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Dear Professor Turnbull,

Following recent meetings of the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council and Board of Directors of the Australian Psychological Society, we are writing to inform you that the following recommendations have been approved:

That as of September 2007 the AOU at the University of Adelaide be granted full accreditation.

That as of September 2007 the Bachelor of Arts at the University of Adelaide be granted full accreditation as providing a three year sequence of study in psychology.

That as of September 2007 the Bachelor of Economics at the University of Adelaide be granted full accreditation as providing a three year sequence of study in psychology.

That as of September 2007 the Bachelor of Mathematics and Computer Science at the University of Adelaide be granted full accreditation as providing a three year sequence of study in psychology.

That as of September 2007 the Bachelor of Health Sciences at the University of Adelaide be granted full accreditation as providing a three year sequence of study in psychology.

That as of September 2007 the Bachelor of Science at the University of Adelaide be granted full accreditation as providing a three year sequence of study in psychology.

That as of September 2007 the Bachelor of Social Science at the University of Adelaide be granted full accreditation as providing a three year sequence of study in psychology.

That as of September 2007 the Bachelor of Commerce at the University of Adelaide be granted full accreditation as providing a three year sequence of study in psychology.

That as of September 2007 the Bachelor of Psychological Science at the University of Adelaide be granted full accreditation as providing a three year sequence of study in psychology.

That as of September 2007 the Graduate Diploma of Psychology at the University of Adelaide be granted full accreditation as providing a three year sequence of study in psychology.

That as of September 2007 the Bachelor of Health Sciences - Honours at the University of Adelaide be granted conditional accreditation as providing a 4th year of study in psychology.

This recommendation is conditional upon:

- The School demonstrating within 12 months that it meets Standards 3.2, 3.2.4 and 3.2.8.

That as of September 2007 the Bachelor of Psychology - Honours at the University of Adelaide be granted conditional accreditation as providing a four year sequence of study in psychology.

This recommendation is conditional upon:

- The School demonstrating within 12 months that it meets Standards 3.2, 3.2.4 and 3.2.8.

That as of September 2007 the Master of Psychology (Clinical) at the University of Adelaide be granted conditional accreditation as providing a 5th and 6th year of study in psychology and conditional approval for the purpose of Associate Membership of the APS College of Clinical Psychologists.

This recommendation for accreditation is conditional upon:

- meeting Standard 2.4.8 in relation to College membership of the program director and Standard 4.1.40 in relation to the granting of credit, within 12 months.

This recommendation for approval is conditional upon:

- Full accreditation.
- Major changes
 - 1) The convener of the program must be eligible for Clinical College membership
 - 2) The school must submit to the Clinical College a staffing list for 2008, to ensure that staff – student ratio keeps up with projected increase in postgraduate intake for 2008.
 - 3) Exposure to serious psychiatric disorder must be included in the placement program of all students (unless prior experience of the student renders this redundant). The School must submit to the Clinical College a 1-2 page document describing how this experience will be operationalised (videos, role-plays, actors, PD events, psychiatric placements, etc.).
 - 4) The placement program must be refined so that for each student, the placement program demonstrates progressively increasing levels of responsibility and autonomy. The placement handbook should be changed to reflect this.
- Minor changes
 - 1) The logbook for each student must demonstrate case-load and supervision hours that meet College guidelines.
 - 2) Placement handbook must reflect that 180 hours of supervision are required across the placement program (individual supervision must make up at least 50% of these hours).
 - 3) External supervisors must meet with School every 6 months
 - 4) The literature review component of Masters thesis must be graded in accordance with guidelines.
 - 5) There should be two additions to the syllabus: mandatory notification training and some training in single subject designs/writing case studies.
 - 6) The APAC standard in relation to credit for placement based on past work experience (not allowed under 4.1.40) must be followed (and described in the handbook).

That as of September 2007 the Master of Psychology (Clinical)/Doctor of Philosophy at the University of Adelaide be granted conditional accreditation as providing a 5th and 6th year of study in psychology and conditional approval for the purpose of Associate Membership of the APS College of Clinical Psychologists.

This recommendation for accreditation is conditional upon:

- meeting Standard 2.4.8 in relation to College membership of the program director and Standard 4.1.40 in relation to the granting of credit, within 12 months.

This recommendation for approval is conditional upon:

- Full accreditation.
- Major changes
 - 1) The convener of the program must be eligible for Clinical College membership
 - 2) The school must submit to the Clinical College a staffing list for 2008, to ensure that staff – student ratio keeps up with projected increase in postgraduate intake for 2008.
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- Minor changes
 - 1) The logbook for each student must demonstrate case-load and supervision hours that meet College guidelines.
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 - 3) External supervisors must meet with School every 6 months
 - 4) There should be two additions to the syllabus: mandatory notification training and some training in single subject designs/writing case studies.
 - 5) The APAC standard in relation to credit for placement based on past work experience (not allowed under 4.1.40) must be followed (and described in the handbook).

That as of September 2007 the Master of Psychology (Organisational and Human Factors) at the University of Adelaide be granted conditional accreditation as providing a 5th and 6th year of study in psychology and conditional approval for the purpose of Associate Membership of the APS College of Organisational Psychologists.

This recommendation for accreditation is conditional upon:

- meeting Standard 2.4.8 in relation to College membership of the program director. The condition is to be met within 12 months.

This recommendation for approval is conditional upon:

- Full accreditation.
- The course co-ordinator is either a COP member or eligible for membership (also must be at least a Level C)

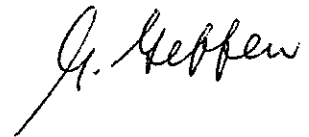
- The amount of core organisational psychology units is increased to 80%
- With regard to placement:
 - the supervisors must sign-off on hours completed
 - the number of hours completed should be recorded
 - students should be given one hour of placement supervisor for each full day of work
- All thesis topics must be related to organisational psychology
- The literature review is formally graded by 2 examiners

Please note that the AOU has until 29 October 2008 (unless another date is stipulated within the conditions themselves) (Conditional Period) within which to submit evidence of satisfaction of the conditions listed above. It is advisable that information be provided within a reasonable time for review prior to the above mentioned date. Evidence of satisfaction of the conditions at an early date may result in a determination of Full Accreditation prior to the expiry of the Conditional Period. Failure to satisfy all of the conditions within the Conditional Period may result in a determination of Accreditation Failed status. Courses with a status of Accreditation Failed are not eligible for any grade of college approval and do not provide graduates with the necessary qualifications for registration or APS membership.

Yours sincerely,



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 Australian Psychological Society



Professor Gina Geffen, Ph.D, FASSA, FAPS,
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 Australian Psychology Accreditation Council

CC: Vice Chancellor Professor James McWha