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Graduate Certificate in Information Technology

Graduate Diploma in Information Technology

Master of Information Technology

These resolutions must be read in conjunction with applicable University By-laws, Rules and policies including (but not limited to) the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (the 'Coursework Rule'), the Resolutions of the Faculty, the University of Sydney (Student Appeals against Academic Decisions) Rule 2006 (as amended) and the Academic Board policies on Academic Dishonesty and Plagiarism.

Course Resolutions

1 Course codes

Code	Course title
HG025	Graduate Certificate in Information Technology
HF042	Graduate Diploma in Information Technology
HC049	Master of Information Technology

2 Attendance pattern

The attendance pattern for the courses is full time or part time according to candidate choice.

3 Master's type

The master's degree in these resolutions is a professional master's course, as defined by the Coursework Rule.

4 Embedded courses in this sequence

- (1) The embedded courses in this sequence are:
 - (a) the Graduate Certificate in Information Technology
 - (b) the Graduate Diploma in Information Technology
 - (c) the Master of Information Technology
- (2) Providing candidates satisfy the admission requirements for each stage, a candidate may progress to the award of any of the courses in this sequence. Only the longest award completed will be conferred.

5 Admission to candidature

- (1) Available places will be offered to qualified applicants based on merit, according to the following admissions criteria.
- (2) Admission to the Graduate Certificate in Information Technology requires:
 - (a) a bachelor's degree with a substantial study in a relevant field of Information Technology; or
 - (b) the Bachelor of Engineering from the University of Sydney, or equivalent qualification, with a major sequence of study in Computer Engineering, Software Engineering or Telecommunications Engineering.
- (3) Admission to the Graduate Diploma in Information Technology requires:
 - (a) a bachelor's degree in any aspect of Information Technology; or
 - (b) the Bachelor of Engineering from the University of Sydney, or equivalent qualification, with a major sequence of study in Computer Engineering, Software Engineering or Telecommunications Engineering; or
 - (c) completion of the embedded graduate certificate with at least a credit average.
- (4) Admission to the Master of Information Technology requires:
 - (a) a bachelor's degree with at least a credit average and a major sequence of study in any aspect of Information Technology; or
 - (b) the Bachelor of Engineering from the University of Sydney, or equivalent qualification, with at least a credit average and a major sequence of study in Computer Engineering, Software Engineering or Telecommunications Engineering; or
 - (c) completion of the embedded graduate diploma with at least a credit average; or
 - (d) completion of the Graduate Diploma in Computing from the University of Sydney with no more than 12 credit points of unit of study failed.
- (5) In exceptional circumstances the Dean may admit applicants without these qualifications who, in the opinion of the faculty, have qualifications and evidence of experience and achievement sufficient to successfully undertake the award.

6 Requirements for award

- (1) The units of study that may be taken for these awards are set out in the table of units of study: Master of Information Technology.



- (2) From the table of units of study and with the approval of the Dean or nominee, a maximum of 18 credit points may be selected from units outside the School of IT, of which no more than 12 credit points may be from outside the Faculty of Engineering and IT.
- (3) To qualify for the Graduate Certificate in Information Technology a candidate must complete 24 credit points of the Foundational or Specialist units of study.
- (4) To qualify for the Graduate Diploma in Information Technology a candidate must complete 36 credit points, including:
 - (a) a maximum of 24 credit points of the Foundational units of study; and
 - (b) a minimum of 12 credit points of the Specialist units of study from the table of units of study excluding Project units and Core Professional Pathway units.
- (5) To qualify for the Masters in Information Technology a candidate must complete 48 credit points, including:
 - (a) all core units of study of either the Professional Pathway or the Research Path; and
 - (b) maximum 24 credit points of Foundational units of study; and
 - (c) all prescribed units of study for one defined specialisation or the research path.

7 Specialisations

- (1) Completion of a specialisation is a requirement of the Master of Information Technology. A specialisation requires the completion of all core units of study as prescribed by the faculty and at least 18 credit points chosen from units of study listed in the table for the defined specialisation. The specialisations available are:
 - (a) Business Information Systems
 - (b) Computer Networks
 - (c) Computer Science
 - (d) Database Management Systems
 - (e) Health Informatics
 - (f) Multimedia Technology
 - (g) Project Management
 - (h) Software Engineering
 - (i) Telecommunications Engineering.

8 Progression Rules

- (1) A candidate for the Master of Information Technology must complete 24 credit points from Foundational or Specialist units of study with at least Credit average marks before taking any Information Technology Project units. Admission to project units of study is subject to availability of supervision and to the approval of the Dean or nominee.
- (2) With permission from the Dean or nominee, a candidate for the Master of Information Technology who completed 24 credit points from Foundational or Specialist units of study with an at least Distinction average marks may take Research Path units.

9 Suspension of candidature

A student may seek written permission from the Dean to suspend candidature in the course. Suspension may be granted for a maximum of one year.

10 Cross-institutional study

Cross-institutional study is not available in these courses except where the University of Sydney has a formal cooperation agreement with another university.

11 Course transfer

A candidate for the master or graduate diploma may elect to discontinue study and graduate with a shorter award from this embedded sequence, with the approval of the Dean, and provided the requirements of the shorter award have been met.

12 Credit for previous study

- (1) In addition to the general credit transfer rules of the Coursework Rule, the following restrictions on credit transfer into these courses apply:
 - (a) where postgraduate study has been undertaken at the University of Sydney in one of the embedded courses of the Master of Information Technology Management and no award has been conferred, credit may be transferred in full, provided the study has been undertaken within the previous three years and subject to approval of the Academic Director;
 - (b) where study has been undertaken at postgraduate level and no award has been conferred, credit to a maximum of 50% of the prescribed credit points may be transferred to the Graduate Diploma in Information Technology or the Master of Information Technology, provided:
 - (i) the study has been undertaken at the University of Sydney, or at an external institution recognised by the University of Sydney, within the previous three years; and
 - (ii) the units of study have been completed at credit level or above; and
 - (iii) the units are equivalent to Core or Specialist units of study offered under the degree being taken, subject to approval of the Academic Director.
 - (c) where study has been undertaken at postgraduate level and an award has been conferred, credit to a maximum of 12 credit points may be transferred to the Master of Information Technology, provided:
 - (i) the study has been undertaken at an external institution recognized by the University of Sydney within the previous three years; and
 - (ii) the units of study have been completed at credit level or above; and
 - (iii) the units are equivalent to Core or Specialist units of study offered under the degree being taken, subject to approval of the Academic Director.

13 Satisfactory progress

Progression is subject to the Coursework Rule. A candidate who has failed to meet these progression rules will be transferred to either the Graduate Diploma or the Graduate Certificate in Information Technology, depending on the credit points successfully completed.

14 Time limit

- (1) A candidate for the Graduate Certificate in Information Technology shall complete the requirements for the award in a minimum enrolment of one semester and a maximum enrolment of four semesters.
- (2) A candidate for the Graduate Diploma in Information Technology shall complete the requirements for the award in a minimum enrolment of two semesters and a maximum enrolment of six semesters.
- (3) A candidate for the Master of Information Technology shall complete the requirements for the award in a minimum of two semesters and a maximum of eight semesters.

15 Transitional provisions

- (1) These resolutions apply to students who commenced their candidature after 1 January, 2011 and students who commenced their candidature prior to 1 January, 2011 who elect to proceed under these resolutions.
- (2) Candidates who commenced prior to 1 January, 2011 may complete the requirements in accordance with the resolutions in force at the time of their commencement.