

APPROVED RULE CHANGES

Pursuant to the UTS By-law (Part 4, clause 44), the following rule changes have been made by UTS Council.

At its 20/6 meeting on 25 November 2020, Council approved the following amendments to the UTS Rules:

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Council resolved to:

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- .2 approve revisions to Student Rule 11.20 in relation to Examination of thesis as detailed in **Attachment 1** of Document 5.3;
- .3 approve amendments to the UTS Student Rules (*Section 10 – Academic Progression and Schedule 1 – Definitions*) as outlined in the report and detailed in **Attachment 2** of Document 5.3;

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THE APPROVED AMENDMENTS TO THE UTS RULES ARE PROVIDED BELOW
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UTS Student Rules

Section 10 – Academic Progression

10.2 Assessment of rate of progress

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10.2.3 A Faculty Board may determine specific requirements for the timing and calculation of assessment of rate of progress for students enrolled in particular graduate coursework award courses, **or vertically integrated courses**. Information on these requirements will be published by the faculty in official course information and the UTS: Handbook.

Section 11 – Graduate Research

11.20 Examination of thesis

11.20.4 The reports of the examiners shall be submitted to the Graduate Research School, which shall forward the reports to the Responsible Academic Officer.

The Responsible Academic Officer will ~~make recommendations to the Dean, Graduate Research School~~ **draft a thesis examination resolution for approval**

~~by~~ the Thesis Examination Committee, or appropriate approval body, in accordance with the Graduate Research Final Examination Procedures.

11.20.5 Students who do not require re-examination must submit their final thesis for graduation within six months of receiving the final examination outcome.

~~After examination of the thesis~~, any revisions to the thesis that do not require resubmission for re-examination, must be completed to the satisfaction of the Responsible Academic Officer within the notified time period as indicated in the final examination outcome documentationsix months of date of notification. The Responsible Academic Officer will report satisfactory completion of the revisions to the Dean, Graduate Research School.

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SCHEDULE 1 – DEFINITIONS

- **Bachelor degree** means a course of study with learning outcomes at Level 7 of the Australian Qualifications Framework. The Bachelor degree qualifies individuals who apply a broad and coherent body of knowledge in a range of contexts to undertake professional work and as a pathway for further learning. ~~Bachelor degrees may be offered as a combined degree which normally consists of components of two degrees. Combined degrees may, but need not, enable a student to graduate with both degrees in a shorter time than required to complete both degrees independently. Combined bachelor degrees will typically consist of two bachelor degrees, but may sometimes consist of a bachelor degree and a diploma course or of two bachelor degrees and a diploma course.~~

NEW DEFINITIONS

- Combined degree: Bachelor or Masters degrees may be offered as a combined degree which normally consists of components of two degrees. Combined degrees may, but need not, enable a student to graduate with both degrees in a shorter time than required to complete both degrees independently. Combined bachelor degrees will typically consist of two bachelor degrees and combined masters degrees will typically consist of two master degrees.
- Vertically integrated degree: A vertically integrated degree course pairs courses at two different AQF levels (e.g a bachelor course and a master's course, or a bachelor course and a diploma course) to form an articulated two-part course leading to two awards.