

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Meeting No. 4, 2007

Meeting No. 4, 2007 of the University Education Committee will be held on

Friday 17 August 2007

at 10.00 am in the

Ross Hohnen Room of the Chancelry

Apologies:
Ext.54080

J A Bruce
Secretary to the Committee

AGENDA SUMMARY

PART 1: PROCEDURAL ITEMS

- *1. Minutes**
- *2. Matters Arising**
- *3. Announcements and Apologies**
- *4. Starred Items**
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PART 2: REPORTS AND POLICY ITEMS

- *6. Report from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor**
- *7. Graduate Coursework**
- *8. Education Innovation**
- *9. Policy Issues**

PART 3: PROGRAMS AND COURSEWORK

- 10. Undergraduate Programs**
- 11. Graduate Programs**
- 12. Undergraduates and Graduate Coursework**

PART 4: ITEMS OF OTHER BUSINESS

- *13. Other Business and Question Time**

Procedural Matters for Members to note:**OPERATING PROCEDURES**

The operating procedures of the University Education Committee are detailed in paper 164a/2007 (at http://info.anu.edu.au/OVC/Committees/040PP_Education/index.asp).

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Consistent with the policy and practice of Council, all matters in the agenda of the University Education Committee relating to individual persons, including appointments, enrolment, candidacy for degrees, personal details, performance and conduct are declared to be confidential. If any member wishes to raise a confidential matter in relation to any other item, he or she should do so under Item 5. After consideration of the confidential items, observers will be admitted to the meeting.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY OR MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST

Sections 27F to section 27H of the *Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997* <http://scaleplus.law.gov.au/html/pasteact/2/3067/top.htm> impose a duty to disclose any material personal interest in a matter which relates to the affairs of the University. This disclosure must give details of the nature and extent of the interest, the relation of the interest to the affairs of the University, and be given at a meeting as soon as practicable after the person becomes aware of the interest. The nature and extent of the interest must be recorded in the minutes of the meeting. Unless the meeting determines otherwise, a person who has a material personal interest in a matter must not be present while the matter is being considered at the meeting, and must not vote on the matter.

USE OF INSIDE INFORMATION OR POSITION

Under sections 24 and 25 of the *Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997*, a member of the University Education Committee must not make improper use of his or her position or of inside information to gain an advantage for himself or herself or to cause detriment to the University or to another person.

jab/6 August 2007

PART 1: PROCEDURAL ITEMS***ITEM 1. MINUTES**

The unconfirmed minutes of Meeting No. 3, 2007 of the University Education Committee (315/2007 attached) held on 15 June 2007 have been circulated (and are accessible at http://info.anu.edu.au/OVC/Committees/040PP_Education/meetings.asp)

For confirmation***ITEM 2. MATTERS ARISING****Item 10. IARU Global summer Program****Item 15. Other Business**

- **Question on Notice: Conduct of Inquiries**

The Legal Counsel has clarified that the issue of the rules of evidence *not* applying to the inquiry process are discussed in training sessions, such as the *Discipline Rules* training course run by the Legal Office. An inquiry should be conducted in a manner as the prescribed authority determines subject to procedural fairness but not the rules of evidence. It is important to ensure that the student knows the case against them, including what evidence the tribunal of fact is going to rely upon, but that is a procedural fairness issue and can be accommodated during the course of the inquiry as new evidence is presented.

Item 16. Annualised Timetable

A paper is in preparation for a future meeting of the Committee.

For noting***ITEM 3. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND APOLOGIES****3.1 Apologies****To be received****3.2 Announcements****For noting*****ITEM 4. STARRED ITEMS**

The starred items are: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9.2, and 13. : The Chair will ask whether any member wishes to star other items. The Chair will then ask for a motion that the unstarred items be approved without debate as set out in the agenda.

***ITEM 5. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

Any confidential matters will be dealt with in this part of the agenda.

For consideration

PART 2: REPORTS AND POLICY MATTERS

***ITEM 6. REPORT FROM THE DEPUTY VICE-CHANCELLOR**

PURPOSE

For the Deputy Vice-Chancellor to report on matters of interest to the Committee.

BACKGROUND

A report will be made by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor on current issues:

- Enrolments: Registrar to report
 - Semester II admission round
 - Unitest
 - Attachment: [Analysis](#) prepared by Statistical Services
- Setting the cut-off score for international students
- Grade Distribution, Semester II, 2006
 - Attachment:
 - [Report](#) on analysis of grade distribution
 - Distribution of Undergraduate [Grades SII](#), 2006 (available electronically)
- ANU College:
 - Appointment of Mr John See, General Manager, ANU College
 - ANU College Advisory Committee
 - Admissions Standards Committee
- Early offers for admission
- Associate Degree update
- Commercialisation Training Scheme (CTS)
- AUQA audit
- Collaborations and joint arrangements
- Carrick Teaching Awards - [Attachment](#)
- Community discussion regarding Higher Education
 - Attachments:
 - Summary: Seizing the Opportunities - A Go8 Policy Discussion Paper (6 June 2007) *Designing New Policy Architecture for higher education and University Research*
<http://www.go8.edu.au/policy/papers/2007/Go8%20paper%20on%20higher%20education%20and%20university%20research%2006.06.07.pdf>
 - *Global Setting, national policy and higher education in 2007*, Professor Simon Marginson, University of Melbourne (hard copy only)
- Flexible Learning Project update
 - Attachment: FLP Working Paper ([828/2007](#))
- Graduate Coursework Transformation update

SPONSOR: Deputy Vice-Chancellor

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee note the report from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor and matters arising in discussion.

***ITEM 7. GRADUATE COURSEWORK**

PURPOSE

For discussion about progress with implementation of the recommendations of the Review of Postgraduate Coursework Education and preparation of an implementation report.

BACKGROUND

Attachments:

- Recommendations of the 2005 Review of Postgraduate Coursework Education: Summary ([824/2007](#)) and draft comments
- Report of the Review of Postgraduate Coursework Education (246a/2005) (http://info.anu.edu.au/OVC/Committees/040PP_Education/discussion.asp)
- University Committee on Education Policy meeting 1, 2005: [Extract](#) from minutes

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Education) reported (Minute 4.2) on 3 November 2005 that “some recommendations from the Review (of Postgraduate Coursework Education), including the template, were being taken-up increasingly. The timing of full implementation of the report had been affected by the concurrent move to ANU Colleges and the associated changes to delegations. A report on implementation would be made in 2006.”

A suggested revised timetable for a report on the implementation of the Review recommendations is:

- Submission of reports from ANU Colleges and any other areas on relevant developments by early November
- Preparation of draft report and associated actions
- Submission of Report to University Education Committee meeting of 6 December.

SPONSOR: Professor Stanton, Pro Vice-Chancellor

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee advise the Pro Vice-Chancellor in relation to the implementation of the review and note matters arising in discussion.

ITEM 8. EDUCATION INNOVATION*PURPOSE**

For consultation with the Committee about the innovation and flexibility in education objectives of the ANU with a view to strengthening the way in which they are carried forward.

BACKGROUND

Attachment:

- Education Innovation at ANU - Frequently Asked Questions ([825/2007](#))
- Report of the Flexible Learning Working Party (166/2007)
(http://info.anu.edu.au/OVC/Committees/040PP_Education/discussion.asp)

‘As an “education-intensive research institute of international distinction” [ANU by 2010] the ANU aims to offer distinctive educational experiences to a great diversity of students. The 2005 Report of the Review of Postgraduate Coursework Education and the related work of the *Flexible Learning Working Party* has stimulated a high level of interest and debate within the university about new ways for ANU to approach distinctiveness, and this debate has thrown up a number of important questions and challenges. These FAQs aim to stimulate, inform and help shape the debate about education flexibility and innovation at ANU.’ (extract)

SPONSOR: Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Pro Vice-Chancellor

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee provide advice on future developments in innovation and flexibility in education at ANU.

ITEM 9. POLICY ISSUES

PURPOSE

For the Committee to note recent policy developments and legislation changes and to provide advice on any outstanding issues.

BACKGROUND

9.1 Admission under False or Misleading Documentation

The *Undergraduate Awards Rules*, *Graduate Coursework Rules* and *Research Awards Rules* are being amended to address “false or misleading documentation” used in admission to the University. The amendments will provide for a review of decision only in the case of students already enrolled under the Rules. Delegations will also be updated to enable admission to a program to be suspended or revoked

***9.2 Examinations Rules**

Subrule 13(2) reads: "A student is not eligible under this rule for supplementary assessment for a course if the student would otherwise have passed the course but fails the course because of a requirement that a pass in the final examination is necessary to achieve a pass in the course."

Advice from ANU Colleges is required to address the issue of eligibility for a supplementary examination in the case of students who fail a compulsory component of assessment. As it is currently expressed, a student who fails the final examination and has a result of 45-49% is eligible; a student with a pass result overall is ineligible.

9.3 Revised Policies

Infectious Diseases and Immunisation Policy for Students Undertaking Clinical Placements in Health Facilities (230/2007): The revised policy incorporates new NSW policy directives and has been approved for publication at <http://info.anu.edu.au/policies/browse.asp?view=type&type=policy>

SPONSOR: Deputy Vice-Chancellor

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee:

- (i) note proposed changes to legislation to capture recent policy developments;
- (ii) note revised policy statements approved since the last meeting;
- (iii) advise in relation to eligibility for supplementary examinations

PART 3. PROGRAMS AND COURSEWORK
ITEM 10. UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

PURPOSE

To consider proposals for new and changed undergraduate programs for 2008.

BACKGROUND

10.1 New Programs and Majors

ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences

- Bachelor of Languages *BLang* 144 units ([713a/2007](#)) and Appendix (714/2007) with the following named awards:
 Bachelor of Languages (Middle Eastern)
 Bachelor of Languages (Classical)
 Bachelor of Languages (European)
 Bachelor of Languages (Japanese Language)
 Bachelor of Languages (Japanese Linguistics)
 Bachelor of Languages (Southeast/South Asia)
 Bachelor of Languages (China-Korea)
 Note: Honours programs are not currently available and will be developed during 2008

ANU College of Business and Economics

- Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Finance 192 units ([555/2007](#))
- Honours in Business MMIB4004 ([557/2007](#))
 To establish a new course for honours students in the School of Management, Marketing, and International Business (MMIB), and for MMIB to administer its own honours course.

ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science

- Bachelor of Engineering (Research and Development):
 Specification of courses for the new degree ([666/2007](#)) (New courses [ENGN1706](#) and [ENGN2706](#) linked to web)

10.2 Changes to Programs

ANU College of Asia and the Pacific

- Bachelor of Asian Studies new cognitive major in Pacific Studies ([830/2007](#))

ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences

- Environmental Policy major ([727/2007](#)) in the Bachelor of Arts

ANU College of Science

- Marine Sciences Major ([819/2007](#))
- Environmental Policy Major ([727/2007](#)) in the Bachelor of Science
- Chemistry Major and Double Major (revised) ([837/2007](#) web link only)

ANU College of Business and Economics

- Bachelor of Actuarial Studies ([554/2007](#) web link only)
 In response to changes in compatibility of STAT2008 and EMET2007, the requirements being modified to make STAT2008 compulsory, as it is more directly relevant to the further requirements of the degree structure.

- Removal of incompatibility of [EMET2007](#) with STAT2008 ([820/2007](#)):
To facilitate study pathways and allow combinations of certain degrees.

ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science

- Bachelor of Engineering and Bachelor of Software Engineering:
Changes to computing courses ([666/2007](#))
- Bachelor of Software Engineering/Bachelor of Commerce
Modify the requirements of sub-rule (b) of the BSE program, as set out in the entry for FEIT, as follows:
“(b) completion of a further 18 units of 3000/4000-series COMP courses, other than those prescribed in (a);
- Bachelor of Information Technology
Changed requirements for a Computer Systems major ([666/2007](#))

10.3 Discontinuation of Programs

The following program is recommended for discontinuation from the date of nil current student enrolments:

- Bachelor of Photonics

SPONSOR: Deputy Vice-Chancellor

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee endorse the proposals for new and changed undergraduate programs and recommend that the Bachelor of Languages be included in the Schedule to the Undergraduate Awards Rules as a degree that the University may confer.

ITEM 11. GRADUATE PROGRAMS

PURPOSE

To consider proposals for new and changed graduate programs for 2008.

BACKGROUND

11.1 New Programs

ANU College of Science

- Master of Molecular Genetic Analysis *MMolGenAnal* 48 units Graded ([667/2007](#))
- Graduate Certificate of Molecular Genetic Analysis *GradCertMolGenAnal* 24 Units ([668/2007](#))
- Master of Environment *MEnv* 48 units (669/2007) Ungraded
- Graduate Diploma of Environment *GradDipEnv* 48 units ([670/2007](#))
- Graduate Certificate of Environment *GradCertEnv* 24 units ([671/2007](#))
Background is detailed in paper [827/2007](#).

Note: Further consultation is required about course availability

ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences

- Master of Visual Effects ([535a/2007](#)) (web link only for courses)
 - DART8110 Digital Compositing 1 ([539a/2007](#))
 - DART8111 Digital Compositing 2 ([538a/2007](#))
 - DART8112 Digital Video 1 ([537a/2007](#))
 - DART8113 Digital Video 2 ([536a/2007](#))
 - DART8114 Digital Animation 1 ([541a/2007](#))
 - DART8115 Digital Animation 2 ([540a/2007](#))
- Master of Culture, Health and Medicine (716/2007) (web link only for courses)
 - CHMD8001 Directed Readings in Culture, Health and Medicine (717/2007)
 - CHMD8002 Field Project in Culture, Health and Medicine (718/2007)
 - CHMD8003 Research Report in Culture, Health and Medicine (719/2007)
 - CHMD8004 Qualitative Methodologies for Health Research (720/2007)
 - CHMD8005 Representing Medicine: Performance, Drama and Identity (721/2007)
 - GEND6501 Technoculture and the Body (722/2007)
- Master of Social Research ([681/2007](#))
Master of Arts (Demography) will not be offered to new students from 2008
- Graduate Certificate in Social Research ([682/2007](#))
Graduate Certificate in Demography will not be offered to new students from 2008
(Web link only for courses)
 - DEMO6501 Population and Australia ([688/2007](#))
 - DEMO8082 Social Research Practice ([689/2007](#))
 - DEMO8083 Introduction to Longitudinal Methods ([690/2007](#))
 - DEMO8084 Advanced Longitudinal Analysis ([691/2007](#))

11.2 Changes to Programs

ANU College of Science

- Master of Mathematical Sciences *MMathS* 72 units ([672/2007](#) web link)
To replace lists of specific courses in Group 1 (12 units) and Group 2 (18 units) with generic specifications based on course code numbers, i.e..
Group 1 courses correspond to standard third year courses with honours pathway options (MATH 6100 –6199)
Group 2 courses correspond to special topic courses, usually assuming a prerequisite from Group 1 (MATH 6200-6299); and
To specify Group 3 required research project courses (24 units) as MATH8701 and MATH8702
- Doctor of Philosophy (Clinical) DPsych(Clinical) ([817/2007](#))
To convert the degree from a professional doctorate by coursework to a professional doctorate by research and coursework comprising at least two-thirds research. Courses - web link only:
[PSYC8101](#) Clinical Coursework 1
[PSYC8102](#) Clinical Coursework 2
[PSYC8103](#) Clinical Coursework 3
[PSYC8104](#) Clinical Coursework 4
[PSYC9101](#) Clinical Coursework 5
[PSYC9102](#) Clinical Coursework 6
PSYC9001F Doctor of Psychology Research Component ([818/2007](#))

ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences (web linked attachments)

- Master of Arts (Biological Anthropology) ([695/2007](#))
BIAN6516 Research Design and Analysis in Biological Anthropology changed from elective to compulsory.
(Graduate Diploma (Biological Anthropology) – related change [696/2007](#))
- Master of Applied Anthropology and Participatory Development:
New specialisation in Society and Environment ([464/2007](#))
- Master of Applied Anthropology and Participatory Development:
(Indigenous Policy) ([728/2007](#))
ANTH 8040/ANTH 8029/ POGO 8020 re-badged as Australian Indigenous Policy ([730/2007](#)) and a new course Australian Indigenous Development ([731/2007](#)) as a required course for MAAPD (IP); also an elective for MAAPD, MPP and MEnv
- PhD in the Graduate Program in Visual Arts ([733/2007](#) attached)

ANU College of Asia and the Pacific (web linked attachments)

- Graduate Diploma in Environmental Management & Development ([822/2007](#))
EMDV8005 Environmental Assessment and Reporting Skills deleted
EMDV8007 Environmental Communications now a compulsory course
EMDV8001 renamed Environment, Health and Development

- Graduate Diploma in Public Administration ([821/2007](#)):
POGO 8024 Social Policy, Society and Change replaces POGO 8094 Policy and Social Capital as a compulsory course

ANU College of Business and Economics

- FINM8013 Corporate and Behavioural Finance ([556/2007](#) attached for information): Final in the sequence of doctoral seminars offered in finance

ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science

- Master of Computing ([838/2007](#))
Changes to specialisations and course requirements; course inactivations; and prerequisites.
- Master of Information and Communication Technology
Course changes (838/2007)

11.3 Discontinuation of Programs

The following programs will not be available for new students from 2008 and will be discontinued from the date of nil current student enrolments:

- Master of Environmental Science
- Master of Resources, Environment and Society
- Graduate Diploma of Environmental Science
- Graduate Diploma of Resources, Environment and Society
- Graduate Certificate of Environmental Science
- Graduate Certificate of Resources, Environment and Society

SPONSOR: Deputy Vice-Chancellor

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee:

- (i) endorse the proposals for new and changed graduate programs;
- (ii) recommend that the Schedules to the *Graduate Coursework Awards Rules* and *Research Awards Rules* be amended to include new degrees, diplomas and certificates among the awards that the University may confer;
- (iii) endorse the proposals for the discontinuation of programs.

ITEM 12. UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE COURSEWORK

PURPOSE

To note new or changed undergraduate and graduate courses approved by ANU College Deans.

BACKGROUND

Summaries of course changes notified to the course registry between 7 June and 8 August 2007 are attached:

- ANU College of Asia and the Pacific ([801/2007](#) web link)
- ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences (See Items 10. and 11.)
- ANU College of [Science](#) ([823/2007](#) web link)
- ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science (See Items 10. and 11.)
- ANU College of Business and Economics (See Items 10. and 11.)

SPONSOR: Deputy Vice-Chancellor

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee note the summary of undergraduate and graduate course changes (/2007).

PART 4. ITEMS OF OTHER BUSINESS
***ITEM 13. OTHER BUSINESS AND QUESTION TIME**

PURPOSE

For Committee members to ask questions and raise items of other business.

BACKGROUND

SPONSOR: Deputy Vice-Chancellor

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee note the matters raised and the responses.