1 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1.1 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Associate Professor Masters asked for an amendment to the minutes of the previous meeting for Item 4.21, as follows:

"Associate Professor Masters expressed concern that scholarships are moving from being enablers of research training to supporting research, noting that there are mechanisms for staff to obtain research support and that scholarships should not be used to provide this. It is therefore necessary to ensure that the supervision supplied by supervisors is of the highest quality. Associate Professor Masters expressed concern that the justification of the proposal carried the implication that scholarships are being used to support research, rather than being enablers of research training. However, there are mechanisms for staff to obtain research support and the conduct of research is often more efficiently done by postdocs. It would then seem to follow that the purpose of the proposal was to provide high quality research training. That being the case, it is therefore necessary to ensure that the supervision supplied by supervisors is of the highest quality."

Resolution GSC16/7-1
That the Graduate Studies Committee adopt the minutes of the previous meeting, on 19 October 2016, as amended.

1.2 Transitional Provisions – Amended Terms of Reference

Associate Professor Nelson sought confirmation that the University Schools will continue to be represented on the Academic Board and its standing committees and was advised that this is the intent of the transitional provisions.

This proposal was endorsed as presented.

Resolution GSC16/7-2
That the Graduate Studies Committee endorse the amendment of its Terms of Reference and recommend the adoption of the amended Terms of Reference to the Academic Board, with immediate effect.
2 STANDING ITEMS

2.1 Report of the Chair

Resolution GSC16/7-3
That the Graduate Studies Committee note the report of the Chair.

2.2 Report of the Academic Board

Resolution GSC16/7-4
That the Graduate Studies Committee note the report of the Academic Board meeting of 2 November 2016.

2.3 Report of HDR Examinations Sub-Committee

Resolution GSC16/7-5
That the Graduate Studies Committee note the report of the HDR Examinations Sub-Committee meeting of 25 October 2016.

2.4 Report of HDR Scholarships Sub-Committee

Resolution GSC16/7-6
That the Graduate Studies Committee note the report of the HDR Scholarships Sub-Committee meetings of 20 September, 18 October and 28 October 2016.

3 ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

Minor Course Proposals

3.1 Arts & Social Sciences: Master of Cultural Studies – Amended Resolutions

This proposal was endorsed as presented.

Resolution GSC16/7-7
That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that Academic Board:
(1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences to amend the Master of Cultural Studies; and
(2) approve the amendment to the course resolutions arising from the proposal with effect from 1 January 2017.

3.2 Arts & Social Sciences: Graduate Diploma in Development Studies – Amended Resolutions

This proposal was endorsed as presented.

Resolution GSC16/7-8
That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that Academic Board:
(1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences to amend the Graduate Diploma in Development Studies; and
(2) approve the amendment to the course resolutions arising from the proposal with effect from 1 January 2017.

3.3 Arts & Social Sciences: Graduate Certificate of Human Rights – Amended Resolutions

This proposal was endorsed as presented.

Resolution GSC16/7-9
That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that Academic Board:
(1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences to amend the Graduate Certificate of Human Rights; and
(2) approve the amendment to the course resolutions arising from the proposal with effect from 1 January 2017.

3.4 Arts & Social Sciences: Graduate Diploma in International Security – Amended Resolutions

This proposal was endorsed as presented.

Resolution GSC16/7-10
That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that Academic Board:
(1) approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences to amend the Graduate Diploma in International Security; and
approve the amendment to the course resolutions arising from the proposal with effect from 1 January 2017.

3.5 **Arts & Social Sciences: Graduate Diploma in International Studies – Amended Resolutions**

This proposal was endorsed as presented.

**Resolution GSC16/7-11**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that Academic Board:

1. approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences to amend the Graduate Diploma in International Security; and
2. approve the amendment to the course resolutions arising from the proposal with effect from 1 January 2017.

3.6 **Arts & Social Sciences: Master of Public Policy – Amended Resolutions**

Anne Fernandez noted that student administration systems do not currently enable the recognition of a minor, and that this functionality is to be developed for undergraduate courses during 2017 in preparation for the new curriculum framework from 2018. The Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences advised that this component of the resolutions for the Master of Public Policy is unchanged and that minors are part of the elective units of study available within the degree. As recognition of a minor will be possible as a result of the curriculum reform, the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences is asked to liaise with the Student Centre and Sydney Student to see whether this functionality can be extended to those postgraduate coursework programs that have minors embedded in their resolutions. The Secretary will also contact the Student Centre and Sydney Student to advise of this requirement.

This proposal was endorsed as presented.

**Resolution GSC16/7-12**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that Academic Board:

1. approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences to amend the Master of Public Policy; and
2. approve the amendment to the course resolutions arising from the proposal with effect from 1 January 2017.

3.7 **Law: Juris Doctor – Amended Resolutions**

Associate Professor Kertesz observed a minor inconsistency between the presentation of LAWS5XXX units of study in the minor amendment proposal and the amended course resolutions. As the course resolutions are the part of the proposal that will be forwarded to the Academic Board for approval (and not the minor amendment form), and as these resolutions have been correctly presented, no further action by the Faculty is required.

This proposal was endorsed as presented.

**Resolution GSC16/7-13**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that Academic Board:

1. approve the proposal from the Sydney Law School to amend the Juris Doctor; and
2. approve the amendment to the course resolutions arising from the proposal with effect from 1 January 2017.

3.8 **Law: Juris Doctor – Amended Units of Study**

This proposal was endorsed as presented.

**Resolution GSC16/7-14**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that Academic Board:

1. approve the proposal from the Sydney Law School to amend the Juris Doctor; and
2. approve the amendment of the table of units of study arising from the proposal with effect from 1 January 2017.

**Next meeting:** 2:00pm – 4:00pm, Tuesday 7 February 2017

Senate Room, Quadrangle

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