



University of  
Southern  
Queensland

Academic Board

# Academic Board Bulletin

July 2023

## Education Committee

The report of the Education Committee meeting of 22 June 2023 was noted by Academic Board, including the Committee's endorsement of the UniSQ Consolidated Program Quality Report and recommendations for program accreditation items, which were subsequently approved by the Board.

## Research Committee

The report from the 21 June 2023 meeting of Research Committee, which included regular reports from the *Graduate Research School; Human Research Ethics Committee; Animal Ethics Committee* and the *Research Training Subcommittee*, was noted by the Board.

Academic Board approved an update to the Research Committee Terms of Reference to include UniSQ Library representation in the Committee membership structure.

## Student Academic Appeals Committee

The unconfirmed de-identified minutes of the Student Academic Appeals Committee meetings of 22 June and 5 July 2023 were noted by the Board.

## Academic Programs

The following program proposals were approved by the Board:

- The accreditation of the Graduate Diploma of Information Systems (DISM) and the Graduate Certificate of Information Systems (CISM) from Trimester 1 2024 for five years;
- The reaccreditation of the Master of Information Systems (MISP) from Trimester 1 2024 for five years;
- The reaccreditation of the Bachelor of Engineering Honours (BENH), Bachelor of Engineering Technology (BENS), and the Associate Degree of Engineering (ADNG) from Trimester 1 2024 for five years;
- Major changes to the Bachelor of Multidisciplinary Studies (BMDS) to take effect from Trimester 1 2024, including the addition of three new majors, Management and Commerce Studies, Liberal Studies, and First Nations Australia.

## Academic Quality Policy and Procedure

Academic Board noted the Academic Division Academic Quality Policy Report including the amendments to Academic Misconduct definitions, and the Policy Services Quarterly Report on minor and editorial changes to Academic Quality policies and procedures published during Q2 2023.

The Board endorsed the revised Coursework Program Quality Assurance and Review Procedure and Course Quality Assurance and Review Procedure for recommendation to the Vice-Chancellor for approval.

## Program Quality Assurance Report 2022

The Consolidated Academic Program Quality Report 2022 was recommended to the Board after consideration by Education Committee. The Board had robust discussion around the reporting process and the quality of teaching in relation to student satisfaction and attrition.

Academic Board noted the summary of the UniSQ Consolidated Program Quality Report 2022, and the Academic Affairs portfolio responses to issues arising from the report and forwarded to Council for consideration.

## TEQSA Re-registration Project Update

Members were provided with an update on the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA) Re-registration Project. An interim health check report is available to staff via an announcement on Uconnect.

## Flexible Academic Calendar

The Flexible Academic Calendar Project update was noted by Academic Board. 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](http://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 19 September 2023 at 1pm. The 2023 UniSQ meeting schedule can be accessed on the [Governance Website](#) 'Meeting dates'. 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.

If you have any questions regarding the activities of Academic Board or its Standing Committees, please contact the Secretary at [academic.board@usq.edu.au](mailto:academic.board@usq.edu.au).

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