

**Academic Board** 

# **Academic Board Bulletin**

## **June 2023**

#### **Education Committee**

The report of the Education Committee meeting of 4 May 2023 was noted by Academic Board, including the Committee's endorsement of the UniSQ Program Approval Pipeline 2023-2024 and the Academic Delegations Review 2022.

#### Research Committee

The report from the 3 May 2023 meeting of Research Committee, which included regular reports from the *Graduate Research School; Human Research Ethics Committee;* and *Research Training Subcommittee*, was noted by the Board.

Research Committee's consideration and endorsement of the proposed use of iThenticate as an option for academic misconduct detection was noted.

## **Student Academic Appeals Committee**

The unconfirmed de-identified minutes of the Student Academic Appeals Committee meeting of 9 May 2023 were noted by the Board.

Academic Board considered and approved a proposal for updates to the Terms of Reference of the Student Academic Appeals Committee.

#### **Academic Quality Policy and Procedure**

Academic Board noted the Academic Division Academic Quality Policy Report and the Policy Services Quarterly Report on minor and editorial changes to Academic Quality policies and procedures published during Q1 2023.

The Board endorsed the Higher Degree by Research Student Scholarship Procedure and the associated Research Training Program Scholarship Schedule for recommendation to the Vice-Chancellor for approval.

#### **Academic Delegations Review 2022**

Academic Board endorsed the proposed changes to academic delegations resulting from the Academic Delegations Review 2022 for recommendation to the Vice-Chancellor for approval. It was noted that the review was delayed due to significant changes to the academic leadership structure within the Academic Affairs Portfolio.

The Academic Delegations Review 2022 was forwarded to Council for noting.

#### **Academic Risk (Strategic Discussion)**

The Board's strategic discussion focused on the development of an Academic Risk Register to ensure Academic Board can demonstrate it has mechanisms in place to identify and monitor both known and potential risks to academic quality, and to oversee implementation of any resulting actions. The aim is to streamline the process by considering the information needs of the Board and enabling the institutional risk framework to be integrated into the Board's processes.

#### **TEQSA Re-registration Project Update**

Members were provided with an update on the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA) Re-registration Project.

#### Flexible Academic Calendar

The Flexible Academic Calendar Project update was noted by Academic Board.

### **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 25 July 2023 at 1pm. The 2023 UniSQ meeting schedule can be accessed on the <u>Governance Website</u> 'Meeting dates'. If you wish to attend Academic Board as an observer, please forward your request to attend to the <u>Secretary (Academic Board)</u> 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 Tracey Tyers at <a href="mailto:academic.board@usq.edu.au">academic.board@usq.edu.au</a>.

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