



Academic Board Agenda

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NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the **Academic Board** will be held at **2.00 pm** on **Wednesday 10 August 2005** in the Professorial Board Room.

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

3 August 2005

AGENDA

Pages

- ★ 1. **Apologies**
Apologies have been received from Professor G Llewellyn, Associate Professor M Halliwell and Dr A Poulos.

- ★ 2. **Arrangement of agenda**
 - 2.1 **Starring of items**

 - 2.2 **Adoption of unstarred items**

Recommendation
That the Academic Board resolve as recommended with respect to all unstarred items.

- 3. **Minutes of previous meetings** *separate attachments*
 - 3.1 **Meeting of 15 June 2005**

Recommendation
That the Academic Board adopt the minutes of the previous meeting held on 15 June 2005 as a true record.

 - ★ 3.2 **Meeting by circulation in July 2005**

Recommendation
That the Academic Board adopt the minutes of the meeting held by circulation in July 2005 as a true record.

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4. **Business arising from Minutes** (not dealt with elsewhere in the Agenda)
- ★ 5. **Report of the Chair**
- 5.1 **Report on Senate matters**
- 5.1.1 **Report of the Senate meeting held on 20 June 2005** 15
- Recommendation*
That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair on matters considered by Senate at its meeting held on 20 June 2005.
- 5.2 **General report**
- 5.2.1 **Reconciliation Statement** 15-17
- Recommendation*
That the Academic Board recommend that Senate endorse the Reconciliation Statement, as set out in the report presented.
- 5.2.2 **Academic Board Members** 16
- Recommendation*
That, in accordance with the University of Sydney (Academic Governance) Rule 2003 and on the nomination of:
- (i) the Pro Vice-Chancellor (College of Health Sciences), the Academic Board appoint Dr Peter Knight; and
- (ii) the Pro Vice-Chancellor (College of Humanities and Social Sciences), the Academic Board appoint Ms Kate O'Connor and Ms Kelli McGraw
- to membership of the Academic Board, as set out in the report presented.
- 5.2.3 **Eulogy – Mr Lesley Norman Balaam**
Professor Les Copeland, Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources, will present a eulogy to Mr L N Balaam.
- ★ 6. **Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal**
- 6.1 **Report on Senate matters**
- 6.1.1 **Report of the Senate meeting held on 20 June 2005** 18-19
- Recommendation*
That the Academic Board note the report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal on matters considered by Senate at its meeting held on 20 June 2005.
- 6.2 **General report**
- Recommendation*
That the Academic Board note the general report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal.
- ★ 7. **Question time**
Questions to the Vice-Chancellor and Chair of the Academic Board

(Time limit 15 minutes)

★ 8. **Presentation by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic and International)**

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the presentation of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic and International) on courses and fees processes.

9. **Reports of Faculties and Boards**

9.1 **Report of the Faculty of Arts** 20-21, 26-28

9.1.1 **Receipt of report**

Recommendation

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Faculty of Arts.

9.1.2 **Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate: Constitution of the Faculty of Arts** 20-21, 26-28

Recommendation

That the Academic Board recommend that Senate amend the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Constitution of the Faculty of Arts, with immediate effect, as set out in the report presented.

9.2 **Report of the Faculty of Dentistry** 21-24, 29-30

9.2.1 **Receipt of report**

Recommendation

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Faculty of Dentistry.

9.2.2 **Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate: Constitution of the Faculty of Dentistry** 21-24, 29-30

Recommendation

That the Academic Board recommend that Senate amend the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Constitution of the Faculty of Dentistry, with immediate effect, as set out in the report presented.

9.3 **Report of the Faculty of Medicine** 24-25, 31-32

9.3.1 **Receipt of report**

Recommendation

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Faculty of Medicine.

9.3.2 **Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate: Constitution of the Faculty of Medicine** 24-25, 31-32

Recommendation

That the Academic Board recommend that Senate amend the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Constitution of the Faculty of Medicine, with immediate effect, as set out in the report presented.

9.4 Report of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery 25, 33
9.4.1 Receipt of report

Recommendation

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

9.4.2 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate: Constitution of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery 25, 33

Recommendation

That the Academic Board recommend that Senate amend the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Constitution of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, with immediate effect, as set out in the report presented.

10. Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee
(Associate Professor Bruce Sutton)

★ **10.1 Oral report of the Chair**

Recommendation

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

10.2 Report of the meeting held on 28 June 2005 34
10.2.1 Receipt of report

Recommendation

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee meeting held on 28 June 2005.

10.2.2 Proposals for Amended Courses

10.2.2.1 Faculty of Economics and Business: Bachelor of Commerce, Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Laws, Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Commerce, Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Engineering/Bachelor of Commerce 34-35, 39-48

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (i) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Economics and Business for the amendment of the Bachelor of Commerce, the Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Laws, the Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Commerce, the Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Commerce and the Bachelor of Engineering/Bachelor of Commerce courses;*
- (ii) note the Resolutions of the Faculty relating to these courses, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000;*
- (iii) approve the faculty requirements relating to units of study, the pass degree, the honours degree, the combined degrees and award of the degrees; and*

- (iv) *recommend that Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the amendments to the above courses; and*
with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

10.2.2.2 Faculty of Pharmacy

(1) Bachelor of Pharmacy and Bachelor of Pharmacy (Rural) 35, 49-57

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (i) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Pharmacy for the amendment of the Bachelor of Pharmacy and Bachelor of Pharmacy (Rural) courses;*
- (ii) *note the Resolutions of the Faculty relating to these courses, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000;*
- (iii) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the pass degree and the honours degree; and*
- (iv) *recommend that Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the amendments to the above courses;*
with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

(2) Bachelor of Pharmacy (Rural): Admissions Scheme 35-36, 49-57

Recommendation

That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

- (i) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Pharmacy for the amendment of the Bachelor of Pharmacy (Rural) course;*
- (ii) *note the Resolutions of the Faculty relating to this course, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000;*
- (iii) *approve the faculty requirements relating to admission; and*
- (iv) *recommend that Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the amendments to the above courses;*
with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

10.2.3 Amendment of the Resolutions of Senate

10.2.3.1 Faculty of Arts: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Arts (Advanced), Bachelor of Arts (Honours), Bachelor of Arts (Asian Studies), Bachelor of Arts (Asian Studies) (Honours), Bachelor of Arts (Languages), Bachelor of Arts (Languages) (Honours), Bachelor of Arts (Media and Communications), Bachelor of Arts (Media and Communications) (Honours), Bachelor of Arts

[Informatics, Bachelor of Arts Informatics \(Honours\), Bachelor of Social Sciences, Bachelor of Social Sciences \(Honours\), Bachelor of Liberal Studies, Bachelor of Liberal Studies \(Honours\), Bachelor of Liberal Studies \(International\), Bachelor of Liberal Studies \(Advanced\), Bachelor of Arts and Sciences and Bachelor of Arts and Sciences \(Honours\)](#) [36, 58-61](#)

Recommendation

That the Academic Board recommend that Senate approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Arts and the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Arts (Advanced), Bachelor of Arts (Honours), Bachelor of Arts (Asian Studies), Bachelor of Arts (Asian Studies) (Honours), Bachelor of Arts (Languages), Bachelor of Arts (Languages) (Honours), Bachelor of Arts (Media and Communications), Bachelor of Arts (Media and Communications) (Honours), Bachelor of Arts Informatics, Bachelor of Arts Informatics (Honours), Bachelor of Social Sciences, Bachelor of Social Sciences (Honours), Bachelor of Liberal Studies, Bachelor of Liberal Studies (Honours), Bachelor of Liberal Studies (International), Bachelor of Liberal Studies (Advanced), Bachelor of Arts and Sciences and Bachelor of Arts and Sciences (Honours), with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

[10.2.3.2 Faculty of Health Sciences: Bachelor of Applied Science, Bachelor of Health Science, Bachelor of Behavioural Health Science, Bachelor of Health Sciences and Diploma of Health Science](#) [36-37, 62-85](#)

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (i) *recommend that Senate approve:*
 - (a) *the rescission of the Resolutions of Senate relating to the Bachelor of Applied Science, Bachelor of Health Science, Bachelor of Behavioural Health Science, Bachelor of Health Sciences and Diploma of Health Science, and*
 - (b) *the adoption of new Resolutions of Senate relating to this courses, made pursuant to the university of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000, and*
- (ii) *note the Resolutions of the Faculty relating to these courses, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000; and*
- (iii) *approve the faculty requirements relating to admission, units of study, the pass degree, combined degrees, the honours degree and award of the degree, as set out in the report presented.*

with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

10.2.4 Reports from Faculties

10.2.4.1 Faculty of Engineering 37, 86-87

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (i) *note the report from the Faculty of Engineering regarding amendments to of study,*
 - (ii) *note the Resolutions of the Faculty relating to the Bachelor of Engineering, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000; and*
 - (iii) *approve the faculty requirements relating to admission and specialisation transfers;*
- with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

10.2.4.2 Faculty of Health Sciences: Bachelor of Health Science (Occupational Therapy) (Off-shore Singapore conversion course) 37-38

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report from the Faculty of Health Sciences regarding minor amendments to a unit of study within the Bachelor of Health Science (Occupational Therapy) course, as set out in the report presented.

10.2.5 Proceedings of the Committee 38

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Undergraduate Studies Committee meeting held on 28 June 2005, as set out in the report presented.

11. Report of the Graduate Studies Committee (Associate Professor Anthony Masters)

★ 11.1 Oral report of the Chair

Recommendation

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

11.2 Report of the meeting held on 27 June 2005 88

11.2.1 Receipt of report

Recommendation

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee meeting held on 27 June 2005.

11.2.2 Proposals for amended postgraduate courses

11.2.2.1 Faculty of Economics and Business: Master of International Business; Graduate Diploma in International Business and Graduate Certificate in International Business 88,95-99

Recommendation

The Academic Board:

- (i) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Economics and Business to amend the Master of International Business; Graduate Diploma in International Business and Graduate Certificate in International Business*
 - (ii) *recommend that Senate:*
 - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal; and*
 - (b) *approve the amendment of the Senate Resolutions relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Economics and Business and relating to the course; and*
 - (iii) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the degree;*
- with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

11.2.2.2 Faculty of Health Sciences

(1) Master of Exercise and Sport Science (Sports Performance); Master of Exercise and Sport Science (Sports Performance) (Honours); Master of Exercise and Sport Science (Clinical Exercise Science); and Master of Exercise and Sport Science (Clinical Exercise Science) (Honours)

88-89, 100-102

Recommendation

The Academic Board:

- (i) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences to amend the Master of Exercise and Sport Science (Sports Performance); Master of Exercise and Sport Science (Sports Performance) (Honours); Master of Exercise and Sport Science (Clinical Exercise Science); and Master of Exercise and Sport Science (Clinical Exercise Science) (Honours)*
 - (ii) *recommend that Senate:*
 - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal; and*
 - (b) *approve the amendment of the Senate Resolutions relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Health Sciences and relating to the course; and*
 - (iii) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the degree;*
- with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

(2) Graduate Certificate of Health Science (Sexual Health) and Graduate Diploma of Health Science (Sexual Health)

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Recommendation

The Academic Board:

- (i) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences to amend the Graduate Certificate of Health Science (Sexual Health) and Graduate Diploma of Health Science (Sexual Health) to include a new mode of delivery, namely on-campus; and*
- (ii) *recommend that Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal with effect from Semester 2, 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

11.2.2.3 Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery

- (1) [Master of Cancer Nursing; Master of Clinical Education; Master of Clinical Nursing; Master of Emergency Nursing; Master of Gerontic Nursing; Master of Intensive Care Nursing; Master of Mental Health Nursing; Graduate Certificate in Cancer Nursing; Graduate Certificate in Clinical Education; Graduate Certificate in Clinical Nursing; Graduate Certificate in Emergency Nursing; Graduate Certificate in Gerontic Nursing; Graduate Certificate in Intensive Care Nursing and Graduate Certificate in Mental Health Nursing](#) [89-90, 103-112](#)

Recommendation

The Academic Board:

- (i) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery to amend the Master of Cancer Nursing; Master of Clinical Education; Master of Clinical Nursing; Master of Emergency Nursing; Master of Gerontic Nursing; Master of Intensive Care Nursing; Master of Mental Health Nursing; Graduate Certificate in Cancer Nursing; Graduate Certificate in Clinical Education; Graduate Certificate in Clinical Nursing; Graduate Certificate in Emergency Nursing; Graduate Certificate in Gerontic Nursing; Graduate Certificate in Intensive Care Nursing and Graduate Certificate in Mental Health Nursing and;*
 - (ii) *recommend that Senate:*
 - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal; and*
 - (b) *approve the amendment of the Senate Resolutions relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery and relating to the course; and*
 - (iii) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the degree;*
- with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

(2) Master of Midwifery and Graduate Diploma in Midwifery 90-91, 113-117

Recommendation

The Academic Board:

- (i) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery to amend the Master of Midwifery and Graduate Diploma in Midwifery*
 - (ii) *recommend that Senate:*
 - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal; and*
 - (b) *approve the amendment of the Senate Resolutions relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery and relating to the course; and*
 - (iii) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the degree;*
- with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

11.2.2.4 Faculty of Science: Master of Information Technology 91, 118

Recommendation

The Academic Board:

- (i) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Master of Information Technology*
 - (ii) *recommend that Senate:*
 - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal; and*
 - (b) *approve the amendment of the Senate Resolutions relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Science and relating to the course; and*
 - (iii) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the degree;*
- with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

11.2.2.5 Faculty of Veterinary Science: Master of Veterinary Public Health Management and Graduate Diploma in Veterinary Public Health Management 91, 119

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (i) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Veterinary Science to amend the Master of Veterinary Public Health Management and Graduate Diploma in Veterinary Public Health Management*
- (ii) *recommend that Senate:*
 - (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal; and*
 - (b) *approve the amendment of the Senate Resolutions relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of*

*Veterinary Science and relating to the course;
with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

11.2.3 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate

11.2.3.1 Faculty of Health Sciences : Doctor of Health Science 92, 120

Recommendation

The Academic Board:

- (i) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences to amend the Doctor of Health Science; and*
- (ii) *recommend that Senate approve:*
 - (a) *the rescission of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Doctor of Health Science, and*
 - (b) *the adoption of new Resolutions of the Senate relating to this courses, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000,*

with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

11.2.4 Faculty of Arts: Parallel teaching of postgraduate and undergraduate students 92

Recommendation

The Graduate Studies Committee recommends that the Academic Board approve the parallel teaching of postgraduate and undergraduate students in units of study in Sanskrit and Pali in the Faculty of Arts, as set out in the report presented.

11.2.5 Australian Postgraduate Awards (APA) and University of Sydney Postgraduate Awards (UPA) 2005 Ranking Guidelines 92, 121-128

Recommendation

The Academic Board approve the APA/UPA 2005 Ranking Guidelines, as set out in the report presented.

11.2.6 The Length of PhD examinations at the University of Sydney

92-93, 129-135

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (i) *note the papers titled “The Lengths of PhD Examinations at The University of Sydney” and “Improving the duration of examination times at the University of Sydney”;*
- (ii) *develop an alternative method of processing PhD examinations; and*
- (iii) *approve the dissemination of the recommendations in “Improving the duration of examination times at the University of Sydney” to all faculties.*

**11.2.7 Faculty of Health Sciences: Graduate Program in Sexual Health -
Units of Study** 93

Recommendation

The Academic Board note the report from the Faculty of Health Sciences regarding the renaming of units of study in the faculty's Graduate Program in Sexual Health.

11.2.8 Proceedings of the Committee 93-94

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Graduate Studies Committee meeting held on 27 June 2005, as set out in the report presented.

12. Report of the Learning and Teaching Committee
(Professor Penny Gay)

★ **12.1 Oral report of the Chair**

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Learning and Teaching Committee.

12.2 Report of the meeting held on 5 July 2005 **136**

12.2.1 Receipt of report

Recommendation

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Learning and Teaching Committee meeting held on 5 July 2005.

12.2.2 Academic Board Faculty Review Visits

(1) Institute for Teaching and Learning 136, 139-140

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report of the Phase Two Academic Board Visit to the Institute for Teaching and Learning.

(2) Koori Centre 136, 141-143

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report of the Phase Two Academic Board Visit to the Koori Centre.

12.2.3 Academic Board Faculty Reviews: Faculty Progress Reports
136, 144-163

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the Academic Board Faculty Reviews: Faculty Progress Reports.

12.2.4 Proceedings of the Committee

136-138

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Learning and Teaching Committee meeting held on 5 July 2005, as set out in the report presented.

13. Report of the Research Committee
(Professor John Carter)

★ **13.1 Oral report of the Chair**

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Research Committee.

13.2 Report of the meeting held on 13 July 2005

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13.2.1 Receipt of report

Recommendation

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Research Committee meeting held on 13 July 2005.

13.2.2 Research Active Academic Staff Definition

164, 166

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note and endorse the amended definition of Research Active Academic Staff, as set out in the report presented.

13.2.3 Proceedings of the Committee

164-165

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Research Committee meeting held on 13 July 2005, as set out in the report presented.

14. Report of the Academic Staffing Committee
(Professor Chris Murphy)

★ **14.1 Oral report of the Chair**

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Academic Staffing Committee.

14.2 Report of the meeting held on 6 July 2005

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14.2.1 Receipt of report

Recommendation

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Academic Staffing Committee meeting held on 6 July 2005.

14.2.2 Proceedings of the Committee 167

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Academic Staffing Committee meeting held on 6 July 2005, as set out in the report presented.

15 General Business

15.1 Report on the Promotion of Academic Staff from Level A to Level B in 2005 168

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report on the promotion of academic staff from Level A to Level B, as set out in the report presented.

15.2 Amended Membership of the Central Promotions Committees 2005 169

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report on changes to the membership of the Central Promotions Committee, as set out in the report presented.