
Continuity of Study Policy

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1. Preamble

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

2. Definitions

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

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

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 an international student is granted permanent residency status, they will be eligible for either a Commonwealth supported place or to be charged the relevant domestic tuition fee from the next census date following the granting of their permanent residency status.

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 a fee is to be approved by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Students) on the recommendation of the relevant College Vice-President and Executive Dean;

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

(c) in the case of a higher degree by research, be charged the RTP fee offset amount for domestic higher degree by research 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 higher degree by research 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).