GUIDELINES FOR THE PRESENTATION OF GRAPHIC OR CULTURALLY SENSITIVE MATERIAL IN COURSES

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Guidelines for the Presentation of Graphic or Culturally Sensitive Material in Courses

1. R18+ rated materials should not be included as any aspect of any first year level course, whether core or elective.

2. Any course including graphic material (for example, R18+ rated material) should include simple notifications and disclaimers in course outlines and pre course statements (such as the calendar description) and enrolment documentation.

3. Where course materials, practice or content includes the use of materials or techniques recognised as culturally sensitive, there should be some reference to this in the course outline or pre enrolment material. The information provided need be general only in nature but may need to be expanded on upon request.

4. Where course materials, practice or content includes the use of materials or techniques recognised as culturally sensitive, students should be advised of the presentation of this material in advance.

5. Where course materials, practice or content includes the use of materials or techniques recognised as culturally sensitive, presentation of this material should be accompanied by an acknowledgement of its culturally sensitive nature.

6. Where a student advises that he or she has difficulties with the presentation, use or discussion of material on the basis of its cultural sensitivity, appropriate accommodations for the student should be considered and if possible, put in place.