CONFIRMED MINUTES

1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Committee welcomed new members and noted apologies as recorded above. He noted that the major course proposals in items 4.6, 4.7 and 4.8 would be discussed prior to the minor course amendments.

2 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

2.1 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Members confirmed the minutes of the previous meeting, held on 13 February 2018, as an accurate record.

Resolution GSC18/2-1
That the Graduate Studies Committee resolve that the minutes of meeting 1/2018, held on 13 February 2018, be confirmed as a true record.

2.2 Actions Arising

The Chair provided the Committee with an update on actions arising.

Resolution GSC18/2-2
The Graduate Studies Committee noted the updates provided on outstanding actions from the previous meeting.

2.3 Confirmed Terms of Reference

At its meeting of 13 February 2018, the Committee discussed and endorsed draft Terms of Reference for presentation to the Academic Board for approval. At its meeting of 6 March 2018, the Academic Board approved the adoption of these Terms of Reference, with effect from 6 March 2018.

Resolution GSC18/2-3
That the Graduate Studies Committee note the approval of Terms of Reference by the Academic Board at its meeting of 6 March 2018, as presented.

3 STANDING ITEMS

3.1 Report of the Chair
The Chair’s report was taken as read and noted without further comment.

**Resolution GSC18/2-4**
*That the Graduate Studies Committee note the report of the Chair.*

3.2 **Report of the Academic Board**

The report of the Academic Board was taken as read and noted without further comment.

**Resolution GSC18/2-5**
*That the Graduate Studies Committee note the report of the Academic Board meeting held on 6 March 2018.*

3.3 **Report of HDR Scholarships Sub-Committee**

The report of the HDR Scholarships Sub-Committee was taken as read and noted without further comment.

**Resolution GSC18/2-6**
*That the Graduate Studies Committee noted the report from the Higher Degree by Research Scholarships Sub-Committee (HDRSSC) of its meeting held on 23 March 2018.*

4 **ITEMS FOR ACTION**

**Minor Course Proposals**

4.1 **Law: Juris Doctor**

Professor Stewart presented this item via conference call. He outlined the change, to remove the current requirement to take at least one International / Comparative / Transnational (ICT) elective in order to increase flexibility in the degree. Students will still have access to the same units, but these units would be incorporated into another elective table, and students would no longer be required to enrol in at least one ICT unit.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

**Resolution GSC18/2-7**
*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

1. approve the proposal from Sydney Law School to amend the Juris Doctor; and
2. approve the amendment of the course resolutions arising from this proposal, to be effective 1 January 2019.*

4.2 **Engineering and Information Technologies: Amendment to the Master of Professional Engineering Biomedical Stream**

This proposal has been withdrawn and will return to the 22 May 2018 Graduate Studies Committee meeting.

**Resolution GSC18/2-8**
*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend this proposal returns to the 22 May 2018 Graduate Studies Committee meeting.*

4.3 **Engineering and Information Technologies: Amendment to the Master of Health Technology Innovation**

This proposal has been withdrawn and will return to the 22 May 2018 Graduate Studies Committee meeting.

**Resolution GSC18/2-9**
*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommend this proposal returns to the 22 May 2018 Graduate Studies Committee meeting.*

4.4 **Sydney Medical School: Minor amendment to the Master of Clinical Trials Research, and embedded programs**

Associate Professor Kelly presented the proposal to remove the core unit of study NURS5068 Clinical Trials in Practice from the Unit of Study Table and replacing it with an equivalent 6 credit point unit of study, CLTR5009 Operational Principles of Clinical Trials.
The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

**Resolution GSC18/2-10**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommends that the Academic Board approve the changes to the course resolutions and unit of study table arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2019.*

4.5 **Sydney Medical School: Minor amendment to the Master of Brain and Mind Sciences**

Associate Professor Kelly presented the proposal to simplify the Course Resolutions for the Master of Brain and Mind Sciences by removing the reference to “research” units of study. The choice of “research” units has become redundant with the introduction of capstone units.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

**Resolution GSC18/2-11**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommends that the Academic Board approve the changes to the course resolutions arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2019.*

4.6 **Engineering and Information Sciences: Master of Project and Program Management**

Professor Crawford presented the proposal to introduce the new Master of Project and Program Management (MPPM). She spoke of the work being undertaken to increase domestic student numbers as well as strengthening the international student cohorts in the suite of courses available. The MPPM is targeted at experienced project managers and will focus on the domestic market. The program will complement the direction of the John Grill Centre for Project Leadership, helping to establish the University as an international leader in Project Management education.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

**Resolution GSC18/2-12**

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

1. The proposal from the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies to introduce a new Master of Project and Program Management, Graduate Diploma in Project and Program Management and Graduate Certificate in Project and Program Management; and

2. The amendment to the Senate Resolutions arising from the proposal.

4.7 **Sydney School of Architecture, Design and Planning: Master of Design**

Associate Professor Davis presented the proposal to introduce the new Master of Design. The proposal works to fill a gap in the current offering of postgraduate coursework programs in the area of design at the University. It offers a pathway into a broader range of design and design-related careers. It will focus less on technology and put more emphasis on design as a capability-enhancing skill that can be applied across a range of contexts to address complex global issues.

This proposal was endorsed for presentation to the Academic Board subject to further consultation with the Chair of Graduate Studies and the Academic Modelling Team around degree resolutions. A final revised version of this proposal is to be presented for approval by the Academic Board.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

**Resolution GSC18/2-13**

*That the Graduate Studies Committee recommends that the Academic Board subject to further revisions and consultation:*

1. Approvethe proposal from the Sydney School of Architecture, Design and Planning to introduce the Master of Design and Graduate Diploma in Design, with effect from 1 January 2019.*

4.8 **Sydney Medical School: Major amendment to the Master of Medicine and Master of Science in Medicine (Psychotherapy)**

Dr McLean presented the major amendment proposal to the Master of Medicine and Master of Science in Medicine (Psychotherapy). She detailed the proposal to amend the course resolutions, introduce new units of study, and cross-list some existing units of study for several streams.

The Committee discussed the results on the current 72cpt Master offering of these changes. It was decided that this 48cpt Master should be treated as a new degree offering and as such a distinctive name should be decided to ensure clear communication to students and prospective employers.
This proposal was endorsed for presentation to the Academic Board subject to further consultation with the Chair of Academic Board and the Academic Modelling Team around degree and Units of Study naming. A final revised version of this proposal is to be presented for approval by the Academic Board.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

**Resolution GSC18/2-14**

That the Graduate Studies Committee recommends that subject to further revisions and consultation the Academic Board approve the proposal from the University of Sydney, Sydney Medical School to amend the Master of Medicine/Science in Medicine (Psychotherapy), with effect from 1 January 2019.

**Higher Degree by Research**

No proposals received for action.

5 ITEMS FOR NOTING

5.1 **Academic Board: Late Penalties – Common Submission Time**

The report on Late Penalties – Common Submission Time was taken as read and noted without further comment.

**Resolution GSC18/1-15**

That the Graduate Studies Committee endorse the recommendation of the UE Education Committee that a common system of Late Penalties and a common submission time of 23:59 for written assessments be adopted, with effect from Semester 1 2019.

5.2 **Graduate Research: ACOLA Review Implementation Plan**

Professor Coleman provided the Committee with a brief overview of the implementation plan. He advised the Committee that he is willing to come out to discuss the plan further if requested. Direct contact should be made with Professor Coleman should members wish to discuss in detail.

**Resolution GSC18/2-16**

That the Graduate Studies Committee note the advice regarding the ACOLA Review Implementation Plan.

5.3 **Graduate Research: Higher Degree by Research (HDR) Engagement Implementation Plan**

Professor Coleman provided the Committee with an overview of the HDR Engagement Implementation Plan. This plan helps to set out the key steps required to achieve the Universities strategic goals. He spoke of the need for a cultural shift in the internships space across the University in order to build positive relationships and mindsets within students, supervisors, and industry partners.

**Resolution GSC18/2-17**

That the Graduate Studies Committee note the Higher Degree by Research (HDR) Engagement Implementation Plan.

6 OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 **Any Other Business**

The meeting closed at 11:30am.

Next meeting: 10:00am – 12:00pm, **Tuesday 22 May 2018**

Senate Room, Quadrangle