



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 15 June 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

8 June 2005

AGENDA

Pages

- ★ 1. **Apologies**
Apologies have been received from Professors G Brown and T Hirst.

- ★ 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 meeting** *separate attachment*

Recommendation
That the Academic Board adopt the minutes of the previous meeting held on 4 May 2005 as a true record.

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

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- ★ 5. **Report of the Chair**
- 5.1 **Report on Senate matters**
- 5.1.1 **Report of the Senate meeting held on 2 May 2005** 14
- Recommendation*
That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair on matters considered by Senate at its meeting held on 2 May 2005.
- 5.2 **Honours and distinctions** 14
- Recommendation*
That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Academic Board on the honours and distinctions and congratulate the recipients, as set out in the report presented.
- 5.3 **General report**
- 5.3.1 **Elections to the Academic Board of Student Members** 14
- Recommendation*
That the Academic Board note the election of two undergraduate student representatives to the Academic Board, as set out in the report presented.
- 5.3.2 **Board of Studies in Rural Management** 14
- Recommendation*
That the Academic Board approve the appointment of Mr Chris Morgan to the Board of Studies in Rural Management, as set out in the report presented.
- 5.3.3 **Review of Off-Shore Health Sciences Programs** 15
- Recommendation*
That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Academic Board relating to the review of off-shore Health Sciences programs, as set out in the report presented.
- 5.3.4 **NSW and the ACT Committee of Chairs of Academic Boards/Senates** 15-16
- Recommendation*
That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Academic Board relating to the meeting of the NSW and the ACT Committee of Chairs of Academic Boards/Senates.
- 5.3.5 **Early submission of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) thesis** 15
- Recommendation*
That the Academic Board note the report of the Chair of the Academic Board relating to the early submission of a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) thesis, as set out in the report presented.
- ★ 6. **Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal**
- 6.1 **Report on Senate matters**
- 6.1.1 **Report of the Senate meeting held on 2 May 2005** 17

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal on matters considered by Senate at its meeting held on 2 May 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. Report of the Deans and Pro Vice-Chancellors (College)**
Presentations by the Deans and Pro Vice-Chancellors (College).

8.1 Presentation by the Dean of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the presentation of the Dean of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery.

- 9. Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee**
(Associate Professor Bruce Sutton)

- ★ **9.1 Oral report of the Chair**

Recommendation

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

9.2 Report of the meeting held on 17 May 2005

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9.2.1 Receipt of report

Recommendation

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee meeting held on 17 May 2005.

9.2.2 Proposals for New and Amended Courses

**9.2.2.1 Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources:
Bachelor of Science in Agriculture, Bachelor of Horticultural Science, Bachelor of Land and Water Science, Bachelor of Agricultural Economics and Bachelor of Resource Economics**

21, 24-60

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources for the amendment of the Bachelor of Science in Agriculture, Bachelor of Horticultural Science, Bachelor of Land*

and Water Science, Bachelor of Agricultural Economics and Bachelor of Resource Economics; and

- (2) recommend that Senate
 - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the amendments to the above courses; and
 - (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources,with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

9.2.2.2 Faculty of Health Sciences: Bachelor of Health Science (Nursing)

19, 58

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences for the amendment of the Bachelor of Health Science (Nursing) course; and
- (2) recommend that Senate
 - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the amendments to the above courses; and
 - (b) approve the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Bachelor of Health Sciences (Nursing) in the Faculty of Health Sciences,

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

9.2.3 Academic Board Resolutions: Creation, Variation and Deletion of Award Courses

19, 59-73

Recommendation

That the Academic Board approve the amendments to the Academic Board Resolutions: Creation, Variation and Deletion of Award Courses and Units of Study with immediate effect, as set out in the report presented.

9.2.4 Academic Board Resolutions: Admission to Undergraduate Courses

19-20

Recommendation

That the Academic Board approve the amendment to the Academic Board Resolutions: Admission to Undergraduate Courses with immediate effect, as set out in the report presented.

9.2.5 Scholarships

20, 74-75

Recommendation

That the Academic Board approve the new policy Scholarships with immediate effect, as set out in the report presented.

9.2.6 Proceedings of the Committee **20**

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Undergraduate Studies Committee meeting held on 5 April 2005, as set out in the report presented.

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

★ **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 16 May 2005 **76**

10.2.1 Receipt of report

Recommendation

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee meeting held on 16 May 2005.

10.2.2 Proposals for new and amended postgraduate courses

10.2.2.1 Faculty of Arts

(1) Master of Crosscultural Communication; Master of Applied Linguistics; Graduate Diploma in Applied Linguistics and Graduate Certificate in Applied Linguistics **76, 85-93**

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the Master of Crosscultural Communication; Master of Applied Linguistics; Graduate Diploma in Applied Linguistics and Graduate Certificate in Applied Linguistics;*
- (2) *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 Arts and relating to these courses; and*
- (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to these courses;*

with effect from 25 July 2005, as set out in the report presented.

(2) Master of Asian Studies; Graduate Diploma in Asian Studies and Graduate Certificate in Asian Studies 76-77, 94-109

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the Master of Asian Studies; Graduate Diploma in Asian Studies and Graduate Certificate in Asian Studies;*
 - (2) *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 Arts and relating to these courses; and*
 - (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to these courses;*
- with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

(3) Master of Creative Writing; Graduate Diploma in Creative Writing and Graduate Certificate in Creative Writing 77, 94-109

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the Master of Creative Writing; Graduate Diploma in Creative Writing and Graduate Certificate in Creative Writing;*
 - (2) *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 Arts and relating to these courses; and*
 - (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to these courses;*
- with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

(4) Master of European Studies; Graduate Diploma in European Studies and Graduate Certificate in European Studies 77, 94-109

Recommendation

That the Academic Board approve:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the Master of European Studies; Graduate Diploma in European*

- Studies and Graduate Certificate in European Studies;*
- (2) *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 Arts and relating to these courses; and*
 - (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to these courses;*
- with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

(5) Master of Peace and Conflict Studies; Graduate Diploma in Peace and Conflict Studies and Graduate Certificate in Peace and Conflict Studies 77-78, 94-109

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the Master of Peace and Conflict Studies; Graduate Diploma in Peace and Conflict Studies and Graduate Certificate in Peace and Conflict Studies;*
 - (2) *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 Arts and relating to these courses; and*
 - (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to these courses;*
- with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

(6) Master of Museum Studies 78, 94-109

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to amend the Master of Museum Studies;*
- (2) *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 Arts and relating to this course; and*
- (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to the degree;*

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

10.2.2.2 Faculty of Economics and Business: Master of Business and Graduate Diploma of Business 78, 110-111

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Economics and Business to amend the Master of Business and Graduate Diploma of Business;
- (2) recommend that Senate endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal; and
- (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to these courses;

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

10.2.2.3 Faculty of Nursing: Master of Nursing (graduate entry); Bachelor of Arts/Master of Nursing (graduate entry); Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing (graduate entry); Bachelor of Health Science/Master of Nursing (graduate entry) and Bachelor of Behavioural Health Science/Master of Nursing (graduate entry) 79, 112-124

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Nursing to introduce the Master of Nursing; Bachelor of Arts/Master of Nursing; Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing; Bachelor of Health Science/Master of Nursing and Bachelor of Behavioural Health Science/Master of Nursing;
- (2) recommend that Senate:
 - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal; and
 - (b) approve the introduction of the Senate Resolutions relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Nursing and relating to these courses; and
- (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to the degree and the combined degrees;

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

10.2.2.4 Faculty of Science

(1) Master of Applied Science; Graduate Diploma in Applied Science and Graduate Certificate in Applied Science 79, 125-127

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Master of Applied Science; Graduate Diploma in Applied Science and Graduate Certificate in Applied Science;

- (2) recommend that Senate:
 - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal; and
 - (b) approve the amendment of the Senate Resolutions relating to these courses; and
 - (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to these courses;
- with effect from 25 July 2005, as set out in the report presented.

(2) Graduate Certificate in Applied Science (Molecular Biotechnology); Graduate Diploma in Applied Science (Molecular Biotechnology) and Master in Applied Science (Molecular Biotechnology) 79-80, 128

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Graduate Certificate of Applied Science (Molecular Biotechnology); Graduate Diploma in Applied Science (Molecular Biotechnology) and Master in Applied Science (Molecular Biotechnology);
 - (2) 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 these courses; and
 - (3) approve the faculty requirements relating to these courses;
- with effect from 25 July 2005, as set out in the report presented.

(3) Graduate Certificate in Bioethics; Graduate Certificate in Bioethics (Biotechnology); Graduate Diploma in Bioethics; Master of Bioethics and Master of Bioethics (Honours) 80, 129-133

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to introduce the Graduate Certificate in Bioethics; Graduate Certificate in Bioethics (Biotechnology); Graduate Diploma in Bioethics; Master of Bioethics and Master of Bioethics (Honours);
- (2) recommend that Senate:
 - (a) endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal; and
 - (b) approve the introduction of the Senate Resolutions relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates

- in the Faculty of Science and relating to these courses; and*
- (3) *approve the faculty requirements relating to these courses;*
- with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.*

10.2.3 Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate

10.2.3.1 Faculty of Law

(1) Master of International Law 80-81, 134-135

Recommendation

That the Academic Board recommend Senate approve the amendments of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Master of International Law in the Faculty of Law, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000, with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

(2) Master's Degrees and Graduate Diplomas 81, 136

Recommendation

That the Academic Board recommend Senate approve the amendments of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the various Masters and Graduate Diploma Programs in the Faculty of Law, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000, with effect from 1 January 2006, as set out in the report presented.

10.2.4 Sydney Conservatorium of Music: Doctor of Philosophy 81, 137-140

Recommendation

That the Academic Board:

- (1) *approve the proposal from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music to introduce faculty specific resolutions for the Doctor of Philosophy course;*
- (2) *recommend that Senate:*
- (a) *endorse the Academic Board's approval of the proposal; and*
- (b) *approve the introduction of the Senate Resolutions relating to the Doctor of Philosophy in the Sydney Conservatorium of Music,*

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

10.2.5 Terms of Reference of the Postgraduate Awards Sub-Committee 81-82

Recommendation

That the Academic Board approve the amendments to the terms of reference for the Postgraduate Awards Sub-Committee, as set out in the report presented.

10.2.6 Proceedings of the Committee

82-84

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Graduate Studies Committee meeting held on 16 May 2005, as set out in the report presented.

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

★ **11.1 Oral report of the Chair**

Recommendation

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

11.2 Report of the meeting held on 26 May 2005

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11.2.1 Receipt of report

Recommendation

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Learning and Teaching Committee meeting held on 26 May 2005.

11.2.2 Academic Board Faculty Reviews: Faculty Progress Reports141, 143-162

Recommendation

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

11.2.3 Special Arrangements for Assessment and Examination 141,163-165

Recommendations

That the Academic Board approve the new policy “Special Arrangements for Assessment and Examination” with immediate effect, as set out in the report presented.

11.2.4 Report of the Plagiarism Working Party

141-142, 166-184

Recommendation

That the Academic Board approve the amendments to the Academic Board Resolutions: Academic Honesty in Coursework with immediate effect, as set out in the report presented.

11.2.5 Proceedings of the Committee

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Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Learning and Teaching Committee meeting held on 26 May 2005, as set out in the report presented.

11.3 Report of the meeting held on 22 June 2004: Items held over from the Academic Board meeting of 4 August 2004 185-191

11.3.1 Academic Board Faculty Review Visits

11.3.1.1 Faculty of Dentistry 185, 187-189

Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the Final Report and Recommendations from the Academic Board Visit to the Faculty of Dentistry.

11.3.2 Community Access to the University of Sydney Library 185

Recommendation

That the Academic Board endorse the adoption of the policies and procedures relating to community access to the University of Sydney Library, as set out in the report presented.

11.3.3 Library and ICT in Teaching and Learning Report 186, 190-191

Recommendations

That the Academic Board note the Library and ICT in Teaching and Learning Report, as set out in the report presented.

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

★ **12.1 Oral report of the Chair**

Recommendation

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

12.2 Report of the meeting held on 25 May 2005 *supplementary agenda to be tabled*

12.2.1 Receipt of report

Recommendation

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Research Committee meeting held on 25 May 2005.

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

★ **13.1 Oral report of the Chair**

Recommendation

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

13.2 Report of the meeting held on 18 May 2005 192

13.2.1 Receipt of report

Recommendation

That the Academic Board receive and note the report of the Academic Staffing Committee meeting held on 18 May 2005.

13.2.2 Proceedings of the Committee

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Recommendation

That the Academic Board note the proceedings of the Academic Staffing Committee meeting held on 18 May 2005, as set out in the report presented.

14 General Business