ACADEMIC BOARD MINUTES

1.30 pm, Tuesday 5 May 2020 by video conference.

Members Present: A/Prof Tony Masters (Chair, Academic Board); Dr Michael Spence AC (Vice-Chancellor and Principal); Prof Jane Hanranah (Chair, Academic Standards & Policy Committee); A/Prof Wendy Davis (Chair, Academic Quality Committee); A/Prof Michael Kertesz (Chair, Graduate Studies Committee); A/Prof Tihomir Ancel (Arts & Social Sciences (Economics)); James Ardoin (Student Representative Council, UG nominee); Prof Kathy Belov (Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Global Engagement)); Dr Vasiliki Bethavas (Medicine & Health (Nursing School)); Dr Francois Blaik (Architecture, Design & Planning); Prof Simon Bronitt (Dean, Law); Dr Stephen Cilbronn (University of Sydney Business School); Dr Susan Coulson (Health Sciences); A/Prof Steven Cumming (Health Sciences); Prof Glen Davis (Health Sciences) from 2.30 pm; Liam Donohoe (President, Student Representative Council); A/Prof Haryana Dhillon (Science (Psychology)); Shervin Jivani (PG Student, Architecture, Design & Planning); Sayan Mitra (PG Student, Science); Dr Stephen Mould (Medical Sciences); Trent Hammond (HDR Student, Medicine & Health); Tiffany Hanna (UG Student, Health Sciences); Prof Jason Harris (Law); Dr Daniela Helbig (Science, History & Philosophy of Science); Dr Grant Hooper (Law); Dr Syeda Zakia Hussain (Health Sciences); Cameron Howlett (PG Student, University of Sydney Business School); Dr Stephen Cilbronn (University of Sydney Business School); Dr Wenye Hu (Architecture, Design & Planning); Ziyi Huang (Student Representative Council nominee); Prof Duncan Ivison (Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research)); Shervin Jivani (PG Student, Architecture, Design & Planning); Prof Cheryl Jones (Heads of School Committee representative, Medicine & Health); A/Professor Craig Jin (Engineering, Electrical & Information Engineering); Patty Kamvounias (University of Sydney Business School); James Kite (Medicine & Health (Medical Sciences)); A/Prof Ghena Krayem (Law); A/Prof Sarah Lewis (Health Sciences); A/Prof Sandra Loschke (Architecture, Design & Planning); A/Prof John Lynch (Conservatorium); Minran Liu (Co-President, Sydney University Postgraduate Representative Association); Dr Slade Matthews (Health Sciences & Medical School); A/Prof Lynda Matthews (Health Sciences); Sayan Mitra (PG Student, Science); Dr Stephen Mould (Conservatorium (Conducting)); Prof Barbara Messerle (Provost and Deputy Vice-Chancellor); Dr Carolyn McKay (Law); Elaine McFadzean (Faculty Academic Services Committee nominee); Shurui Miao (Sydney University Postgraduate Representative Association nominee); Dr Cat Moir (Arts & Social Sciences (Languages and Culture)); A/Prof Rebekah Moles (Medicine & Health (Pharmacy)); A/Prof Lenka Munoz (Chair, Undergraduate Studies Committee); Dr Shanika Nanayakkara (Medicine & Health (Dental School)); Duy Nguyen (HDR Student, Engineering); A/Prof John O’Byrne (Science (Physics)); Dr James Parkinson (Science (Mathematics & Statistics)); Prof Philippa Pattison (Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Education)); Prof Lisa Jackson Pulver AM (Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Strategy and Services)); Dr Fernanda Penalozia (Arts & Social Sciences (Languages and Cultures)); A/Prof Stephanie Phillips (Medicine & Health (Adventist Hospital Clinical School)); Dr Anne Mai-Prochnow (Engineering (Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering)); A/Prof Helen Proctor (Arts & Social Sciences (Education & Social Work)); Prof Susanna Scarparo (Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Student Life)); Dr Carl Schneider (Medicine & Health (Pharmacy)); Dr Yash Shrivastava (Engineering, Electrical & Information Engineering); Prof Nicholas Smith (Arts & Social Sciences (Philosophical & Historical Enquiry)); Prof Heiko Spallek (Heads of School Committee representative, Medicine & Health); Dr Gareth Vio (Engineering (Aeronautical, Mechanical & Mechatronic Engineering)); Dr Olaf Werder (Arts & Social Sciences (Languages and Media)); A/Prof Andrew Wait (Arts & Social Sciences (Economics)); A/Prof Tim Wilkinson (Engineering (Civil)); Prof Greg Whitwell (Dean, University of Sydney Business School); Xinrui Wu (Nominee, Sydney University Postgraduate Representative (SUPRA); Dr Narelle Yeo (Conservatorium); Prof Iain Young (Dean, Science); Prof Sarah Young (Medicine & Health (Medical Sciences)); A/Prof Jingdong Yuan (Arts & Social Sciences (Social and Political Sciences));and Xiner Yuan (Sydney University Postgraduate Representative Association nominee).

Apologies: A/Prof Helen Agus (Science (Life & Environmental Sciences)); Tegan Cox (Faculty Academic Services Committee representative, Brain and Mind Centre); A/Prof Leo Davies (Medicine & Health (Medical School)); Courtney Diggins (UG Student, Engineering); Prof Robyn Dowling (Head of School & Dean, Architecture, Design & Planning); Dr Astrid Frojold (Medicine & Health (Nursing and Midwifery)); Lina Goh (HDR Student, Health Sciences); Prof Paul Groundwater (Medical & Health (Pharmacy)); Dr Christopher Hartney (Arts & Social Sciences (Literature, Art & Media)); Ziyi Huang (Student Representative Council nominee); Prof Annamarie Jagose (Dean, Arts & Social Sciences); Michael Kallisidis (UG Student, Conservatorium); Hamidreza
Kahlæe (Science, Life & Environmental Sciences); Dane Lui (UG Student, University of Sydney Business School); Lisa McIntosh (Director, University Libraries); Dane Luo (UG Student, University of Sydney Business School); Dr Claudia Keitel (Science (Life & Environmental Sciences)); Prof Eric Knight (Pro-Vice Chancellor (Research-Enterprise and Engagement)); A/Prof Angela Knox (University of Sydney Business School); Prof Richard Miles (Pro Vice-Chancellor (Education – Enterprise and Engagement)); A/Prof Stuart Lane (Medicine & Health (Nepean Clinical School)); Brendon Nelson (Director, Student Administrative Services); Rengen Partane (PG Student, Medicine & Health); A/Prof Maurice Peat (University of Sydney Business School); Dr Vijayasarathi Ramanathan (Medicine & Health (Westmead Clinical School)); Prof Anna Reid (Dean, Conservatorium); Prof Laurent Rivory (Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research)); A/Prof Siegbert Schmid (Science (Chemistry)); A/Prof Peter Sinclair (Health Sciences); Adrienne Sach, (Nominee, Faculty General Managers Committee); Dr Sanet Du Toit (Health Sciences); Prof Robyn Ward (Dean, Medicine & Health); Prof Peter Wilson (Arts & Social Sciences (Philosophical & Historical Enquiry)); Prof Bronwyn Winter (Arts & Social Sciences (Languages and Culture)); A/Prof Derek Wyman (Science (Geosciences)); Anthony Yammine (HDR Student, Medicine & Health); Prof Willy Zwaenepoel (Dean, Engineering); and Dr Sanaa Zaki (Science (Veterinary Science)).

Attendees: Kate Calhau (Executive Assistant to Chair, Academic Board); Emma Bowen (Faculty General Manager, Science); Christine Brickenstein (Manager, Curriculum and Quality (Arts & Social Sciences)); Glenys Eddy (Committee Officer); Prof Ross Coleman (Director Graduate Research); A/Prof Chris Evans (Associate Professor of Practice, National Centre for Cultural Competence); Dr Hayley Fisher (Academic Director, Post-Bachelor Education); Edwina Grose (Director, Student Operations); Kerrie Henderson (University Policy Manager); Katie Humphries (Committee Officer); Andrew Horne (Policy and Projects Officer (Education Portfolio)); Christine Lacey (Senior Policy and Projects Officer (Education Portfolio)); A/Prof Peter McCallum (Registrar and Academic Director (Education)); David Pacey (Secretary to Senate); Prof Alan Pettigrew (Senate Fellow and Chair of Senate People and Culture Committee); Tim Payne (Director of Higher Education Policy & Projects); Kate Small (Deputy Chief of Staff); Cory Thomas (Committee Officer); Rachel Weiss (University Quality Manager); Alyssa White (Manager Governance (Senate & Academic Board)); Kim Withers (Committee Officer); and Lucinda Wright (Governance Support Officer).

CONFIRMED MINUTES

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☆ 1 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Note for the Record
The Chair opened the meeting of the Academic Board by welcoming members to the first Academic Board meeting held via Zoom by video conference.

The Chair advised members of the protocol for the online meeting; and ways in which to ask questions of the Chair, Vice-Chancellor and guest presenters.

☆ 2 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

2.1 Starring of Items and adoption of unstarred items

Resolution AB2020/2-1
The Academic Board resolved to note that no additional items had been starred.

2.2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Resolution AB2020/2-2
The Academic Board confirmed the minutes of the previous meeting held on 3 March 2020 as a true and accurate record with a minor typographical correction.

2.3 Business Arising

There was no business arising.

2.4 Academic Board Academic Quality Committee Membership 2020
Resolution AB2020/2-3
The Academic Board resolved to approve the appointment of Dr Vladimir Gorbach as the Sydney Conservatorium of Music member to the Academic Board Academic Quality Committee.

Action: AB 2020/2-1
Chair of Academic Quality Committee to note that the Academic Board approved the appointment of Dr Vladimir Gorbach as the Sydney Conservatorium of Music member on the Academic Quality Committee.

3 Strategic Items of Business

3.1 Appointment of the Vice-Chancellor – Process and Timeline

Resolution AB2020/2-4
The Academic Board noted the report for Appointment of Vice-Chancellor – Process and Timeline.

Note for the Record
The Secretary to Senate, David Pacey, briefly outlined the process for the appointment of a new Vice-Chancellor. The Board noted that the position had been advertised on 4 May 2020 and that information was available on the University intranet site.

The Secretary to Senate invited, Senate Fellow and Chair of Senate People and Culture Committee, Professor Alan Pettigrew, to detail the recruitment process for the new Vice-Chancellor.

Professor Pettigrew advised the Board that a selection committee had been established as a temporary Committee of Senate and that the Committee is authorised to act on behalf of Senate to conduct the recruitment process for the new Vice-Chancellor. Board members noted that the Senate will make the final decision on the appointment of the Vice-Chancellor following consideration of advice and recommendation from the Selection Committee.

Professor Pettigrew advised that Perrett Laver had been appointed as the specialist search firm for the position. Perrett Laver, a leading international executive search firm has assisted in the appointment of Vice-Chancellors at leading institutions both internationally and nationally. The Chancellor will Chair the Committee, which includes ex-officio staff members, academic members, a student member, and an external Vice-Chancellor. The timeline for the selection process is likely to be impacted by COVID-19; particularly in terms of restrictions on international travel should the committee receive international applicants.

The Board noted that focus group sessions including alumni, students, academic staff, professional staff, staff unions, researchers, donors and college principals had taken place and the feedback from these sessions informed the recruitment documents currently available on the University’s intranet. A query was raised about the composition of the Vice-Chancellors Selection and Professor Pettigrew advised that the search firm as well as feedback guided the Committee’s composition from the Senate and University community. Staff members were encouraged to provide feedback about their desired qualities in the next Vice-Chancellor by completing the online survey. The feedback will complement the data already received through the focus groups sessions and help inform the Committee and Senate in the selection process.

Board members provided feedback into the composition of the Vice Chancellor Selection Committee. Members were encouraged to complete the online survey as this is an opportunity for all staff and students to provide feedback. The Chair of the Academic Board reiterated that all information collected from the survey would be considered by the Committee and Senate.

Action: AB 2020/2-2
Secretary to Senate to note the feedback of the Academic Board on the report Appointment of Vice-Chancellor Process and Timeline.

3.2 Strategic Update: Australian Government COVID-19 higher education relief measures

Resolution AB2020/2-5
The Academic Board noted the update provided on the Australian Government COVID-19 higher education relief measures.

**Note for the Record**
The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Education), advised the Board members that the current situation and advice received from the Federal Government is very fluid, with new information and announcements made by the Government as it responds to emerging issues in the COVID19 landscape.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Education), advised the Board that the Higher Education Relief Package, announced in early April included a suite of measures. The package for higher education providers aims to deliver a base level of funding certainty for the remainder of 2020 and provide some fee and regulatory relief, as well as allowing greater flexibility over the use of Commonwealth Grant Scheme (CGS) funding.

The Board noted that an important aspect of the announcement was the guarantee that the University would continue to receive the CGS funding at forecasted levels and that the University would have an opportunity to offer courses to support people to retrain or upskill during COVID-19. The DVC (Education), invited Dr Hayley Fisher, Academic Director, Post-Bachelor Education who championed the work with faculties to identify suitable courses to provide details about the Graduate Certificates to be offered by the University.

Dr Fisher explained that the scheme is intended for displaced workers allowing students to gain practical skills and knowledge in areas of national priority. The demand will be monitored carefully for the courses which are heavily discounted. Dr Fisher advised the Board that the faculties and other business units had worked hard to engage with the scheme in a beneficial way while respecting the workloads of staff at an extremely difficult time. The identified potential Graduate Certificate courses range from information technology, english studies, urban and regional planning, agriculture environment and environmental Science as well as a graduate certificate in infection and immunity.

Discussion occurred including questions about the application of the Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF). The DVC (Education), advised that the SSAF will be charged for these courses and that eligibility details will be available from the website at the Job Seeker webpage.

The Chair thanked The DVC (Education), Professor Philippa Pattison and Dr Hayley Fisher for their work and time afforded to this initiative.

**Action:** AB 2020/2-3
Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Education) to note the feedback of the Academic Board on the Australian Government COVID-19 higher education relief measures.

**4 REPORT OF THE CHAIR**

**4.1 General Report**

**Resolution AB2020/2-6**
The Academic Board resolved to:
1. note the report from the Chair;
2. note the Academic Board 2019 Annual Report;
3. note the Chair’s approval of credit for non-award study;
4. note the following Executive Approvals made by the Chair:
   a. approval granted for a proposal from the Registrar and Academic Director (Education) for changes to Special Consideration and Special Arrangements due to Coronavirus (COVID 19) Crisis;
   b. approval granted for a proposal from the Faculty of Medicine and Health to change admissions processes for 2020-2021 for the Doctor of Medicine (MD) and the Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD); and
   c. approval granted for changes to the course resolutions for the Doctor of Medicine (MD) in line with the change to admissions processes; and
5. authorise the Chair, Academic Board to act executively with the full delegation of the Academic Board, its committees and subcommittees, with consultation on any such matters to take place with the Chairs of the Academic Board’s Committees, and all decision made to be reported to the Board at its next meeting.

Note for the record
The Chair brought to the attention of the Board, the 50th anniversary of the shooting at Kent State University in Ohio USA on 4 May 1970. The Board noted that the tragedy was like no other campus shooting in that it was a response to an expression of freedom of speech/academic freedom.

The Chair also advised the Board members of the passing of Lord Robert “Bob” May, Baron May of Oxford, who died aged 84 on 28 April. He was an Australian scientist who was Chief Scientific Adviser to the UK Government, and a professor at the University of Sydney. Bob May originally trained as a physicist, becoming a Professor of Theoretical Physics at the University of Sydney in 1969 before changing disciplines and becoming a Professor of Zoology at Princeton University and then settling in Oxford in 1988.

The Board noted that there was a number of matters listed in the Chair’s written report approved out of session using the Executive Approval authority. The Chair advised that these approvals occurred following consultation with Chairs of Academic Board Committees who provided invaluable assistance with approval. The Chair extended a vote of thanks to the Chairs for their ongoing support and sound advice.

The Board approved the Chair requests for an extension of the authority to Executive Approval submissions of an urgent nature due to the impact of COVID-19.

As well as the Executive Approvals, the Board noted that on Wednesday 8 April the Chair approved the retrospective granting of 6 credit points of capstone credit to a postgraduate student for study undertaken in a non-award program, the United Nations Global Voices Program. The approval specified credit be towards the capstone requirements of the student’s degree, the Master of Digital Communication and Culture.

**Action:** AB 2020/2-4
Registrar and Academic Director (Education) to note the Chair of Academic Board’s executive approval of the changes to Special Consideration and Special Arrangements due to the COVID 19 crisis.

**Action:** AB 2020/2-5
Executive Dean and the Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Medicine and Health, to note the Chair of Academic Board’s executive approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Medicine and Health to change the admissions processes for 2020 – 2021 for the Doctor of Medicine (MD) and the Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD).

**Action:** AB 2020/2-6
Executive Dean and the Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Medicine and Health, to note the Chair of Academic Board’s executive approval of the proposal from the Faculty of Medicine and Health to change the course resolutions for the Doctor of Medicine in line with the changes to the admissions requirements.

**Action:** AB 2020/2-7
Secretariat to promulgate a report of the executive approvals to relevant AB Committees.

### 4.2 Student Members Report

**Resolution AB2020/2-7**
The Academic Board resolved to note the report of the student members of the Academic Board.

**Note for the Record**
The President of the SRC updated Board members on recent service delivery activities including providing ongoing support for students with tenancy, accommodation, Centrelink and enrolment concerns. The Board noted the SRC members’ concerns for International Students who are currently ineligible to apply for the Federal government assistant schemes. The SRC
meetings have been conducted on Zoom and the Honi Soit newspaper continues to be published.

The SRC has been supporting students’ needs through a series of mutual aid initiatives. Collaborating with the Exodus Foundation and other wholesale food providers, food hampers were prepared and delivered to students. The Board noted that the SRC had recently recruited a Paralegal officer who will assist with visa and immigration matters and applications for extension. SRC is also working on a Constitutional and Regulatory Reform review project and will turn its attention the student elections and how they will be conducted in the present landscape. The President advised that feedback had been provided to the University Executive and through committees on matters including; WAM adjustment, financial assistance for students, special consideration, feedback on policy and many other initiatives. Members have also participated in the International Workers’ Day or May Day activities to lobby for support for workers.

The SUPRA update was provided by Minran Liu, Co-President who informed the Board, that due to the COVID-19 restrictions the 50th Anniversary celebration planned for SUPRA had been cancelled. The student advocacy and services continue to operate however; face-to-face consultations are being replaced with telephone or zoom consultations. SUPRA is working with University and providing feedback on various student focused matters including policy amendment matters affecting the cohort. SUPRA is also reminding its members to adhere to the University’s advice to take health and safety measure seriously during the pandemic.

4.3 Honours and Distinctions

Resolution AB2020/2-8
The Academic Board noted the report of the Chair of the Academic Board on Honours and Distinctions.

Note for the Record
The Chair took the opportunity to thank all staff for the exceptional service and acknowledged the remarkable work done by all staff over the past few weeks. The Chair stated that the fact that the University was placed first in Australia and second in the World in the Times Higher Education Impact Rankings based on the United Nation’s Sustainable Development Goals, was a testament to the quality of work completed by academic and professional staff alike.

The Chair also informed the Board that the Chancellor was re-elected unanimously by the Senate for a third term. The Chair advised that a message from the Academic Board, congratulating the Chancellor would be passed on

Action: AB 2020/2-8
Chair of Academic Board to write to the Chancellor on behalf of the Board to congratulate the Chancellor on her recent re-election.

5 REPORT OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR AND PRINCIPAL

Resolution AB2020/2-9
The Academic Board resolved to note the Vice-Chancellor’s report.

Note for the Record
The Vice-Chancellor echoed the Chair’s appreciation and thanks for the strength and dedication that people have shown in responding to what has been an unusual and demanding time.

The Vice-Chancellor advised he was pleased with the feedback from the student community indicating that teaching online had worked well in Semester 1. The Board noted that conversations about a return to face-to-face teaching and the development of principles to support a return had begun. The Vice-Chancellor said, whilst a timeline for the return to the campus is unclear, it is now opportune to consider the kind of institution we want to be as we emerge from this crisis.

The Vice-Chancellor explained that the impact of COVID-19 on Semester 1 student numbers, and its likely impact on our Semester 2 intake, means that the University now faces a total budget shortfall of $470 million. Dealing with a shortfall of this scale will not be easy. Planning is underway to find the necessary savings across the budgets for 2020 and 2021. In finding these savings, The Vice-
Chancellor informed the Board members that the guiding principle would be to minimise job loss as much as possible as talented staff will be critical to the University’s recovery effort. The University is also committed to fulfilling its obligations under the University’s Enterprise Agreement including the 2.1% annual salary increase for those covered by it. The Board also noted that the cost saving measures currently in place will be extended.

The Vice-Chancellor concluded by saying that sustaining the University through this period and into recovery will depend on our ability to meet our savings targets, and the student revenue we are able to generate in Semester 2 and in Semester 1 next year. Needless to say, the next couple of years will be about surviving the COVID-19 crisis, but at the same time beginning a pre-strategic conversation around some of those big questions that we think will shape the University’s response post COVID-19 and position the University well for the future.

6 QUESTION TIME

Note for the Record

Academic Board members sought information on a variety of matters including the commencement date for Semester 2, matters pertaining to online teaching in Semester 2 and the planned return to the campus. The Vice-Chancellor explained that the University Executive will be meeting in the near future to make decisions about Semester 2 arrangements and that matters involving returning to work on campus will be dependent on a number of matters including both the Federal and State government’s advice.

7 REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Resolution AB2020/2-10
The Academic Board resolved to note the report from the meeting of the Academic Standards and Policy Committee (ASPC) held on 24 March 2020.

7.1 Annual Report of Student Appeals Body 2019
Resolution AB2020/2-11
The Academic Board resolved to approve the Annual Report of the Student Appeals Body (2019) for submission to the University of Sydney Senate.

Action: AB 2020/2-9
Chair of Academic Board to present the Annual Report of the Student Appeals Body (2019) to the University of Sydney Senate.

7.2 Annual Report of Student Misconduct 2019
Resolution AB2020/2-12
The Academic Board resolved to approve the Annual Report of Student Misconduct (2019) for submission to the University of Sydney Senate.

Action: AB 2020/2-10
Chair of Academic Board to present the Annual Report of Student Misconduct (2019) to the University of Sydney Senate.

7.3 University of Sydney Student Discipline Rule 2016
Resolution AB2020/2-13
The Academic Board resolved to approve the amendments to the University of Sydney (Student Discipline) Rule 2016 for approval by the University of Sydney Senate.

Action: AB 2020/2-11
Chair of Academic Board to recommend that the University of Sydney Senate approve the amendments to the University of Sydney (Student Discipline) Rule 2016.

7.4 Higher Degree by Research Supervision – Policy, Procedures, and Guidelines
Resolution AB2020/2-14
The Academic Board resolved to:
1. approve the Higher Degree by Research Supervision Policy 2020;
2. approve the Higher Degree by Research Supervision Procedures 2020; and

**Action: AB 2020/2-12**
Chair of Academic Board to promulgate the:

a) the Higher Degree by Research Supervision Policy 2020;
b) the Higher Degree by Research Supervision Procedures 2020; and
c) note the Higher Degree by Research Guidelines for Quality Supervision 2020.

### 7.5 Senate Resolutions

**Resolution AB2020/2-15**
The Academic Board resolved to approve and recommend that the University of Sydney Senate approve the amendments to the Senate Resolutions for the:

- Faculty of Arts of Social Sciences;
- Faculty of Science;
- Faculty of Medicine and Health;
- Faculty of Engineering;
- Sydney Conservatorium of Music;
- Sydney Law School;
- Sydney Business School;
- Sydney School of Architecture, Design and Planning; and
- Board of Interdisciplinary Studies

**Action: AB 2020/2-13**
Chair of Academic Board to recommend that the University of Sydney Senate approve the amendments to the Senate Resolutions for the:

- Faculty of Arts of Social Sciences;
- Faculty of Science;
- Faculty of Medicine and Health;
- Faculty of Engineering;
- Sydney Conservatorium of Music;
- Sydney Law School;
- Sydney Business School;
- Sydney School of Architecture, Design and Planning.

### 7.6 Academic Board Standing Orders

**Resolution AB2020/2-16**
The Academic Board resolved to approve and adopt the amendments to the Academic Board Standing Orders and recommend that the Committees of the Academic Board adopt the Standing Orders.

**Action: AB 2020/2-14**
Secretariat to promulgate Academic Standing Orders to the Committees of the Academic Board.

### 7.7 University Policy Manager Co-op Membership

**Resolution AB2020/2-17**
The Academic Board resolved to approve the co-option of the University Policy Manager, Office of General Counsel, to the Academic Standards and Policy Committee.

**Action: AB 2020/2-15**
Chair, Academic Standards and Policy Committee to note the approval of the co-option of the University Policy Manager to the Academic Standards and Policy Committee.

### 7.8 Terms of Reference – Academic Standards and Policy Committee

**Resolution AB2020/2-18**
The Academic Board resolved to approve the amended Terms of Reference of the Academic Standards and Policy Committee.

**Action: AB 2020/2-16**
Chair, Academic Standards and Policy Committee to note the approval of the amended Terms of Reference of the Academic Standards and Policy Committee.

7.9 Research Training Program Scholarships Policy 2018

Resolution AB2020/2-19
The Academic Board resolved to approve the amendments to the Research Training Program Scholarships Policy 2018.

**Action: AB 2020/2-17**
Chair of Academic Board to recommend that the University of Sydney Senate approve the amendments to the Research Training Program Scholarships Policy 2018.

8 REPORT OF THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE

Resolution AB2020/2-20
The Academic Board resolved to note the report from the meeting of the Undergraduate Studies Committee held on 17 March 2020 and 7 April 2020.

8.1 School of Architecture, Design and Planning: Bachelor of Design in Architecture (Honours)/Master of Architecture

Resolution AB2020/2-21
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the School of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the Bachelor of Design in Architecture (Honours)/Master of Architecture the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-18**
Dean and School General Manager, School of Architecture, Design and Planning to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal from the School of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the Bachelor of Design in Architecture (Honours)/Master of Architecture and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

8.2 Faculty of Engineering: Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) and associated degrees

Resolution AB2020/2-22
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering to amend the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours); Bachelor of Engineering Honours and Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Engineering Honours and Bachelor of Commerce; Bachelor of Engineering Honours and Bachelor of Design in Architecture; Bachelor of Engineering Honours and Bachelor of Laws; Bachelor of Engineering Honours and Bachelor of Project Management; Bachelor of Engineering Honours and Bachelor of Science and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-19**
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Engineering, to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours); Bachelor of Engineering Honours and Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Engineering Honours and Bachelor of Commerce; Bachelor of Engineering Honours and Bachelor of Design in Architecture; Bachelor of Engineering Honours and Bachelor of Laws; Bachelor of Engineering Honours and Bachelor of Project Management; Bachelor of Engineering Honours and Bachelor of Science and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

8.3 Faculty of Medicine and Health: Bachelor of Applied Science (Occupational Therapy) and Bachelor of Applied Science (Occupational Therapy) Honours

Resolution AB2020/2-23
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Medicine and Health to amend the Bachelor of Applied Science (Occupational Therapy) and Bachelor of Applied
Science (Occupational Therapy) (Honours) and the subsequent amendments of the course resolutions and units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-20**

Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Medicine and Health, to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Bachelor of Applied Science (Occupational Therapy) and Bachelor of Applied Science (Occupational Therapy) (Honours) and the subsequent amendments of the course resolutions and units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

8.4 **Faculty of Science: Table 1 Science**

**Resolution AB2020/2-24**

The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Science (Advanced); Bachelor of Medical Science; Bachelor of Liberal Arts and Science; Bachelor of Psychology; Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Education (Secondary)/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Engineering/Bachelor of Medical Science; Bachelor of Engineering (Honours)/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Information Technology/Bachelor of Medical Science; Bachelor of Information Technology/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Laws; Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing; Bachelor of Science (Advanced)/Doctor of Dental Medicine; Bachelor of Science/Master of Nutrition and Dietetics; Bachelor of Science (Advanced)/Doctor of Medicine; Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Medicine and the subsequent amendments of the units of study tables arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-21**

Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Science, to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Education (Secondary)/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Engineering Honours/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Information Technology/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Laws; Bachelor of Science/Master of Mathematical Sciences; Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing; Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Dental Medicine; Bachelor of Science/Master of Nutrition and Dietetics; Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Medicine; Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Medicine and the subsequent amendments to the units of study tables arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

8.5 **Faculty of Science: Bachelor of Science, amendment to degree core**

**Resolution AB2020/2-25**

The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Education (Secondary)/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Engineering Honours/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Information Technology/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Laws; Bachelor of Science/Master of Mathematical Sciences; Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing; Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Dental Medicine; Bachelor of Science/Master of Nutrition and Dietetics; Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Medicine; Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Medicine and the subsequent amendments to the units of study tables arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-22**

Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Science to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Education (Secondary)/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Engineering Honours/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Information Technology/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Laws; Bachelor of Science/Master of Mathematical Sciences; Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing; Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Dental Medicine; Bachelor of Science/Master of Nutrition and Dietetics; Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Medicine;
Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Medicine and the subsequent amendments to the units of study tables arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

8.6 **Faculty of Science: Physics (Honours) tables**

**Resolution AB2020/2-26**
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Advanced Studies and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Honours) and the subsequent amendments to the units of study tables arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-23**
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Science to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Advanced Studies and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Honours) and the subsequent amendments to the units of study tables arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

8.7 **Sydney Conservatorium of Music: Bachelor of Music**

**Resolution AB2020/2-27**
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music to amend the Bachelor of Music and the subsequent amendments of the units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-24**
Dean and School General Manager, Sydney Conservatorium of Music to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Bachelor of Music and the subsequent amendments of the units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

8.8 **Sydney Conservatorium of Music: Bachelor of Music (Honours)**

**Resolution AB2020/2-28**
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music to amend the Bachelor of Music and the subsequent amendments of the Honours units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-25**
Dean and School General Manager, Sydney Conservatorium of Music to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Bachelor of Music and the subsequent amendments of the Honours units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

8.9 **Sydney Conservatorium of Music: Bachelor of Music (Music Education)**

**Resolution AB2020/2-29**
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music to amend the Bachelor of Music (Music Education) and the subsequent amendments of the course resolutions and units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-26**
Dean and School General Manager, Sydney Conservatorium of Music to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Bachelor of Music (Music Education) and the subsequent amendments of the course resolutions and units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

8.10 **Sydney Conservatorium of Music: Bachelor of Music (Performance)**

**Resolution AB2020/2-30**
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music to amend the Bachelor of Music (Performance) and the subsequent amendments of the Principal Study and Ensemble units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-27**
Dean and School General Manager, Sydney Conservatorium of Music to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Bachelor of Music (Performance) and the subsequent amendments of the Principal Study and Ensemble units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

8.11 **Sydney Conservatorium of Music: Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Music (Performance) and Bachelor of Music (Composition)**

**Resolution AB2020/2-31**
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music to amend the Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Music (Performance) and Bachelor of Music (Composition) and the subsequent amendments of the units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-28**
Dean and School General Manager, Sydney Conservatorium of Music to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Music (Performance) and Bachelor of Music (Composition) and the subsequent amendments of the units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

8.12 **Sydney Conservatorium of Music: Digital Music Table S Major and Minor**

**Resolution AB2020/2-32**
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music to introduce a major and minor in Digital Music into the Shared Pool (Table S) and the subsequent amendments of the units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2022.

**Action: AB 2020/2-29**
Dean and School General Manager, Sydney Conservatorium of Music to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to introduce a major and minor in Digital Music into the Shared Pool (Table S) and the subsequent amendments of the units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2022.

8.13 **Faculty of Science: Bachelor of Science, Table A and Table S Majors**

**Resolution AB2020/2-33**
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Science/Master of Nutrition and Dietetics; Bachelor of Science/Master of Mathematical Sciences; Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Laws; Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Dental Medicine; Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Medicine; Bachelor of Engineering Honours/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Advanced Computing/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing; Bachelor of Psychology; Bachelor of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Bachelor of Advanced Computing; Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science); Bachelor of Applied Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Exercise and Sport Science); Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (International and Global Studies); Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Media and Communications); Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Politics and International Relations); Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Social Work; Bachelor of Arts and Doctor of Medicine; Bachelor of Arts and Master of Nursing; Bachelor of Commerce; Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Design Computing and Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Economics; Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Music; Bachelor of Project Management; Bachelor of Psychology; Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Science (Advanced) and Master of Mathematical Sciences; Bachelor of Science (Health); Bachelor of Science (Medical Science); Bachelor of Science (Medical Science) and Doctor of Medicine; Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Advanced); Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Agriculture); Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Animal and Veterinary Bioscience); Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Animal and Veterinary Science); Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Animal and Veterinary Studies); Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Taronga Zoo).
Wildlife Conservation); Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Dental Medicine; Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Medicine; Bachelor of Science and Master of Mathematical Sciences; Bachelor of Science and Master of Nutrition and Dietetics; Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Dental Medicine; Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Medicine; Bachelor of Engineering Honours/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Advanced Computing/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing; Bachelor of Psychology; Bachelor of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Bachelor of Advanced Computing; Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science); Bachelor of Applied Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Exercise and Sport Science); Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (International and Global Studies); Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Media and Communications); Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Politics and International Relations); Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Social Work; Bachelor of Arts and Doctor of Medicine; Bachelor of Arts and Master of Nursing; Bachelor of Commerce; Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Design Computing and Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Economics; Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Music; Bachelor of Project Management; Bachelor of Psychology; Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Science (Advanced) and Master of Mathematical Sciences; Bachelor of Science (Health); Bachelor of Science (Medical Science); Bachelor of Science (Medical Science) and Doctor of Medicine; Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Advanced); Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Agriculture); Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Animal and Veterinary Bioscience); Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Food and Agribusiness); Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Medical Science); Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Taronga Wildlife Conservation); Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Dental Medicine; Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Medicine; Bachelor of Science and Master of Mathematical Sciences; Bachelor of Science and Master of Nutrition and Dietetics; Bachelor of Visual Arts; Bachelor of Visual Arts and Bachelor of Advanced Studies and the subsequent amendments to the units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-30**
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Science to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Science/Master of Nutrition and Dietetics; Bachelor of Science/Master of Mathematical Sciences; Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Laws; Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Dental Medicine; Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Medicine; Bachelor of Engineering Honours/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Advanced Computing/Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Science/Master of Nursing; Bachelor of Psychology; Bachelor of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Bachelor of Advanced Computing; Bachelor of Applied Science (Exercise and Sport Science); Bachelor of Applied Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Exercise and Sport Science); Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (International and Global Studies); Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Media and Communications); Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Politics and International Relations); Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Social Work; Bachelor of Arts and Doctor of Medicine; Bachelor of Arts and Master of Nursing; Bachelor of Commerce; Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Design Computing and Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Economics; Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Music; Bachelor of Project Management; Bachelor of Psychology; Bachelor of Science; Bachelor of Science (Advanced) and Master of Mathematical Sciences; Bachelor of Science (Health); Bachelor of Science (Medical Science); Bachelor of Science (Medical Science) and Doctor of Medicine; Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies; Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Advanced); Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Agriculture); Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Animal and Veterinary Bioscience); Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Food and Agribusiness); Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Medical Science); Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Taronga Wildlife Conservation); Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Dental Medicine; Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Medicine; Bachelor of Science and Master of Mathematical Sciences; Bachelor of Science and Master of Nutrition and Dietetics; Bachelor of Visual Arts; Bachelor of Visual Arts and Bachelor of Advanced Studies and the subsequent amendments to the units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

8.14 **Faculty of Science:** Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Advanced Studies, Agriculture; Animal and Veterinary Bioscience; and Food and Agribusiness streams

**Resolution AB2020/2-34**
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Agriculture); the Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Animal and Veterinary Bioscience); the Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Food and Agribusiness) and the subsequent amendments of the units of study table arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-31**
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Science to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Agriculture); the Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Animal and Veterinary Bioscience); the Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Food and Agribusiness) and the subsequent amendments of the units of study table arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

8.15 **Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences:** Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Advanced Studies; amendments to Arts and Social Sciences majors and minors (Table A and Table S)
Resolution AB2020/2-35
The Academic Board resolved to 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 by introducing a core component in the Table A and Table S majors/minors: American Studies major/minor; Ancient History major/minor; Anthropology major/minor; Archaeology major/minor; Art History major/minor; Asian Studies major/minor; Cultural Studies major/minor; Econometrics major/minor; Economic Policy major/minor; English major/minor; Environmental, Agricultural and Resource Economics major/minor; European Studies major/minor; Gender Studies major/minor; International and Comparative Literary Studies major/minor; Jewish Civilisation, Thought and Culture major/minor; Political Economy major/minor; Socio-legal Studies major/minor and the subsequent amendments to the units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

Action: AB 2020/2-32
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Science to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Advanced Studies by introducing a core component in the Table A and Table S majors/minors: American Studies major/minor; Ancient History major/minor; Anthropology major/minor; Archaeology major/minor; Art History major/minor; Asian Studies major/minor; Cultural Studies major/minor; Econometrics major/minor; Economic Policy major/minor; English major/minor; Environmental, Agricultural and Resource Economics major/minor; European Studies major/minor; Gender Studies major/minor; International and Comparative Literary Studies major/minor; Jewish Civilisation, Thought and Culture major/minor; Political Economy major/minor; Socio-legal Studies major/minor and the subsequent amendments to the units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

8.16 Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences: Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Economics/Bachelor of Advanced Studies

Resolution AB2020/2-36
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences to amend Bachelor of Economics and for the Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Advanced Studies and the subsequent amendments of course resolutions and units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2022.

Action: AB 2020/2-33
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Arts and Social Science to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Bachelor of Economics and for the Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Advanced Studies and the subsequent amendments of course resolutions and units of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2022.

8.17 School of Architecture, Design and Planning: Bachelor of Design Computing and Bachelor of Design Computing/Bachelor of Advanced Studies

Resolution AB2020/2-37
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the School of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the Bachelor of Design Computing and the Bachelor of Design Computing/Bachelor of Advanced Studies and the subsequent amendments of the course resolutions and units of study table arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

Action: AB 2020/2-34
Dean and School General Manager, School of Architecture, Design and Planning to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Bachelor of Design Computing and the Bachelor of Design Computing/Bachelor of Advanced Studies and the subsequent amendments of the course resolutions and units of study table arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January, 2021.

9 REPORT OF THE GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE

Resolution AB2020/2-38
That the Academic Board note the report from the meetings of the Graduate Studies Committee held on 17 March 2020 and 7 April 2020.
9.1 **Faculty of Engineering: Master of Complex Systems**

Resolution AB2020/2-39
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering to amend the Master of Complex Systems and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and the table of units of study arising from the proposal; and recommend that Senate approve the amendment to the Senate Resolutions, with effect from Semester 1, 2021.

**Action:** AB 2020/2-35
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Engineering to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Master of Complex Systems and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and the table of units of study arising from the proposal; and recommend that Senate approve the amendment to the Senate Resolutions, with effect from Semester 1, 2021.

**Secretary’s note:** This approval is subject to the completion of minor amendments requested by the Office of the General Counsel, these being: that the reference to ‘Coursework Rule’ in clause 3 of the course resolutions be replaced with a reference to the ‘Coursework Policy’; and that the faculty review the inconsistency between subclause 6(3)(a) and subclause 6(3)(b) and add the reference to ‘quantitative discipline’ into subclause 6(3)(b).

9.2 **Faculty of Medicine and Health: Master of Dental Public Health**

Resolution AB2020/2-40
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Medicine and Health to introduce the Master of Dental Public Health and the subsequent introduction of course resolutions and unit of study tables arising from the proposal; and recommend that Senate approve the amendment to the Senate Resolutions, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action:** AB 2020/2-36
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Medicine and Health, to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to introduce the Master of Dental Public Health and the subsequent introduction of course resolutions and unit of study tables arising from the proposal; and recommend that Senate approve the amendment to the Senate Resolutions, with effect from 1 January 2021.

9.3 **Faculty of Medicine and Health: Master of Biomedical Science, Graduate Diploma in Biomedical Science, Graduate Certificate in Biomedical Science**

Resolution AB2020/2-41
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Medicine and Health to introduce the Master of Biomedical Science, Graduate Diploma in Biomedical Science, Graduate Certificate in Biomedical Science and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and unit of study tables arising from the proposal; and recommend that Senate approve the amendment to the Senate Resolutions, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action:** AB 2020/2-37
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Medicine and Health, to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to introduce the Master of Biomedical Science, Graduate Diploma in Biomedical Science, Graduate Certificate in Biomedical Science and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and unit of study tables arising from the proposal; and recommend that Senate approve the amendment to the Senate Resolutions, with effect from 1 January 2021.

9.4 **Faculty of Engineering: Master of Professional Engineering, the Master of Professional Engineering (Accelerated) and the Master of Engineering**

Resolution AB2020/2-42
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Engineering to amend the Master of Professional Engineering (Biomedical), the Master of Professional Engineering (Accelerated) (Biomedical), and the Master of Engineering and the subsequent amendments to the unit of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action:** AB 2020/2-38
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Engineering, to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Master of Professional Engineering (Biomedical), the Master of Professional Engineering (Accelerated) (Biomedical), and the Master of Engineering and the subsequent amendments to the unit of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

9.5 School of Architecture, Design and Planning: Master of Architecture and Bachelor of Design in Architecture (Honours)/Master of Architecture

Resolution AB2020/2-43
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the University of Sydney School of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the Master of Architecture and the Bachelor of Design in Architecture (Honours)/Master of Architecture and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and unit of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

Action: AB 2020/2-39
Dean and School General Manager, School of Architecture, Design and Planning to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Master of Architecture and the Bachelor of Design in Architecture (Honours)/Master of Architecture and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and unit of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

9.6 School of Architecture, Design and Planning: Master of Design (Design Innovation) (Strategic Design), Master of Design (Design Innovation) and Master of Design (Strategic Design)

Resolution AB2020/2-44
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the School of Architecture, Design and Planning to amend the Master of Design (Design Innovation) (Strategic Design), Master of Design (Design Innovation) and Master of Design (Strategic Design) and the subsequent amendments to the unit of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

Action: AB 2020/2-40
Dean and School General Manager, School of Architecture, Design and Planning to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Master of Design (Design Innovation) (Strategic Design), Master of Design (Design Innovation) and Master of Design (Strategic Design) and the subsequent amendments to the unit of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

9.7 University of Sydney Business School: Master of Logistics and Supply Chain Management, Graduate Diploma in Logistics and Supply Chain Management, Graduate Certificate in Logistics and Supply Chain Management

Resolution AB2020/2-45
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the University of Sydney Business School to amend the Master of Logistics and Supply Chain Management, Graduate Diploma in Logistics and Supply Chain Management, Graduate Certificate in Logistics and Supply Chain Management and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and unit of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

Action: AB 2020/2-41
Dean and School General Manager, School of Business to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Master of Logistics and Supply Chain Management, Graduate Diploma in Logistics and Supply Chain Management, Graduate Certificate in Logistics and Supply Chain Management and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and unit of study tables arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

9.8 Faculty of Medicine and Health: Master of Bioethics, Graduate Certificate in Bioethics and Graduate Diploma in Bioethics

Resolution AB2020/2-46
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Medicine and Health to amend the Master of Bioethics, Graduate Certificate in Bioethics, Graduate Diploma in Bioethics and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and unit of study tables arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-42**
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Medicine and Health to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Master of Bioethics, Graduate Certificate in Bioethics, Graduate Diploma in Bioethics and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and unit of study tables arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

9.9 **Faculty of Science: Master of Agriculture and Environment; Graduate Diploma in Agriculture and Environment; and Graduate Certificate in Agriculture and Environment**

**Resolution AB2020/2-47**
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Master of Agriculture and Environment, the Graduate Diploma in Agriculture and Environment, and the Graduate Certificate in Agriculture and Environment and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and unit of study tables arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-43**
Dean and School General Manager, Faculty of Science to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Master of Agriculture and Environment, the Graduate Diploma in Agriculture and Environment, and the Graduate Certificate in Agriculture and Environment and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and unit of study tables arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Secretary’s note:** This approval is subject to the completion of a minor amendment to the course resolutions requested by the Office of the General Counsel, that the reference in clause 3 to the ‘Coursework Rule’ be replaced with ‘Coursework Policy’.

9.10 **Faculty of Science: Master of Environmental Science, Graduate Diploma in Environmental Science, Graduate Certificate in Environmental Science, Master of Environment Science and Law, Master of Medical Physics and Graduate Diploma in Medical Physics.**

**Resolution AB2020/2-48**
The Academic Board resolved to approve the course learning outcomes from the Faculty of Science for the:

i. Master of Environmental Science
ii. Graduate Diploma in Environmental Science;
iii. Graduate Certificate in Environmental Science;
iv. Master of Environmental Science and Law;
v. Master of Medical Physics; and
vi. Graduate Diploma in Medical Physics, with immediate effect.

**Action: AB 2020/2-44**
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Science to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the course learning outcomes for the: Master of Environmental Science, Graduate Diploma in Environmental Science, Graduate Certificate in Environmental Science, Master of Environment Science and Law, Master of Medical Physics and Graduate Diploma in Medical Physics, with immediate effect.

9.11 **Faculty of Science: Master of Veterinary Clinical Studies**

**Resolution AB2020/2-49**
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Master of Veterinary Clinical Studies and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-45**
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Science to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Master of Veterinary Clinical Studies and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions, with effect from 1 January 2021.

Secretary’s note: This approval is subject to the completion of an update requested by the Office of the General Counsel that the prefatory paragraph in the course resolutions be revised as follows:

These resolutions must be read in conjunction with applicable University By-laws, Rules and policies. These include:
- the Resolutions of the Faculty;
- the University of Sydney (Higher Degree by Research) Rule 2011 (the HDR Rule); and

Additionally, the coursework components of this award course are subject to:
- the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2014 (the 'Coursework Rule');
- the Coursework Policy 2014;
- the Academic Honesty in Coursework Policy 2015; and
- the Academic Honesty Procedures 2016.

The latest versions of all such documents are available from the Policy Register: sydney.edu.au/policies.

9.12 Faculty of Science: Doctor of Veterinary Medicine

Resolution AB2020/2-50
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to create Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) placement sessions, with effect from 1 January 2021.

Action: AB 2020/2-46
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Science to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to create Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) placement sessions, with effect from 1 January 2021.

9.13 Faculty of Science: Master of Philosophy

Resolution AB2020/2-51
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Science to amend the Master of Philosophy and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

Action: AB 2020/2-47
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Science to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Master of Philosophy and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

Secretary’s note: This approval is subject to the completion of minor amendments requested by the Office of the General Counsel, these being: that the incomplete sentence in subclause 7(1) be revised to add “Each student will” at the beginning of the subclause; and that the word “general” in clause 18 be removed so that “in a general accordance” reads instead as “in accordance”.

9.14 Sydney Conservatorium of Music: Master of Music (Composition), Master of Music (Music Education), Master of Music (Musicology) and Master of Music (Performance)

Resolution AB2020/2-52
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music to amend the Master of Music (Composition), the Master of Music (Music Education), the Master of Music (Musicology), the Master of Music (Performance) and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

Action: AB 2020/2-48
Dean and School General Manager, Sydney Conservatorium of Music to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Master of Music (Composition), the
Master of Music (Music Education), the Master of Music (Musicology), the Master of Music (Performance) and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

Secretary’s note: This approval is subject to the completion of minor amendments requested by the Office of the General Counsel to revise the prefatory paragraph in the course resolutions as follows:

These resolutions must be read in conjunction with applicable University By-laws, Rules and policies. These include:
- the Resolutions of the Faculty;
- the University of Sydney (Higher Degree by Research) Rule 2011 (the HDR Rule); and
Additionally, the coursework components of this award course are subject to:
- the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2014 (the 'Coursework Rule');
- the Coursework Policy 2014;
- the Academic Honesty in Coursework Policy 2015; and
- the Academic Honesty Procedures 2016.
The latest versions of all such documents are available from the Policy Register: sydney.edu.au/policies.

9.15 Sydney Conservatorium of Music: Doctor of Musical Arts

Resolution AB2020/2-53
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music to amend the Doctor of Musical Arts and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

Action: AB 2020/2-49
Dean and School General Manager, Sydney Conservatorium of Music to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Doctor of Musical Arts and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions arising from the proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

Secretary’s note: This approval is subject to the completion of minor amendments requested by the Office of the General Counsel to revise the prefatory paragraph in the course resolutions as follows:

These resolutions must be read in conjunction with applicable University By-laws, Rules and policies. These include:
- the Resolutions of the Faculty;
- the University of Sydney (Higher Degree by Research) Rule 2011 (the HDR Rule); and
Additionally, the coursework components of this award course are subject to:
- the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2014 (the 'Coursework Rule');
- the Coursework Policy 2014;
- the Academic Honesty in Coursework Policy 2015; and
- the Academic Honesty Procedures 2016.
The latest versions of all such documents are available from the Policy Register: sydney.edu.au/policies.

9.16 Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences: Master of Philosophy

Resolution AB2020/2-54
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences to amend the Master of Philosophy in Education, and Master of Philosophy in Social Work and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and unit of study tables arising from this proposal; and recommend that Senate approve the amendments to the Senate Resolutions, with effect from 1 January 2021.

Action: AB 2020/2-50
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Master of Philosophy in Education, and Master of Philosophy in Social Work and the subsequent amendments to the course resolutions and unit of study tables arising from this proposal.

**Action: AB 2020/2-51**
Chair of Academic Board to recommend that Senate approve the amendments to the Senate Resolutions for the Master of Philosophy in Education, and Master of Philosophy in Social Work, with effect from 1 January 2021

**Secretary’s note:** This approval is subject to the completion of minor amendments requested by the Office of the General Counsel to revise the prefatory paragraph in the course resolutions as follows:

These resolutions must be read in conjunction with applicable University By-laws, Rules and policies. These include:
- the Resolutions of the Faculty;
- the University of Sydney (Higher Degree by Research) Rule 2011 (the HDR Rule); and

Additionally, the coursework components of this award course are subject to:
- the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2014 (the 'Coursework Rule');
- the Coursework Policy 2014;
- the Academic Honesty in Coursework Policy 2015; and
- the Academic Honesty Procedures 2016.

The latest versions of all such documents are available from the Policy Register: sydney.edu.au/policies.

9.17 Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences: Doctor of Arts / Doctor of Social Sciences

**Resolution AB2020/2-55**
The Academic Board resolved to approve the proposal from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences to amend the Doctor of Arts and Doctor of Social Sciences; and approve the amendments to the course resolutions arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-52**
Dean and Faculty General Manager, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences to note the Academic Board’s approval of the proposal to amend the Doctor of Arts and Doctor of Social Sciences; and approve the amendments to the course resolutions arising from this proposal, with effect from 1 January 2021.

**Secretary’s note:** This approval is subject to the completion of minor amendments requested by the Office of the General Counsel to revise the prefatory paragraph in the course resolutions as follows:

These resolutions must be read in conjunction with applicable University By-laws, Rules and policies. These include:
- the Resolutions of the Faculty;
- the University of Sydney (Higher Degree by Research) Rule 2011 (the HDR Rule); and

Additionally, the coursework components of this award course are subject to:
- the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2014 (the 'Coursework Rule');
- the Coursework Policy 2014;
- the Academic Honesty in Coursework Policy 2015; and
- the Academic Honesty Procedures 2016.

10 REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC QUALITY COMMITTEE

**Resolution AB2020/2-56**
The Academic Board noted the report from the meeting of the Academic Quality Committee (AQC) held on Tuesday 24 March 2020.
10.1 Terms of Reference – Academic Quality Committee

Resolution AB2020/2-57
The Academic Board resolved to approve the amended Terms of Reference – Academic Quality Committee.

**Action: AB 2020/2-53**
Chair, Academic Quality Committee to note the Academic Board’s approval of the Terms of Reference for Academic Quality Committee.

10.2 Request for delay to review Master of Business Administration (MBA) (and embedded courses)

Resolution AB2020/2-58
The Academic Board resolved to approve the deferral of the Master of Business Administration (MBA) course review from 2020 to 2021.

**Action: AB 2020/2-54**
Dean and School General Manager to note Academic Board’s approval to defer the Master of Business Administration (MBA) course review from 2020 to 2021.

10.3 Co-opt memberships of AQC

Resolution AB2020/2-59
The Academic Board resolved to note the approval of the co-opting of additional members to the Academic Quality Committee.

**Action: AB 2020/2-55**
Chair, Academic Quality Committee to note the Academic Board’s approval of the Terms of Reference for Academic Quality Committee approval of the co-opting of members to the Academic Quality Committee.

10.4 Master of Education – Follow-up Review Report

Resolution AB2020/2-60
The Academic Board resolved to note the course review from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences for the Master of Education.

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

11.1 Alternative English Tests During the COVID –19

Resolution AB2020/2-61
The Academic Board resolved to approve a temporary extension of current IELTS/TOEFL tests to be valid for 3 years instead of 2 years, and to allow unconditional offers to students based on TOEFL Home Edition and IELTS indicator as the alternative tests during the COVID-19 period where official English tests IELTS/TOEFL are not run in many countries.

**Action: AB 2020/2-56**
Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Education) to note the Academic Board’s approval of a temporary extension of current IELTS/TOEFL tests to be valid for 3 years instead of 2 years, and to allow unconditional offers to students based on TOEFL Home Edition and IELTS indicator as the alternative tests during the COVID-19 period where official English tests IELTS/TOEFL are not run in many countries.

11.2 Academic Board Submission Templates

Resolution AB2020/2-62
The Academic Board resolved to approve the:
1. AB Committee Submission Cover Sheet – Generic
2. AB Committee Submission Cover Sheet – Policy Change

as the preferred submission format for relevant future submissions for 2020, and as the requirement format from 2021 onwards.

**Action: AB 2020/2-57**
Secretariat to promulgate the Academic Board Submission Cover sheets; AB Committee Submission Cover Sheet (Generic) and AB Committee Submission Cover Sheet (Policy Change), to Committee Officers of Academic Board Committees and Subcommittees for relevant future submissions.

**Meeting concluded at 3.05 pm**

Next meeting 9 June 2020, 1.30 pm

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