Continuity of Study Policy

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Responsible Officer: Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)

1. Preamble

Fees for domestic students must be established in accordance with relevant legislation and guidelines issued by the Commonwealth.

2. Definitions

2.1 The Research Training Program (RTP) entitlement is the length of time in equivalent full-time student load a research higher degree student receives funding under the Commonwealth’s Research Training Program.

2.2 Domestic students are Australian citizens, Australian permanent residents and New Zealand citizens.

3. Policy

3.1 Tuition fees may be charged for the following categories of students to enable such students to continue in their course of study:

3.1.1 International students who are granted permanent resident visas during their course of study
Where a Commonwealth supported place is available the full student contribution amount will apply. In the event that there is no Commonwealth supported place, students will:

(a) in the case of undergraduate courses, be charged a tuition fee not less than the full student contribution amount but not more than the tuition fees applying to international students. Such fee to be approved by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) on the recommendation of the relevant Faculty;

(b) in the case of postgraduate coursework courses, be charged the domestic student tuition fee;

(c) in the case of a research higher degree, be charged the RTP fee offset amount for domestic research higher degree students who have exceeded their Research Training Program (RTP) entitlements. In this case students will be charged a tuition fee in accordance with a schedule of fees approved by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research).

3.1.2 Domestic research higher degree students who have exceeded their Research Training Program (RTP) entitlements will be charged the RTP fee offset amount.

In this case students will be charged a tuition fee in accordance with a schedule of fees approved by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research).