UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE

10:00am – 12:00pm, Tuesday 15 May 2018
Senate Room

Members Present: Dr Melissa Hardie (Chair); Dr Ross Anderson, Architecture, Design and Planning; Imogen Grant, President of the SRC; Dr Stephen Carter, Pharmacy; Dr Lisa Conlon, Nursing and Midwifery; Dr Kimberly Mathieu Coulton, Dentistry; Eric Clubb for Dr Ülkü Yüksel, Business; Dr Anthony Dracopoulos, Arts and Social Sciences; A/Prof Jamie Glister, Sydney Law School; Edwina Grose, Deputy Registrar Nominee; Dr Melanie Keep for Dr Kate Edwards, Health Sciences; A/Prof Tina Hinton, Sydney Medical School; A/Prof Tony Masters, Chair of Academic Board; Denzel Florez, Student Representative; Dr Gary Muscatello, Science; Dr Fernanda Penaloza, Nominee of Academic Board; A/Prof Bronwyn Winter, Nominee of Academic Board; A/Prof Marjorie Valix, Engineering and Information Technologies; and A/Prof Nial Wheate, Nominee of Academic Board.

Attendees: Dr Matthew Charet, Executive Officer to Academic Board; A/Prof Peter McCallum, Director, Education Strategy, DVC (Education); Georgina Wheaton, DVC Education Portfolio; Dr Kenneth Chung, Engineering and Information Technologies; A/Prof Julien Pollack, Engineering and Information Technologies; Christine Lacey, Engineering and Information Technologies; Prof Pauline Ross, Science and Alyssa White, Committee Officer.

Apologies: Prof Adam Bridgeman, Director, Educational Innovation; Dr James Humberstone, Sydney Conservatorium of Music; Deren Bozdag, Student Representative;

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MINUTES

1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Chair of Academic Board welcomed members and attendees to the meeting.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-1
The Undergraduate Studies Committee resolved to note that apologies have been received from the members above and that they be excused for their absence.

2 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

2.1 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 24 April 2018 were accepted as a true record of the meeting.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-2
The Undergraduate Studies Committee resolved that the minutes of meeting 2018/3 on 24 April 2018 be confirmed as a true record.

2.2 Actions Arising

The Chair provided a verbal update on the actions of the Committee, it was noted without discussion.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-3
The Undergraduate Studies Committee noted the updates provided on outstanding actions from the previous meeting.

3 STANDING ITEMS

3.1 Report of the Chair

Respect is a core value of the Academic Board
The Chair for the Undergraduate Studies Committee thanked members for their assistance with review of the large pack of papers. It was noted that the 15 May meeting is the deadline for 2019 implementation.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-4
The Undergraduate Studies Committee noted 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 discussion.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-5
The Undergraduate Studies Committee noted the report of the Academic Board meeting of 1 May 2018.

4 ITEMS FOR ACTION

MAJOR COURSE PROPOSALS
No items were presented to the committee.

MINOR COURSE PROPOSALS

4.1 Education Portfolio: Education portfolio review of minor course amendment proposals
This paper was presented by the A/Prof McCallum. The Committee supported the inclusion of the advice provided in the consideration of proposals.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-6
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee
1. incorporate this advice into their consideration of the minor course amendment proposals presented to it at this meeting; and
2. where it agrees with the issues, request the faculties resolve them to their satisfaction.

Science

4.2 Science: Bachelor of Liberal Arts and Sciences Resolutions
Dr Muscatello presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined that the change will allow students to select the full range of undergraduate majors in the new curriculum offered by the Faculty of Science. This change will significantly improve student choice and reduce the administrative burden of maintaining two similar but not identical sets of majors in different tables.

The proposal was endorsed in principle for 2019 implementation with further consultation with the Academic Modelling Team on the exact wording of resolutions to be confirmed prior to submission to the Academic Board.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-7
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend subject to amendments that the Academic Board:
1. approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Course Resolutions for the Bachelor of Liberal Arts and Sciences
2. approve the amendment to the Course Resolutions arising from the proposal with effect from 1 January 2019.

4.3 Science: Bachelor of Liberal Arts and Sciences Degree Table
Dr Muscatello presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the changes to the Bachelor of Liberal Arts and Sciences degree table to reflect the new curriculum and units of study being developed and old units being retired in 2019.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation

Resolution UGSC2018/4-8
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:
1. approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to update the degree table for the Bachelor of Liberal Arts and Sciences with effect from 1 January 2019.

4.4 Science: Table A Advanced Stream
Dr Muscatello presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the changes that provide clarity about which units will count towards the 24 credit points of advanced units that must be taken in a major to complete the requirements of the Advanced Stream. The changes allow clearer communication to students and improve clarity at graduation checking.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation

Resolution UGSC2018/4-9
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:
1. approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Table A description of the Advanced Stream with effect from 1 January 2019.

4.5 Science: Bachelor of Science addition of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology Program
Dr Muscatello presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the amendment of the Course Resolutions for the Bachelor of Science/ Bachelor of Advanced Studies to allow students in the combined Bachelor of Engineering Honours / Bachelor of Science degree to select the Nanoscience and Nanotechnology program.

The proposal was endorsed in principle for 2019 implementation with further consultation with the Education Portfolio and Academic Modelling Team on the exact wording of resolutions to be confirmed prior to submission to the Academic Board.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-10
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend subject to amendments that the Academic Board:
1. approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Course Resolutions for the Bachelor of Science/ Bachelor of Advanced Studies to allow student in the combined Bachelor of Engineering Honours / Bachelor of Science degree to select the Nanoscience and Nanotechnology program; and
2. approve the amendment of Faculty and Course Resolutions arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2019.

4.6 Science: Bachelor of Animal and Veterinary Biosciences Course Resolutions
Dr Muscatello presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the amendment to resolutions to reflect accurately the core and selective units required for student to graduate and to ensure students are able to complete the required 3000-level units of study.

The proposal was endorsed in principle for Semester 2, 2018 implementation with further consultation on the exact wording of resolutions to be confirmed prior to submission to the Academic Board.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-11
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend subject to amendments that the Academic Board:
1. approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Course Resolutions for the Bachelor of Animal and Veterinary Sciences degree with immediate effect.

4.7 Science: Bachelor of Science Table A changes
Professor Ross presented the proposal to the Committee, she outlined the changes to the Table A major, minor, program and stream tables for 2019.

The proposal was endorsed in principle for 2019 implementation with further consultation with the Education Portfolio on the inclusion of ICPU units and with the Mathematical Sciences program on the changes to be confirmed prior to submission to the Academic Board.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-12
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee, subject to amendments recommend that the Academic Board:
1. approve the amendments to the Table A major tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2019;

2. Approve the amendments to the Course Resolutions for the Bachelor of Psychology, resulting from the incorporation of changes to the intermediate psychology subjects due to be introduced in 2019;

3. Approve the amendments to the Course Resolutions for the Bachelor of Science, resulting from the name change of the major in Behavioural Sciences to “Psychological Science” with effect from 1 January 2019;

4. Approve the amendments to the Course Resolutions for the Bachelor of Science/Master of Mathematical Sciences, to reflect change in credit points for the Mathematical Sciences Program, resulting from inclusion of the Data Science major as part of the program and to bring resolutions of the BSc/MMathSci into line with the Mathematical Sciences Program structure with effect from 1 January 2019.

4.8 Science: Resolutions of the Faculty of Science

Dr Muscatello presented the proposal to the Committee, outlining the resolution changes required to ensure that the Taronga Wildlife Conservation stream of the Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Advanced Studies has access to special admissions.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation

Resolution UGSC2018/4-13

That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

1. approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to allow students to enter the Bachelor of Science / Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Taronga Wildlife Conservation) via the special admission programs already available to other streams of the Bachelor of Science / Bachelor of Advanced Studies; and

2. approve the amendment of faculty and course resolutions arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2019.

4.9 Science: Bachelor of Science / Doctor of Medicine

Dr Muscatello presented the proposal to the Committee, outlining minor amendments to the course resolutions.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation

Resolution UGSC2018/4-14

That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

1. approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Course Resolutions for the Bachelor of Science/ Doctor of Medicine; and

2. approve the amendment of Course Resolutions arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2019.

4.10 Science: Bachelor of Veterinary Biology / Doctor of Veterinary Medicine

Dr Muscatello presented the proposal to the Committee, outlining updates to the Bachelor of Veterinary Biology/ Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree table is to reflect new units of study being developed and old units being retired in 2019.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation

Resolution UGSC2018/4-15

That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

1. approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to update the degree table for the Bachelor of Veterinary Biology/ Doctor of Veterinary Medicine with effect from 1 January 2019.

4.11 Science: Bachelor of Science (pre-2018) Table 1 Majors

Dr Muscatello presented the proposal to the Committee, outlining updates to the Bachelor of Science (pre-2018) Table 1 major tables to reflect new units of study being developed and old units being retired in 2019.
The proposal was endorsed in principle for 2019 implementation with further consultation with the Education Portfolio on the exact wording of resolutions to be confirmed prior to submission to the Academic Board.

**Resolution UGSC2018/4-16**  
*That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend subject to amendments that the Academic Board:*

1. approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to update the Bachelor of Science (pre-2018) Table 1 major tables with effect from 1 January 2019.

**4.12 Science: Nanoscience and Technology Table 1 Major**

Dr Muscatello presented the proposal to the Committee, outlining that the Nanoscience and Technology major from Table 1 is being replaced in the new curriculum and will no longer be offered for new intake.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

**Resolution UGSC2018/4-17**  
*That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

1. approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to close the Nanoscience and Technology major offered in Bachelor of Science (pre-2018) and Bachelor of Liberal Arts and Sciences Table 1 major tables with effect from 1 January 2019.

**4.13 Science: Degree Tables (pre-2018)**

Dr Muscatello presented the proposal to the Committee, outlining updates to multiple pre-2018 Degree Tables to reflect new units of study being developed and old units being retired in 2019.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

**Resolution UGSC2018/4-18**  
*That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

1. approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to update the course tables.
2. approve the amendment of the Course resolutions arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2019.

**Engineering and Information Technology**

**4.14 Engineering and Information Technology: New major in Food and Bioprocessing in the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) Chemical and Biomolecular stream**

Associate Professor Valix presented the proposal to the Committee, outlining the request from the School of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering the introduces of a new Table A major into the Bachelor of Engineering Honours with the name Food and Bioprocessing.

The proposal was endorsed for 2020 implementation.

**Resolution UGSC2018/4-19**  
*That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:*

1. approve the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies to amend the Bachelor of Engineering Honours resolutions;
2. approve the introduction of a new major to the Bachelor of Engineering Honours; and
3. approve the amendment to the table of Units of Study arising from these proposals, with effect from Semester 1, 2020.

**4.15 Engineering and Information Technology: New units of study AMME5060 and AMME5292 to be incorporated in the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours)**

Associate Professor Valix presented the proposal to the Committee, outlining the request to amend the Unit of Study Tables for the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) Aeronautical and Mechanical streams to introduce new units AMME5060 Advanced Computational Engineering and AMME5292 Advanced Fluid Dynamics. She also detailed that AMME5060 will be a core unit in the Computational Engineering major and AMME5292 will be a core unit in the Fluids Engineering major.
The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation

**Resolution UGSC2018/4-20**  
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board approve:  
1. the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies to amend the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours); and  
2. the amendment to the table of Units of Study arising from these proposals, with effect from Semester 1, 2019

**4.16 Engineering and Information Technology: New units of study and re-coded units of study in the Bachelor of Advanced Computing and the Bachelor of Engineering Honours streams of Biomedical, Electrical and Software**

Associate Professor Valix presented the proposal to the Committee, outlining the following amendments to the Bachelor of Advanced Computing and the Bachelor of Engineering Honours streams of Biomedical, Electrical and Software:

- Introduction of INFO1910 Introduction to Programming (Advanced)  
- Introduction of DATA2901 Big Data and Data Diversity (Advanced)  
- Addition of ENGG3800 Industry and Community Projects to BAdvComp Table A electives  
- Re-coding of some project units at the request of the Faculty of Science, as detailed in the amendment.

The proposal was endorsed in principle for 2019 implementation with minor amendments to be completed by the Faculty prior to submission to the Academic Board.

**Resolution UGSC2018/4-21**  
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend subject to amendment that the Academic Board approve:  
1. The proposal from the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies to amend the Bachelor of Advanced Computing and the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours); and  
2. The amendments to the tables of Units of Study arising from these proposals, with effect from Semester 1, 2019.

**4.17 Engineering and Information Technology: Bachelor of Project Management Table A majors in Construction and in Built Environment**

Associate Professor Pollack presented the proposal to the Committee, outlining the proposal to amend the units of study in the Table A “Construction” Major; and to rename the Table A “Infrastructure” Major to “Built Environment” and amend the related units of study.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation

**Resolution UGSC2018/4-22**  
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board approve:  
1. the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies to amend the Bachelor of Project Management;  
2. the amendment to the Course Resolutions of Bachelor of Project Management degree; and;  
3. the amendment to the table of Units of Study arising from these proposals, with effect from Semester 1, 2019.

**4.18 Engineering and Information Technology: Curriculum updates to Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) Civil stream and associated majors**

Associate Professor Valix presented the proposal to the Committee, outlining the amendments the Unit of Study Tables for the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) Civil stream and relevant majors.

It was noted that the codes in the paperwork presented to the Committee needs minor amendments prior to submission to Academic Board.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation
Resolution UGSC2018/4-23
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend subject to amendments that the Academic Board approve:

1. the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies to amend the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours); and
2. the amendment to the table of Units of Study arising from these proposals, with effect from Semester 1, 2019

4.19 Engineering and Information Technology: New alpha codes for units of study in the area of Biomedical Engineering

Associate Professor Valix presented the proposal to the Committee, outlining needs to re-code Biomedical units with new alpha code “BMET”.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-24
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board approve:

1. the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies to amend the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) Biomedical stream; and
2. the amendment to the table of Units of Study arising from this proposal, with effect from Semester 1, 2019.

4.20 Engineering and Information Technology: Combined Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) and Bachelor of Project Management requirements for award

Dr Chung presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the amendment to clarify the requirements for award of the combined degree with Bachelor of Project Management.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-25
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board approve:

1. the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies to amend the combined Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) and Bachelor of Project Management degree; and
2. the amendment to the Course Resolutions of the Combined Bachelor of Engineering Honours degree, with effect from Semester 1, 2019.

4.21 Engineering and Information Technology: Amendment of the Project Management Table S major resulting from changes to the Bachelor of Project Management

It was noted by the Committee that this proposal had been approved at the 1 May Academic Board meeting and subsequently it was withdrawn.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-26
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee note the withdrawal of Item 4.21.

Health Sciences

4.22 Health Sciences: Minor course amendment proposal – Hearing and Speech major and minor

This proposal was noted to have been omitted from the papers received. A circulation meeting for approval of this item was agreed by members.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-27
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee note this item will be forwarded for circular resolution prior to the 12 June Academic Board.

4.23 Health Sciences: Minor course amendment proposal – Bachelor of Applied Science (Physiotherapy)

Dr Keep present the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the minor amendment to the table of units of study for Year 1 and Year 2 of the Bachelor of Applied Science (Physiotherapy) to replace existing core units EXSS1029 Muscle Mechanics and Training and EXSS2027 Exercise Physiology for Clinicians, with EXSS2xxx Muscle Adaptations to Use and Disuse and EXSS3xxx Exercise Responses and Programming.

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The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation

Resolution UGSC2018/4-28
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommends that the Academic Board approve the proposal from the Faculty of Health Sciences to amend the course tables for the Bachelor of Applied Science (Physiotherapy), with effect from Semester 1, 2019.

Law

4.24 Sydney Law School: Proposed changes to the Bachelor of Laws elective tables

Associate Professor Glister presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the addition and renaming of units of study in the Bachelor of Laws elective tables.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-29
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board approve the amendment of the Course Resolutions of the Faculty of Law for the Bachelor of Laws

Architecture, Design and Planning

4.25 Architecture, Design and Planning: Bachelor of Design in Architecture (Honours) / Master of Architecture Minor Course Amendment

Dr Anderson presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the introduction of two new units of study and resulting changes to the Units of Study table. It was noted that this update does not require Academic Board approval.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-30
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommends that the Academic Board:

1. note the endorsement of the introduction of two new units for the Bachelor of Design in Architecture (Honours) / Master of Architecture, in the Honours stream.
2. note the amendments to the Units of Study table, with effect from 1 January 2019.

Business

4.26 The University of Sydney Business School: Minor course amendments: Bachelor of Commerce (Table A) and Table S

Mr Clubb presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the changes to the Professional Accounting program, and the new units of study for inclusion in Table A and Table S course components in Accounting and Industrial Relations and Human Resource Management. He also spoke about the opportunities for students in new work integrated learning and global mobility electives for the Bachelor of Commerce.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-31
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

1. approve the proposal to amend the Bachelor of Commerce (Table A) and Table S; and
2. approve the amendment of unit of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2019.

Pharmacy

4.27 Pharmacy: Pharmacy Undergraduate Coursework programs

Associate Professor Wheate presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the amendments to the Faculty Course Resolutions for the Bachelor of Pharmacy and Bachelor of Pharmacy and Management required to reflect changes to progression rules.

The proposal was endorsed in principle for 2019 implementation with further consultation with OGC to occur to confirm the local provisions listed prior to submission to the Academic Board.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-32
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend subject to amendments that the Academic Board approve the Faculty of Pharmacy’s request to amend the Faculty Course
Resolutions with regard to the progression rules and admission to the integrated Honours program for the Bachelor of Pharmacy and Bachelor of Pharmacy and Management degrees.

4.28 Pharmacy: Pharmacy Undergraduate Coursework programs (Project Unit)

Associate Professor Wheate presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the introduction of the new interdisciplinary unit of study to ensure that final-year undergraduate pharmacy students may participate in the Industry Community Projects program.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-33
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board endorse the Faculty of Pharmacy’s request to amend Units of Study Tables for the Bachelor of Pharmacy and Bachelor of Pharmacy and Management.

Dentistry

4.29 Dentistry: Deletion of the Bachelor of Dentistry

Dr Coulton presented the proposal to the Committee. She outlined the Bachelor of Dentistry Degree was replaced by the Doctor of Dental Medicine in 2012, with the final intake in 2011. It was noted that the last remaining students enrolled in the Bachelor of Dentistry completed the course in 2016.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-34
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommends that the Academic Board that the Bachelor of Dentistry is deleted from the Resolutions of Senate with effect from 1st January 2019.

Arts and Social Sciences

4.30 Arts and Social Sciences: Minor Course Amendment for the Bachelor of Visual Arts and Bachelor of Visual Arts/Bachelor of Advanced Studies

Dr Dracopoulos presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the amendment to the resolutions for the Bachelor of Visual Arts and Bachelor of Visual Arts/Bachelor of Advanced Studies to ensure alignment with the requirements with new curriculum terminology and to allow access to students to new units of study with the introduction of Art History units.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-35
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board approve the proposed changes to the resolutions which will clarify inconsistencies, update the requirements of the course and allow students access to new units of study, with effect from 1 January 2019.

4.31 Arts and Social Sciences: Minor Course Amendment for Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Advanced Studies

Dr Dracopoulos presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the proposal to approve the introduction of two new majors Criminology and Politics and International Relations. There was discussion around the consultation that had taken place with the Education Portfolio on these proposals.

The proposal for the introduction of the Politics and International Relations major was endorsed for 2019 implementation. The proposal for the introduction of the Criminology major was endorsed for 2020 implementation.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-36
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

1. approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences to amend the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Arts / Bachelor of Advanced Studies to allow the introduction a new major Politics and International Relations with effect from 1 January 2019;
2. approve the introduction a new major Criminology with effect from 1 January 2020;
3. approve clarification of the OLE requirements, with effect from 1 January 2019;
4. approve confirmation that the Global Studies and Media Studies majors are available to students enrolled in Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Laws, with effect from 1 January 2019; and
5. approve the amendment of course resolutions and unit of study tables arising from these proposals.

4.32 Arts and Social Sciences: Minor Course Amendment for the Diploma of Arts, Diploma of Social Sciences, and Diploma of Language Studies

Dr Dracopoulos presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the updates to the resolutions of the Diploma of Arts, Diploma of Social Sciences and the Diploma of Language Studies in order to accommodate the new curriculum major and minors and to amend the completion requirements. The proposal outlines that completion will required 48 credit points from the Bachelor of Arts Table A, with completion of a major or minor being optional.

It was noted that consultation with the Education Portfolio had affirmed that the diet re-build of the undergraduate diplomas was work already slated for 2019 implementation. The proposal was therefore endorsed for 2019 implementation.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-37
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:
1. approve the changes to the resolutions of the Diploma of Arts to reflect the new curriculum majors and minors, and to amend the requirement to 48 credit points from the Bachelor of Arts Table A, with a major or minor being optional;
2. approve the changes to the resolutions of the Diploma of Social Sciences to reflect the new curriculum majors and minors, and to amend the requirement to 48 credit points from the Bachelor of Arts Table A, with a major or minor being optional;
3. approve the changes to the resolutions of the Diploma of Language Studies to reflect the new curriculum majors and minors, and to amend the requirement to 48 credit points from the Bachelor of Arts Table A, with a major or minor being optional.

4.33 Arts and Social Sciences: Minor Course Amendment for the Bachelor of Social Work

Dr Dracopoulos presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the amendments to the resolutions of Bachelor of Social Work are to accommodate the introduction of two new core Social Work units at 1000 level; SCWK1001 Social Justice Practice and SCWK1002 Introduction to Human Services. He spoke on the improved student experience by providing earlier opportunities to engage in social work studies, and interaction with other social work students from the newly introduced compulsory units. It was noted that these units will also meet new accreditation requirements by the Australian Association of Social Workers.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-38
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board approve the changes to the resolutions of the Bachelor of Social Work to allow for the introduction of two new Social Work core units at 1000 level, with effect from 1 January 2019.

4.34 Arts and Social Sciences: Minor Course Amendment for the Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Economics/Bachelor of Advanced Studies

Dr Dracopoulos presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the changes to the resolutions to provide clarification to students that they must take a minimum of 12 credit points of OLE units.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-39
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board approve the additional minor changes to clarify that students must take a minimum of 12 credit points of OLE units

4.35 Arts and Social Sciences: Minor Course Amendment for the Bachelor of Education (Secondary: Mathematics) and Bachelor of Science

Dr Dracopoulos presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined how the amendments would clarify inconsistencies within the resolutions and allow students to take the proper teaching areas. Advice was also provided that Sydney School of Education and Social Work affirms that in

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addition to the course resolutions students in accredited courses are provided with ongoing, clear and detailed advice on selection of teaching areas and the necessary enrolment patterns to be awarded an accredited degree.

The proposal was endorsed in principle for 2019 implementation, however the Committee raised concerns about the removal of specific subject areas and the communication to students on expected outcomes differed from other course resolutions such as those in Item 4.36, further consultation was requested to ensure the changes to resolutions did not have adverse consequences for students. The Committee also requested further consultation with the Science Faculty to take place prior to submission to the Academic Board.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-40
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend subject to amendments that the Academic Board approve the changes to the resolutions which will clarify inconsistencies, and also allow students to access to teaching areas that had not previously been available to them, with effect from 1 January 2019.

4.36 Arts and Social Sciences: Minor Course Amendment to the Bachelor of Education
(Secondary: Humanities and Social Sciences) and Bachelor of Arts

Dr Dracopoulos presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the amendments to provide students with more flexibility in choosing teaching areas. The amendments allow students to choose teaching areas previously not available to them, which improves their employment prospects at the end of their teaching degree.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-41
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:

1. approve updating the table aligning majors/minors and accreditable teaching areas; and
2. amend the resolutions to allow a second teaching area from relevant Table A or Table S options, with effect from January 2019.

4.37 Arts and Social Sciences: Revision of Unit of Study Tables for Table A’s in FASS

Dr Dracopoulos presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the following amendments to the Table A unit of study tables:

- Adding new units, primarily at 3000-level, to existing majors;
- the addition attaching Interdisciplinary Projects and selective Industry Community Project Units (ICPUs) to each major;
- Addition of the two new proposed majors; Criminology (2020 implementation) and Politics and International Relations;
- updating as necessary nomenclature of unit of study level to 1000,2000,3000 rather than Junior, Intermediate, Senior; and
- a small number minor updates in requirements of majors e.g to indicate collections are “Selective” where students have choice of units from a given selection, or better align requirements of a minor with the relevant major.

The proposal was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-42
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board approve the submitted Table A unit of study tables, with effect from January 2019.

4.38 Arts and Social Sciences: Student-centred enrolment pathways for Languages

Dr Dracopoulos presented the proposal to the Committee. He outlined the difficulties experienced when a student commencing languages at the University currently enters. Students begin with different levels of prior knowledge, from absolute beginners, to HSC-level graduates to native speakers. He spoke on the current state where all students enrol in a single version of the associated language major, the rules of which are built to accommodate a beginner level. This process means that for a percentage of students (depending on the language, this could be a quarter or a third of the cohort) who have prior language knowledge, enrolment is difficult and confusing as the available units and rules do not match what is necessary for them to complete. This can result in a high degree of manual intervention and special permissions required to accommodate ensure students are in the correct sequences.

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The faculty feel this is a poor experience for the student and administratively burdensome and would like to pilot a solution that formalises the current practices of pathways at beginner, intermediate and advanced language levels and have specific diets and handbook entries built for students on these pathways.

Concerns were raised by the Committee regarding the administration of these changed diets, and it was agreed that the Faculty would review the pilot program before further implementation across other languages was made.

The proposal for a pilot for Italian Studies was endorsed for 2019 implementation.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-43
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend that the Academic Board:
1. approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences to pilot a student-centred enrolment pathway for Italian Studies, with effect from 1 January 2019; and
2. request the Faculty submit a review of the pilot before further implementation.

5 STRATEGIC ITEMS
No items were presented to the committee.

6 ITEMS FOR NOTING
6.1 Education Portfolio: Update on Implementation of Strategic Initiatives Relating to Assessment
A/Prof McCallum briefly outlined the paper to the Committee.

Resolution UGSC2018/4-44
That the Undergraduate Studies Committee note this progress report from the Assessment Working Group

7 OTHER BUSINESS
The Meeting adjourned at 12:15 pm.

Date of next meeting
10:00am-12:00pm, Tuesday 10 July, Senate Room, Quadrangle