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Academic Board Bulletin July 2024

Academic Board – New Term 2024-2027

The first meeting of Academic Board for the new term commencing July 2024-2027 was held on Tuesday 16 July 2024 (meeting 4/2024).

[Professor Alexander Kist](#) was appointed by UniSQ Council as the Chair of Academic Board for the duration of the term. Incoming Deputy Chair (Academic Board) [Associate Professor Eric Ng](#) was elected by and from the members of the Academic Board in accordance with the Terms of Reference.

Academic Board Matters

Academic Board **endorsed** the **UniSQ First Nations Research Strategy 2024-2028** which was presented by the Pro Vice-Chancellor (First Nations Strategy) Professor Odette Best.

The following matters were discussed:

- Establishment of the **Academic Board Self-Assessment Survey Working Group** and the **Academic Board Terms of Reference Review Working Group**.
- The **External Review of Academic Governance Final Report**. The review found that the University's academic governance structures are sound and fit for purpose as evidenced by the large number of commendations contained in the report.

Academic Programs

Academic Board **approved** the following curriculum proposals:

- **Master of Laws (MLAW)** – Program accreditation.
- **Graduate Diploma of Midwifery (GMID)** – Program accreditation.
- **Undergraduate Certificate of University Studies (UCUS)** - Major program changes.
- **Master of Aviation (MAVN)** (which includes the name change to Master of Business Administration Aviation (MAVN)), **Graduate Diploma of Aviation (GDAV)**, and **Graduate Certificate of Aviation (GCAV)** - Major program changes.
- **Bachelor of Design and Interactive Technologies (BDIT)** - Major program changes and the Comprehensive Program Review.
- **Diploma of Multidisciplinary Studies (DMDS)** - Comprehensive Program Review.
- **Bachelor of Arts (Honours) (BAHN)** - Comprehensive Program Review.

- **Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science (BMLS)** including the **Associate Degree of Medical Laboratory Science (AMLS)** - Comprehensive Program Review.
- **Bachelor of Biomedical Sciences (BBSC)** program suite including the **Bachelor of Biomedical Sciences (Medicine Pathway) (BBMP)** and **Associate Degree of Biomedical Sciences (ABSC)** - Comprehensive Program Review.
- **Master of Education (Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP) (MEDC)** program suite including the **Master of Education (Full Fee Paying (FFP) (MEDF)**, **Graduate Diploma of Education (GDED)**, **Graduate Diploma of Education (GDEF)**, **Graduate Certificate of Education (GCEF)**, **Graduate Certificate of Education (Guidance and Counselling) (GCEG)** and **Graduate Certificate of Education (Special Education) (GCEE)** - Comprehensive Program Review.
- **Undergraduate Certificate of STEM Foundations (UCSF)** – Program discontinuation.

Policy and Procedure

Academic Board endorsed the following proposals which were subsequently approved by the Vice-Chancellor for immediate implementation:

- The revised **Articulation and Credit Transfer Pathways Procedure**, previously titled the Articulation Arrangements Procedure.
- The new **Work Integrated Learning Activities Procedure**.
- The new **Higher Degree by Research Program Design and Review Procedure**.

Board Updates

Members were provided with an update on the following matters:

- The Dean (Learning and Teaching Futures) Professor Jo-Anne Ferreira provided members with an overview of the current and planned activities to mitigate the risk that Artificial Intelligence poses to award integrity.
- Academic Risk Register update.
- Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA) Re-registration Project update.
- Flexible Academic Calendar Project update. Information is available to all staff on the [Academic Calendar Project SharePoint site](#)

Academic Board Minutes, Agendas and Bulletins

Information about Academic Board, including confirmed meeting minutes, agendas and bulletins can be accessed on the Academic Board website at www.unisq.edu.au/about-unisq/governance-leadership/governance/academic-board.

Next meeting of Academic Board

The next meeting of Academic Board will be held on Tuesday 10 September 2024 at 1.00pm. The agenda is normally published on the [Academic Board website](#) one week prior to the meeting.

If you wish to attend Academic Board as an observer, please forward your request to attend to the [Secretary \(Academic Board\)](#) a minimum of one business day prior to the meeting. The 2024 UniSQ meeting schedule can be accessed on the [Governance Website](#) 'Meeting dates'.

If you have any questions regarding the activities of Academic Board or its Standing Committees, please contact the Secretary at academic.board@unisq.edu.au.

The University of Southern Queensland acknowledges the traditional custodians of the lands and waterways where the University is located. Further, we acknowledge the cultural diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and pay respect to Elders past, present and future.



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