

# FACULTY OF SCIENCE RESOLUTIONS: COURSEWORK AWARDS

These resolutions apply to all undergraduate and postgraduate coursework award courses in the Faculty of Science, unless specifically indicated otherwise.

Students enrolled in postgraduate research awards should consult the resolutions for their course.

These resolutions must be read in conjunction with applicable University By-laws, Rules and policies including (but not limited to) the [University of Sydney \(Coursework\) Rule 2014](#) (the 'Coursework Rule'); resolutions for the course of enrolment; the [Coursework Policy 2021](#) (the 'Coursework Policy'); the [Learning and Teaching Policy 2019](#); the [University of Sydney \(Student Academic Appeals\) Rule 2021](#), the [Academic Honesty in Coursework Policy 2015](#); and the [Academic Honesty Procedures 2016](#).

Current versions of all policies are available from the Policy Register:  
<http://www.sydney.edu.au/policies>

## 1 Admissions

- (1) The provisions of the [Coursework Rule](#) and the [Coursework Policy](#) apply to the admission of domestic and international applicants to undergraduate and postgraduate coursework courses. Course resolutions may prescribe additional admission requirements.
- (2) The Faculty participates in the approved special admission programs listed in the [Coursework Policy](#), as set out in Schedule One of these resolutions.

## 2 Enrolment restrictions

- (1) Except with the permission of the Associate Dean an undergraduate student may not enrol in units of study with a total value of more than 30 credit points in either semester.
- (2) Except with the permission of the Associate Dean a postgraduate coursework student may not enrol in units of study with a total value of more than 24 credit points in either semester one or two.
- (3) Except with the permission of the Associate Dean, undergraduate students are prohibited from:
  - (a) re-enrolling in a unit of study that they have previously completed within the last 10 calendar years, regardless of whether the unit of study was completed in their current or previous award courses; and
  - (b) enrolling in any unit of study:
    - (i) that overlaps substantially in content with a unit of study already completed in their current or previous award course within the last 10 calendar years; and /or
    - (ii) for which credit equivalence or exemption has been granted within the last 10 calendar years.

- (4) Except with the permission of the Associate Dean, postgraduate coursework students are prohibited from:
  - (a) re-enrolling in a unit of study that they have previously completed within the last 5 calendar years, regardless of whether the unit of study was completed in their current or previous award course; and
  - (b) enrolling in any unit of study:
    - (i) that overlaps substantially in content with a unit of study already completed in their current or previous award course within the last 5 calendar years; and/or
    - (ii) for which credit equivalence or exemption has been granted within the last 5 calendar years.

### **3 Time limits**

The provisions of the [Coursework Rule](#) apply to the time limits for undergraduate and postgraduate programs, unless otherwise stated in the course resolutions.

### **4 Suspension, discontinuation and termination of candidature**

The [Coursework Policy](#) specifies the conditions for suspending or discontinuing candidature, and return to candidature after suspending or discontinuing. It also defines the circumstances when candidature is terminated. Students should pay careful attention to the significant dates in these requirements and their effect on results and financial liability.

### **5 Credit for previous study**

- (1) Unless otherwise stated within the course resolutions, the provisions of the [Coursework Rule](#) and the [Coursework Policy](#) apply to all granting of credit.

### **6 Domestic cross-institutional study**

- (1) Provided the Associate Dean's permission has been obtained in advance, a student may be permitted to complete a unit of study offered by another institution and have that unit credited to the student's course requirements, provided that:
  - (a) the unit of study content is not taught in any corresponding unit of study at the University; or
  - (b) the student is unable, for good reason, to attend a corresponding unit of study at the University.
- (2) Cross-institutional study is regarded as another form of credit.
- (3) Unless otherwise stated in the course resolutions, cross-institutional study is not available to students enrolled in postgraduate programs.

## 7 International mobility

- (1) The Faculty encourages students to participate in international study, unless the resolutions for a particular course preclude this. Provided the relevant prior approval has been obtained a student may be permitted to count units completed overseas towards their degree by participating in:
  - (a) the University of Sydney Exchange Program; or
  - (b) a Study Abroad program; or
  - (c) an International Placement.
- (2) For International Placements approval must be gained well in advance of travel for unit of study enrolment based on an agreed degree plan.
- (3) Students applying for international mobility should refer to the [Outbound Student Mobility Policy 2018](#).

## 8 Attendance

- (1) Unless otherwise stated, students are expected to attend at least 80% of timetabled activities as defined in the unit of study outline, unless granted exemption by the Associate Dean.
- (2) A student may fail a unit of study because of inadequate attendance.

## 9 Results

- (1) The provisions of the [Coursework Rule](#) and the [Coursework Policy](#) apply to the award of grades in Science units of study.

## 10 Satisfactory progress

In addition to meeting the provisions of the [Coursework Rule](#) and the [Coursework Policy](#), students must also meet all progression requirements listed in specific course resolutions.

## 11 Re-assessment

Re-assessment is not permitted unless otherwise specified in the course resolutions.

## 12 Readmission after a period of exclusion

The [Coursework Policy](#) provides that a student excluded from a degree may seek readmission at the end of the exclusion period with the approval of the Associate Dean. A student readmitted in this way is considered to have commenced a new candidature and must apply for credit from their previous candidature. Credit will only be awarded in accordance with the [Coursework Policy](#) and clause 5 of these resolutions.

### 13 Award of the bachelor degree with Honours

- (1) The rules applying to the admission and award of an undergraduate degree with Honours are stipulated in the relevant course resolutions and the [Coursework Policy](#).
- (2) To qualify for the award of Honours, a student must complete the required credit points of Honours undergraduate units of study as described in the Science Honours Unit of Study Table.
- (3) The grade of Honours and the Honours mark are determined by performance in the only the units of study successfully completed after admission to Honours, as listed in the Science Honours Unit of Study Table.

### 14 University medal

A student who is awarded Honours Class 1 may be awarded a university medal. The medal is awarded at the discretion of the Faculty to the highest achieving students who, in the opinion of the Faculty, have an outstanding academic record, in accordance with the [Coursework Policy](#).

### 15 Weighted Average Mark (WAM)

- (1) The University WAM is calculated using the following formula:

WAM=	$\frac{\text{sum}(Wc \times Mc)}{\text{sum}(Wc)}$

Where  $Wc$  is the unit of study credit points x the unit weighting and  $Mc$  is the mark achieved for the unit. Pass/ fail units and credited units from other institutions are not counted.

- (1) The weight of a unit of study is assigned by the owning Faculty. In the Faculty of Science, all units are given a weighting of one.

### 16 Transitional provisions

- (1) These resolutions apply to students who commenced their candidature after 1 January 2022 and students who commenced their candidature prior to 1 January 2022 who elect to proceed under these resolutions unless otherwise specified under the specific course resolutions.

## SCHEDULE 1: SPECIAL ADMISSIONS PROGRAM

Course	Broadway Scheme	Gadigal Program	E12 Scheme	Mature Age Applicants Scheme	Elite Athletes or Performers Scheme	Special Consideration for Admission Scheme	Future Leaders Scheme
Bachelor of Liberal Arts and Science	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bachelor of Science	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Advanced)	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bachelor of Science (Medical Science)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Medical Science)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bachelor of Science (Health)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Health)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Agriculture)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Food and Agribusiness)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Animal and Veterinary Bioscience)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Taronga Wildlife Conservation)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bachelor of Veterinary Bioscience and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Dental Medicine	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No
Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Medicine	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No
Bachelor of Science and Master of Mathematical Sciences	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bachelor of Science and Master of Nutrition and Dietetics	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bachelor of Psychology	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Master of Clinical Psychology	n/a	Yes	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Master of Clinical Psychology and Doctor of Philosophy	n/a	Yes	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Doctor of Veterinary Medicine	n/a	Yes	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a