

# Graduate Diploma in Commerce

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

## 1 Duration of Program

To qualify for the award, a candidate shall satisfactorily complete a program of study comprising of two semesters of full-time study or equivalent part-time study. The maximum time permitted for completion of the program is five years.

## 2 Admission Requirements

2.1 An applicant for admission to the academic program for the award of Graduate Diploma in Commerce shall have qualified for a degree of the University of Adelaide, or a degree of another institution accepted by the Faculty for the purpose as equivalent.

2.2 The Faculty may, subject to such conditions as it may see fit to impose in each case, accept as a candidate for the award 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 the award.

### 2.3 Status, exemption and credit transfer

2.3.1 No candidate shall be granted status for courses with a total value of more than 6 units – excluding candidates from the Graduate Certificate of Commerce who will receive 12 units status.

2.3.2 Exemptions will be granted for up to 12 units of courses where, in the opinion of the program coordinator, the candidate has already presented a course/s for another award that contain(s) substantially the same material as any of the courses in the program. All exemptions granted must be replaced by courses chosen by the candidate from other parts of the program or from the Master of Commerce program.

## 3 Assessment and examinations

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

3.2 A candidate shall not be eligible to attend for examination unless the prescribed work has been completed to the satisfaction of the teaching staff concerned. For the purpose of this Rule, a candidate who is refused permission to sit for examination shall be deemed to have failed the examination.

3.3 A candidate who fails a course and wishes to repeat that course shall, unless exempted partially there from by the program coordinator or nominee, again complete the required work in the course to the satisfaction of the teaching staff concerned.

3.4 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.

3.5 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.

3.6 The Faculty may prescribe rules for review of academic progress. Any student who meets the requirements for review will be asked to show cause as to why they should be permitted to continue their studies. Students who cannot adequately explain poor academic performance may have their enrolment cancelled or restricted, and/or be precluded from undertaking further studies toward their program.

## 4 Qualification Requirements

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

4.1.1 12 units of Master of Commerce foundation courses

4.1.2 12 units of Master of Commerce courses, chosen from Master of Commerce Program Rules 4.6

## 5 Graduation

5.1 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.

## 6 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.