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At a Glance

New or changed requirements:

- References to AQF qualification specifications have replaced UNSW program models.
- All programs will maintain a map, which demonstrates alignment between the elements of the Integrated Curriculum Framework.
- UOC requirements are expressed as a minimum rather than a range (with the exception of Masters Coursework programs).
- 'In scope' programs will be required to provide opportunities for students to undertake work integrated learning.
- The components of a Bachelor Pass degree program have been simplified and expressed as: the disciplinary core; general education courses and electives.
- Faculties can no longer require students to complete specific courses outside the disciplinary core and GE requirement.
- How General Education requirements are met in single and double degrees have changed (see 2.1).
- Prescribed electives and changes to the definition of electives have been removed (see 2.2).
- A separate category for Professional Accreditation Masters has been removed.

Implementation resources:

Program Design and Delivery Policy and Procedure 2019, UNSW Sydney

New for 2019

2. Program Design Procedures

2.1 General education in Bachelor pass programs (section 2.2 and 3.2)

General Education (GE) complements the specialised learning undertaken in a student's chosen field of study and is a key element of the students' experience at UNSW.

- The current GE requirement remains unchanged at 12 UOC.
- The types of courses that students can select to satisfy the GE requirement has changed.
 - Faculties will be required to identify the Field of Education Codes that are excluded from programs and have these approved by the Academic Board. Students must select courses from any code except those on the list.

Students enrolled in a double degree will now be deemed to have met the GE requirement for each of the component single degrees, even if the double degree program reside in the same Faculty.

- The new Program Design Procedure defines 'electives' as "A course that is not part of the core of a program, but which may be undertaken and credited towards the program".
- Three former categories of electives have been removed, that is, the categories of General Education, Free and Prescribed electives are no longer used.
- The disciplinary core can include a list of courses that a student must select from (as is the current practice). However, these courses will no longer be referred to as 'electives'.
- Students must choose courses (i.e. electives) additional to the disciplinary core and GE requirement to complete the minimum UOC required for the degree, however, program rules must not require the completion of specific courses (i.e. they cannot be 'prescribed').
- Faculties can require completion of specific courses where there are specific accreditation or contractual requirements.
- Faculties can include a list of recommended courses in the Handbook.

Implementation resources:

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