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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in seeking candidature for the Master of Human Rights and Democratisation (Asia Pacific) at the University of Sydney in **Semester 2 (July), 2012**. Before submitting your application, please read the following important notes carefully.

Application Forms

For international students, please ensure you complete and submit one copy of both the *Postgraduate Coursework Application Form* and *Master of Human Rights and Democratisation (Asia Pacific) Supplementary Application Form* as well as any additional documentation requested in these forms. Applications with inadequate documentation will not be able to be processed.

For domestic students, please ensure you complete and submit one copy of the *Master of Human Rights and Democratisation (Asia Pacific) Supplementary Application Form* as well as any additional documentation requested in these forms. Applications with inadequate documentation will not be able to be processed.

All documents submitted to the University of Sydney must either be original documents or certified copies of original documents. For guidelines for certification of documents please visit http://sydney.edu.au/future_students/international_postgraduate_coursework/admissions/how_to_apply/certification.shtml

English requirements

All international students are required to provide evidence of having met the English requirements for the program. This requires either that you have achieved a score of 6.5 overall in IELTS with no band below 6 or equivalent in the last 2 years (from the date of applications) OR that you have completed a degree in which the language of the institution and of instruction, examination and assessment was English, as certified by the Registrar of the university. Proof of English qualifications must be provided with the application or you should indicate the date of your test.

Tuition Fee Charges

The tuition fees for the Master of Human Rights and Democratisation (Asia Pacific) are as follows:

- ◆ Postgraduate Domestic Course Fee: AUD16,500 (\$275 per credit point)*
- ◆ Postgraduate International Course Fee: AUD26,400 (\$440 per credit point)*

*Please note that the Master of Human Rights and Democratisation (Asia Pacific) program requires students to take 60 credit points of study during the one year program. The information provided on the University website and offer letters regarding tuition fees shows the indicative tuition fees based on 48 credit points, which is the standard per annum study load.

To calculate the total cost of your course at the current year's rate, multiply the credit points required for completion by the cost per credit point above. The University's tuition fees, domestic and international, are reviewed annually and may be varied during the period of study.

Application Processing Fee (APF)



A non-refundable Application Processing Fee (APF) of \$AUD100 must be paid with each international application form submitted, *unless* you are a citizen of one of the following countries:

Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Cambodia, China, Cook Islands, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Iran Iraq, Japan, Kiribati, North Korea, South Korea, Lao PDR, Maldives, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Mongolia, Nauru, Nepal, New Zealand**, Niue, Pakistan, Palau, Papua New Guinea, the Philippines, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Union of Myanmar, Vanuatu, Viet Nam, Wallis & Futuna.

For applications submitted by mail by international applicants who are citizens of one of the above countries, please disregard Section 5. Application Processing Fee (APF) in the *Postgraduate Coursework Application Form*. For on-line applications, the APF will be requested regardless of your citizenship. The full amount will be reimbursed to the credit card used to make the payment. If you are eligible for a refund, you will need to provide your credit card details in section G. Bank Details of the *Supplementary Application Form*.

** New Zealand citizens are considered to be Australian domestic students for the purposes of tertiary study in Australia. The APF refund therefore, applies only to New Zealand permanent residents.

Personal Information and Privacy Protection Statement

The University of Sydney is subject to the New South Wales Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (the Act). The personal information you provide for this application will be protected in accordance with the University Privacy Policy.

The information provided will be shared with the four partner institutions under the Master of Human Rights and Democratisation (Asia Pacific) and will, in the first instance, be used only to assess your application for a place in the program.

Financial Assistance

The University of Sydney will provide up to 34 international scholarships for citizens of countries in the Asia Pacific region to join the Master of Human Rights and Democratisation (Asia Pacific). For further details, including scholarship benefits and country eligibility, please refer to section E. Financial Assistance in the *Supplementary Application Form*.

Closing Dates

Please check the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences “Important Dates” for the closing date for applications. Applications received after this date may be accepted but there is no guarantee that late applications will be able to be processed in time for commencement in the nominated semester. Applicants also applying for a Human Rights and Democratisation Scholarship (HRDS) must apply by **SATURDAY 10 DECEMBER 2011**. There is no provision to accept late scholarship applications.

Offer and Acceptance

Offers of admission for Semester 2, 2012 will be sent to successful applicants through the Sydney Student portal on the University of Sydney website. Scholarship applicants are requested to regularly check the MHRD website in early 2012, where notification of scholarship offers will be posted. **Please also provide an email address in your application form.** If you receive an offer, you must advise us in writing by the date specified in the offer letter of your intention to accept the place. If you are unable to commence, you may re-apply for admission for a later year on the official University application forms.

Obtaining an Australian Student Visa

Once you have accepted and paid (and you have obtained a [Pre-Visa Assessment \(PVA\)](#) if required) an electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCoE) will be sent to the Australian High Commission, Consulate, Embassy or Diplomatic Post



nominated in your Acceptance. A copy will also be sent to you or your agent (if applicable) to include with your Australian Student Visa application.

A range of conditions may affect how you apply for an Australian Student Visa. Some students will be able to apply for their Australian Student Visa on-line, others will be required to submit a paper application. **Please note, the Australian Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) may require that you follow a number of procedures and supply information that may take a considerable time to process, sometimes several months.** It might, for example, require that you undergo medical tests that need to be sent to Australia for assessment that can delay your visa. It is thus imperative that you begin the application process several months before your expected arrival.

Please note that if you do not have an appropriate visa you cannot enrol at the University of Sydney. Please consult [The Department of Immigration and Citizenship \(DIAC\)](#) for further information.

English Language Proficiency Requirements

The Australian Government requires applicants from certain countries to achieve a minimum IELTS score in order to issue a student visa. For more information, contact your nearest Australian Embassy, High Commission or visit the Department of Immigration and Citizenship website (www.immi.gov.au). Details can also be found on the University website (http://www.usyd.edu.au/future_students/documents/international_english_requirements.pdf).

Enrolments

Enrolments for Semester 2, 2011 will be held in mid-July and classes commence on **Monday, 30 July 2012**. Successful applicants must be able to enrol in the program and attend classes from these dates. Further details will be provided to successful applicants following their offer.

Further Information

For further information on the University of Sydney and its partner universities, please visit the following websites:

- The University of Sydney: http://sydney.edu.au/arts/human_rights_democratisation/
- Gadjah Mada University (Indonesia): <http://www.ugm.ac.id/eng/>
- Kathmandu School of Law (Nepal): <http://www.ksl.edu.np/>
- Mahidol University (Thailand): <http://www.humanrights-mu.org/>
- University of Colombo (Sri Lanka): <http://www.cmb.ac.lk/academic/law/node/35>