ACADEMIC SENATE IN-BRIEF

An update on the key decisions made and matters discussed by Academic Senate on 23 October 2018

Overview

The agenda of matters considered at this meeting is available on the Academic Senate website. The resolutions and minutes of the meeting remain subject to change and will be published on the website following ratification at the next Academic Senate meeting, scheduled for 27 November 2018.

Key agenda items, outcomes and resolutions are highlighted in this brief and are not intended to replace the full minutes.

Matters resolved

Academic Senate passed 15 resolutions at this meeting. Information on outcomes of specific agenda items may be found in this report or within the minutes.

PROGRAMS: NEW AND CHANGES

2020 Schedule: New Programs (Res 18/95 and Res 18/96)

Academic Senate approved the first proposals for courses to be offered from Session 1, 2020 under the new Curriculum Architecture. Academic cases were approved for the following courses, majors and specialisations:

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<td>4. Bachelor of Environment</td>
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<td>5. Bachelor of Game Design and Development</td>
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<td>6. Bachelor of Mathematical Sciences</td>
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<td>9. Bachelor of Psychology (Honours)</td>
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<td>10. Bachelor of Science</td>
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<td>11. Bachelor of Science – Global Challenges</td>
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Academic Senate also approved the establishment of the following courses to be offered from Session 1, 2020:

1. Bachelor of Advanced Information Technology
2. Bachelor of Cognitive and Brain Sciences
3. Bachelor of Cyber Security
4. Bachelor of Game Design and Development
5. Bachelor of Linguistics and Language Sciences
6. Bachelor of Mathematical Sciences
7. Bachelor of Media and Communications
8. Bachelor of Music
9. Bachelor of Professional Accounting
10. Bachelor of Professional Practice
11. Bachelor of Speech and Hearing Sciences
12. Bachelor of Psychology
13. Graduate Certificate of Commerce
14. Graduate Certificate of Conservation Biology
15. Graduate Certificate of Educational Studies
16. Graduate Certificate of Forensic Accounting
17. Graduate Certificate of Marine Science and Management
18. Graduate Certificate of Professional Practice
19. Graduate Diploma of Applied Finance
20. Graduate Diploma of Commerce
21. Graduate Diploma of Marine Science and Management
22. Master of Ancient History
23. Master of Business Analytics
24. Master of Creative Industries
25. Master of Creative Writing
26. Master of Cybergovernance and Management
27. Master of Engineering in Biomedical Engineering
28. Master of Engineering in Electronics Engineering
29. Master of Engineering in Environmental and Safety Engineering
30. Master of Engineering in a Mechanical Engineering
31. Master of Engineering in Networking and Telecommunications Engineering
32. Master of Engineering in Quantum Engineering
33. Master of Engineering Management
34. Master of Finance
35. Master of Forensic Accounting and Financial Crime
36. Master of Information Systems Management
37. Master of Information Technology in Cyber Security
38. Master of International Media and Communications
39. Master of International Relations
40. Master of Internetworking
41. Master of Laboratory Analysis, Quality and Management
42. Master of Liberal Arts
43. Master of Marine Science and Management
44. Master of Marketing
45. Master of Marketing Strategy
46. Master of Professional Accounting
47. Master of Professional Accounting (Advanced)
48. Master of Public Health Research Methods
49. Master of Science Innovation in Biology
50. Master of Science Innovation in Chemistry and Biomedical Sciences
51. Master of Science Innovation in Environmental Sciences
52. Master of Science Innovation in Geology and Geophysics
53. Master of Science Innovation in Information Technology
54. Master of Science Innovation in Statistics
55. Master of Teaching (Primary)
56. Master of Teaching (Secondary)
57. Master of Translation and Interpreting Studies (Advanced)

Curriculum Architecture: Vertical Double Degrees and amendments to Principles for Undergraduate Courses (Res 18/91 and Res 18/92)
Academic Senate endorsed the Curriculum Architecture Principles for Vertical Double Degrees and approved amendments to the Curriculum Architecture Principles for Undergraduate Courses with immediate effect.

2019 Schedule: New Program – Master of Marketing (Res 18/94)
Academic Senate approved the academic case for the Master of Marketing from Session 2, 2019.

2018 Schedule: Request for exemption from Assessment Policy: Publication of Examination papers for BIOL108 Human Biology (Res 18/93)
Academic Senate approved an exemption from the requirement of Schedule 4 of the Assessment Policy to publish final examination papers on the University Library website for BIOL108 Human Biology, for three years effective immediately. Senate also noted that the Academic Standards and Quality Committee will review all exemptions in 2019.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Proposed Minor Amendments to the HDR and MRes Thesis Preparation, Submission and Examination Policy and Procedure (Res 18/97)
Academic Senate approved the proposed amendments to the HDR and MRes Thesis Preparation, Submission and Examination Policy and Procedure with immediate effect.

GOVERNANCE AND STRATEGY

Establishing 2019 Projects for Academic Senate and its Committees (Res 18/100)
Academic Senate received advice on the proposed projects for 2019, including committee projects. Members were invited to use an online poll at the meeting to prioritise the projects identified for Senate, resulting in the following list (it was noted that some of these project names would be amended to better reflect their intent):

- Implementation of Shared Academic Governance
- Review of the General Coursework Rules
- Post-implementation Review of the Curriculum Architecture Policy
- Review of Academic Freedom
- External Review of Academic Senate
- Post-implementation Review of Support and Recognition for Students project
- Review of Scholarships, Awards and Prizes
- Recommendations from the Post-Implementation review of the HESF
- Review of Academic Quality Assurance and Quality Enhancement
OTHER MATTERS

- Academic Senate received a report from the Vice-Chancellor on the higher education sector and Federal Government policy, admission figures for Session 2 2018, the 2019 University budget and the retirement of Chancellor Michael Egan.
- The Executive Dean of the Faculty of Human Sciences made a presentation to Academic Senate on the work of the Faculty (Res 18/101).
- Academic Senate noted an update on the Curriculum Architecture project, including data on the number of proposals progressing through various stages of the process.
- Student members suggested that Academic Senate and the University do more to promote the work done by its academics particularly in areas such as standards-based marking, moderation and finalising results, adding that the work is invisible to most students. Senate also noted that Mr Alex Hablutzel has nominated for membership of the Senate Learning and Teaching Committee and Mr Alexei Feofiloff has nominated for the University Discipline Committee and supported both nominations (Res 18/90).
- Academic Senate approved a Joint PhD program with Fudan University China and Universität Hamburg (Res 18/98).
- Academic Senate approved the development of a process to identify units and programs that align with the Sustainable Development Goals and the co-option of Ms Thelma Raman to the Senate Learning and Teaching Committee in 2019 in relation to this project (Res 18/99).
- Members noted advice on the impending election to be held for academic staff on Academic Senate (Res 18/102).

Committees of Academic Senate and Faculty Boards

Committees of Academic Senate

Academic Senate noted the reports of the meetings held by the Academic Standards and Quality Committee, the Research and Research Training Committee and the Senate Learning and Teaching Committee in September and October 2018.

Faculty Boards

Academic Senate noted the reports of the meetings held by the Faculty of Human Sciences Faculty Board and the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences Faculty Board in September 2018.

University Hearing Committee

Academic Senate noted the summary reports of the University Hearing Committee meetings held in August and September 2018.