

# Graduate Diploma in Environmental Policy and Management

## 1 Duration of program

To qualify for the Graduate Diploma, a candidate shall satisfactorily complete one year of full-time study or no more than two years of part-time study.

## 2 Admission

2.1 An applicant for admission to the program of study for the Graduate Diploma in Environmental Policy and Management shall have qualified for a degree of the University or for a degree of another institution accepted for the purpose by the University. Selection into the program is based on previous academic achievement.

2.2 The Faculty may, subject to such conditions as it may see fit to impose in each case, accept as a student for the Graduate Diploma a person who does not satisfy the requirements of Rule 2.1. above but who has presented evidence satisfactory to the Faculty of fitness to undertake work for the Graduate Diploma.

### 2.3 Status, exemption and credit transfer

2.3.1 No candidate will be granted status for any course which he or she has completed for another award, except with special permission of the Faculty. Status will not be granted for any course completed for another award when the other award has been completed.

2.3.2 Such status as may be awarded in exceptional circumstances will only be awarded for graduate level studies.

2.3.3 In any case, no candidate will be awarded more than 6 units of status, except for those candidates who have completed the Graduate Certificate in Environmental Policy and Management.

2.3.4 A candidate who fails a course and desires to repeat that course shall, unless exempted partially by the Executive Dean of Faculty, again complete the required work in the course to the satisfaction of the teaching staff concerned.

### 2.4 Articulation with other awards

2.4.1 Students who complete this program are also eligible to apply for entry to the Masters of Environmental Policy and Management or Masters of Environmental Policy and Management (Applied) program, and be granted status for the work they have undertaken in the Graduate Diploma.

2.4.2 A candidate for the Graduate Diploma who satisfies the requirements for the Graduate Certificate but does not complete the requirements of the Graduate Diploma may be admitted to the Graduate Certificate.

2.4.3 A candidate who has been admitted to the Graduate Certificate in Environmental Policy and Management and who subsequently satisfies the requirements for the Graduate Diploma must surrender the Graduate Certificate before being admitted to the Graduate Diploma.

2.4.4 A candidate for the degree of Master of Environmental Policy and Management who does not complete the requirements of the degree, but who satisfies the requirement for the Graduate Diploma may be admitted to the Graduate Diploma.

## 3 Assessment and examinations

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

3.2 a A candidate shall not be eligible to be assessed by examination or otherwise, unless the prescribed work has been completed to the satisfaction of the teaching staff concerned.

b For the purpose of this Rule, a candidate who is refused permission to be assessed by examination or otherwise shall be deemed to have failed the course.

3.3 A candidate who has failed a course twice may not re-enrol in that course except by special permission of the Faculty and then only under such conditions as may be prescribed.

## 4 Qualification requirements

### 4.1 Academic program

To qualify for the Graduate Diploma a candidate shall satisfactorily complete courses to the value of 24 units, as follows:

#### 4.1.1 Core course

GEST 5002 Environmental Planning and Governance ..... 6

#### 4.1.2 Elective courses

All candidates shall complete elective courses to the value of 18 units selected from the following: .....

GEST 5001 Research Design and Methods ..... 6

GEST 5003 Environmental Impact Assessment ..... 6

GEST 5004 Environmental Economics & Policy ..... 6

GEST 5005 Community Engagement ..... 6

GEST 5006 People and Environment in the Asia-Pacific Region ..... 6

4.1.3 Where the core course is not available in a given semester, students may, in consultation with the program coordinator, substitute an additional elective course to satisfy the requirements of the Graduate Diploma.

#### 4.2 Unacceptable combinations 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 concerned, 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 relevant 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.