

# Graduate Diploma in Professional Accounting

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 degree, a candidate shall satisfactorily complete a program of study comprising three semesters of full-time study or equivalent part-time. The maximum time permitted for completion of the program is four years.

## 2 Admission

2.1 An applicant for admission to the academic program for the degree of Graduate Diploma of Professional Accounting 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 degree 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 degree.

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 12 units on account of courses presented for any other award except with permission of the Faculty.

2.3.2 Substitutions may be granted for up to 12 units of courses where, in the opinion of the Faculty, 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. Substitutions granted must be replaced by courses from within the same discipline where possible.

## 3 Assessment and examinations

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

3.2 a 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

b 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 Faculty 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 Academic progress

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 Graduate Diploma of Professional Accounting

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

4.1.2 12 units of Master of Professional Accounting foundation courses

4.1.3 12 units of Master of Professional Accounting chosen from Program Rules 4.1

4.1.4 Unless exempted, all international students are required to undertake a specialist course COMMERCE 7041 Business Communications (M). This course may be presented in lieu of an elective.

4.2 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.