

# Master of Science (Petroleum Geoscience)

These Program Rules should be read in conjunction with the University's policies (<http://www.adelaide.edu.au/policies>).

## 1 Duration of Program

Except with the permission of the Faculty, the Master of Science (Petroleum Geoscience) shall be completed in a minimum of two semesters or a maximum of four semesters.

## 2 Admission

2.1 Except as provided for in 2.2 below, an applicant for admission to the program of study for the Master of Science (Petroleum Geoscience) shall have qualified for:

- a an Honours degree (Second Class Division A or higher) from the University of Adelaide in a relevant field of study or a degree of another institution accepted for the purpose by the Faculty as equivalent
- b a Bachelor degree from the University of Adelaide (with credit average marks) in an approved field of study or a degree of another institution accepted for the purpose by the Faculty as equivalent and have one year of relevant professional experience.

2.2 The Faculty may, in exceptional circumstances and subject to such conditions as it may see fit to impose in each case, accept as a candidate for the Master of Science (Petroleum Geoscience), a person who does not qualify for admission to the program under Rule 2.1 above, but who has given evidence satisfactory to the Faculty, of fitness to undertake work for the degree.

## 3 Assessment and examination

3.1 There shall be four classifications of pass in any course for the degree and the research project: Pass with High Distinction, Pass with Distinction, Pass with Credit and Pass.

Students failing to maintain satisfactory academic performance in the coursework may be subject to a review of academic progress and possible termination of candidature.

3.2 A candidate for the Master of Petroleum Geoscience, who does not complete the requirements for the Masters degree, but satisfies the requirements for the Graduate Certificate in Petroleum Geology and Geophysics, may be admitted to that award if appropriate.

## 4 Qualification requirements

To qualify for the degree, a candidate shall obtain an average grade equivalent to Second Class Division A or higher in courses to the value of 24 units, as follows:

### 4.1 Academic Program

4.1.1 Every candidate for the degree shall satisfactorily complete the following compulsory units with the value of 12 units

- a PETROL 7000 Petroleum Geoscience (B) ..... 6
- PETROL 7001 Petroleum Geoscience (A) ..... 6

*and*

b an approved research project:

- PETROL 7002 Research Project (M.Sc. Pet. Geoscience) ..... 12

4.1.2 The availability of courses is conditional on the availability of staff and facilities and sufficient enrolments.

### 4.2 Unacceptable combination of courses

No candidate will be permitted to count towards an award any course, together with any other course, which, in the opinion of the Faculty, contains a substantial amount of the same material; and no course or portion of a course may be counted twice towards an award.

### 4.3 Graduation

Subject to Chapter 89 of the Statutes, candidates who have satisfied the requirements for any award of the University shall be admitted to that award.

## 5 Special Circumstances

When in the opinion of the Faculty special circumstances exist, the Council, on the recommendation of the Faculty in each case, may vary any of the provisions of the Academic Program Rules for any particular award.