

## APPROVED RULE CHANGES

On 20 February 2026 the Director, Governance Support Unit approved under Delegation 3.14.1 changes to the Student and General Rules to give effect to the reallocation of authorities required in the disestablishment of the role of Provost as approved by Council in October 2025 (COU/25-5/105).

## THE APPROVED AMENDMENTS TO THE UTS RULES ARE PROVIDED BELOW

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### UTS STUDENT RULES

#### Section 3 — Course and subject requirements

3.2.1 Academic Board will approve in principle the languages other than English in which coursework programs of the University may be offered. Where a course has been approved for delivery in a language other than English, course and subject information and other relevant information as prescribed by the ~~Provost~~ **Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** will be provided in the language approved for delivery of the course.

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3.2.5 In addition to, or as part of, specific course and subject requirements, ~~the Provost or the~~ Deputy Vice-Chancellor (~~Education and Students~~**Academic**) may approve mandatory training as part of the University's role in supporting students to develop further awareness or technical training, enhance literacy and numeracy proficiency, or to manage student safety and health.

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3.4.6 Where the deferral of a student's participation in any part of the required internship would have the effect of preventing the student from continuing their course the Responsible Academic Officer, with the agreement of the Dean, will refer the matter, with an appropriate recommendation, to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (~~Education and Students~~**Academic**), who will take action and make a decision as deemed appropriate. A decision may be made that a student is unsuited for further internships and where necessary, their enrolment will be withdrawn.

3.4.7 The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (~~Education and Students~~**Academic**) must notify the student in writing of any decision he or she makes within three working days of making it.

3.4.8 A student may appeal to the Internships Appeals Committee against any decision made by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (~~Education and Students~~**Academic**) pursuant to Rule 3.4.6 (refer Rules 3.4.9 to 3.4.15).

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3.4.10 A student may request an extension of time in which to lodge an appeal under Rule 3.4.8. The request must be made in writing to the Director, Governance Support Unit within 15 working days of the date on which the student was notified of the decision of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (~~Education and Students~~Academic). The decision to grant an extension, and the length of the extension, is at the discretion of the Director, Governance Support Unit.

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3.7.3 Deans, Responsible Academic Officers or Subject Coordinators (as appropriate) shall ensure that enrolled students have access to subject information consistent with the UTS: Handbook for that subject by the deadline approved by the **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** and published online for the relevant teaching session.

#### **Section 4 — Fees, charges and other financial obligations**

4.3.1 The University will allocate payments received in accordance with the payment allocation schedule determined by the **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)**. The payment allocation schedule will be published in the appropriate official publications of the University.

4.4.1 If a student (and for purposes of this Rule, a student may include an applicant for admission, former student or user of the UTS Library as defined in Rule 18.2 or other UTS facilities) has not paid all due fees, charges, debts and any other specified amount by the due date for payment or has not been granted an extension of time to pay in accordance with Rule 4.2.4, the **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** (or nominee) may, or when required by legislative requirements must:

- (1) require the student to pay a fine for late payment as determined by the **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** (or nominee) from time to time; or
- (2) take steps to initiate debt recovery action; or
- (3) exclude the student from any examination; or
- (4) exclude the student from any class; or
- (5) exclude the student from the University Library or any other facility of the University; or
- (6) withhold from the student the results of any examination or other assessment; or
- (7) withhold from the student the student's official academic records; or
- (8) withhold eligibility for the conferral of an academic award including deferral or withdrawal of permission to attend a graduation ceremony; or
- (9) cancel the student's enrolment in a course; or
- (10) refuse to admit an applicant to any course; or

(11) refuse access to any UTS facility; or

(12) do any combination of those things until the debt has been discharged or the repayments or payments made or alternative arrangements have been made to the satisfaction of the **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** (or nominee).

4.4.2 A student may request reconsideration of a decision taken pursuant to Rule 4.4.1. Such requests must be in writing, state the grounds for the request and be lodged with the **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** (or nominee). The **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** (or nominee) may take such action as he or she thinks fit.

## **Section 5 — Admission**

5.3.3 Unless stated otherwise in the offer document, an offer of admission to a course will lapse on the date the **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** specifies for the teaching period for which the offer was made unless the University is notified in the prescribed way that the offer has been accepted (refer Rule 5.4).

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5.9.5 In cases where an application for readmission to the University, whether in the same course or a different course, has been declined, the former student may request review of that decision by the **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)**. The decision of the **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** is final and there is no appeal.

5.9.6 In cases where a decision has been made to decline an application for readmission to a course in which he or she had been enrolled previously and (where relevant) that decision has been upheld by the **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)**, the former student is then excluded from reapplying for admission to the same course for a period of one academic year and only then with provision of new information in a statement and supporting documentation to demonstrate why he or she should be considered for admission to that course.

5.9.7 In cases where a decision has been made to decline an application for readmission to the University and (where relevant) that decision has been upheld by the **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)**, the former student is then excluded from reapplying for admission to any course for a period of one academic year and only then with provision of new information in a statement and supporting documentation to demonstrate why he or she should be considered for admission to that course.

## **Section 6 — Credit and recognition of prior learning**

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6.3.2 Audits will be reported to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (**Education and Students Academic**) for consideration of process improvements, and or rule, policy or

procedural reviews. The audit report, together with any proposed improvements or reviews will be presented to Academic Board for approval or further recommendation.

## Section 7 — Enrolment

7.1.1 The **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** (or nominee) may prescribe particular enrolment procedures and closing dates for completion of the enrolment procedures for enrolment in different courses, for different classes of students and for different teaching periods.

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7.1.3 Students who wish to complete the required enrolment procedures after the specified enrolment period will, if permitted to do so, be liable for payment of the late enrolment fee prescribed by the **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** unless:

- (1) approval for late enrolment has previously been obtained from the Director, Student Administration; or
- (2) they are able to show, to the satisfaction of the Director, Student Administration, that their late enrolment is caused by circumstances beyond their reasonable control.

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7.5.2 The **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** will prescribe and publish the standard schedule of dates for variation of enrolment for all teaching sessions, including the last day for addition of a subject and the last day of withdrawal of a subject.

## Section 8 — Assessment of Coursework Subjects

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8.4.4 Final subject assessment results will be released officially in a manner prescribed by the **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** following ratification.

## Section 13 — Awards and graduation

13.3.3 Notwithstanding Rule 13.3.1 and 13.3.2, the **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** (or nominee) may determine that a student who has completed course requirements in accordance with Rule 13.2 is not eligible to graduate in particular circumstances including but not limited to:

- (1) where proceedings relevant to the student are pending or have commenced in accordance with the provisions of [Section 16](#) (Student misconduct and appeals); or

- (2) where the student has not discharged all of his or her financial obligations to the University; or
- (3) where the student has not returned all borrowed library books or University equipment and materials.

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13.5.1 In exceptional circumstances, Academic Board may rescind the conferral of an award, including but not limited to situations where:

- (1) the Vice-Chancellor (or nominee) has determined that rescission of an award is an appropriate penalty as set out in Rule 16.3.1(1); or
- (2) significant fraudulent or deceitful activities have been identified and proven subsequent to the conferral of the award and which, had they been known at the time of conferral of the award, would have led to a decision not to confer the award; or
- (3) administrative error has resulted in incorrect conferral of an award; or
- (4) the student has not discharged all of his or her financial obligations to the University incurred during his or her period of enrolment.

13.5.4 Where Rule 13.5.1(3) applies:

- (1) the award recipient will be advised of the proposed corrective action and any relevant consequences and will be given the opportunity to comment on these prior to rescission of an award under Rule 13.5.4(2);
- (2) the **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** may rescind an award where an administrative error has occurred and must provide a report to Council via Academic Board every half year on awards rescinded.

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13.10.1 Academic dress is prescribed by the **Provost Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** for each degree award of the University, with the exception of Graduate Certificates. Academic dress is not prescribed for any other awards.

## **Section 16 — Student misconduct and appeals**

16.4.1 The Vice-Chancellor may at any time designate a ~~nominee including the Provost or a~~ Deputy Vice-Chancellor with appropriate portfolio responsibilities, to exercise all or part of the Vice-Chancellor's powers, duties and responsibilities under this section of the Rules.

16.14.1 Composition

- (1) A Student Misconduct Appeals Committee will consist of:
  - (a) a person with legal qualifications as the Chair of the committee;

- (b) a person with expertise in academic matters and knowledge of the University or universities; and
  - (c) a student of the University who has attended the University for at least two years and who is not a full-time (continuing or fixed-term) member of the University staff.
- (2) Council will from time to time approve panels of persons in each of the above categories who can be appointed to a Student Misconduct Appeals Committee. Persons are nominated by the Director, Governance Support Unit following consultation with the **Provost**, Deputy Vice-Chancellors, Deans and Directors.

## Section 17 — Appeals Committees of Academic Board

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### 17.3.2 Terms of reference

The Internships Appeals Committee shall make determinations on appeals against decisions of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (~~Education and Students~~**Academic**) pursuant to [Rule 3.4.6](#) relating to deferral of a student's participation in any part of required professional experience that would have the effect of preventing the student from continuing their course.

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## G3 — Rules relating to Academic Board, Faculty Boards and Elections

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(2) The ex officio members of Academic Board are to be the person or persons holding the positions of:

**(a) Provost;**

- (ba)** Deputy Vice-Chancellor (~~Education and Students~~**Academic**);
- (cb)** Deputy Vice-Chancellor (External Engagement and Partnerships);
- (dc)** Deputy Vice-Chancellor (International);
- (ed)** Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research);
- (fe)** Pro Vice-Chancellor (Education);
- (gf)** Pro Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Leadership and Engagement);
- (hg)** Pro Vice-Chancellor (Students);
- (ih)** Deans;
- (ji)** University Librarian;
- (kj)** President of the UTS Students' Association;
- (lk)** Director, Teaching Learning and Curriculum;
- (ml)** Director, Institute for Sustainable Futures;
- (nm)** Chair, Courses Accreditation Committee;
- (on)** Deputy Chair, Courses Accreditation Committee;
- (po)** Deputy Chair, Research Committee; and
- (qp)** Deputy Chair, Teaching and Learning Committee;

## Schedule G2 — Strategic Delegations

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### 2.2 Approved Senior Executive alternates

Unless other formal acting arrangements are in place, members of the UTS Senior Executive act for other members in their absence on urgent matters, as indicated below.

Executive member	Delegations	First alternate	Second alternate
Vice-Chancellor	All	Deputy Vice-Chancellor <b>(Education and StudentsAcademic)</b>	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research)  Note: No second alternate for Delegation 3.1.1 (i.e. authority to take (jointly with Chancellor and University Secretary) Executive Action of Council)
Chief Operating Officer	All	Deputy Vice-Chancellor <b>(Education and StudentsAcademic)</b>	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research)
Deputy Vice-Chancellor <b>(Education and StudentsAcademic)</b>	All	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research)	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (International)
Deputy Vice-Chancellor (International)	All	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (External Engagement and Partnerships)	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research)
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