in Public Policy and two 'core' units for the Graduate Certificate in Public Policy from a pool of core units.

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the selection of core units of study for the Master of Public Policy, Graduate Diploma in Public Policy and Graduate Certificate in Public Policy, and*
  - (2) *approve the requirements for the pass degree, honours degree, graduate diploma and graduate certificate*
- with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

**7.3 Faculty of Law**

**7.3.1 Master of Administrative Law and Policy, Master of Criminology, Master of Environmental Law, Master of Environmental Science and Law, Master of Health Law, Master of International Business and Law, Master of International Law, Master of International Taxation, Master of Labour Law and Relations, Master of Taxation, Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law, Graduate Diploma in Corporate, Securities and Finance Law, Graduate Diploma in Criminology, Graduate Diploma in Environmental Law, Graduate Diploma in Health Law, Graduate Diploma in International Law, Graduate Diploma in International Business Law, Graduate Diploma in Public Health Law and Graduate Diploma in Taxation**

*pages 55-58*

The Faculty of Law has approved a number of minor amendments to these courses, and the related Faculty resolutions, arising from amendments to various units of study.

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Law to amend the units of study in the Master of Administrative Law and Policy, Master of Criminology, Master of Environmental Law, Master of Environmental Science and Law, Master of Health Law, Master of International Business and Law, Master of International Law, Master of International Taxation, Master of Labour Law and Relations, Master of Taxation, Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law, Graduate Diploma in Corporate, Securities and Finance Law, Graduate Diploma in Criminology, Graduate Diploma in Environmental Law, Graduate Diploma in Health Law, Graduate Diploma in International Law, Graduate Diploma in International Business Law, Graduate Diploma in Public Health Law and Graduate Diploma in Taxation; and*
  - (2) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the courses;*
- with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

**7.3.2 Master of Administrative Law and Policy, Master of Asian and Pacific Legal Systems, Master of Business Law, Master of Criminology, Master of Environmental Law, Master of Health Law, Master of International Law, Master of International Taxation, Master of Jurisprudence, Master of Labour Law and Relations, Master of Laws, Master of Taxation, Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law, Graduate Diploma in Corporate Securities and Finance Law, Graduate Diploma in Criminology, Graduate Diploma in Environmental Law, Graduate Diploma in Health Law, Graduate Diploma in International Business Law, Graduate Diploma in International Law, Graduate Diploma in Jurisprudence,**

**Graduate Diploma in Law, Graduate Diploma in Public Health Law and Graduate Diploma in Taxation: Amendment of assessment procedures**

pages 59-60

The Faculty of Law is seeking to amend the assessment procedures for the above courses, and in particular to amend the delegation of some rights to waive attendance at classes from its Postgraduate Coursework Committee to the relevant postgraduate course co-ordinator.

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Law to amend the assessment procedures for the Master of Administrative Law and Policy, Master of Asian and Pacific Legal Systems, Master of Business Law, Master of Criminology, Master of Environmental Law, Master of Health Law, Master of International Law, Master of International Taxation, Master of Jurisprudence, Master of Labour Law and Relations, Master of Laws, Master of Taxation, Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law, Graduate Diploma in Corporate Securities and Finance Law, Graduate Diploma in Criminology, Graduate Diploma in Environmental Law, Graduate Diploma in Health Law, Graduate Diploma in International Business Law, Graduate Diploma in International Law, Graduate Diploma in Jurisprudence, Graduate Diploma in Law, Graduate Diploma in Public Health Law and Graduate Diploma in Taxation; and*
- (2) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the courses; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

**7.3.3 Master of Administrative Law and Policy, Master of Asian and Pacific Legal Systems, Master of Criminology, Master of Environmental Law, Master of Health Law, Master of International Taxation, Master of Jurisprudence, Master of Labour Law and Relations, Master of Laws and Master of Taxation: Deletion of honours**

pages 61-63

The Faculty of Law determined to only award the above courses as pass degrees in 1999. The decision was implemented with a ten-year transition period. This period expires at the end of 2008 and the Faculty is now seeking to formalise the removal of award with honours from the above programs.

**Recommendation**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Law to delete the award of the degree with honours in the Master of Administrative Law and Policy, Master of Asian and Pacific Legal Systems, Master of Criminology, Master of Environmental Law, Master of Health Law, Master of International Taxation, Master of Jurisprudence, Master of Labour Law and Relations, Master of Laws and Master of Taxation; and*
- (2) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the courses; with effect from 1 January 2009, as set out in the report presented.*

**7.4 Sydney College of the Arts: Postgraduate courses**

The Sydney College of the Arts is requesting that the Academic Board amend the policy "Postgraduate English Language Requirements" to insert the following definition of "satisfactory record in tertiary studies" with respect to its postgraduate courses:

*Applicants must present evidence of one-year full-time university study in which the language of the institution was English, and the language of instruction, examination and assessment was English. To be "satisfactory" the applicant must have a pass*

*average if this qualification was not used to gain admission. The study must have been undertaken at a recognised institution. Where a university has two official languages, one being English, proof must be received from the Registrar/Academic Affairs office or equivalent that the applicant's entire course was conducted in English.*

*The above definition of "satisfactory achievement" should be applied for local and international postgraduate applicants, where English is not their first language.*

The proposed amendment excludes TAFE Diplomas, private institution Diplomas at AQF5 or above, graduate certificates (if less than one year) and study abroad (if less than one year). Only one year of full-time university study will be accepted by the Sydney College of the Arts to meet the English language requirement.

***Recommendation***

*That the Academic Board approve the amendments to the policy "Postgraduate English Language Requirements", as set out in the report presented.*

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## Minor Course Amendment Proposal

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Faculty/Board of Studies: ARCHITECTURE, DESIGN AND PLANNING

Contact person: **BARRIE SHELTON/ MARTIN HESSE**

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**1. Name of award course**

MASTER OF DESIGN SCIENCE

**2. Purpose of proposal**

1. To amend the Resolutions of the Senate and Faculty to convert the Facilities Management stream to a secondary stream only.

2. To amend the Resolutions of the Faculty relating to the admission to, and requirements for, the Master of Design Science with Honours.

**3. Details of amendment**

*Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning Handbook 2008, pages 164-5*

1. Facilities Management stream

This stream is to be removed, and replaced as a secondary stream only. This means the award of the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma, Master of Design Science (Facilities Management) and Master of Design Science (Facilities Management) (Honours) will no longer be possible, but Facilities Management will remain as a secondary stream to interested students in the 96 credit point double stream masters degree. The Facilities Management stream was converted to a separate named degree in 2005, but the continued existence of the Design Science stream of the same name has created market confusion. This change should remove confusion but keep the stream as an option, especially to students in the Building Services stream. Senate Resolutions 4.1.6, 4.2 and 4.2.1  
Faculty Resolutions 3.5

2. Honours in the Master of Design Science

The effect of the change is to allow the completion of the honours degree within the same credit point total as the pass degree. This returns the resolutions to the same requirements that existed prior to 2005. The requirement for Honours of the completion of a 24 credit point dissertation at Distinction or better remains unchanged.

In 2005 the Faculty made the honours degree a 24 credit point extension to the pass degree. The result has been a dramatic reduction in honours completions and the impairment of a valuable pathway to research degrees in the Faculty.

Honours enrolment history (all graduate coursework degrees)

Year	Number
2008	5
2007	4
2006	4
2005	14
2004	13
2003	16
2002	13

**4. Transitional arrangements**

1. Students currently enrolled in the Design Computing or Digital media degrees will be encouraged to transfer to the replacement program. 2009 will be a transition year

where a range of the 2008 units of study will run in parallel with the new program. See the proposal for the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts for full details.

2. Students currently in the Design Science (Facilities Management) degrees will be encouraged to transfer to the named degree, but since there is no change to units of study on offer there are no real transition problems. The following courses will be closed to new admissions from 2009:

CG046 Graduate Certificate in Design Science (Facilities Management)

CF046 Graduate Diploma in Design Science (Facilities Management)

CC046 Master of Design Science (Facilities Management)

CC146 Master of Design Science (Facilities Management and stream)

CC246 Master of Design Science (Facilities Management) (Honours)

3. Any student who has commenced and completed a pass masters degree since 2005 will be allowed to complete an honours conversion by undertaking the 24 credit point dissertation extension degree. All other qualified and interested students will be allowed to undertake a dissertation within the 72 credit point framework.

The following degree codes should be able to be closed within 12 months:

CC242 Master of Design Science (Building) (Honours)

CC243 Master of Design Science (Building Services) (Honours)

CC244 Master of Design Science (Design Computing) (Honours)

CC245 Master of Design Science (Digital Media) (Honours)

CC248 Master of Design Science (Illumination) (Honours)

CC249 Master of Design Science (Sustainable Design) (Honours)

CC251 Master of Design Science (Audio and Acoustics) (Honours)

**5. Other relevant information**

Passed by Faculty 28 May, 2008

**6. Signature of Dean**

## Amendment to Resolutions of Senate

### **Master of Design Science, Graduate Diploma in Design Science, Graduate Certificate in Design Science**

The Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Master of Design Science, Graduate Diploma in Design Science and Graduate Certificate in Design Science in the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning are amended, with effect from 1 January 2009, as follows (additions indicated by underlined, deletions indicated by strikethrough):

#### **1. Requirements for the Graduate Certificate in Design Science**

1.1 To qualify for the award of the Graduate Certificate in Design Science a student must:

1.1.1 complete successfully units of study giving credit for a total of 24 credit points;

1.1.2 complete the requirements for one stream; and

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

#### **2. Requirements for the Graduate Diploma of Design Science**

2.1 To qualify for the award of the Graduate Diploma in Design Science a student must:

2.1.1 complete successfully units of study giving credit for a total of 48 credit points;

2.1.2 complete the requirements for one stream; and

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

#### **3. Requirements for the Master of Design Science**

3.1 To qualify for the award of the Master of Design Science a student must:

3.1.1 complete successfully units of study giving credit for a total of 72 credit points;

3.1.2 complete the requirements for one stream; and

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

#### **3. Requirements for the Master of Design Science with two streams**

3.1 To qualify for the award of the Master of Design Science with two streams a student must:

3.1.1 complete successfully units of study giving credit for a total of 96 credit points;

3.1.2 complete the requirements for two streams; and

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

#### **4. Streams**

4.1 The Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Design Science shall be awarded in the following streams.

4.1.1 audio and acoustics;

4.1.2 building;

4.1.3 building services;

4.1.4 ~~design computing;~~

4.1.5 ~~digital media;~~

4.1.6 ~~facilities management;~~

4.1.4 illumination design; and/ or

4.1.5 sustainable design.

4.2 The Master of Design Science with two streams may include the following streams as secondary only:

4.2.1 facilities management.

## Amendment to Faculty Resolutions

### Master of Design Science, Graduate Diploma in Design Science, Graduate Certificate in Design Science

The Faculty Resolutions relating to the Master of Design Science, Graduate Diploma in Design Science and Graduate Certificate in Design Science in the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning are amended, with effect from 1 January 2009, as follows (additions indicated by underlined, deletions indicated by strikethrough):

#### 1. Admission

~~1.1 An applicant for admission to candidature for the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Master of Design Science (Digital Media) or (Design Computing) shall submit a portfolio of work indicating relevant design interests and capacities to the satisfaction of the stream coordinator, as well as satisfy the requirements of 1.2, 1.3 or 1.4 below.~~

1.1 An applicant for admission to candidature for the Graduate Certificate in Design Science shall:

1.1.1 hold a bachelor degree of the University of Sydney, or hold qualifications deemed by the Dean to be equivalent; or

1.1.2 furnish evidence which satisfies the Dean that he or she is qualified to enter upon the prescribed units of study.

1.2 An applicant for admission to candidature for the Graduate Diploma in Design Science shall:

1.2.1 hold a bachelor degree of the University of Sydney or hold qualifications deemed by the Dean to be equivalent; or

1.2.2 hold or have qualified for the award of the graduate certificate with a weighted average mark of at least 70 across all units attempted for the award.

1.3 An applicant for admission to candidature for the degree of Master of Design Science shall:

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

1.3.2 hold or have qualified for the award of the graduate diploma; or

1.3.3 hold or have qualified for the award of the graduate certificate with a weighted average mark of at least 70 across all units attempted for the award.

1.4 An applicant for admission to candidature for the degree of Master of Design Science with honours must:

1.4.1 ~~hold or have qualified for the award of the pass degree and achieved a weighted average mark of at least 75;~~ have achieved a weighted average mark of at least 75 in all other coursework required for the degree; and

1.4.2 have the approval of the relevant program coordinator, including having an agreed supervisor.

1.5 The number of students admitted to the courses may be limited in accordance with University policies depending on available teaching resources.

#### 2. Units of study

2.1 The units of study that may be taken for the courses are set out in Table G, the table of graduate units of study, in the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning Handbook, together with:

2.1.1 credit point values;

2.1.2 assumed knowledge, corequisites and prerequisites;

2.1.3 the sessions in which they are offered;

2.1.4 the units with which they are mutually exclusive;

2.1.5 designation as core, optional or elective; and

2.1.6 any special conditions.

#### 3. Requirements for the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Design Science

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

3.2 To qualify for the award of the Graduate Diploma in Design Science, a candidate must successfully complete 48 credit points from units of study selected from Table G, the faculty's table of graduate units of study, to the limits specified in the table of requirements below for a single stream.

3.3 To qualify for the award of the Master of Design Science, a candidate must successfully complete 72 credit points from units of study selected from Table G, the faculty's table of graduate units of study, to the limits specified in the table of requirements below for a single stream.

3.4 To qualify for the award of the Master of Design Science with two streams, a candidate must successfully complete 96 credit points from units of study selected from Table G, the faculty's table of graduate units of study, to the limits specified in the table of requirements below, meeting the following requirements for two streams:

3.4.1 the candidate must decide which of the two streams is primary, and meet the core and optional requirements for that stream;

3.4.2 the candidate must decide which of the two streams is secondary, and meet the core requirements for that stream; and

3.4.3 a unit that is common to the requirements of both streams may count towards the requirements for both streams, but may only count once in the total credit points for the degree.

### 3.5 Table of requirements

Audio and Acoustics	Min core	Min Options	Max Elective
Graduate Certificate	18	6	0
Graduate Diploma	24	18	6
Masters	24	18	30

Building	Min core	Min Options	Max Elective
Graduate Certificate	24	0	0
Graduate Diploma	30	0	18
Masters	36	0	36

Building Services	Min core	Min Options	Max Elective
Graduate Certificate	18	6	0
Graduate Diploma	24	12	12
Masters	36	12	24

Design Computing	Min core	Min Options	Max Elective
Graduate Certificate	18	6	0
Graduate Diploma	36	12	0
Masters	48	18	6

Digital Media	Min core	Min Options	Max Elective
Graduate Certificate	18	0	6
Graduate Diploma	36	6	6
Masters	36	18	18

Facilities Management	Min core	Min Options	Max Elective
Graduate Certificate	24	0	0
Graduate Diploma	24	12	12
Masters (Secondary stream only)	36	18	18

Illumination Design	Min core	Min Options	Max Elective
Graduate Certificate	24	0	0
Graduate Diploma	36	6	6
Masters	36	18	18

Sustainable Design	Min core	Min Options	Max Elective
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Graduate Certificate	18	6	0
Graduate Diploma	24	12	12
Masters	24	18	30

3.6 Core units completed in excess of the minimum requirements may count as options or electives.

3.7 Optional units completed in excess of the minimum requirements may count as electives.

3.8 Candidates may substitute graduate units of study from outside the faculty's table of graduate units of study to the limits shown in the table of credits and substitutions in section 2.

#### 4. Requirements for the honours degree

4.1 To qualify for the award of the Master of Design Science honours degree, a student must complete the requirements for the pass degree but:

~~4.1.1 hold or have qualified for the pass master degree with a weighted average mark of at least 75; and~~

4.1.1 ~~complete~~ include a 24 credit point dissertation with a grade of at least Distinction.

4.1.2 The dissertation will count first as elective credit points and then as optional credit points, as determined by the requirements for each stream.

#### 5. Award of the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Design Science

5.1 The Graduate Certificate and Graduate Diploma in Design Science are awarded in the Pass grade only.

5.2 The Master of Design Science will be awarded in two grades, namely pass and honours.

5.2.1 A candidate will graduate with the grade merited.

5.2.2 A candidate who fails to satisfy the requirements for the honours degree, and who has not already graduated, shall be awarded the pass degree.

5.3 A candidate who enrolls in the following semester, in a higher level award course in this embedded sequence, will not graduate until the completion of the highest award attempted.

5.4 A candidate who has completed the requirements for a course, and who does not enrol in the following semester in a higher level embedded course in this sequence, will graduate from that course

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## Minor Course Amendment Proposal

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Faculty/Board of Studies: ARCHITECTURE, DESIGN AND PLANNING

Contact person: **BARRIE SHELTON/ MARTIN HESSE**

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**1. Name of award course**

MASTER OF FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

**2. Purpose of proposal**

To amend the resolutions of the faculty relating to the admission to, and requirements for, the Master of Facilities Management with Honours.

**3. Details of amendment**

*Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning Handbook 2008, page 166*

The effect of the change is to allow the completion of the honours degree within 72 credit points by completion of a dissertation. The pass degree is also awarded after 72 credit points without a dissertation. This returns the resolutions to the same requirements that existed prior to 2005.

In 2005 the Faculty made the honours degree a 24 credit point extension to the 72 credit point pass degree. The result has been a dramatic reduction in honours completions and the impairment of a valuable pathway to research degrees in the Faculty.

Honours enrolment history (all graduate coursework degrees)

Year	Number
2008	5
2007	4
2006	4
2005	14
2004	13
2003	16
2002	13

**4. Transitional arrangements**

Any student who has commenced and completed a pass masters degree since 2005 will be allowed to complete an honours conversion by undertaking the 24 credit point dissertation extension degree. All other qualified and interested students will be allowed to undertake a dissertation within the 72 credit point framework.

The following degree code should be able to be closed within 12 months:  
CC256 Master of Facilities Management (Honours)

**5. Other relevant information**

Passed by Faculty 28 May, 2008

**6. Signature of Dean**

## Amendment to Faculty Resolutions

### **Master of Facilities Management, Graduate Diploma in Facilities Management, Graduate Certificate in Facilities Management**

The Faculty Resolutions relating to the Master of Facilities Management, Graduate Diploma in Facilities Management and Graduate Certificate in Facilities Management in the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning are amended, with effect from 1 January 2009, as follows (additions indicated by underlined, deletions indicated by strikethrough):

#### **1. Admission**

1.1 An applicant for admission to candidature for the Graduate Certificate in Facilities Management shall:

1.1.1 hold a bachelor degree of the University of Sydney, or hold qualifications deemed by the Dean to be equivalent; or

1.1.2 furnish evidence which satisfies the Dean that he or she is qualified to enter upon the prescribed units of study.

1.2 An applicant for admission to candidature for the Graduate Diploma in Facilities Management shall:

1.2.1 hold a bachelor degree of the University of Sydney or hold qualifications deemed by the Dean to be equivalent; or

1.2.2 hold or have qualified for the award of the graduate certificate with a weighted average mark of at least 70 across all units attempted for the award.

1.3 An applicant for admission to candidature for the degree of Master of Facilities Management shall:

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

1.3.2 hold or have qualified for the award of the graduate diploma; or

1.3.3 hold or have qualified for the award of the graduate certificate with a weighted average mark of at least 70 across all units attempted for the award.

1.4 An applicant for admission to candidature for the degree of Master of Facilities Management with honours must:

1.4.1 ~~hold or have qualified for the award of the pass degree and achieved a weighted average mark of at least 75;~~ have achieved a weighted average mark of at least 75 in all other coursework required for the award of the degree; and

1.4.2 have the approval of the program coordinator, including having an agreed supervisor.

1.5 The number of students admitted to the courses may be limited in accordance with University policies depending on available teaching resources.

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

2.1 The units of study that may be taken for the courses are set out in Table G, the table of graduate units of study, in the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning Handbook, together with:

2.1.1 credit point values;

2.1.2 assumed knowledge, corequisites and prerequisites;

2.1.3 the sessions in which they are offered;

2.1.4 the units with which they are mutually exclusive;

2.1.5 designation as core, optional or elective; and

2.1.6 any special conditions.

#### **3. Requirements for the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Facilities Management**

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

3.2 To qualify for the award of the Graduate Diploma in Facilities Management, a candidate must successfully complete 48 credit points from units of study selected from Table G, the faculty's table of graduate units of study, to the limits specified in the table of requirements below.

3.3 To qualify for the award of the Master of Facilities Management, a candidate must successfully complete 72 credit points from units of study selected from Table G, the faculty's table of graduate units of study, to the limits specified in the table of requirements below.

**3.4 Table of requirements**

	<b>Min core</b>	<b>Min Options</b>	<b>Max Elective</b>
Graduate Certificate	24	0	0
Graduate Diploma	24	12	12
Masters	36	18	18

3.5 Core units completed in excess of the minimum requirements may count as options or electives.

3.6 Optional units completed in excess of the minimum requirements may count as electives.

3.7 Candidates may substitute graduate units of study from outside the faculty's table of graduate units of study to the limits shown in the table of credits and substitutions in section 2.

**4. Requirements for the honours degree**

4.1 To qualify for the award of the Master of Facilities Management with honours degree, a student must successfully complete units of study amounting to 72 credit points, comprising:

4.1.1 hold or have qualified for the pass master degree with a weighted average mark of at least 75; core units of study to the limits shown in the table of requirements; and

4.1.2 complete a 24 credit point dissertation with a grade of at least Distinction; and

4.1.3 12 additional credit points.

**5. Award of the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Facilities Management**

5.1 The Graduate Certificate and Graduate Diploma in Facilities Management are awarded in the Pass grade only.

5.2 The Master of Facilities Management will be awarded in two grades, namely pass and honours.

5.2.1 A candidate will graduate with the grade merited.

5.2.2 A candidate who fails to satisfy the requirements for the honours degree, and who has not already graduated, shall be awarded the pass degree.

5.3 A candidate who enrolls in the following semester, in a higher level award course in this embedded sequence, will not graduate until the completion of the highest award attempted.

5.4 A candidate who has completed the requirements for a course, and who does not enrol in the following semester in a higher level embedded course in this sequence, will graduate from that course.

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## Minor Course Amendment Proposal

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Faculty/Board of Studies: ARCHITECTURE, DESIGN AND PLANNING

Contact person: **BARRIE SHELTON/ MARTIN HESSE**

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**1. Name of award course**

MASTER OF HERITAGE CONSERVATION

**2. Purpose of proposal**

To amend the resolutions of the faculty relating to the admission to, and requirements for, the Master of Heritage Conservation with Honours.

**3. Details of amendment**

*Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning Handbook 2008, page 167*

The effect of the change is to allow the completion of the honours degree within 72 credit points by completion of a dissertation. The pass degree is also awarded after 72 credit points without a dissertation. This returns the resolutions to the same requirements that existed prior to 2005.

In 2005 the Faculty made the honours degree a 24 credit point extension to the 72 credit point pass degree. The result has been a dramatic reduction in honours completions and the impairment of a valuable pathway to research degrees in the Faculty.

Honours enrolment history (all coursework degrees)

Year	Number
2008	5
2007	4
2006	4
2005	14
2004	13
2003	16
2002	13

**4. Transitional arrangements**

Any student who has commenced and completed a pass masters degree since 2005 will be allowed to complete an honours conversion by undertaking the 24 credit point dissertation extension degree. All other qualified and interested students will be allowed to undertake a dissertation within the 72 credit point framework.

The following degree code should be able to be closed within 12 months:  
CC233 Master of Heritage Conservation (Honours)

**5. Other relevant information**

Passed by Faculty 28 May, 2008

**6. Signature of Dean**

## Amendment to Faculty Resolutions

### **Master of Heritage Conservation, Graduate Diploma in Heritage Conservation, Graduate Certificate in Heritage Conservation**

The Faculty Resolutions relating to the Master of Heritage Conservation, Graduate Diploma in Heritage Conservation and Graduate Certificate in Heritage Conservation in the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning are amended, with effect from 1 January 2009, as follows (additions indicated by underlined, deletions indicated by strikethrough):

#### **1. Admission**

1.1 An applicant for admission to candidature for the Graduate Certificate in Heritage Conservation shall:

1.1.1 hold a bachelor degree of the University of Sydney, or hold qualifications deemed by the Dean to be equivalent; or

1.1.2 furnish evidence which satisfies the Dean that he or she is qualified to enter upon the prescribed units of study.

1.2 An applicant for admission to candidature for the Graduate Diploma in Heritage Conservation shall:

1.2.1 hold a bachelor degree of the University of Sydney or hold qualifications deemed by the Dean to be equivalent; or

1.2.2 hold or have qualified for the award of the graduate certificate with a weighted average mark of at least 70 across all units attempted for the award.

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

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

1.3.2 hold or have qualified for the award of the graduate diploma; or

1.3.3 hold or have qualified for the award of the graduate certificate with a weighted average mark of at least 70 across all units attempted for the award.

1.4 An applicant for admission to candidature for the degree of Master of Heritage Conservation with honours must:

1.4.1 ~~hold or have qualified for the award of the pass degree and achieved a weighted average mark of at least 75;~~ have achieved a weighted average mark of at least 75 in all other coursework required for the award of the degree; and

1.4.2 have the approval of the program coordinator, including having an agreed supervisor.

1.5 The number of students admitted to the courses may be limited in accordance with University policies depending on available teaching resources.

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

2.1 The units of study that may be taken for the courses are set out in Table G, the table of graduate units of study, in the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning Handbook, together with:

2.1.1 credit point values;

2.1.2 assumed knowledge, corequisites and prerequisites;

2.1.3 the sessions in which they are offered;

2.1.4 the units with which they are mutually exclusive;

2.1.5 designation as core, optional or elective; and

2.1.6 any special conditions.

#### **3. Requirements for the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Heritage Conservation**

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

3.2 To qualify for the award of the Graduate Diploma in Heritage Conservation, a candidate must successfully complete 48 credit points from units of study selected from Table G, the faculty's table of graduate units of study, to the limits specified in the table of requirements below.

3.3 To qualify for the award of the Master of Heritage Conservation, a candidate must successfully complete 72 credit points from units of study selected from Table G, the faculty's table of graduate units of study, to the limits specified in the table of requirements below.

3.4 *Table of requirements*

	<b>Min core</b>	<b>Min Options</b>	<b>Max Elective</b>
Graduate Certificate	18	6	0
Graduate Diploma	30	6	12
Masters	58	12	12

3.5 Core units completed in excess of the minimum requirements may count as options or electives.

3.6 Optional units completed in excess of the minimum requirements may count as electives.

3.7 Candidates may substitute graduate units of study from outside the faculty's table of graduate units of study to the limits shown in the table of credits and substitutions.

**4. Requirements for the honours degree**

4.1 To qualify for the award of the Master of Heritage Conservation with honours degree, a student must successfully complete units of study amounting to ~~72~~ 96 credit points, comprising

4.1.1 ~~the requirements for the pass master degree with a weighted average mark of at least 75; 60 core credit points selected~~  
from Table G, the Faculty's table of graduate units of study, substituting a 24 credit point dissertation with a grade of at least Distinction in place of the Research Report; and

4.1.2 ~~a 24 credit point dissertation with a grade of at least Distinction. 12 additional credit points.~~

**5. Award of the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Heritage Conservation**

5.1 The Graduate Certificate and Graduate Diploma in Heritage Conservation are awarded in the Pass grade only.

5.2 The Master of Heritage Conservation will be awarded in two grades, namely pass and honours.

5.2.1 A candidate will graduate with the grade merited.

5.2.2 A candidate who fails to satisfy the requirements for the honours degree, and who has not already graduated, shall be awarded the pass degree.

5.3 A candidate who enrolls in the following semester, in a higher level award course in this embedded sequence, will not graduate until the completion of the highest award attempted.

5.4 A candidate who has completed the requirements for a course, and who does not enrol in the following semester in a higher level embedded course in this sequence, will graduate from that course.

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## Minor Course Amendment Proposal

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Faculty/Board of Studies: ARCHITECTURE, DESIGN AND PLANNING

Contact person: **BARRIE SHELTON/ MARTIN HESSE**

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**1. Name of award course**

MASTER OF URBAN DESIGN

**2. Purpose of proposal**

To amend the resolutions of the faculty relating to the admission to, and requirements for, the Master of Urban Design with Honours.

**3. Details of amendment**

*Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning Handbook 2008, page 167-8*

The effect of the change is to allow the completion of the honours degree within the same credit point total as the pass degree. This returns the resolutions to the same requirements that existed prior to 2005. The requirement for Honours of the completion of a 24 credit point dissertation at Distinction or better remains unchanged.

In 2005 the Faculty made the honours degree a 24 credit point extension to the pass degree. The result has been a dramatic reduction in honours completions and the impairment of a valuable pathway to research degrees in the Faculty.

Honours enrolment history (all graduate coursework degrees)

Year	Number
2008	5
2007	4
2006	4
2005	14
2004	13
2003	16
2002	13

**4. Transitional arrangements**

Any student who has commenced and completed a pass masters degree since 2005 will be allowed to complete an honours conversion by undertaking the 24 credit point dissertation extension degree. All other qualified and interested students will be allowed to undertake a dissertation within the 72 credit point framework.

The following degree code should be able to be closed within 12 months:  
CC235 Master of Urban Design (Honours)

**5. Other relevant information**

Passed by Faculty 28 May, 2008

**6. Signature of Dean**

## Amendment to Faculty Resolutions

### Master of Urban Design, Graduate Diploma in Urban Design, Graduate Certificate in Urban Design

The Faculty Resolutions relating to the Master of Urban Design, Graduate Diploma in Urban Design and Graduate Certificate in Urban Design in the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning are amended, with effect from 1 January 2009, as follows (additions indicated by underlined, deletions indicated by strikethrough):

#### 1. Admission

1.1 An applicant for admission to candidature for the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Master of Urban Design shall

1.1.1 submit a portfolio of work indicating relevant design interests and capacities to the satisfaction of the program coordinator; and

1.1.2 hold a professional degree in architecture or a degree in landscape architecture, urban planning or similar related field.

1.2 An applicant for admission to candidature for the degree of Master of Urban Design with honours must:

1.2.1 ~~hold or have qualified for the award of the pass degree and achieved a weighted average mark of at least 75;~~ have achieved a weighted average mark of at least 75 in all other coursework required for the degree; and

1.2.2 have the approval of the program coordinator, including having an agreed supervisor.

#### 2. Units of study

2.1 The units of study that may be taken for the courses are set out in Table G, the table of graduate units of study, in the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning Handbook, together with:

2.1.1 credit point values;

2.1.2 assumed knowledge, corequisites and prerequisites;

2.1.3 the sessions in which they are offered;

2.1.4 the units with which they are mutually exclusive;

2.1.5 designation as core, optional or elective; and

2.1.6 any special conditions.

#### 3. Requirements for the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Urban Design and designated streams

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

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

3.3 To qualify for the award of the Master of Urban Design, a candidate must successfully complete 72 credit points from units of study selected from Table G, the faculty's table of graduate units of study, to the limits specified in the table of requirements below.

3.4 To qualify for the award of the Master of Urban Design (Architectural and Urban Design) or the Master of Urban Design (Urban Design and Planning), a candidate must successfully complete 96 credit points from units of study selected from Table G, the faculty's table of graduate units of study, to the limits specified in the table of requirements below.

##### 3.5 Table of requirements

	Min core	Min Options	Max Elective
Graduate Certificate	18	0	6
Graduate Diploma	36	0	12
Masters	54	0	18
Masters (Architectural and Urban Design)	78	0	18
Masters (Urban Design and Planning)	78	0	18

3.6 Core units completed in excess of the minimum requirements may count as options or electives.

3.7 Optional units completed in excess of the minimum requirements may count as electives.

3.8 Candidates may substitute graduate units of study from outside the faculty's table of graduate units of study to the limits shown in the table of credits and substitutions in section 2.

#### **4. Requirements for the honours degree**

4.1 To qualify for the award of the Master of Urban Design with honours degree, a student must successfully complete units of study amounting to 72 credit points, comprising:

4.1.1 ~~hold or have qualified for the pass master degree with a weighted average mark of at least 75; 66 core credit points selected from Table G, the Faculty's table of graduate units of study, substituting a 24 credit point dissertation with a grade of at least Distinction in place of the Urban Design Report; and~~

4.1.2 ~~complete a 24 credit point dissertation with a grade of at least Distinction. six additional credit points.~~

#### **5. Award of the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Urban Design**

5.1 The Graduate Certificate ~~and~~, Graduate Diploma, Master of Urban Design (Architectural and Urban Design) and Master of Urban Design (Urban Design and Planning) are awarded in the Pass grade only.

5.2 The Master of Urban Design will be awarded in two grades, namely pass and honours.

5.2.1 A candidate will graduate with the grade merited.

5.2.2 A candidate who fails to satisfy the requirements for the honours degree, and who has not already graduated, shall be awarded the pass degree.

5.3 A candidate who enrolls in the following semester, in a higher level award course in this embedded sequence, will not graduate until the completion of the highest award attempted.

5.4 A candidate who has completed the requirements for a course, and who does not enrol in the following semester in a higher level embedded course in this sequence, will graduate from that course.

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## Minor Course Amendment Proposal

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Faculty/Board of Studies: ARCHITECTURE, DESIGN AND PLANNING

Contact person: **BARRIE SHELTON/ MARTIN HESSE**

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**1. Name of award course**

Master of Design Science  
Master of Facilities Management  
Master of Heritage Conservation  
Master of Housing Studies  
Master of Urban Design  
Master of Urban and Regional Planning

**2. Purpose of proposal**

To amend Section 2, common resolutions of all postgraduate coursework degrees in the Faculty.

**3. Details of amendment**

*Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning Handbook 2008, pages 170-71*

As a result of creating a new degree in Interaction Design and Electronic Arts to replace the Master of Design Science (Design Computing) and (Digital Media), specialised credit arrangements with targeted feeder degrees also change.

9.6 A graduate of the Master of Information Technology or Master of Interactive and Digital Media at the University of Sydney coursework undertaken in that degree, towards the core, optional and/or elective requirements of the Master of Interaction Design and Electronic Arts ~~Design Science (Design Computing) or Master of Design Science (Digital Media)~~. In all other circumstances and regards resolutions 9.1 to 9.5 apply.

**4. Transitional arrangements**

None required.

**5. Other relevant information**

**6. Signature of Dean**

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## Minor Course Amendment Proposal

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Faculty: Arts

Contact person: Assoc Professor Allan McConnell

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**1. Name of award course**

Master of Public Policy (DC058)  
Graduate Diploma in Public Policy (DF035)  
Graduate Certificate in Public Policy (DG032)

**2. Purpose of proposal**

Currently students must complete a minimum of three 'core' units for a Master/Graduate Diploma in Public Policy and two 'core' units for the Graduate Certificate in Public Policy from a pool of core units.

Permission is sought to *amend the Resolutions to introduce one compulsory core unit and one core unit from a pool of core units.*

The Faculty's Postgraduate Matters Committee Meeting on 5 May 2008 recommended the change to the Public Policy course.

The rationale for change: The existing regulations are a historical legacy which do not reflect the way the Department of Government and International Relations feels is appropriate for a modern public policy program – or its staff complement. The regulations neither require students to undertake study of issues which are fundamental to public policy, nor offer sufficient flexibility for students approaching public policy from many and varied backgrounds. Additionally, because of changes in staffing in the Department and the reduction of those with an expertise in public policy, a higher number of core units would be difficult to sustain. Accordingly, the proposal introduces one compulsory unit (GOVT6316 Policy Making, Power and Politics) which any member of the public policy staff is capable of teaching, supplemented by a small list of two or three units (varying from year to year) from which students will need to take at least one.

**3. Details of amendment**

*2008 Arts Postgraduate Handbook – Faculty Resolutions page 140-141*

*Master of Public Policy*

*3. Requirements for the pass degree*

*3.1 To qualify for the award of the pass degree, a student must successfully complete units of study amounting to a total of 48 credit points, comprising:*

*3.1.1 one compulsory core unit of study (6 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Arts Handbook; and*

*3.1.2 at least 3 one core unit of study (6 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Arts Handbook; and*

*3.1.3 up to 5 six elective units of study (36 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Arts Handbook*

*4. Requirements for the honours degree*

*4.1 To qualify for the award of the honours degree, a student must successfully complete units of study amounting to a total of 48 credit points comprising:*

*4.1.1 one compulsory core unit of study (6 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Arts Handbook; and*

*4.1.2 at least 3 one core unit of study (6 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Arts Handbook; and*

*4.1.3 1 compulsory research/methodology unit of study (6 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Arts Handbook; and*

*4.1.4 up to 2 three elective units of study (18 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Arts Handbook; and*

4.1.5 a dissertation (2 units of study totalling 12 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Arts Handbook

*Graduate Diploma in Public Policy*

3.1 To qualify for the award of the graduate diploma, a student must successfully complete units of study amounting to a total of 36 credit points, comprising:

3.1.1 one compulsory core unit of study (6 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Arts Handbook; and

3.1.2 at least ~~3~~ one core unit of study (6 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Arts Handbook; and

3.1.3 up to ~~3~~ four elective units of study (24 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Arts Handbook

*Graduate Certificate in Public Policy*

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

3.1.1 one compulsory core unit of study (6 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Arts Handbook; and

3.1.2 at least ~~2~~ one core unit of study (6 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Arts Handbook; and

3.1.3 up to 2 elective units of study (12 credit points) as specified in the Faculty of Arts Handbook

**4. Transitional arrangements**

Not applicable

**5. Other relevant information**

6. Professor Stephen Garton  
**Signature of Dean of Arts**

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

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**Faculty/Board of Studies: Faculty of Law**

**Contact person: Professor Lee Burns, Associate Dean (PG Coursework)**

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- 1. Name of award course**  
Various postgraduate courses
- 2. Purpose of proposal**  
To make minor changes to existing units of study and amend Faculty resolutions accordingly
- 3. Details of amendment**

At its meeting held on 6 May 2008 the Faculty Board resolved to:

.1 approve the following amendments to Faculty Resolutions as contained in the 2008 Faculty Handbook:

**Page 78 Master of Criminology; Page 85 Master of Health Law; Page 103 Graduate Diploma in Criminology; Page 107 Graduate Diploma in Health Law**

Optional units of study

Insert the following approved unit of study in correct alphabetical order:

- Death Law

**Page 85 Master of Health Law; Page 107 Graduate Diploma in Health Law; Page 113 Graduate Diploma in Public Health Law**

Optional units of study

Insert the following approved unit of study in correct alphabetical order:

- Genetics and the Law

**Page 81 Master of Environmental Law; Page 84 Master of Environmental Science and Law; Page 88 Master of International Law; Page 105 Graduate Diploma in Environmental Law; Page 110 Graduate Diploma in International Law**

Optional units of study

Insert the following approved unit of study in correct alphabetical order:

- European Environmental Law

**Page 88 Master of International Law; Page 87 Master of International Business and Law; Page 110 Graduate Diploma in International Law; Page 108 Graduate Diploma in International Business Law**

Optional units of study

Insert the following approved unit of study in correct alphabetical order:

- International Investment Law

**Page 78 Master of Criminology; Page 103 Graduate Diploma in Criminology**

Name change to existing unit:

LAWS6012 'Advanced Criminal Law' to become 'Contemporary Challenges for Criminal Law'

**Page 85 Master of Health Law; Page 107 Graduate Diploma in Health Law; Page 113 Graduate Diploma in Public Health Law**

Name change to existing unit:

LAWS6881 'Health Law for Health Professionals' to become 'Introduction to Law for Health Professionals'.

**Page 88 Master of International Law; Page 87 Master of International Business and Law; Page 100 Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law; Page 102 Graduate Diploma in Corporate, Securities and Finance Law; Page 108 Graduate Diploma in International Business Law; Page 110 Graduate Diploma in International Law**

Name change to existing units:

- LAWS6063 'International Trade Regulation' to become 'World Trade Organisation Law I'
- LAWS6249 'Advanced International Trade Regulation' to become 'World Trade Organisation Law II'

Page 88 List of units of study: Master of International Law (MIL)

Add the following approved unit of study in correct alphabetical order:

2.4.3 Optional units of study  
Comparative Constitutional Law

Page 100 List of units of study: Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law (GradDipCommLaw)

**Remove the following obsolete units of study:**

- Chinese Legal System & Foreign Investment Law
- Regulation of Derivatives Products & Markets

Page 102 List of units of study: Graduate Diploma in Corporate, Securities & Finance Law (GradDipCorpLaw)

**Remove the following obsolete unit of study:**

- Regulation of Derivatives Products & Markets

Page 88 List of units of study: Master of International Law (MIL); Page 108 List of units of study: Graduate Diploma in International Business Law (GradDipIntBusL); Page 110 List of units of study: Graduate Diploma in International Law (GradDipIL)

**Remove the following obsolete unit of study:**

- Chinese Legal System & Foreign Investment Law

Page 85 List of units of study: Master of Health Law (MHL); Page 107 List of units of study: Graduate Diploma in Health Law (GradDipHL); Page 113 List of units of study: Graduate Diploma in Public Health Law (GradDipPubHL)

**Remove the following obsolete unit of study:**

- Privacy, Surveillance and Fair Information Practices

Page 94 List of units of study: Master of Labour Law and Relations (MLLR)

**Remove the following obsolete unit of study:**

- Trade Union Law

.2 report the Faculty's decision to the Graduate Studies Committee; and

.3 update the 2009 Faculty Handbook accordingly.

**4. Transitional arrangements**

Nil

**5. Other relevant information**

Nil

**6. Signature of Dean**

Professor Gillian Triggs

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## Minor Course Amendment Proposal

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Faculty/Board of Studies: LAW

Contact person: Prof Lee Burns, Associate Dean (Postgraduate Coursework)

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**1. Name of award course**

Master of Administrative Law and Policy  
Master of International Taxation  
Master of Taxation  
Graduate Diploma in Taxation

**2. Purpose of proposal**

The purpose of the proposal is to more accurately define the course.

**3. Details of amendment**

At its meeting held on 6 May 2008 the Faculty Board resolved to:

\*\* The Faculty resolved to

.1 approve the following amendments to Faculty Resolutions as contained in the 2008 Faculty Handbook

**Page 72 Master of Administrative Law and Policy, clause 2.4.2.11**

**Page 90 Master of International Taxation, clause 2.4.2.7**

**Page 97 Master of Taxation, clause 2.3.1.10**

**Page 115 Graduate Diploma in Taxation, clause 2.3.1.10**

Change of name from *Tax Administration* to **Law of Tax Administration**.

.2 report the Faculty's decision to the Graduate Studies Committee as appropriate; and:

.3 update the 2009 Faculty Handbook accordingly.

**4. Transitional arrangements**

Nil

**5. Other relevant information**

Nil

**6. Signature of Dean**

Professor Gillian Triggs

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

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**Faculty/Board of Studies: Faculty of Law**

**Contact person: Professor Lee Burns, Associate Dean (PG Coursework)**

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**1. Name of award course**

Various postgraduate courses

**2. Purpose of proposal**

Currently, under the relevant resolutions, a candidate for the relevant degree whose attendance record for a unit is unsatisfactory may be refused permission to complete the assessments for the unit, including sitting the exam. The resolutions deem an attendance of less than 70% of the scheduled classes for the unit as an unsatisfactory attendance. However, the resolutions give the Postgraduate Coursework Committee (PGCC) a broad discretion, in exceptional circumstances, to waive any or all of the attendance, practical, research or written work requirements that are normally required before a candidate can sit the examination for a unit. As regards waiving of the attendance requirement, this discretion has been exercised from time to time by the Associate Dean on behalf of the PGCC. In each case, the Associate Dean has exercised the discretion based on the advice of the lecturer. The PGCC has resolved that this discretion be devolved to the PG Coordinator of the relevant degree. Further, the PGCC has resolved that there should be a floor on the exercise of the discretion so that a PG Coordinator cannot waive attendance at more than 50% of the scheduled classes for the unit. This is based on the view that class attendance is seen as an essential requirement of our PG coursework program.

As regards waiving of assessments, the PGCC has not been asked to exercise this discretion in recent times. Indeed, the PG Coursework Office is not aware of any case when this discretion has been exercised. The PGCC has resolved to remove this discretion and leave matters of assessment to the relevant lecturer concerned.

**3. Details of amendment**

At its meeting held on 6 May 2008 the Faculty Board resolved to:

**\*\* The Faculty resolved to**

.1 approve the following amendments to Faculty Resolutions as contained in the 2008 Faculty Handbook

Page 70 Master of Laws (LLM) – assessment policy

Page 73 Master of Administrative Law and Policy (MALP) – assessment policy

Page 75 Master of Asian and Pacific Legal Systems (MAPLS) – assessment policy

Page 80 Master of Criminology (MCrim) – assessment policy

Page 83 Master of Environmental Law (MEL) – assessment policy

Page 86 Master of Health Law (MHL) – assessment policy

Page 91 Master of International Taxation (MIntTax) – assessment policy

Page 93 Master of Jurisprudence (MJur) – assessment policy

Page 96 Master of Labour Law and Relations (MLLR) – assessment policy

Page 98 Master of Taxation (MTax) – assessment policy

**Amend the following resolution accordingly:**

8.5 In exceptional circumstances, the ~~Postgraduate Coursework Committee~~ lecturer may waive any or all of the unit of study attendance, practical, research or written

~~work requirements normally required before candidates can present for an examination of a unit of study for the Master of Laws (LLM) by Coursework up to 50% of the unit of study attendance.~~

Page 77 Master of Business Law (MBL) – assessment policy

Page 89 Master of International Law (MIL) – assessment policy

**Amend the following resolution accordingly:**

~~7.5 In exceptional circumstances, the Postgraduate Coursework Committee lecturer may waive any or all of the unit of study attendance, practical, research or written work requirements normally required before candidates can present for an examination of a unit of study for the Master of Laws (LLM) by Coursework up to 50% of the unit of study attendance.~~

Page 100 Graduate Diploma in Law (GradDipLaw) – Assessment policy

Page 101 Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law (GradDipCommLaw) – Assessment policy

Page 103 Graduate Diploma in Corporate Securities and Finance Law (GradDipCorpLaw) – Assessment policy

Page 104 Graduate Diploma in Criminology (GradDipCrim) – Assessment policy

Page 106 Graduate Diploma in Environmental Law (GradDipEnvLaw) – Assessment policy

Page 108 Graduate Diploma in Health Law (GradDipHL) – Assessment policy

Page 109 Graduate Diploma in International Business Law (GradDipIntBusL) – Assessment policy

Page 111 Graduate Diploma in International Law (GradDipIL) – Assessment policy

Page 112 Graduate Diploma in Jurisprudence (GradDipJur) – Assessment policy

Page 114 Graduate Diploma in Public Health Law (GradDipPubHL) – Assessment policy

Page 116 Graduate Diploma in Taxation (GradDipTax) – Assessment policy

**Amend the following resolution accordingly:**

~~7.4 In exceptional circumstances, the Postgraduate Coursework Committee lecturer may waive any or all of the unit of study attendance, practical, research or written work requirements normally required before candidates can present for an examination of a unit of study for the Master of Laws (LLM) by Coursework up to 50% of the unit of study attendance.~~

.2 report the Faculty's decision to the Graduate Studies Committee as appropriate; and:

.3 update the 2009 Faculty Handbook accordingly.

**4. Transitional arrangements**

Nil

**5. Other relevant information**

Nil

**6. Signature of Dean**

Professor Gillian Triggs

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

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**Faculty/Board of Studies: Faculty of Law**

**Contact person: Professor Lee Burns, Associate Dean (PG Coursework)**

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**1. Name of award course**

Various postgraduate courses

**2. Purpose of proposal**

The decision to convert the relevant Masters degrees to pass degrees only (i.e. the repeal of Honours Degrees) took effect for candidates first enrolled on or after January 1, 1999. However, this decision was grandfathered for those candidates who were first enrolled before that date. At the end of this year, it will have been ten years since that decision was taken. Under the resolutions, a candidate is not entitled to credit for a unit completed more than ten years prior to completing the requirements of the degree. This is subject to the Postgraduate Coursework Committee (PGCC) having discretion to grant credit in exceptional cases. As the ten year rule will come into play from the start of next year, the PGCC has resolved to terminate the option to undertake an honours dissertation for candidates who first enrolled prior to January 1, 1999. The only exception to this will be candidates who are enrolled in the dissertation at January 1, 2009. This will effect only candidates who first enrolled before January 1, 1999 and who will need to rely on the exercise of the PGCC's discretion to have units completed before that date count towards the relevant degree. Because of the need to rely on the PGCC's discretion, the PGCC does not believe that such candidates should be treated any differently from those first enrolled on or after January 1, 1999.

**3. Details of amendment**

At its meeting held on 6 May 2008 the Faculty Board resolved to:

.1 approve the following amendments to Faculty Resolutions as contained in the 2008 Faculty Handbook

Page 69 Master of Laws (LLM) - Requirements for honours degrees

**Amend the following resolution accordingly:**

4.2 A candidate for the Master of Laws (LLM) by coursework ~~who first enrolled after 1 January 1999~~ is not eligible for Honours unless they first enrolled before 1 January 1999 and are currently enrolled in Honours as at 1 January 2009.

Delete paragraphs 4.3 – 4.6.4.

Page 72 Master of Administrative Law and Policy – Requirements for Honours

**Amend the following resolution accordingly:**

4.2 A candidate for the Master of Administrative Law and Policy (MALP) ~~who first enrolled after 1 January 1999~~ is not eligible for Honours unless they first enrolled before 1 January 1999 and are currently enrolled in Honours as at 1 January 2009.

Delete paragraphs 4.3 – 4.5.5.

**Page 74 Master of Asian and Pacific Legal Systems (MAPLS) – Requirements for Honours**

Amend the following resolution accordingly:

4.2 A candidate for the Master of Asian and Pacific Legal Systems (MAPLS) ~~who first enrolled after 1 January 1999~~ is not eligible for Honours unless they first enrolled before 1 January 1999 and are currently enrolled in Honours as at 1 January 2009.

Delete paragraphs 4.3 – 4.5.5.

**Page 79 Master of Criminology (MCrim) – Requirements for honours degrees**

Amend the following resolution accordingly:

4.2 A candidate for the Master of Criminology (MCrim) ~~who first enrolled after 1 January 1999~~ is not eligible for Honours unless they first enrolled before 1 January 1999 and are currently enrolled in Honours as at 1 January 2009.

Delete paragraphs 4.3 – 4.6.4.

**Page 82 Master of Environmental Law (MEL) – Requirements for honours degrees**

Amend the following resolution accordingly:

4.2 A candidate for the Master of Environmental Law (MEL) ~~who first enrolled after 1 January 1999~~ is not eligible for Honours unless they first enrolled before 1 January 1999 and are currently enrolled in Honours as at 1 January 2009.

Delete paragraphs 4.3 – 4.5.5.

**Page 86 Master of Health Law (MHL) – Requirements for Honours degrees**

Amend the following resolution accordingly:

4.2 A candidate for the Master of Health Law (MHL) ~~who first enrolled after 1 January 1999~~ is not eligible for Honours unless they first enrolled before 1 January 1999 and are currently enrolled in Honours as at 1 January 2009.

Delete paragraphs 4.3 – 4.5.5.

**Page 90 Master of International Taxation (MIntTax) – Requirements for honours degrees**

Amend the following resolution accordingly:

4.2 A candidate for the Master of International Taxation (MIntTax) ~~who first enrolled after 1 January 1999~~ is not eligible for Honours unless they first enrolled before 1 January 1999 and are currently enrolled in Honours as at 1 January 2009.

Delete paragraphs 4.3 – 4.5.5.

**Page 92 Master of Jurisprudence (MJur) – Requirements for honours degrees**

Amend the following resolution accordingly:

4.2 A candidate for the Master of Jurisprudence (MJur) ~~who first enrolled after 1 January 1999~~ is not eligible for Honours unless they first enrolled before 1 January 1999 and are currently enrolled in Honours as at 1 January 2009.

Delete paragraphs 4.3 – 4.5.5.

**Page 95 Master of Labour Law and Relations (MLLR) – Requirements for honours degrees**

Amend the following resolution accordingly:

4.2 A candidate for the Master of Labour Law and Relations (MLLR) ~~who first enrolled after 1 January 1999~~ is not eligible for Honours unless they first enrolled before 1 January 1999 and are currently enrolled in Honours as at 1 January 2009.

Delete paragraphs 4.3 – 4.5.5.

**Page 97 Master of Taxation (MTax) – Requirements for honours degrees**

Amend the following resolution accordingly:

4.2 A candidate for the Master of Taxation (MTax) ~~who first enrolled after 1 January 1999~~ is not eligible for Honours unless they first enrolled before 1 January 1999 and are currently enrolled in Honours as at 1 January 2009.

Delete paragraphs 4.3 – 4.5.5.

.2 report the Faculty's decision to the Graduate Studies Committee as appropriate; and:

.3 update the 2009 Faculty Handbook accordingly.

**4. Transitional arrangements**

Nil

**5. Other relevant information**

Nil

**6. Signature of Dean**

Professor Gillian Triggs