FACULTY OF ENGINEERING
RESOLUTIONS: COURSEWORK AWARDS

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

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

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

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

PART 1: COURSE ENROLMENT

1 Enrolment restrictions

(1) Except where explicitly listed in a Faculty recommended program of enrolment, or with the permission of the Dean or Program Director, an undergraduate student shall satisfy the following enrolment requirements.

(a) A student may enrol only:
   (i) in level 1000 units of study during their first year;
   (ii) in level 1000 or 2000 units of study during their second year;

(b) A student shall enrol in lower year level core units of study before any higher year level units of study irrespective of meeting any prerequisite requirements of the higher year units.

(c) A student who has been identified as not, or being at risk of not, meeting academic progression requirements may enrol in a maximum of 24 credit points in a given teaching period.

2 Transferring between streams or degrees

(1) Students admitted to specific postgraduate degrees or streams wishing to transfer between degrees or streams managed by the faculty need to apply to the Faculty and obtain the approval of the Dean or Associate Dean.
3 Time limits

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

(2) For a course with an embedded sequence, the time limit commences at the time of first enrolment in the sequence.

4 Suspension, discontinuation and termination of candidature

The Coursework Rule and Coursework Policy specify the conditions for suspending or discontinuing candidature. The Rule and Policy also define the circumstances when candidature may be terminated, including for failure to enrol without formal suspension. A student whose candidature has been terminated must make a fresh application for admission.

5 Credit for previous study

(1) Conditions for the granting of credit for previous study are in accordance with the Coursework Rule and Policy, except:

(a) the maximum credit that may be granted to the Bachelor of Engineering Honours degree, Bachelor of Engineering Honours combined degrees, Bachelor of Advanced Computing degree or Bachelor of Advanced Computing combined degrees is 96 credit points;

(b) the maximum credit that may be granted to the Bachelor of Project Management is 48 credit points; and

(c) credit for prior learning at the University of Sydney at postgraduate level may given subject to the approval of the Faculty and to the following conditions:

   (i) where no award has been completed, credit may be transferred in full to the Graduate Diploma and Master degree;
   
   (ii) if an award has been completed credit to a limit of 12 credit points may be transferred.

(d) credit for prior learning at postgraduate level at an external institution recognised by the University of Sydney may be granted as follows:

   (i) where no award has been completed credit to a maximum of 50 percent of the degree may be approved, provided units of study have been completed at credit average and are equivalent to units of study offered under the degree being taken;

   (ii) where an award has been completed credit to a maximum of 12 credit points may be approved provided units of study have been completed at credit average and are equivalent to units of study offered under the degree being taken;

   (iii) credit will not be granted for recognised prior learning older than 10 years at the time of first enrolment.

(e) where Course resolutions make other specifications;

(f) credit must not be awarded where it would result in less than 50% of the course being undertaken at the University of Sydney.
PART 2: UNIT OF STUDY ENROLMENT

6 Cross-institutional study

(1) Provided permission has been obtained in advance, the Dean or Program Director may permit a student to complete a unit of study at another institution and have that unit credited to the student’s course requirements, provided that:

(a) the resolutions of the student’s course of enrolment do not specifically exclude cross-institutional study; and either:

(b) the unit of study is not taught in any corresponding unit of study at the University; or

(c) the student is unable, for good reason, to attend a corresponding unit of study at the University.

7 International exchange

The Faculty encourages students to participate in international exchange programs, except where specified otherwise in the resolutions for a particular course. The requirements for approval of exchange and other outbound mobility study, and the manner in which credit may be obtained for them, are set out in the Outbound Student Mobility Policy 2018.

PART 3: STUDY AND ASSESSMENT

8 Attendance

(1) Students are required to be in attendance at the correct time and place of any formal or informal examinations. Non attendance on any grounds insufficient to claim special consideration will result in the forfeiture of marks associated with the assessment. Participation in a minimum number of assessment items may be a requirement of any unit of study.

(2) Students are expected to attend and actively engage in all timetabled activities of a unit of study.

9 Special consideration, special arrangement and disability adjustment

Special consideration, special arrangement and disability adjustment are processes which afford equal opportunity to students who have experienced circumstances that adversely impact their ability to adequately complete an assessment task in a unit of study. The Coursework Policy provides full details of the University policy and procedures.
10 Re-assessment

The Faculty does not offer opportunities for re-assessment other than on the grounds of approved special consideration.

PART 4: PROGRESSION, RESULTS AND GRADUATION

11 Satisfactory progress

The Faculty will monitor students for satisfactory progress towards the completion of their award course. In addition to the common triggers used to identify students not meeting academic progression requirements (as defined by the Progression requirements of the Coursework Rule and Coursework Policy), students must pass any unit of study identified in the course resolutions as being critical to progression through the course.

PART 5: OTHER

15 Transitional provisions

(1) These resolutions apply to students who commenced their candidature on or after 1 January 2023.

(2) Students who commenced prior to 1 January 2023 may:

(a) complete the requirements in accordance with the resolutions governing their candidature immediately prior to these changes; or

(b) where approved by the Faculty, elect to proceed under these resolutions provided appropriate programs of study can be identified.