

# Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources



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The Arms of the University

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Though the constellation may change the spirit remains the same

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## Important dates

## University semester and vacation dates for 2008

Summer School lectures	Dates
December program	Monday 10 December to Thursday 31 January
Main program	Friday 4 January to Friday 15 February
Late January program	Monday 14 January to Friday 22 February
Winter School lectures	Dates
For the latest dates please refer to www.summer.usyd.edu.au/summer_winter/	
Semester One	Dates
International student orientation (Semester One) - full degree	Wednesday 20 February and Thursday 21 February
International student orientation (Semester One) - STABEX	Monday 18 February and Tuesday 19 February
Lectures begin	Monday 3 March
AVCC Common Week/non-teaching Easter period	Friday 21 March to Friday 28 March
International application deadline (Semester Two)*	Wednesday 30 April
Last day of lectures	Friday 6 June
Study vacation	Monday 9 June to Friday 13 June
Examination period	Monday 16 June to Saturday 28 June
Semester ends	Saturday 28 June
AVCC Common Week/non-teaching period	Monday 7 July to Friday 11 July
Semester Two	Dates
International student orientation (Semester Two) - full degree	Wednesday 23 July and Thursday 24 July
International student orientation (Semester Two) - STABEX	Monday 21 July and Tuesday 22 July
Lectures begin	Monday 28 July
AVCC Common Week/non-teaching period	Monday 29 September to Friday 3 October
International application deadline (Semester One 2008)*	Friday 31 October*
Last day of lectures	Friday 31 October
Study vacation	Monday 3 November to Friday 7 November
Examination period	Monday 10 November to Saturday 22 November
Semester ends	Saturday 22 November

\*Except for the Faculties of Dentistry and Medicine and the Master of Pharmacy course. See www.acer.edu.au for details.

## Last dates for withdrawal or discontinuation for 2008

Semester One units of study	Dates
Last day to add a unit	Friday 14 March
Last day for withdrawal	Monday 31 March
Last day to discontinue without failure (DNF)	Friday 25 April
Last to discontinue (Discontinued - Fail)	Friday 6 June
Semester Two units of study	Dates
Last day to add a unit	Friday 8 August
Last day for withdrawal	Sunday 31 August
Last day to discontinue without a failure (DNF)	Friday 12 September
Last day to discontinue (Discontinued - Fail)	Friday 31 October
Last day to withdraw from a non-standard unit of study	Census date of the unit, which must not be earlier than 20 per cent of the way through the period of time during which the unit is undertaken
Public holidays	Dates
Australia Day	Monday 28 January
Good Friday	Friday 21 March
Easter Monday	Monday 24 March
Anzac Day	Friday 25 April
Queen's Birthday	Monday 9 June
Labour Day	Monday 6 October



## What is a handbook?

The handbook is an official publication and an essential guide for every student who studies at the University of Sydney. It is an important source of enrolment information. It can also help you with more than just planning your course of study.

As a student at the University of Sydney you need to be aware of course structures and content, who your lecturers are, as well as examination procedures. You should also become familiar with University policies and faculty rules and regulations. The handbook will supply a lot of this information.

It will also point you to places and people around the University who can help you with enquiries about library loans, childcare, fees, casual employment, places to eat and stay, support groups and much, much more.

### What new students need to know

- terminology used for courses and programs of study
- semester dates and examination periods
- important contact details
- how to plan your study program
- rules and policies on assessment, satisfactory progression, honours etc.
- what University services are available and where to find them
- how to get around your campus

At the beginning of many of these chapters there will be explanations to help you proceed further.

### Where to find what

#### Course terminology

University terminology – like 'credit point', 'unit of study', 'WAM' etc – can be found at the back of all handbooks.

Definitions of all terminology are located in the General University information section under **Abbreviations and Glossary**, at the back of this handbook.

#### Dates

The start and finish dates of semester can be found in the front section of the handbook. Summer School dates are in the General University section at the back of the handbook.

#### Contents and index

The comprehensive **contents** section at the front of the handbook explains the details you'll find within each chapter.

You'll find information like:

- how and where to contact Faculty staff
- how to select your units of study and programs
- a list of degrees
- detailed information on all units of study classified by unit identifiers (a four-alpha, four-digit code and a title)
- electives and streams
- scholarships and prizes
- information specific to faculties

The **index** lists units of study only. It allows you to check every reference which refers to your unit of study within the handbook. It is divided into two parts, and lists units of study alphabetically (by course name) and again by course code (alphanumeric), for your convenience.

#### Colour-coded sections

- Ivory for undergraduate courses
- Blue for postgraduate courses

#### Faculty rules and regulations

Faculty resolutions are the rules and regulations pertaining to a specific faculty. They can generally be found in their own chapter, or next to the relevant units of study.

These should be read along with the University's own *Coursework Rule 2000 (as amended)* which can be found in the University Calendar at www.usyd.edu.au/calendar. Together they outline the agreement between student and faculty, and student and University.

#### General University information

This is information about the University in general, rather than information specific to the faculty. This information is at the back of the book and includes, among other things:

- University terminology and abbreviations
- · campus maps to help you find your way around
- Summer School information
  - international student information
    student services
  - where to find the University Coursework Rule and PhD Rule.

#### Course planner

You might like to plot the course of your degree as you read about your units of study. This planner can be found at the back of the handbook.

### Timetables

For information about personal timetables, centrally timetabled units of study, and venue bookings, see

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For details on registering with the Service and online resources see the Disability Services website: www.usyd.edu.au/disability.

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## Welcome from the Dean

Welcome to the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources, which has been a leading provider of agricultural education and research for almost 100 years. The Faculty offers students many distinctive advantages. Its core academic activities are in areas of strategic national and international importance involving the application of science and economics. The Faculty has a strong research culture, extensive engagement with industry, professions and agribusiness, and is part of one of Australia's best universities. Teaching and research are conducted mainly on the Camperdown Campus, and also at Cobbitty about 65 kilometres south-west of Sydney and at rural research stations and on farms owned by the University. The teaching programs recognise the diverse destinations of graduates, who enjoy high employment rates and express a high degree of career satisfaction.

All of the undergraduate degrees aim to give students an appreciation of the scientific and socio-economic framework of the agricultural and natural resources sectors, while affording students the opportunity to specialise in subject areas of their choosing. In Year Four, students complete a research project which, as employers frequently comment, equips graduates for the professional workplace. Rural field trips and professional experience put the teaching into a practical context and allow the development of networks for future careers. Excursions and field-based teaching help students to get to know each other well, establish an *esprit de corps* in the Faculty, and build a good rapport between students and staff.

The Faculty has major research strengths in the broad areas of crop science and technology, land and water resources, and agricultural and resource economics. The research attracts substantial external funding and a strong cohort of postgraduate students. The Faculty hosts several research centres, including the Plant Breeding Institute, a world class facility for research on cereal rusts and cereal and horticultural plant breeding, and the Australian Centre for Precision Agriculture, which is at the leading edge internationally of research in this exciting field. The Faculty contributes in a major way to international agricultural research, through projects supported by the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research and AusAID.

The agricultural workforce of the future faces interesting and exciting challenges. There is a need to increase food production with less land and water for agriculture, and rising energy costs; globalisation is impacting on markets and trade; consumers are taking greater interest in how their food is produced; delivering health and benefits through diet is seen as increasingly important. Scientists with



a good appreciation of the relevant socio-economic issues, and economists who have an understanding of technology, are needed to work as expert consultants, managers, researchers, policy makers and regulators in agricultural production, natural resource management, processing, food systems, marketing and agribusiness.

I extend my best wishes for your studies and an enriching experience in the University of Sydney, and for your future professional career. I will be stepping down as Dean at the end of 2007, after the publication of this handbook, but I am confident that my successor would express similar sentiments.

Professor Les Copeland Dean

Welcome from the Dean

## 1. Important handbook information

## About this handbook

Welcome to the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Handbook. This handbook will provide you with a great deal of information about the Faculty and the University. In particular, it will guide you to who is who in the Faculty, outline the requirements of different degree, and explain how each can be satisfied.

A welcome from the Dean can be found on the previous page.

Chapter 1 (this chapter) has important information that should be read by all students.

Chapter 2 gives the names of people you may need to contact during the year.

**Chapter 3** contains frequently asked questions affecting students in the Faculty. You should read this chapter in conjunction with Chapters 1, 4, 5 and 6.

Chapter 4 explains the requirements for each undergraduate degree.

Chapter 5 gives undergraduate unit of study descriptions.

In **Chapter 6** you will find the fine print - the undergraduate degree resolutions (rules) covering your degree. The information in this chapter takes precedence over all other earlier information. You should definitely read the relevant parts of this chapter, and refer to them from time to time during your studies to make sure you are on track to satisfy the requirements of your degree.

**Chapter 7** contains scholarships and prizes information for undergraduate students.

**Postgraduate students** should look at Chapters 8, 9 and 10 for information regarding the requirements for their degrees.

Chapter 8 contains the requirements for each postgraduate degree and postgraduate unit of study information is in Chapter 9.

Like Chapter 6, **Chapter 10** contains the degree resolutions or rules, this time for postgraduate degrees. You should make sure you read

the resolutions pertaining to your degree. It will be useful to read this in conjunction with the information in Chapter 8.

Chapter 11 contains scholarships and prizes information for postgraduate students.

Additional faculty information is contained in Chapter 12.

The sections following Chapter 12 are handy reference pages for all sorts of services on campus or to explain that obscure term.

The **unit of study name index** and the **main index** provide unit of study information and the **campus maps** will help you find your way around the Camperdown, Cobbity and Narrabri campuses.

You can use the final section of this handbook, the **course planner**, to track your study.

We hope you find this handbook very useful. If you need any further information please don't hesitate to contact a member of the faculty.

## Important student information

Students enrolled in units of study offered by the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources are required to familiarise themselves with the following key policies:

#### **Special consideration**

Students who have a serious illness or who have experienced misadventure which may affect their academic performance in a course or unit of study may request that they be given special consideration in relation to the determination of their results.

#### Student plagiarism: coursework policy and procedure

The University of Sydney expects high standards of academic honesty in all student work. In particular, the University is opposed to and will not tolerate plagiarism.

Details of special consideration and student plagiarism policies are provided later in this handbook.



## 2. Guide to the Faculty

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## 3. Frequently asked questions

This chapter is intended to answer frequently asked questions for students in the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources.

It should be stressed that the information in this chapter is intended to be a guide only. All students will have to decide for themselves how to plan their course of study to suit their particular interests and situation. It is recommended that you plan your studies carefully with an eye to your final years, so that you take the correct prerequisites in the preceding years. It will also be useful to revisit your plans during your studies as your interests take more detailed shape.

#### How many credit points should I take each semester?

Full-time undergraduate students should take 24 credit points each semester. Most units of study are valued at 6 credit points. There is an upper limit of 30 credit points per semester. If you take fewer than 18 credit points in each semester you will automatically become part-time.

To finish your undergraduate degree in the recommended minimum time you will have to take 48 credit points per year, or 24 per semester. If you enrol part-time you can take as few credit points as you like. You must keep in mind however that you have a 10 year limit to finish your degree. The degree summaries in this handbook assume you will enrol full-time.

#### Do I need to be full-time?

If you receive any financial support, whether from a University scholarship or from the government, you may need to enrol as a full-time student. You should check carefully the terms and conditions of that support before going part-time.

Australian citizens and permanent residents who wish to receive a transport concession card must be full-time students.

International students are required to be full-time.

#### Can I take units of study from other faculties?

Yes. You should refer to the course requirements sections of this handbook for specific information about your particular degree. Each faculty website has links to the units of study they offer. There are limits and exclusions however.

#### Can I get credit for previous tertiary study?

Yes. The amount of credit you can receive depends on your individual circumstances, but in general is capped at 48 credit points for an undergraduate degree already completed or 96 credit points for an incomplete degree.

If you apply for credit before enrolment and receive a letter in return specifying the credit awarded, you can make your unit of study choices with this information in mind when enrolling.

If you do not apply for credit before enrolling you will have to make unit of study choices as if you have had no previous university study. You should then apply for your credit request to be processed. Because of the large numbers of applications received during the enrolment period there can be a considerable delay in processing your application. It is in your best interests to apply in the year preceding your planned enrolment.

The Faculty must sight originals of your academic transcripts, as well as unit of study descriptions clearly indicating credit point value or hours per week. You may only apply for credit ONCE in your degree.

#### Are there any bridging courses available?

There are bridging courses in biology, chemistry and mathematics, designed to cover the assumed knowledge that students would normally cover in the Higher School Certificate (HSC). They run in February each year after enrolment and are recommended for students who either didn't take a subject at the HSC or feel they need some revision.

#### Who can enrol in advanced units of study?

Advanced units of study are available to those students enrolled in any program in the Faculty who have performed at a high level in the HSC or who perform well in their studies at the University.

Consult an academic adviser about your eligibility to enrol in advanced level subjects in the first year of study.

Students should also consult the unit of study tables for assumed knowledge and prerequisite marks in the HSC required to enrol in advanced units of study. Advanced units of study are very demanding and students are required to perform at a higher standard than in normal units of study.

#### What is a 'major'?

A major is a specialisation within an undergraduate degree. It is useful for every undergraduate student to have an idea of what major, or group of majors, interest you now, so that you can plan each year of study properly. In some degrees it is possible to complete more than one major.

#### What are degree resolutions?

Degree resolutions are the rules which must be followed in order to successfully complete a degree. All students are expected to read the degree resolutions for their course before they commence their studies, and from time to time during their studies as it is each student's responsibility to meet the requirements of their degree. Degree resolutions, tables of undergraduate and postgraduate units of study available for each degree and unit of study descriptions appear in later chapters of this handbook.

#### Where can I find my class timetable?

These will be available in orientation week. To obtain a personal timetable showing rooms and lecture and tutorial times go to the web at www.usyd.edu.au/timetable and follow the prompts. If you have trouble or do not have access to the web, you can go to the Student Centre in the Carslaw Building where computers are available.

You will be asked to enter your login name and password. These will be found on the last page of your enrolment form and at the bottom of your Confirmation of Enrolment sheet.

Tutorials and most practicals normally start in the second week of semester, but check on this at the first lecture.

## Ensure that you know which classes you are in and find room locations before the first day of class.

The Faculty takes all possible care to avoid timetable clashes for core units of study but it is the responsibility of every student to make sure that no timetable clashes exist between repeat or elective units.

#### What happens in orientation week?

In orientation week, first year undergraduate students are introduced to the University and the Faculty. The Faculty orientation program



runs for two days and includes an excursion to the University's Camden Farms.

#### How can I find accommodation?

If you need help in finding accommodation go to: www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv/accommodation/index.shtml

#### What if I need financial assistance?

The University has a number of loan and bursary funds to assist students who experience financial difficulties. This assistance is not intended to provide ongoing income support but to help in emergencies and to supplement other income.

The Financial Assistance Office is located on Level 7 of the Education Building (A35). The hours of business are Monday to Thursday, 10am to 4pm.

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Further information can be found at www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv/financial\_assistance\_office/index.html

For information about student allowances provided by the Commonwealth Government go to: www.centrelink.gov.au

#### Where do I find further information?

#### Faculty Office

The Faculty Office is on the ground floor of the McMillan Building. All enquiries in relation to matters specific to the Faculty can be made at this office in the first instance, including:

- information about admission to a degree of the Faculty
   enrolments in the Faculty
- enrolments in the Facultyapplications for credit for previous studies
- facilities available in the Faculty.

#### Email

The University gives you an email address. The University and the Faculty CONSTANTLY send information to you via the University email address. This is the Faculty's only method of communication to you in most cases.

#### It is your obligation and your responsibility to check your email every day in order to be informed about matters concerning your candidature.

#### Noticeboards

Information is also displayed on the Faculty noticeboards.

The main noticeboard for undergraduate students is in the foyer of the Watt Building. A postgraduate student noticeboard is located in the Watt Common Room (Level 1, Watt Building). Broader University information will be displayed on noticeboards around the campuses.

#### Publications

The University Map Guide, Faculty handbooks and other publications are available from the Student Centre and also online at www.usyd.edu.au

#### Glossary

The Glossary in this handbook may also provide you with very helpful information.

## 4. Undergraduate course requirements

## Brief introduction to undergraduate degree courses

Teaching in the undergraduate units of study in the Faculty develops skills and graduate attributes. A Statement of Generic Graduate Attributes can be found in Chapter 12 of this handbook.

## Bachelor of Agricultural Economics (BAgrEc)

(Part-time study, during the daytime only, may be available in certain circumstances)

#### Assumed knowledge: Mathematics.

The focus of this economics degree is on the development of analytical, quantitative, computing and communication skills with an emphasis on commodity markets and agricultural and natural resource issues. Skills highly regarded by employers are gained in fourth year through the completion of a research thesis, research exercises and research project reports. A wide range of elective courses is available.

**Major studies**: Include accounting (restricted entry), agribusiness management, agricultural economics, agricultural finance, agricultural marketing, agricultural policy, agricultural science, commercial law, econometrics, economics, finance, geography, government, international trade, management, marketing, modern languages, natural resource economics, psychology.

**Professional experience**: You must complete 60 days of approved professional experience and field excursions before graduation. Overseas experience is encouraged.

**Professional recognition**: Undergraduates and graduates are eligible for membership of the Australian Agricultural and Resource Economics Society, the Economic Society of Australia, the Agribusiness Association of Australia and the American Agricultural Economics Association.

**Career opportunities**: Graduates are employed as applied economists and researchers with commodity and futures brokers, merchant banks and trading banks and by the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, ABARE, Meat and Livestock Australia and the Productivity Commission. They are also employed by accounting firms; management consultants, international agencies and agribusiness firms; the wider business community; large corporate farms; and in the media as economic journalists.

#### Bachelor of Horticultural Science (BHortSc)

(Part-time study, during the daytime only, may be available in certain circumstances)

Assumed knowledge: Mathematics, Chemistry and Biology.

The course has a strong scientific base. The focus of the degree is on the development of analytical, quantitative, computing and communication skills. Highly regarded skills are gained in the fourth year through the completion of a research thesis.

Production horticulture deals with the application of scientific and economic principles to all phases of the production, postharvest care and marketing of fruit, vegetables, cut flowers and nursery stock. Urban/amenity horticulture deals with the horticultural and ecological aspects of the management of parks, sports fields and golf courses, as well as plantings for streets, etc. Environmental impact deals with

habitat preservation and ex-situ conservation of rare and endangered species including their marketing; strategies for integrated management for control of pests, diseases and weeds; and environmental legislation and testing.

**Major studies:** Fruit, vegetable and ornamental production, postharvest biology and technology, urban horticulture and horticultural specialisations within areas of agribusiness, biometry, biotechnology, chemistry, economics, entomology, genetics and plant breeding, plant pathology, resource economics and soil science.

**Professional experience**: You must complete 60 days of approved professional experience and field excursions with a focus towards horticultural production industries (temperate, sub-tropical and tropical). Overseas experience is encouraged.

**Professional recognition**: Admission for professional membership by the Australian Society of Horticultural Science and the Australian Institute of Agricultural Science.

**Career opportunities:** Examples include employment in horticultural research, horticultural consultancy, management of horticultural enterprises and as horticultural advisers with private, state and local government bodies. Opportunities exist in production horticulture, postharvest technology, urban/amenity horticulture, sustainable horticulture, horticultural biotechnology, precision horticulture, viticulture, environmental impact analysis, endangered species conservation, habitat preservation, ornamental plant breeding for the world market, crop protection, plant ecology and irrigation science.

## Bachelor of Land and Water Science (BLWSc)

(Part-time study, during the daytime only, may be available in certain circumstances)

#### Assumed knowledge: Mathematics, Chemistry and Biology.

The course has a strong scientific base. The focus of this four-year applied degree is on the development of analytical, quantitative, computing and communication skills. Students learn how to apply the knowledge and principles of science to the understanding, management and conservation of our land and water resources. Highly regarded skills are gained in the fourth year through the completion of a research thesis.

**Major studies**: Include basic and applied aspects of biology, chemistry, geography, geographic information systems, geology, hydrology, soil science, statistics, sustainable agriculture and resource economics relevant to land and water science.

**Professional experience**: You must complete 60 days of approved professional experience and field excursions before graduation.

**Professional recognition**: Graduates are eligible for membership of professional societies including the International Association of Hydrogeologists and Australian Soil Science Society Inc.

**Career opportunities**: Examples include technical experts and researchers in catchment management organisations, sustainable land and water management, environmental assessment, remediation and protection, landcare, environmental consultants; media researchers and journalists; national parks and wildlife services; educators.



## Bachelor of Resource Economics (BResEc)

(Part-time study, during the daytime only, may be available)

Assumed knowledge: Extension 1 Mathematics.

**Major studies**: Resource economics, economics, environmental economics, fishery economics, mineral and energy economics, water and land economics, agricultural science, commercial law, finance, geography, geology, government, marine science, mathematics, soil science and statistics.

**Professional experience**: You must complete 60 days of approved professional experience and field excursions. Overseas experience is encouraged.

**Professional recognition**: Graduates and undergraduates are eligible for membership of the Australian Agricultural and Resource Economics Society, the Economic Society of Australia, the Australia and New Zealand Society of Ecological Economics, the Australian Institute of Agricultural Science and Technology and the American Agricultural Economics Association.

**Career opportunities**: Include environmental consulting firms, "green" organisations, mining and energy companies. State and Federal government opportunities include environmental agencies, land and water departments, agriculture departments, fisheries and forestry authorities. Economic analysis skills are transferable, allowing employment as economists in any sector of the economy.

Additional information: BResEc is a unique applied economics degree, blending a basic science foundation with a strong disciplinary base in economics. All students will take units of basic science, complete sequences in economics, resource economics, and quantitative analytical economics; undertake electives in economics and/or science; and examine a wide range of natural resource management problems. Students will specialise in and complete a research project in a selected area of resource economics.

The focus is on developing broadly applicable analytical economic skills complemented with an adequate knowledge of ecological and other natural resource systems and skills in modelling those systems in order to contribute to the solution of challenging environmental and management problems.

The course is targeted at students interested in economic management of natural resources systems, environmental economics, fishery and forestry economics, ecosystems, conservation issues, and sustainability.

### Bachelor of Science in Agriculture (BScAgr)

(Part-time study, during the daytime only, may be available in certain circumstances)

#### Assumed knowledge: Mathematics, Chemistry and Biology.

The course has a strong scientific base and offers a broad training in the scientific disciplines. The focus of this four-year applied degree is on the development of analytical, quantitative, computing and communication skills. Students learn how to apply the knowledge and principles of science to the understanding and management of the production and processing and marketing of agricultural products, and to the management and conservation of our natural resources. Highly regarded skills are gained in the fourth year through the completion of a research thesis.

Major studies: Agricultural economics, entomology, genetics, agricultural microbiology, agronomy, biometry, environmental

chemistry, food science, livestock production, plant breeding, plant pathology, and soil science. Special interdisciplinary programs may also be approved in fourth year.

**Professional experience**: You must complete 60 days of approved professional experience and field excursions before graduation.

**Professional recognition**: Membership of professional societies, such as the Australian Institute of Agricultural Science, is available.

**Career opportunities**: Examples include environmental scientists or research scientists in environmental protection, land and water conservation, conservation of endangered species, sustainable agriculture, precision agriculture, plant breeding, horticulture, agronomy, integrated pest management, animal nutrition, and molecular genetics (plant, animal and human); medical researchers; reproductive technologists in animal production enterprises and IVF clinics; biotechnologists (plant, animal and microbial); microbiologists (industrial and environmental); food scientists and cereal chemists; feedlot managers, managers of large scale intensive and extensive animal production enterprises; agricultural consultants (domestic and international); statisticians; media researchers and journalists; personnel for biosoil programs, environmental protection groups, national parks and wildlife services and forestry commissions; educators; applied marketing and agribusiness management.

## Progress through the years

Under normal circumstances, the degree requirements may be satisfied in four years. If you fail to achieve a satisfactory standard in a unit of study at the first attempt, you may repeat the unit. Should you not achieve a satisfactory standard at the second attempt, you will be asked to show good cause or explain why you should be re-admitted to that unit of study and/or degree (see 'Satisfactory progress' in chapter 6). Students repeating units of study which belong to the first, second or third year groups of units of study may, with the permission of the Faculty, enrol in one or more units of study prescribed for the next higher year. The Faculty will normally grant permission for you to undertake units from the next year when:

- the timetable arrangements are such that you can attend all lectures, practical classes, tutorials, seminars and excursions in all of the units of study undertaken
- 2. you have fulfilled all of the prerequisites, and
- 3. you can satisfy the corequisites for the units belonging to the higher year group of units.

Prerequisites are units of study which you must pass before proceeding to another unit.

Corequisites are units of study which should be studied in the same year as another unit if you have not already passed in them.

In the year groupings on the following pages, prerequisites and corequisites for each of the specified units of study are listed. There are circumstances, however, in which the Faculty may waive the formal prerequisite and corequisite requirements if you are otherwise suitably qualified to enrol for a unit. The onus is on students to consult the various unit coordinators as to the waivers which may be granted for each unit. The approval of the Discipline Leader must be obtained before you can proceed to a unit of study unless you have passed the necessary prerequisites.

## Bachelor of Agricultural Economics (BAgrEc)

Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition	Session
All students complete an Agricultural E	conomics n	najor and one non-Agricultural Economics major. Details of majors can be found in Tables 3 and	14.
Year 1			
Year 1 will have a minimum of 48 credit	points com	prised of:	
AGEC1101 Agricultural and Resource Systems	6	A HSC Mathematics or HSC Mathematics Extension 1 N AGEC1001	Semester 1
ECON1001 Introductory Microeconomics	6	A Mathematics	Semester 1 Summer Main
ECMT1010 Business and Economic Statistics A	6	N ECMT1011, ECMT1012, ECMT1013, MATH1015, MATH1005, MATH1905, STAT1021	Semester 1 Semester 2
AGEC1102 Agricultural Economics 1	6	A HSC Mathematics or HSC Mathematics Extension 1 C AGEC1101 N AGEC1002	Semester 2
ECON1002 Introductory Macroeconomics	6	A Mathematics	Semester 2 Summer Main
ECMT1020 Business and Economic Statistics B	6	C ECMT1010 N ECMT1021, ECMT1022, ECMT1023 Other than in exceptional circumstances, it is strongly recommended that students do not undertake Business and Economic Statistics B before attempting Business and Economic Statistics A.	Semester 2 Summer Main
and units from Table 1 (minimum of 12 Year 2	credit point	s), with a view to completing a Table 4 non-AGEC major.	
AGEC2103 Production Economics	6	P ECON1001 or AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) or RSEC1031 N AGEC2003	Semester 1
AGEC2105 Applied Econometric Modelling	6	P (ECMT1010 and ECMT1020) or (MATH1001 and MATH1002 and MATH1003 and MATH1005) or BIOM1003 or RSEC1031 N AGEC2005	Semester 1
or			-
Regression Modelling	6	P ECMT1010 N ECMT2010	Semester 1
ECOS2001 Intermediate Microeconomics	6	P ECON1001 C ECMT1010 N ECON2001, ECOS2901, ECON2901 Certain combinations of Maths/Stats may substitute for Econometrics - consult the Chair of the Discipline of Economics.	Semester 1 Semester 2 Summer Main
or			
ECOS2901 Intermediate Microeconomics Honours	6	<ul> <li>P ECON1001 and ECON1002 with a Credit average or better in the two units of study combined</li> <li>C ECOS2903 and ECMT1010</li> <li>N ECON2901, ECOS2001, ECON2001</li> <li>Certain combinations of Maths/Stats may substitute for Econometrics. Consult the Chair of the Discipline of Economics.</li> </ul>	Semester 1
ECOS2002 Intermediate Macroeconomics	6	P ECON1002 C ECMT1010 N ECON2002, ECOS2902, ECON2902 Certain combinations of Maths/Stats may substitute for Econometrics - consult the Chair of the Discipline of Economics.	Semester 1 Semester 2 Summer Main
or ECOS2902 Intermediate Macroeconomics Honours	6	<ul> <li>P ECON1001 and ECON1002 with a Credit average or better in the two units of study combined</li> <li>C ECOS2903 and ECMT1010</li> <li>N ECON2902, ECOS2002, ECON2002</li> <li>Certain combinations of Maths/Stats may substitute for Econometrics. Consult the Chair of the Discipline of Economics.</li> </ul>	Semester 2
AGEC2101 Market and Price Analysis	6	P ECON1001 or AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) or RSEC1031 N AGEC2001	Semester 2
and units from Tables 1 and 2 (minimur	n 18 credit	points), with a view to completing a Table 4 non-AGEC major.	
Year 3			
Year 3 will have a minimum of 48 credit	points con	nprised of:	
AGEC3103 Applied Optimisation	6	P (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103) N AGEC3101	Semester 1
AGEC3102 Agricultural and Resource Policy	6	P {(AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103)} OR {(ECON2001 or ECOS2001) and (ECON2002 or ECOS2002)} N AGEC3002	Semester 1
AGEC3104 Research Methods	6	P AGEC2105 or ECMT2010 or ECMT2110 or AGEC2005 N AGEC3004	Semester 2
and units from Table 2 (minimum 30 cre	edit points),	such that an Economics major or other Table 4 non-AGEC major is completed.	
Notes: 1) AGEC 3001 and AGEC 3101 AGEC1002 in lieu of AGEC 1102 must after 2007.	are both in take either	compatible with AGEC1102. A student who takes AGEC1102 will take AGEC3103. A student w AGEC 3001 or AGEC 3101, and not AGEC 3103. 2) AGEC 3101 will not be available in the BA	ho has taken grEc program
Year 4			
Year 4 will have a minimum of 48 credit	points com	prised of:	

Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition	Session
AGEC4112 Research Project A	9	P AGEC3104 or AGEC3004 C AGEC4113 N AGEC4012 Note: Department permission required for enrolment	Semester 1
or			
AGEC4121 Research Exercises A	9	P AGEC3104 or AGEC 3004 C AGEC4122 N AGEC4012, AGEC4112	Semester 1
AGEC4110 Professional Skills	3	C AGEC4011 or AGEC4111 N AGEC4010	Semester 1
AGEC4113 Research Project B	9	P AGEC3104 or AGEC3004 C AGEC4112 N AGEC4013 Note: Department permission required for enrolment	Semester 2
or			
AGEC4122 Research Exercises B	9	P AGEC3104 or AGEC3004 C AGEC4121 N AGEC4013, AGEC4113	Semester 2
AGEC4111 Contemporary Issues	3	C AGEC4010 N AGEC4011	Semester 2
and units from below (normally 24 cred	lit points), w	ith no more than 12 credit points of RSEC units. Not all of these units will be offered in all years	3.
AGEC4101 Agricultural Marketing Analysis	6	P (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103) N AGEC4004	Semester 2
AGEC4102 Agricultural Development Economics	6	P (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103)	Semester 2
AGEC4103 International Agricultural Trade	6	P (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103) N AGEC4003	Semester 1
AGEC4104 Agribusiness Analysis	6	P (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103)	Semester 1
AGEC4107 Special Topics	6	N AGEC4007 Note: Department permission required for enrolment	Semester 1 Semester 2
AGEC4108 Quantitative Planning Methods	6	P AGEC3101 or AGEC3103 or AGEC3031 or AGEC3001 N AGEC4008	Semester 1
AGEC4109 Agricultural Finance and Risk	6	P {(AGEC3001 or AGEC3101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103)} OR (AGEC1102 and AGEC3103) N AGEC4009	Semester 2
RSEC4131 Benefit-Cost Analysis	6	P ECON2001 and ( AGEC2103 or AGEC2003) N AGEC4037	Semester 1
RSEC4132 Environmental Economics	6	A ECON2001, ECON2002, AGEC3001, AGEC2101, AGEC2105 P ECON2001 or AGEC2103 or AGEC2003 N ECON3013, AGEC4035 Only available to 4th year students in the FAFNR. Available to 3rd year students in the FEB. Available to students that have completed RSEC1031 or ENVI3013 with permission from the unit coordinator	Semester 1
RSEC4133 Economics of Mineral & Energy Industries	6	A ECON2002, AGEC3001, AGEC2101, AGEC2105 P ECON2001 and (AGEC2103 or AGEC2003) N ECON3013 Only available to 4th year students in the FAFNR. Available to 3rd year students in the FEB. Available to students that have completed RSEC1031 or ENVI3013 with permission from the unit coordinator	Semester 2
RSEC4134 Economics of Water & Bio-resources	6	A ECON2002, AGEC3001, AGEC2101, AGEC2105 P ECON2001 and (AGEC2103 or AGEC2003) N ECON3013 Only available to 4th year students in the FAFNR. Available to 3rd year students in the FEB. Available to students that have completed RSEC1031 or ENVI3013 with permission from the unit coordinator	Semester 2

### Table 1 – BAgrEc Years 1 and 2 elective units

Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition	Session
ACCT1001 Accounting IA	6	A HSC Mathematics N ACCT1003, ACCT1004	Semester 1 Semester 2
ACCT1002 Accounting IB	6	P ACCT1001 N ACCT1003, ACCT1004	Semester 1 Semester 2
ACCT1003 Financial Accounting Concepts	6	N ACCT1001, ACCT1002 Terminating unit.	Semester 1
ACCT1004 Management Accounting Concepts	6	N ACCT1001, ACCT1002 Terminating unit.	Semester 2
AFNR1001 The Rural Environment	6		Semester 1
AFNR1002 Climate and the Environment	6		Semester 2
BIOL1001 Concepts in Biology	6	A None. However, students who have not completed HSC Biology (or equivalent) are strongly advised to take the Biology Bridging Course (in February) <b>N</b> BIOL(1101 or 1901 or 1911) It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken concurrently with all other Junior units of study in Biology. Students who have completed HSC Biology and scored 80+ should enrol in BIOL1911. Students who lack 80+ in HSC Biology but have a UAI of at least 93 may enrol in BIOL1911 with permission from the UEO. The completion of MBLG 1001 is highly recommended.	Semester 1 Summer Main
BIOL1002 Living Systems	6	<ul> <li>A HSC 2-unit Biology. Students who have not undertaken an HSC biology course are strongly advised to complete a Biology Bridging Course (in February).</li> <li>N BIOL1902</li> <li>It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken before this unit of study. This unit of study, together with BIOL (1001 or 1911) provides entry to all Intermediate units of study in biology in the School of Biological Sciences.</li> </ul>	Semester 2
CLAW1001 Commercial Transactions A	6		Semester 1 Semester 2 Summer Early
CLAW1002 Commercial Transactions B	6	P CLAW1001	Semester 2
GEOS1001 Earth, Environment and Society	6	N GEOS1901, GEOG1001, GEOG1002, GEOL1001, GEOL1002, GEOL1902	Semester 1 Summer Late
GEOS1002 Introductory Geography	6	N GEOS1902, GEOG1001, GEOG1002	Semester 2
GOVT1101 Australian Politics	6		Semester 1 Semester 2
GOVT1104 Power in Society This unit of study is not available in 2008	6		Semester 2
GOVT1105 Geopolitics	6		Semester 2
GOVT1202 World Politics	6		Semester 1 Semester 2
GOVT1406 International Business and Politics	6		Semester 1
INFS1000 Business Information Systems Foundations	6	N ISYS1003, INFO1000, INFO1003, INFO1903	Semester 1 Semester 2 Summer Main
MATH1011 Life Sciences Calculus	3	A HSC Mathematics N MATH1111, MATH1001, MATH1901, MATH1906, BIOM1003	Semester 1 Summer Main
MATH1013 Differential and Difference Equations	3	A HSC Mathematics or MATH1111 N MATH1003, MATH1903, MATH1907	Semester 2 Summer Main
MKTG1001 Marketing Principles	6	N MKTG2001	Semester 1 Semester 2
MKTG1002 Marketing Research 1	6	P MKTG1001 (or MKTG2001) N MKTG2003	Semester 2
PSYC1001 Psychology 1001	6		Semester 1 Summer Main
PSYC1002 Psychology 1002	6		Semester 2 Summer Main
WORK1003 Foundations of Work and Employment	6	This is the compulsory unit of study for the Industrial Relations/Human Resource Management major.	Semester 1 Semester 2
Modern Language (Level 1 or higher) u	nits, with th	e approval of the Dean FAFNR	

Notes:

1. Students may count no more than 24 credit points of the units specified in the above table towards meeting the requirements of their degree, and no more than 12 credit points from the listed INFS, MATH, PSYC and Modern Language units. ACCT1001 and ACCT1003 are mutually exclusive. ACCT1002 and ACCT1004 are mutually exclusive. Entry to ACCT1001 and ACCT1002 is restricted: the student's academic record must be as good as that needed for admission to the

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4. University's BCom program. Prerequisites apply for many second semester units.

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#### Table 2 – BAgrEc Years 2 and 3 elective units

Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition	Session
AGEC2102 Agribusiness Marketing	6	P AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) or AGEC1002 or AGEC1102 or RSEC1031 or AGEC1031	Semester 1
HORT2002 Horticultural Science 2	6	A (AFNR1001 and AFNR1002) or (HORT1001 and HORT1002) P BIOL1001 and (BIOL1002 or BIOL1902)	Semester 2
LWSC2002 Sustainable Land and Water Management	6	A LWSC1001, LWSC1002	Semester 2
PLNT2002 Aust Flora: Ecology and Conservation	6	P 6 credit points of a Junior unit of study N PLNT2902	Semester 1
PLNT2003 Plant Form and Function	6	A 12 credit points of Junior Biology, or equivalent eg BIOL (1001 or 1101 or 1901 or 1911) and BIOL (1002 or 1902 or 1003 or 1903) N PLNT2903, BIOL2003, BIOL2903, CROP2001	Semester 2
RSEC4131 Benefit-Cost Analysis	6	P ECON2001 and ( AGEC2103 or AGEC2003) N AGEC4037	Semester 1
SOIL2003 Soil Properties and Processes	6		Semester 1
SOIL3008 Rural Spatial Information Systems	6		Semester 1
Any level 2 or 3 semester units in Accounting (ACCT), Commercial Law (CLAW), Econometrics (ECMT), Economics (ECOS), Finance (FINC), Geography (GEOG or GEOS), Government (GOVT), Industrial Relations and Human Resource Management (WORK), Information Systems (INFS), Marketing (MKTG), Psychology (PSYC). Units in Asian Studies (ASNS) or Modern Languages may also be taken (with the approval of the Dean FAFNR)			

Any level 4 units in Agricultural Economics (AGEC) other than those which are core requirements for Year 4.

Other units of study from the BScAgr, BHortSc and BLWSc degrees, with approval of the Dean FAFNR and the Head of the Discipline concerned.

AGEC2102 Agribusiness Marketing can only be included for Year 2.

Prerequisites and/or corequisites apply for most units

Electives must be chosen such that the student will complete a non-AGEC major as specified in the Table of Majors.

### Majors in the BAgrEc Degree

The definitions of majors in the following tables apply for students commencing in 2005 or later. These students are required to complete 48 credit points in their chosen majors. Their majors must comply with the requirements for the BAgrEc degree as set out below, and also with the minimum requirements of the discipline teaching that major.

Students who commenced in 2004 or earlier will be required to complete 44 credit points to obtain a major. The major will be defined according to the criteria as currently determined by the discipline teaching that major. The current requirements for majors in the Faculty of Economics and Business and the Faculty of Science can be found in the respective Faculty Handbooks.

All students must complete an Agricultural Economics major and a non Agricultural Economics major. The Agricultural Economics major is defined in Table 3. The other majors available in the BAgrEc degree are defined in Table 4. Up to three majors will be noted on a student's transcript.

#### Table 3 – Agricultural Economics major

Junior (Level 1) units AGEC(1101 or 1001) AGEC(1101 or 1002) Level 2 and 3 units AGEC(2101 or 2001) and AGEC(2103 or 2003) AGEC(3002 or 3102) and AGEC(3001 or 3101 or 3103) Two level 4 AGEC elective units

#### Table 4 – Non AGEC majors available in the BAgrEc Degree

#### Accounting

Junior (Level 1) units ACCT1001\*, ACCT1002\* Level 2 and 3 units ACCT2011 and ACCT2012 And four of the following units: ACCT3011, ACCT3012, ACCT3013, ACCT3014, ACCT3031, ACCT3032, CLAW2201 See FEB Handbook \*Note: Restricted entry

#### Agribusiness

Junior (Level 1) units ACCT1004 and either (INFS1000 and CLAW1001) or WORK1003 Level 2 and 3 units AGEC2102 AGEC4104 One of AGEC4101, 4109 Either 12 credit points INFS level 2/3 units or 18 credit points WORK level 2/3 units

#### **Agricultural Finance**

Junior (Level 1) units ACCT1001\* or ACCT1003 and either ECMT1010 or ECON1001 Level 2 and 3 units Two FINC2000 units as for a Finance major Two FINC3000 units AGEC4104, AGEC4108, AGEC4109 \*Note: Restricted entry

#### Agricultural Marketing

Junior (Level 1) units MKTG1001 MKTG1002 or AGEC3104 Level 2 and 3 units MKTG2112 and (MKTG3111 or MKTG3118) Two other MKTG3000 units AGEC4101, AGEC4104

#### **Agricultural Science**

Junior (Level 1) units AFNR1001 and AFNR1002 Level 2 and 3 units PLNT2003, SOIL2003 Four other Level 2/3/4 Agricultural Science units of study

#### **Commercial Law**

#### Junior (Level 1) units CLAW1001

And either CLAW1002 or any CLAW2000 or CLAW3000 unit of study **Level 2 and 3 units** CLAW2201 and any five further CLAW2000 or 3000 units See FEB Handbook

#### **Econometrics**

Junior (Level 1) units ECMT1010 and ECMT1020 Level 2 and 3 units ECMT2110 and ECMT3110 Four further ECMT2000 and ECMT3000 units See FEB Handbook

#### **Economics**

Junior (Level 1) units ECON1001 and ECON1002 Level 2 and 3 units (ECOS2001 or ECON2001) and (ECOS2002 or ECON2002) Any four further ECOS2000 or ECON3000 or ECOS3000 units, of which at least two must be at the 3000 level. See FEB Handbook

#### Finance

Junior (Level 1) units ACCT1001\* or ACCT1003 and either ECMT1010 or ECON1001 Level 2 and 3 units FINC2001 or FINC2011 and either FINC2002 or FINC2012 or FINC2004 or FINC2014 Any four further FINC3000 units or three further FINC3000 units and one of ACCT3013 or CLAW3201. See FEB Handbook \*Note: Restricted entry

#### Geography

Junior (Level 1) units GEOG1001, GEOS1001, ENVI1002, GEOL1002 or GEOS1003 GEOG1002, GEOS1002 or other level 1 science unit Level 2 and 3 units Two GEOG or GEOS2000 units Four GEOG or GEOS3000 units See FSc Handbook

#### **Government and International Relations**

Junior (Level 1) units Two level 1000 Government (GOVT) units Level 2 and 3 units Six GOVT2000 units See FEB Handbook

#### Management

Junior (Level 1) units WORK1003 One GOVT1000 unit or ECON1001 Level 2 and 3 units WORK2201 Five units from: ECOS3003, 3005, 3008, 3012, GOVT2552, 2557, WORK 2204, 2205, 2209, 2210, 2211, 2217, 2218, 2219, 2221 See FEB Handbook

#### Marketing

Junior (Level 1) units MKTG1001 and MKTG1002 Level 2 and 3 units MKTG2112 and MKTG3111 Four other MKTG2000 or 3000 units See FEB Handbook

#### Psychology

Junior (Level 1) units PSYC1001 and PSYC1002 PSTG1001 and 3 units PSYC2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 24 credit points PSYC3000 units See FEB Handbook \*Note: A Psychology major requires the completion of 60 credit points of PSYC units units

#### Notes:

- For disciplines based in other faculties (e.g. Geography is based in the Faculty of Science) the specification of a major here may differ from that in its 'home' faculty. The requirement for a major within the BAgrEc degree is no less, nor more liberal, than in the discipline's 'home' faculty.
- A student can count a particular unit of study towards only one major.
- Where a student could count a unit of study towards more than one major, the student must nominate by the end of their final year the particular major to which the unit is to be allocated.

## Bachelor of Horticultural Science

Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition	Session
Year 1			
Year 1 will have the following 48 credit	point structu	ure:	
AFNR1001 The Rural Environment	6		Semester 1
BIOL1001 Concepts in Biology	6	A None. However, students who have not completed HSC Biology (or equivalent) are strongly advised to take the Biology Bridging Course (in February) <b>N</b> BIOL(1101 or 1901 or 1911) It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken concurrently with all other Junior units of study in Biology. Students who have completed HSC Biology and scored 80+ should enrol in BIOL1911. Students who lack 80+ in HSC Biology but have a UAI of at least 93 may enrol in BIOL1911 with permission from the UEO. The completion of MBLG 1001 is highly recommended.	Semester 1 Summer Main
or			
BIOL1911 Concepts in Biology (Advanced)	6	<ul> <li>P 80+ in HSC 2-unit Biology (or equivalent) or Distinction or better in a University level Biology unit, or by invitation.</li> <li>N BIOL (1001, 1101, 1901)</li> <li>Note: Department permission required for enrolment It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken concurrently with all other Junior units of study in Biology. The completion of MBLG1001 is highly recommended.</li> </ul>	Semester 1
CHEM1001 Fundamentals of Chemistry 1A	6	A There is no assumed knowledge of chemistry for this unit of study, but students who have not undertaken an HSC chemistry course are strongly advised to complete a chemistry bridging course before lectures commence. N CHEM1101, CHEM1901, CHEM1109, CHEM1903	Semester 1
or			
CHEM1901 Chemistry 1A (Advanced)	6	<ul> <li>P UAI of at least 96.4 and HSC Chemistry result in band 5 or 6, or Distinction or better in a University level Chemistry unit, or by invitation</li> <li>C Recommended concurrent unit of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics</li> <li>N CHEM1001, CHEM1109, CHEM1903</li> <li>Note: Department permission required for enrolment</li> </ul>	Semester 1
MATH1011 Life Sciences Calculus	3	A HSC Mathematics N MATH1111, MATH1001, MATH1901, MATH1906, BIOM1003	Semester 1 Summer Main
and			
MATH1015 Biostatistics	3	A HSC Mathematics N MATH1005, MATH1905, STAT1021, STAT1022, ECMT1010, BIOM1003	Semester 1
AFNR1002 Climate and the Environment	6		Semester 2
AGEC1006 Economic Environment of Agriculture	6	A HSC Mathematics N AGEC1003, AGEC1004	Semester 2
BIOL1002 Living Systems	6	<ul> <li>A HSC 2-unit Biology. Students who have not undertaken an HSC biology course are strongly advised to complete a Biology Bridging Course (in February).</li> <li>N BIOL1902</li> <li>It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken before this unit of study. This unit of study, together with BIOL (1001 or 1911) provides entry to all Intermediate units of study in biology in the School of Biological Sciences.</li> </ul>	Semester 2
or			
BIOL1902 Living Systems (Advanced)	6	<ul> <li>P UAI of at least 93 and HSC Biology result in the 90th percentile or better, or Distinction or better in a University level Biology unit, or by invitation.</li> <li>N BIOL1002, BIOL1904, BIOL1905 Note: Department permission required for enrolment</li> </ul>	Semester 2
CHEM1002 Fundamentals of Chemistry 1B	6	P CHEM (1001 or 1101) or equivalent N CHEM1102, CHEM1108, CHEM1902, CHEM1904	Semester 2
or			
CHEM1902 Chemistry 1B (Advanced)	6	<ul> <li>P CHEM (1901 or 1903) or Distinction in CHEM1101 or equivalent</li> <li>C Recommended concurrent unit of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics</li> <li>N CHEM1002, CHEM1102, CHEM1108, CHEM1904</li> <li>Note: Department permission required for enrolment</li> </ul>	Semester 2
Year 2			
Year 2 will have the following 48 credit	point structu	ure:	
BIOM2001 Biometry 2	6	P BIOM1003 or (MATH1011 and MATH1015)	Semester 1
PLNT2001 Plant Biochemistry and Molecular Biology	6	P 12 credit points of Junior Chemistry and 12 credit points of Junior Biology (or with the Dean's permission BIOL1201 and BIOL1202) N PLNT2901, AGCH2001	Semester 1
PI NT2901	6	P A Distinction average in 12 credit points of Junior Chemistry and 12 credit points of Junior	Semester 1
Plant Biochem & Molecular Biology (Adv)	0	Biology (or with the Dean's permission BIOL1201 and BIOL1202) N PLNT2001, AGCH2001	Jemester I
PLNT2002 Aust Flora: Ecology and Conservation	6	P 6 credit points of a Junior unit of study N PLNT2902	Semester 1

Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition	Session
PLNT2902 Aust Flora: Ecology & Conservation (Adv)	6	A The contents of BIOL(1002 or 1902) is assumed knowledge. Students wishing to enroll in Intermediate Biology (BIOL) and Plant Science (PLNT) units of study using BIOL(1003 or 1903) will need to do some preparatory reading P Distinction average in 6 credit points of Junior units of study N PLNT2002	Semester 1
SOIL2003 Soil Properties and Processes	6		Semester 1
ENTO2001 Entomology	6		Semester 2
HORT2002 Horticultural Science 2	6	A (AFNR1001 and AFNR1002) or (HORT1001 and HORT1002) P BIOL1001 and (BIOL1002 or BIOL1902)	Semester 2
MICR2024 Microbes in the Environment	6	<ul> <li>P 30 credit points of Junior Science or Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resource units including 6 credit points of Junior Biology.</li> <li>N MICR2021, MICR2921, MICR2001, MICR2901, MICR2003, MICR2007, MICR2011, MICR2909</li> <li>Students are very strongly recommended to complete MICR (2021 or 2921 or 2024) before enrolling in MICR2922 in Semester 2 For progression on to Senior Microbiology units students</li> </ul>	Semester 2
PLNT2003 Plant Form and Function	6	<ul> <li>must also complete MBLG(1001 or 1901) or PLNT (2001 or 2901).</li> <li>A 12 credit points of Junior Biology, or equivalent eg BIOL (1001 or 1101 or 1901 or 1911) and BIOL (1002 or 1902 or 1003 or 1903)</li> <li>N PLNT2903, BIOL2003, BIOL2903, CROP2001</li> </ul>	Semester 2
PLNT2903	6	A 12 credit points of Junior Biology, or equivalent eg BIOL (1001 or 1101 or 1901 or 1911)	Semester 2
Plant Form and Function (Advanced)		and BIOL (1002 of 1902 of 1903 of 1903) N PLNT2003, BIOL2003, BIOL2903, CROP2001	
Year 3 <sup>°</sup>	(0.0		
HORT3005	a core (30 6	A ((AFNR1001 and AFNR1002) or (HORT1001 and HORT1002)) and HORT2002.	Semester 1
Production Horticulture GENE2001	6	P Two of PLNT2001, PLNT2901, PLNT2002, PLNT2902, PLNT2003, PLNT2903. P At least one of (BIQI 1001 BIQI 1002 BIQI 1101 BIQI 1901 BIQI 1911)	Semester 1
Agricultural Genetics 2	6	P MICP2024	Somostor 1
Plant Disease	0		Semester
PLNT3002 Plant Growth and Development	6	<ul> <li>P 12 credit points of intermediate PLNT, BIOL, AGCH or CROP units of study including at least one of PLNT2001, PLNT2001, PLNT2003, PLNT2903, BIOL2016, BIOL2916, BIOL2003, BIOL2903, BIOL2006, BIOL2906, CROP2001, AGCH2002 or equivalent</li> <li>N PLNT3902, BIOL3021, BIOL3931</li> </ul>	Semester 2
or PLNT3902 Plant Growth and Development (Advanced)	6	P 12 credit points of intermediate PLNT, BIOL, AGCH or CROP units of study including at least one of PLNT2001, PLNT2001, PLNT2003, PLNT2903, BIOL2016, BIOL2916, BIOL2003, BIOL2003, BIOL2006, BIOL2906, CROP2001, AGCH2002 or equivalent. These requirements may be varied and students with lower averages should consult the unit Executive Officer. N PLNT3002, BIOL3021, BIOL3931	Semester 2
PLNT3001 Plant, Cell and Environment	6	P 12 credit points of Intermediate Biology, Plant Science, Molecular Biology and Genetics or equivalent N PLNT3901	Semester 2
Or PI NT3001	6	P 12 credit points of Intermediate Biology Plant Science, Molecular Biology and Constinue or	Somostor 2
Plant, Cell and Environment (Advanced)	0	equivalent with average grade of distinction <b>N</b> PLNT3001 Note: Department permission required for enrolment	Semester 2
And three electives (18 credit points) fro	m Table A		
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AFNR4101 Research Project A	12	P [HORT3005 and GENE2001 and PPAT3003 and PLNT3001/3901 and PLNT3002/3902] or     [LWSC3005 and SOIL3008 and SOIL2004 and BIOM3006] or [AGCH3025 and PPAT3003     and SOIL2004 and AGRO3004] or AGRO3002 or SOIL3004 or LWSC3004 or HORT3005 or     PPAT3003     Note: Denactment permission required for enrolment	Semester 1
HORT4004	6	P HORT3001 or HORT3004	Semester 1
AFNR4001 Professional Experience	6	Note: Department permission required for enrolment	Semester 2
AFNR4102 Research Project B	12	<b>P</b> AFNR4101	Semester 2
HORT4005 Research and Practice in Hort Science	6	<b>P</b> HORT3005	Semester 2
and one elective from Table A.			
* A student may apply to the degree coc cp) University of Sydney unit of study in a written academic justification for enrol	ordinator fo year 4 whi ment by th	r permission to enrol in up to one (6 cp) elective University of Sydney unit of study in year 3 and ich is not listed in Table A. The application must (1) be made prior to enrolment in the unit (2) be e student and (3) be submitted with written approval of the relevant unit of study coordinator.	d up to one (6 submitted with
Table A			
Agribusiness			

#### 4. Undergraduate course requirements

Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition	Session
AGEC2102 Agribusiness Marketing	6	P AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) or AGEC1002 or AGEC1102 or RSEC1031 or AGEC1031	Semester 1
AGEC3101 Agribusiness Management	6	P AGEC2103 or AGEC2003 or AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) N AGEC1102; AGEC3103; AGEC3001	Semester 2
Biotechnology			
BIOL3018 Applications of Recombinant DNA Tech	6	P 12 credit points from MBLG (2071/297), MBLG (2072/2972) and Intermediate Biology units. For BMedSc students: 36 credit points of Intermediate BMED units including BMED 2802. N BIOL3918	Semester 1
or BIOL3918 Applications of Recombinant DNA Tech Adv	6	P Distinction average in12 credit points from MBLG (2071/2971), MBLG (2072/2972) and Intermediate Biology units. For BMedSc students: 36 credit points of Intermediate BMED units including Distinction in BMED2802. N BIOL3018	Semester 1
Food Science			
AGCH3025 Chemistry and Biochemistry of Foods A	6	A 12 credit points of Junior chemistry P 6 credit points of Intermediate units in either Agricultural Chemistry or Chemistry or PLNT2001 or PLNT2901 or BCHM2071 or BCHM2072 N AFNR5102	Semester 1
AGCH3026 Chemistry and Biochemistry of Foods B	6	A 12 units of Junior chemistry P 6 credit points of Intermediate Agricultural Chemistry or PLNT2001 or PLNT2901 or BCHM2071 or BCHM2072 C AGCH3025 N AFNR5103	Semester 1
Environmental Science			
AGCH3032 Land and Water Ecochemistry	6	P AGCH2003 or AGCH2004 or PLNT2001 or CHEM24XX or BCHM2XXX or ENVI2001 N AGCH3030, AGCH3031	Semester 2
Agronomy			
AGRO3004 Crop and Pasture Systems	6	A AFNR1001 and AFNR1002 P PLNT2003 or PLNT2903	Semester 2
Biometry			
BIOM3006 Statistics for the Natural Sciences	6	P BIOM2001 or STAT3012	Semester 2
Entomology			
ENTO4004 Insect Taxonomy and Systematics	6	A ENTO2001 P ENTO2001 or ENTO2002 or BIOL2017 or BIOL2917	Semester 1
ENTO4003 Applied Entomology	6	P ENTO2001 or ENTO2002 or BIOL2017 or BIOL2917 (Note: BIOL2017/BIOL2917 are only for BSc students who elect to take this UoS)	Semester 2
Plant Pathology			
BIOL3017 Fungi in the Environment	6	<ul> <li>P 12 credit points of Intermediate Biology, or 6 credit points of Intermediate Biology and 6 Intermediate credit points of either Microbiology or Geography, or their equivalent.</li> <li>N BIOL3917</li> <li>The completion of 6 credit points of MBI G units is highly recommended</li> </ul>	S1 Intensive
or			
BIOL3917 Fungi in the Environment (Advanced)	6	<ul> <li>P Distinction average in 12 credit points of Intermediate Biology, or 6 credit points of Intermediate Biology and 6 Intermediate credit points of either Microbiology or Geography, or their equivalent.</li> <li>N BIOL3017 The completion of 6 credit points of MBI G units is highly recommended</li> </ul>	S1 Intensive
PPAT4004	6	P PPAT3003	Semester 1
Advanced Mycology and Plant Pathology			
PPAT4005 Soil Biology	6	P MICR2024 or 6cp intermediate microbiology	Semester 1
Plant Sciences			
PLNT3003 Systematics and Evolution of Plants	6	P 6 credit points from any intermediate unit of study from BIOL, PLNT, LWSC, HORT, GEOS, GEOG, ENVI, SOIL or equivalent N BIOL3015, BIOL3915, PLNT3903	Semester 1
or			
PLNT3903 Systematics and Evolution of Plants Adv	6	<ul> <li>P Distinction in 6 credit points from any intermediate unit of study from BIOL, PLNT, LWSC, HORT, GEOS, GEOG, ENVI, SOIL or equivalent. These requirements may be varied and students with lower averages should consult the Unit Executive Officer.</li> <li>N BIOL3015, BIOL3915, PLNT3003</li> </ul>	Semester 1
Soil Science			
SOIL3009 Contemporary Field and Lab Soil Science	6	P SOIL2003	Semester 1
SOIL2004 The Soil Resource	6		Semester 2
SOIL3010 The Soil at Work	6	P SOIL2003 or SOIL2004	Semester 2

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Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition	Session
Year 1			
Year 1 will have the following 48 credit	point structu	ıre:	
AFNR1001 The Rural Environment	6		Semester 1
BIOL1001 Concepts in Biology	6	A None. However, students who have not completed HSC Biology (or equivalent) are strongly advised to take the Biology Bridging Course (in February) N BIOL(1101 or 1901 or 1911) It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken concurrently with all other Junior units of study in Biology. Students who have completed HSC Biology and scored 80+ should enrol in BIOL1911. Students who lack 80+ in HSC Biology but have a UAI of at least 93 may enrol in BIOL1911 with permission from the UEO. The completion of MBLG 1001 is highly recommended.	Semester 1 Summer Main
or			
BIOL1911 Concepts in Biology (Advanced)	6	<ul> <li>P 80+ in HSC 2-unit Biology (or equivalent) or Distinction or better in a University level Biology unit, or by invitation.</li> <li>N BIOL (1001, 1101, 1901)</li> <li>Note: Department permission required for enrolment It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken concurrently with all other Junior units of study in Biology. The completion of MBLG1001 is highly recommended.</li> </ul>	Semester 1
CHEM1001 Fundamentals of Chemistry 1A	6	A There is no assumed knowledge of chemistry for this unit of study, but students who have not undertaken an HSC chemistry course are strongly advised to complete a chemistry bridging course before lectures commence. N CHEM1101, CHEM1901, CHEM1109, CHEM1903	Semester 1
or			
CHEM1101 Chemistry 1A	6	A HSC Chemistry and Mathematics C Recommended concurrent units of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics N CHEM1001, CHEM1109, CHEM1901, CHEM1903	Semester 1 Semester 2 Summer Main
or			
CHEM1901 Chemistry 1A (Advanced)	6	<ul> <li>P UAI of at least 96.4 and HSC Chemistry result in band 5 or 6, or Distinction or better in a University level Chemistry unit, or by invitation</li> <li>C Recommended concurrent unit of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics</li> <li>N CHEM1001, CHEM1101, CHEM1109, CHEM1903</li> <li>Note: Department permission required for enrolment</li> </ul>	Semester 1
MATH1011 Life Sciences Calculus	3	A HSC Mathematics N MATH1111, MATH1001, MATH1901, MATH1906, BIOM1003	Semester 1 Summer Main
and			
MATH1015 Biostatistics	3	A HSC Mathematics N MATH1005, MATH1905, STAT1021, STAT1022, ECMT1010, BIOM1003	Semester 1
AFNR1002 Climate and the Environment	6		Semester 2
CHEM1002 Fundamentals of Chemistry 1B or	6	P CHEM (1001 or 1101) or equivalent N CHEM1102, CHEM1108, CHEM1902, CHEM1904	Semester 2
CHEM1102 Chemistry 1B	6	P CHEM (1101 or 1901) or a Distinction in CHEM1001 or equivalent C Recommended concurrent units of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics N CHEM1002, CHEM1108, CHEM1902, CHEM1904	Semester 1 Semester 2 Summer Main
CHEM1902 Chemistry 1B (Advanced)	6	P CHEM (1901 or 1903) or Distinction in CHEM1101 or equivalent C Recommended concurrent unit of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics N CHEM1002, CHEM1102, CHEM1108, CHEM1904 Note: Department permission required for enrolment	Semester 2
GEOS1003 Introduction to Geology	6	N GEOS1903, GEOL1002, GEOL1902	Semester 2
RSEC1031 Resource Economics 1	6	N AGEC1031	Semester 2
Year 2			
Year 2 will have the following 48 credit	point structu	ıre:	
AGCH2003 Rural Environmental Chemistry	6	P 12 credit points of Junior Chemistry N AGCH2001, AGCH2002 and CHEM2404	Semester 1
BIOM2001 Biometry 2	6	P BIOM1003 or (MATH1011 and MATH1015)	Semester 1
PLNT2002 Aust Flora: Ecology and Conservation	6	P 6 credit points of a Junior unit of study N PLNT2902	Semester 1
or			
PLNT2902 Aust Flora: Ecology & Conservation (Adv)	6	A The contents of BIOL(1002 or 1902) is assumed knowledge. Students wishing to enroll in Intermediate Biology (BIOL) and Plant Science (PLNT) units of study using BIOL(1003 or 1903) will need to do some preparatory reading P Distinction average in 6 credit points of Junior units of study N PLNT2002	Semester 1
SOIL2003 Soil Properties and Processes	6		Semester 1

Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition	Session
GEOG2321 Fluvial and Groundwater Geomorphology	6	<ul> <li>P GEOG(2311 or 2001) or 36 credit points of Junior study including GEOS1001 or GEOS1901 or GEOG1001 or ENVI (1001 or 1002) or GEOL (1001 or 1002 or 1501). Students in the Bachelor of Resource Economics should have 36 credit points of study in Biology (or Land and Water Science), Chemistry and Mathematics. Students in the Bachelor of Land and Water Science should have ENVI1002, 12 credit points of Chemistry, 6 credit points of Biology, BIOM1002.</li> <li>N GEOG (2002 or 2302 or 2303) or MARS2002 or MARS2006</li> </ul>	Semester 2
LWSC2002 Sustainable Land and Water Management	6	A LWSC1001, LWSC1002	Semester 2
MICR2024 Microbes in the Environment	6	<ul> <li>P 30 credit points of Junior Science or Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resource units including 6 credit points of Junior Biology.</li> <li>N MICR2021, MICR2921, MICR2001, MICR2901, MICR2003, MICR2007, MICR2011, MICR2909</li> <li>Students are very strongly recommended to complete MICR (2021 or 2921 or 2024) before enrolling in MICR2922 in Semester 2. For progression on to Senior Microbiology units, students must also complete MBLG(1001 or 1901) or PLNT (2001 or 2901).</li> </ul>	Semester 2
PLNT2003 Plant Form and Function	6	A 12 credit points of Junior Biology, or equivalent eg BIOL (1001 or 1101 or 1901 or 1911) and BIOL (1002 or 1902 or 1003 or 1903) N PLNT2903, BIOL2003, BIOL2903, CROP2001	Semester 2
or			
PLNT2903 Plant Form and Function (Advanced)	6	A 12 credit points of Junior Biology, or equivalent eg BIOL (1001 or 1101 or 1901 or 1911) and BIOL (1002 or 1902 or 1003 or 1903) N PLNT2003, BIOL2003, BIOL2903, CROP2001	Semester 2
Year 3*			
Year 3 will have a core (24 credit points)	of:		
LWSC3005 Environmental Water Quality	6	P LWSC2002 or GEOG2321 or AGCH2003 or 6 credit points of intermediate Chemistry	Semester 1
SOIL3008 Bural Spatial Information Systems	6		Semester 1
SOIL2004 The Soil Resource	6		Semester 2
BIOM3006 Statistics for the Natural Sciences	6	P BIOM2001 or STAT3012	Semester 2
And 24 credit points selected from Table	B		
Voar 1*	D.		
In Year 4 students will complete:	40		0 1 1
AFNR4101 Research Project A	12	P [HOR13005 and GENE2001 and PPA13003 and PLN13007/3901 and PLN13002/3902] or [LWSC3005 and SOIL3008 and SOIL2004 and BIOM3006] or [AGCH3025 and PPAT3003 and SOIL2004 and AGRO3004] or AGRO3002 or SOIL3004 or LWSC3004 or HORT3005 or PPAT3003 Note: Department permission required for enrolment	Semester 1
LWSC3006 Landscape Hydrology and Management	6	P LWSC2002 or GEOG2321	Semester 1
SOIL3009 Contemporary Field and Lab Soil Science	6	<b>P</b> SOIL2003	Semester 1
AFNR4001 Professional Experience	6	Note: Department permission required for enrolment	Semester 2
AFNR4102 Research Project B	12	<b>P</b> AFNR4101	Semester 2
And one unit of study from Table C			
* A student may apply to the degree coor cp) University of Sydney unit of study in y with a written academic justification for er	dinator fo ear 4 which prolment b	r permission to enrol in up to one (6 cp) elective University of Sydney unit of study in year 3 and ch is not listed in Tables B or C. The application must (1) be made prior to enrolment in the unit ( by the student and (3) be submitted with written approval of the relevant unit of study coordinate	d up to one (6 2) be submitted or.
Table B			
Agricultural Chemistry	0		Compatin C
AGCH3032 Land and Water Ecochemistry	6	P AGCH2003 of AGCH2004 of PLNT2001 of CHEM24XX of BCHM2XXX of ENVI2001 N AGCH3030, AGCH3031	Semester 2
Agricultural Economics AGEC3101 Agribusiness Management	6	P AGEC2103 or AGEC2003 or AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) N AGEC1102: AGEC3103: AGEC3001	Semester 2
AGEC2101 Market and Price Analysis	6	P ECON1001 or AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) or RSEC1031	Semester 2
AGEC3102 Agricultural and Resource Policy	6	P {(AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103)} OR {(ECON2001 or ECOS2001) and (ECON2002 or ECOS2002)} N AGEC3002	Semester 1
Agronomy			
AGRO3004 Crop and Pasture Systems	6	A AFNR1001 and AFNR1002 P PLNT2003 or PLNT2903	Semester 2
Geography/Science			
GEOS3018 Rivers: Science, Policy and Management	6	P (24 credit points of Intermediate units of study including 6 credit points of Intermediate Geography units of study) or ((MARS2005 or MARS2905) and (MARS2006 or MARS2906)) N GEOS3918	Semester 1

Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition	Session
ENVI3111 Environmental Law and Ethics	6	A Intermediate Environmental Science. P 12 credit points of Intermediate Science or Agriculture units. N ENVI3001, ENVI3003.	Semester 1
ENVI3112 Environmental Assessment	6	A Intermediate Environmental Science. P 12 credit points of Intermediate Science or Agriculture units. N ENVI3002, ENVI3004.	Semester 2
Plant Science			
PLNT3003 Systematics and Evolution of Plants	6	<b>P</b> 6 credit points from any intermediate unit of study from BIOL, PLNT, LWSC, HORT, GEOS, GEOG, ENVI, SOIL or equivalent <b>N</b> BIOL3015, BIOL3915, PLNT3903	Semester 1
PLNT3001 Plant, Cell and Environment	6	P 12 credit points of Intermediate Biology, Plant Science, Molecular Biology and Genetics or equivalent N PLNT3901	Semester 2
or			
PLNT3901 Plant, Cell and Environment (Advanced)	6	P 12 credit points of Intermediate Biology, Plant Science, Molecular Biology and Genetics or equivalent with average grade of distinction N PLNT3001 Note: Department permission required for enrolment	Semester 2
PLNT3002 Plant Growth and Development	6	P 12 credit points of intermediate PLNT, BIOL, AGCH or CROP units of study including at least one of PLNT2001, PLNT2901, PLNT2003, PLNT2903, BIOL2016, BIOL2916, BIOL2003, BIOL2903, BIOL2006, BIOL2906, CROP2001, AGCH2002 or equivalent N PLNT3902, BIOL3021, BIOL3931	Semester 2
Table C			
Any unit from Table B.			
Agricultural Chemistry			
AGCH4007 Instrumentation in Analytical Chemistry	6	P PLNT2001, AGCH2003 or AGCH2004	Semester 1
Agronomy			
AGRO4003 Crop and Pasture Agronomy	6	P AGR03001 or AGR03002	Semester 1
AGRO4004 Sustainable Farming Systems	6	P AGRO3001 or AGRO3002	Semester 1
Ecology			
PLNT3003 Systematics and Evolution of Plants	6	<ul> <li>P 6 credit points from any intermediate unit of study from BIOL, PLNT, LWSC, HORT, GEOS, GEOG, ENVI, SOIL or equivalent</li> <li>N BIOL3015, BIOL3915, PLNT3903</li> </ul>	Semester 1
BIOL3009 Terrestrial Field Ecology	6	<ul> <li>A Ecological Methods (BIOL3006) or Ecological Methods (advanced) BIOL3906. Prior completion of one of these units is very strongly recommended.</li> <li>P 12 credit points of Intermediate Biology or ANSC2004 and BIOM2001</li> <li>N BIOL3909, BIOL3041, BIOL3941, BIOL3042, BIOL3024, BIOL3024, BIOL3924</li> <li>One 6 day field trip held in the pre-semester break (Sunday, July 20 - Friday, July 25, 2008) and 4 practical classes during weeks 1-4 in Semester 2.</li> </ul>	S2 Intensive
Environmetrics			
ENVX4002 Environmetrics 4	6	P BIOM3004 or BIOM3005 or BIOM3006	Semester 1
ENVX4001 GIS, Remote Sensing and Land Management	6	A Some knowledge of GIS and spatial information systems and/or some knowledge of soil science, geomorphology or environmental science. Note: Department permission required for enrolment Consent of the unit coordinator required.	Semester 2
Resource Economics			
RSEC4131 Benefit-Cost Analysis	6	P ECON2001 and ( AGEC2103 or AGEC2003) N AGEC4037	Semester 1
RSEC4132 Environmental Economics	6	A ECON2001, ECON2002, AGEC3001, AGEC2101, AGEC2105 P ECON2001 or AGEC2103 or AGEC2003 N ECON3013, AGEC4035 Only available to 4th year students in the FAFNR. Available to 3rd year students in the FEB. Available to students that have completed RSEC1031 or ENVI3013 with permission from the unit coordinator	Semester 1
Soil Science			
PPAT4005 Soil Biology	6	P MICR2024 or 6cp intermediate microbiology	Semester 1
SOIL3010 The Soil at Work	6	P SOIL2003 or SOIL2004	Semester 2

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Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition	Session
Year 1			
Year 1 will have a minimum of 48 credit	points com	prised of:	
ECON1001 Introductory Microeconomics	6	A Mathematics	Semester 1 Summer Main
AFNR1001 The Rural Environment or	6		Semester 1
BIOL1001 Concepts in Biology	6	A None. However, students who have not completed HSC Biology (or equivalent) are strongly advised to take the Biology Bridging Course (in February) <b>N</b> BIOL(1101 or 1901 or 1911) It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken concurrently with all other Junior units of study in Biology. Students who have completed HSC Biology and scored 80+ should enrol in BIOL1911. Students who lack 80+ in HSC Biology but have a UAI of at least 93 may enrol in BIOL1911 with permission from the UEO. The completion of MBLG 1001 is highly recommended.	Semester 1 Summer Main
or BIOL1901 Biology - Ecosystems to Genes (Advanced) This unit of study is not available in 2008	6	<ul> <li>P UAI of at least 93 and HSC Biology result in the 90th percentile or better, or Distinction or better in a University level Biology unit, or by invitation.</li> <li>N BIOL1001, BIOL1101</li> <li>Note: Department permission required for enrolment It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1101 or 1901) be taken before all Semester 2 Junior units of study in Biology.</li> </ul>	Semester 1
or CHEM1001 Fundamentals of Chemistry 1A	6	A There is no assumed knowledge of chemistry for this unit of study, but students who have not undertaken an HSC chemistry course are strongly advised to complete a chemistry bridging course before lectures commence. N CHEM1101, CHEM1901, CHEM1109, CHEM1903	Semester 1
or		A LICO Observations and Mathematics	Ormand 1
CHEM1101 Chemistry 1A	6	A HSC Chemistry and Mathematics C Recommended concurrent units of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics N CHEM1001, CHEM1109, CHEM1901, CHEM1903	Semester 1 Semester 2 Summer Main
or CHEM1901 Chemistry 1A (Advanced)	6	<ul> <li>P UAI of at least 96.4 and HSC Chemistry result in band 5 or 6, or Distinction or better in a University level Chemistry unit, or by invitation</li> <li>C Recommended concurrent unit of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics</li> <li>N CHEM1001, CHEM1101, CHEM1109, CHEM1903</li> <li>Note: Department permission required for enrolment</li> </ul>	Semester 1
MATH1001 Differential Calculus	3	A HSC Mathematics Extension 1 N MATH1011, MATH1901, MATH1906, MATH1111	Semester 1 Summer Main
MATH1901 Differential Calculus (Advanced)	3	A HSC Mathematics Extension 2 P HSC Mathematics Extension 2. This requirement may be varied. Students with an interest in mathematics, but without HSC mathematics Extension 2, should consult the unit of study coordinator. N MATH1111, MATH1011, MATH1001, MATH1906	Semester 1
MATH1002 Linear Algebra	3	A HSC Mathematics Extension 1 N MATH1902, MATH1012, MATH1014	Semester 1 Summer Main
or			
MATH1902 Linear Algebra (Advanced)	3	A HSC Mathematics Extension 2 P HSC Mathematics Extension 2. This requirement may be varied. Students with an interest in mathematics, but without HSC mathematics Extension 2, should consult the unit of study coordinator. M MATH1002, MATH1012, MATH1014	Semester 1
ECON1002 Introductory Macroeconomics	6	A Mathematics	Semester 2 Summer Main
AFNR1002 Climate and the Environment	6		Semester 2
or			
BIOL1002 Living Systems	6	A HSC 2-unit Biology. Students who have not undertaken an HSC biology course are strongly advised to complete a Biology Bridging Course (in February). N BIOL1902 It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken before this unit of study. This unit of study, together with BIOL (1001 or 1911) provides entry to all Intermediate units of study in biology in the School of Biological Sciences.	Semester 2
BIOL1902 Living Systems (Advanced)	6	<ul> <li>P UAI of at least 93 and HSC Biology result in the 90th percentile or better, or Distinction or better in a University level Biology unit, or by invitation.</li> <li>N BIOL1002, BIOL1904, BIOL1905</li> <li>Note: Department permission required for enrolment</li> </ul>	Semester 2
or CHEM1002 Fundamentals of Chemistry 1B	6	P CHEM (1001 or 1101) or equivalent N CHEM1102, CHEM1108, CHEM1902, CHEM1904	Semester 2
or	-		
CHEM1102 Chemistry 1B	6	<ul> <li>P CHEM (1101 or 1901) or a Distinction in CHEM1001 or equivalent</li> <li>C Recommended concurrent units of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics</li> <li>N CHEM1002, CHEM1108, CHEM1902, CHEM1904</li> </ul>	Semester 1 Semester 2 Summer Main

Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition	Session
or			
CHEM1902 Chemistry 1B (Advanced)	6	P CHEM (1901 or 1903) or Distinction in CHEM1101 or equivalent C Recommended concurrent unit of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics N CHEM11002, CHEM1108, CHEM1904 Note: Department permission required for enrolment	Semester 2
MATH1003 Integral Calculus and Modelling	3	A HSC Mathematics Extension 2 or MATH1001 or MATH1111 N MATH1013, MATH1903, MATH1907	Semester 2 Summer Main
or MATH1903 Integral Calculus and Modelling Advanced	3	A HSC Mathematics Extension 2 or Credit or better in MATH1001 or MATH1901 P HSC Mathematics Extension 2. This requirement may be varied. Students with an interest in mathematics, but without HSC mathematics Extension 2, should consult the unit of study coordinator. N MATH1003, MATH1013, MATH1907	Semester 2
MATH1005	3	A HSC Mathematics	Semester 2
Statistics		N MATH1015, MATH1905, STAT1021, STAT1022, ECMT1010	Summer Main
or			
MATH1905 Statistics (Advanced)	3	A HSC Mathematics Extension 2 P HSC Mathematics Extension 2. This requirement may be varied. Students with an interest in mathematics, but without HSC mathematics Extension 2, should consult the unit of study coordinator. N MATH1015, MATH1005, STAT1021, STAT1022, ECMT1010	Semester 2
or			
ECMT1020 Business and Economic Statistics B	6	C ECMT1010 N ECMT1021, ECMT1022, ECMT1023 Other than in exceptional circumstances, it is strongly recommended that students do not undertake Business and Economic Statistics B before attempting Business and Economic Statistics A.	Semester 2 Summer Main
RSEC1031 Resource Economics 1	6	N AGEC1031	Semester 2
And units from Table RE1 (a minimum	of 6 credit p	oints)	
Note: 1. The second core science unit r	must be take	en in the same discipline as the first core science unit.	
Year 2			
Year 2 will have a minimum of 48 credit	t points com	prised of:	
AGEC2103 Production Economics	6	P ECON1001 or AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) or RSEC1031 N AGEC2003	Semester 1
AGEC2105 Applied Econometric Modelling	6	P (ECMT1010 and ECMT1020) or (MATH1001 and MATH1002 and MATH1003 and MATH1005) or BIOM1003 or RSEC1031 N AGEC2005	Semester 1
or			
ECMT2110 Regression Modelling	6	P ECMT1010 N ECMT2010	Semester 1
GEOS2113 Making the Australian Landscape	6	<ul> <li>P 24 credit points of Junior units of study, including GEOS1002 or GEOS1003 or GEOS1902 or GEOS1903 or GEOG1001 or ENVI1002 or GEOL1001 or GEOL1002 or GEOL1902</li> <li>N GEOS2913</li> </ul>	Semester 1
ECOS2001 Intermediate Microeconomics	6	P ECON1001 C ECMT1010 N ECON2001, ECOS2901, ECON2901 Certain combinations of Maths/Stats may substitute for Econometrics - consult the Chair of the Discipline of Economics.	Semester 1 Semester 2 Summer Main
ECOS2901 Intermediate Microeconomics Honours	6	<ul> <li>P ECON1001 and ECON1002 with a Credit average or better in the two units of study combined</li> <li>C ECOS2903 and ECMT1010</li> <li>N ECON2901, ECOS2001, ECON2001</li> <li>Certain combinations of Maths/Stats may substitute for Econometrics. Consult the Chair of the Discipline of Economics.</li> </ul>	Semester 1
ECOS2002 Intermediate Macroeconomics	6	P ECON1002 C ECMT1010 N ECON2002, ECOS2902, ECON2902 Certain combinations of Maths/Stats may substitute for Econometrics - consult the Chair of the Discipline of Economics.	Semester 1 Semester 2 Summer Main
or			
ECOS2902 Intermediate Macroeconomics Honours	6	<ul> <li>P ECON1001 and ECON1002 with a Credit average or better in the two units of study combined</li> <li>C ECOS2903 and ECMT1010</li> <li>N ECON2902, ECOS2002, ECON2002</li> <li>Certain combinations of Maths/Stats may substitute for Econometrics. Consult the Chair of the Discipline of Economics.</li> </ul>	Semester 2
AGEC2101 Market and Price Analysis	6	P ECON1001 or AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) or RSEC1031 N AGEC2001	Semester 2
And units from Tables RE1 and RE2 (n	ormally a m	inimum of 12 credit points)	
Year 3			
Year 3 will have a minimum of 48 credit	t points com	prised of:	
ENVI3111 Environmental Law and Ethics	6	<ul> <li>A Intermediate Environmental Science.</li> <li>P 12 credit points of Intermediate Science or Agriculture units.</li> <li>N ENVI3001, ENVI3003.</li> </ul>	Semester 1

Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition	Session
AGEC3102 Agricultural and Resource Policy	6	P {(AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103)} OR {(ECON2001 or ECOS2001) and (ECON2002 or ECOS2002)} N AGEC3002	Semester 1
AGEC3103 Applied Optimisation	6	P (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103) N AGEC3101	Semester 1
AGEC3104 Research Methods	6	P AGEC2105 or ECMT2010 or ECMT2110 or AGEC2005 N AGEC3004	Semester 2
ECOS 3ddd Economics level 3 unit (6	credit points	3)	
Level 2/3 Faculty of Economics and Bu	usiness unit	(6 credit points)	
And units from Table RE2 (normally a	minimum of	12 credit points)	
Year 4			
Year 4 will have a minimum of 48 cred	it points corr	nprised of:	
RSEC4131 Benefit-Cost Analysis	6	P ECON2001 and ( AGEC2103 or AGEC2003) N AGEC4037	Semester 1
RSEC4132 Environmental Economics	6	A ECON2001, ECON2002, AGEC3001, AGEC2101, AGEC2105 P ECON2001 or AGEC2103 or AGEC2003 N ECON3013, AGEC4035 Only available to 4th year students in the FAFNR. Available to 3rd year students in the FEB. Available to students that have completed RSEC1031 or ENVI3013 with permission from the unit coordinator	Semester 1
RSEC4141 Resource Economics Project A	9	P AGEC3104 or AGEC3004 or AGEC4041 C RSEC4142 N AGEC4012, AGEC4112	Semester 1
RSEC4142 Resource Economics Project B	9	P AGEC3104 or AGEC3004 or AGEC4041 C RSEC4141 N AGEC4013, AGEC4113	Semester 2
Plus an aggregate of 18 credit points of	of the followi	ng elective RSEC and AGEC units, of which at least 6 credit points must be elective RSEC unit	s:
AGEC4102 Agricultural Development Economics	6 <b>s</b>	P (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103)	Semester 2
AGEC4103 International Agricultural Trade	6	P (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103) N AGEC4003	Semester 1
AGEC4107 Special Topics	6	N AGEC4007 Note: Department permission required for enrolment	Semester 1 Semester 2
AGEC4108 Quantitative Planning Methods	6	P AGEC3101 or AGEC3103 or AGEC3031 or AGEC3001 N AGEC4008	Semester 1
AGEC4110 Professional Skills	3	C AGEC4011 or AGEC4111 N AGEC4010	Semester 1
AGEC4111 Contemporary Issues	3	C AGEC4010 N AGEC4011	Semester 2
RSEC4133 Economics of Mineral & Energy Industries	6	A ECON2002, AGEC3001, AGEC2101, AGEC2105 P ECON2001 and (AGEC2103 or AGEC2003) N ECON3013 Only available to 4th year students in the FAFNR. Available to 3rd year students in the FEB. Available to students that have completed RSEC1031 or ENVI3013 with permission from the unit coordinator	Semester 2
RSEC4134 Economics of Water & Bio-resources	6 s	A ECON2002, AGEC3001, AGEC2101, AGEC2105 P ECON2001 and (AGEC2103 or AGEC2003) N ECON3013 Only available to 4th year students in the FAFNR. Available to 3rd year students in the FEB. Available to students that have completed RSEC1031 or ENVI3013 with permission from the unit coordinator	Semester 2
When needed to complete a major, 6 degree coordinator.	credit points	trom the above elective units can be substituted with level 3 units from other disciplines, with a	pproval of the

## Table RE1: Elective units of study available for inclusion in years 1 or 2 of the BResEc degree

Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition	Session
ACCT1001 Accounting IA	6	A HSC Mathematics N ACCT1003, ACCT1004	Semester 1 Semester 2
ACCT1003 Financial Accounting Concepts	6	N ACCT1001, ACCT1002 Terminating unit.	Semester 1
AFNR1001 The Rural Environment	6		Semester 1
AFNR1002 Climate and the Environment	6		Semester 2
BIOL1001 Concepts in Biology	6	A None. However, students who have not completed HSC Biology (or equivalent) are strongly advised to take the Biology Bridging Course (in February) <b>N</b> BIOL(1101 or 1901 or 1911) It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken concurrently with all other Junior units of study in Biology. Students who have completed HSC Biology and scored 80+ should enrol in BIOL1911. Students who lack 80+ in HSC Biology but have a UAI of at least 93 may enrol in BIOL1911 with permission from the UEO. The completion of MBLG 1001 is highly recommended.	Semester 1 Summer Main

Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition	Session
BIOL1901 Biology - Ecosystems to Genes (Advanced) This unit of study is not available in 2008	6	<ul> <li>P UAI of at least 93 and HSC Biology result in the 90th percentile or better, or Distinction or better in a University level Biology unit, or by invitation.</li> <li>N BIOL1001, BIOL1101 Note: Department permission required for enrolment It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1101 or 1901) be taken before all Semester 2 Junior units of study in Biology.</li> </ul>	Semester 1
BIOL1002 Living Systems	6	<ul> <li>A HSC 2-unit Biology. Students who have not undertaken an HSC biology course are strongly advised to complete a Biology Bridging Course (in February).</li> <li>N BIOL1902</li> <li>It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken before this unit of study. This unit of study, together with BIOL (1001 or 1911) provides entry to all Intermediate units of study in biology in the School of Biological Sciences.</li> </ul>	Semester 2
BIOL1902 Living Systems (Advanced)	6	<ul> <li>P UAI of at least 93 and HSC Biology result in the 90th percentile or better, or Distinction or better in a University level Biology unit, or by invitation.</li> <li>N BIOL1002, BIOL1904, BIOL1905</li> <li>Note: Department permission required for enrolment</li> </ul>	Semester 2
CHEM1001 Fundamentals of Chemistry 1A	6	A There is no assumed knowledge of chemistry for this unit of study, but students who have not undertaken an HSC chemistry course are strongly advised to complete a chemistry bridging course before lectures commence. N CHEM1101, CHEM1901, CHEM1109, CHEM1903	Semester 1
CHEM1101 Chemistry 1A	6	A HSC Chemistry and Mathematics C Recommended concurrent units of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics N CHEM1001, CHEM1109, CHEM1901, CHEM1903	Semester 1 Semester 2 Summer Main
CHEM1901 Chemistry 1A (Advanced)	6	<ul> <li>P UAI of at least 96.4 and HSC Chemistry result in band 5 or 6, or Distinction or better in a University level Chemistry unit, or by invitation</li> <li>C Recommended concurrent unit of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics</li> <li>N CHEM1101, CHEM1101, CHEM1103, CHEM1903</li> <li>Note: Department permission required for enrolment</li> </ul>	Semester 1
CHEM1002 Fundamentals of Chemistry 1B	6	P CHEM (1001 or 1101) or equivalent N CHEM1102, CHEM1108, CHEM1902, CHEM1904	Semester 2
CHEM1102 Chemistry 1B	6	P CHEM (1101 or 1901) or a Distinction in CHEM1001 or equivalent C Recommended concurrent units of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics N CHEM1002, CHEM1108, CHEM1902, CHEM1904	Semester 1 Semester 2 Summer Main
CHEM1902 Chemistry 1B (Advanced)	6	P CHEM (1901 or 1903) or Distinction in CHEM1101 or equivalent C Recommended concurrent unit of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics N CHEM1002, CHEM1102, CHEM1108, CHEM1904 Note: Department permission required for enrolment	Semester 2
CLAW1001 Commercial Transactions A	6		Semester 1 Semester 2 Summer Early
CLAW1002 Commercial Transactions B	6	P CLAW1001	Semester 2
ECMT1010 Business and Economic Statistics A	6	N ECMT1011, ECMT1012, ECMT1013, MATH1015, MATH1005, MATH1905, STAT1021	Semester 1 Semester 2
GEOS1001 Earth, Environment and Society	6	N GEOS1901, GEOG1001, GEOG1002, GEOL1001, GEOL1002, GEOL1902	Semester 1 Summer Late
GEOS1002 Introductory Geography	6	N GEOS1902, GEOG1001, GEOG1002	Semester 2
GEOS1003 Introduction to Geology	6	N GEOS1903, GEOL1002, GEOL1902	Semester 2
GOVT1101 Australian Politics	6		Semester 1 Semester 2
GOVT1202 World Politics	6		Semester 1 Semester 2
GOVT1406 International Business and Politics	6		Semester 1
PSYC1001 Psychology 1001	6		Semester 1 Summer Main
PSYC1002 Psychology 1002	6		Semester 2 Summer Main
Modern Language (Level 1 or higher) u	nits, with th	e approval of the Dean FAFNR	

Notes:

Students may count no more that 12 credit points of the units specified in this table as elective units towards meeting the requirements of 1. their degree (equivalently, 24 credit points in total when the units of compulsory Year 1 science are counted).

2. ACCT1001 and ACCT1003 are mutually exclusive.

3. Entry to ACCT1001 is restricted: the student's academic record must be as good as that needed for admission to the University's BCom program. Prerequisites apply for many second semester units.

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#### Table RE2: Elective units of study available for inclusion in years 2 or 3 of the BResEc degree

Units of study in the following discipline areas (level 2000 or level 3000 unless otherwise specified):

Agricultural Economics (level 3000), Agricultural Chemistry, Animal Science, Biology (including plant science units), Chemistry, Commercial Law, Crop Science, Econometrics, Economics, Environmental Science, Finance, Geography, Geology, Government, Land and Water Science, Mathematics (including Statistics), Marine Science, Psychology, Soil Science

#### Notes:

- 1. AGEC2102 is permitted for Year 2 only.
- 2. Prerequisites and/or corequisites apply for most units.

## Majors in the BResEc degree

The definitions of majors in the following tables apply for students commencing in 2005 or later. These students are required to complete 48 credit points in their chosen majors. Their majors must comply with the requirements for the BResEc degree as set out below, and also with the minimum requirements of the discipline teaching that major.

Students who have commenced in 2004 or earlier will be required to complete 44 credit points to obtain a major. The major will be defined according to the criteria as currently determined by the discipline teaching that major. The current requirements for majors in the Faculty of Economics and Business and the Faculty of Science can be found in the respective 2006 faculty handbooks.

All students must complete a Resource Economics major. In addition, students may also complete major(s) in other disciplines.

#### Resource Economics major

Junior (Level 1) units RSEC1031 Two of (MATH1001, 1002, 1003 and 1005) or ECMT1010 Level 2 and 3 units AGEC2101 and 2103 Three of AGEC3103 and Level 4 RSEC units

#### Non-Resource Economics majors available in the BResEc Degree

#### Agricultural Science

Junior (Level 1) units AFNR1001 AFNR1002 Level 2 and 3 units PLNT2003 SOIL2003 Four other level 2/3/4 Agricultural Science units of study

#### Biology

Junior (Level 1) units Two BIOL1000 units Level 2 and 3 units Two BIOL2000 units Four BIOL3000 units See FSc Handbook

#### Chemistry

Junior (Level 1) units One or two CHEM1000 units Two of MATH1001, 1002, 1003 and 1005 Level 2 and 3 units Two specified CHEM2000 units Four CHEM2000 units See FSc Handbook

#### **Commercial Law**

Junior (Level 1) units CLAW1001 And either CLAW1002 or any CLAW2000 or CLAW3000 level units of study Level 2 and 3 units CLAW2201 Any five further CLAW2000 or 3000 units See FEB Handbook

#### Economics

Junior (Level 1) units ECON1001 and ECON1002 Level 2 and 3 units ECOS2001 and ECOS2002 Any four further ECOS2000 or ECOS3000 units, of which at least two must be at the 3000 level. See FEB Handbook

#### Finance

Junior (Level 1) units ACCT1001\* or ACCT1003 and either ECMT1010 or ECON1001 Level 2 and 3 units FINC2011 and either FINC2012 or FINC2014 Any four further FINC3000 units, or three further FINC3000 units and one of either ACCT3013 or CLAW3201 See FEB Handbook \*Restricted entry

#### Geography

Junior (Level 1) units GEOG1001, GEOS1001, ENVI1002, GEOL1002 or GEOS1003 GEOG1002, GEOS1002 or other level 1 science unit Level 2 and 3 units Two GEOG or GEOS2000 units Four GEOG or GEOS3000 units See FSc Handbook

#### Geology

Junior (Level 1) units (GEOL1002 or GEOS1003) and CHEM1001 Level 2 and 3 units Two GEOL2000, GEOS2000 or MARS2000 units Four GEOS3000 or MARS3000 units See FSc Handbook

#### **Government and International Relations**

Junior (Level 1) units Two Level 1000 Government (GOVT) units Level 2 and 3 units Six GOVT2000 units See FEB Handbook

#### Marine Science

Junior (Level 1) units Two units (12 credit points) of Level 1 units in AFNR, BIOL or CHEM Level 2 and 3 units MARS2005 and MARS2006 Four MARS3000 units See FSc Handbook

#### Mathematics

Junior (Level 1) units MATH1001, 1002, 1003 and 1005 (or parallel advanced units) Level 2 and 3 units Two of MATH2061, MATH2065, MATH2070 Six 4 credit point MATH3000 units See FSc Handbook
### Soil Science

Junior (Level 1) units Two CHEM1000 units Level 2 and 3 units AGCH2003 SOIL2003 24 credit points of SOIL3000 units

### Statistics

Junior (Level 1) units MATH1001, 1002, 1003 and 1005 (or parallel advanced units) Level 2 and 3 units STAT2011 and STAT2012 and 24 credit points of STAT3000 units See FSc handbook

### Notes:

- For disciplines based in other faculties (e.g. Geography is based in the Faculty of Science), the specification of a major here may differ from that in its 'home' faculty. The requirement for a major within the BResEc degree is no less, nor more liberal, than in the discipline's 'home' faculty.
- A student can count a particular unit of study towards only one major.
- Where a student could count a unit of study towards more than one major, the student must nominate by the end of their final year the particular major to which the unit is to be allocated.

# Bachelor of Science in Agriculture

Unit of study	of study Credit A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition points		
Year 1			
Year 1 will have the following 48 credit p	point structu	Jre:	
AFNR1001 The Rural Environment	6		
BIOL1001 Concepts in Biology	<ul> <li>A None. However, students who have not completed HSC Biology (or equivalent) are strongly advised to take the Biology Bridging Course (in February)</li> <li>N BIOL(1101 or 1901 or 1911)</li> <li>It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken concurrently with all other Junior units of study in Biology. Students who have completed HSC Biology and scored 80+ should enrol in BIOL1911. Students who lack 80+ in HSC Biology but have a UAI of at least 93 may enrol in BIOL1911 with permission from the UEO. The completion of MBLG 1001 is highly recommended</li> </ul>		Semester 1 Summer Main
or			
BIOL1911 Concepts in Biology (Advanced)	6	P 80+ in HSC 2-unit Biology (or equivalent) or Distinction or better in a University level Biology S unit, or by invitation. N BIOL (1001, 1101, 1901) Note: Department permission required for enrolment It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken concurrently with all other Junior units of study in Biology. The completion of MBI G1001 is highly recommended	
CHEM1001 Fundamentals of Chemistry 1A	6	A There is no assumed knowledge of chemistry for this unit of study, but students who have not undertaken an HSC chemistry course are strongly advised to complete a chemistry bridging course before lectures commence. N CHEM1101, CHEM1901, CHEM1109, CHEM1903	Semester 1
or			
CHEM1101 Chemistry 1A	6	A HSC Chemistry and Mathematics C Recommended concurrent units of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics N CHEM1001, CHEM1109, CHEM1901, CHEM1903	Semester 1 Semester 2 Summer Main
CHEM1901 Chemistry 1A (Advanced)	<ul> <li>P UAI of at least 96.4 and HSC Chemistry result in band 5 or 6, or Distinction or better in a University level Chemistry unit, or by invitation</li> <li>C Recommended concurrent unit of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics</li> <li>N CHEM1001, CHEM1101, CHEM1109, CHEM1903</li> <li>Note: Department permission required for enrolment</li> </ul>		Semester 1
MATH1011 Life Sciences Calculus	3	A HSC Mathematics 5 N MATH1111, MATH1001, MATH1901, MATH1906, BIOM1003 5	
and			
MATH1015 Biostatistics	3	A HSC Mathematics N MATH1005, MATH1905, STAT1021, STAT1022, ECMT1010, BIOM1003	Semester 1
AFNR1002 Climate and the Environment	6 5 t		Semester 2
AGEC1006 Economic Environment of Agriculture	6	A HSC Mathematics N AGEC1003, AGEC1004	Semester 2
BIOL1002 Living Systems	L1002 6 A HSC 2-unit Biology. Students who have not undertaken an HSC biology course are strongly advised to complete a Biology Bridging Course (in February). N BIOL1902 It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken before this unit of study. This unit of study, together with BIOL (1001 or 1911) provides entry to all Intermediate units of study in biology in the School of Biological Sciences.		Semester 2
or BIOL1902 Living Systems (Advanced)	<ul> <li>F UAI of at least 93 and HSC Biology result in the 90th percentile or better, or Distinction or better in a University level Biology unit, or by invitation.</li> <li>N BIOL1002, BIOL1904, BIOL1905</li> <li>Note: Department permission required for enrolment</li> </ul>		Semester 2
CHEM1002 Fundamentals of Chemistry 1B	6 P CHEM (1001 or 1101) or equivalent N CHEM1102, CHEM1902, CHEM1904		Semester 2
or			
CHEM1102 Chemistry 1B	2       6       P CHEM (1101 or 1901) or a Distinction in CHEM1001 or equivalent         y 1B       C Recommended concurrent units of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics         N CHEM1002, CHEM1108, CHEM1902, CHEM1904		Semester 1 Semester 2 Summer Main
or			
CHEM1902 Chemistry 1B (Advanced)	M1902       6       P CHEM (1901 or 1903) or Distinction in CHEM1101 or equivalent         nistry 1B (Advanced)       C Recommended concurrent unit of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics         N CHEM1002, CHEM1102, CHEM1108, CHEM1904         Note: Department permission required for enrolment		Semester 2
Year 2			
Year 2 will have the following 48 credit p	point structu	ure:	
BIOM2001 Biometry 2	6 P BIOM1003 or (MATH1011 and MATH1015)		Semester 1
GENE2001 Agricultural Genetics 2	6	P At least one of (BIOL1001, BIOL1002, BIOL1101, BIOL1901, BIOL1911)	Semester 1
PLNT2001 Plant Biochemistry and Molecular Biology	6	P 12 credit points of Junior Chemistry and 12 credit points of Junior Biology (or with the Dean's permission BIOL1201 and BIOL1202) N PLNT2901, AGCH2001	Semester 1
or			

Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition	
PLNT2901 Plant Biochem & Molecular Biology (Adv)	6	P A Distinction average in 12 credit points of Junior Chemistry and 12 credit points of Junior Biology (or with the Dean's permission BIOL1201 and BIOL1202) N PLNT2001, AGCH2001	
SOIL2003 Soil Properties and Processes	6	5	
AVBS1002 Concepts of Animal Management	6	P 6 credit points of junior Biology	
ENTO2001 Entomology	6		
MICR2024 Microbes in the Environment	6	<ul> <li>P 30 credit points of Junior Science or Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resource units including 6 credit points of Junior Biology.</li> <li>N MICR2021, MICR2921, MICR2001, MICR2901, MICR2003, MICR2007, MICR2011, MICR2909</li> <li>Students are very strongly recommended to complete MICR (2021 or 2921 or 2024) before enrolling in MICR2921 in Semester 2. For progression on to Senior Microbiology units, students must also complete MBI G(1001 or 1901) or PI MIC (2021)</li> </ul>	
PLNT2003 Plant Form and Function or	6	A 12 credit points of Junior Biology, or equivalent eg BIOL (1001 or 1101 or 1901 or 1911) and BIOL (1002 or 1902 or 1003 or 1903) N PLNT2903, BIOL2003, BIOL2903, CROP2001	
PLNT2903 Plant Form and Function (Advanced)	6	A 12 credit points of Junior Biology, or equivalent eg BIOL (1001 or 1101 or 1901 or 1911) and BIOL (1002 or 1902 or 1003 or 1903) N PLNT2003, BIOL2003, BIOL2903, CROP2001	Semester 2
Year 3*			
Year 3 will have the following structure:	a core (24 o	credit points) of	
AGCH3025 Chemistry and Biochemistry of Foods A	6	A 12 credit points of Junior chemistry P 6 credit points of Intermediate units in either Agricultural Chemistry or Chemistry or PLNT2001 or PLNT2901 or BCHM2071 or BCHM2072 N AFNR5102	Semester 1
PPAT3003 Plant Disease	6	<b>P</b> MICR2024	Semester 1
AGRO3004 Crop and Pasture Systems	6	A AFNR1001 and AFNR1002 P PLNT2003 or PLNT2903	
SOIL2004 The Soil Resource	6		Semester 2
And 24 credit points from Table D.			
Table D - Year 3 Electives	;		
Agricultural Chemistry			
AGCH3032 Land and Water Ecochemistry	6	P AGCH2003 or AGCH2004 or PLNT2001 or CHEM24XX or BCHM2XXX or ENVI2001 N AGCH3030, AGCH3031	
Agricultural Economics			
AGEC2102 Agribusiness Marketing	6	P AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) or AGEC1002 or AGEC1102 or RSEC1031 or AGEC1031	Semester 1
AGEC2103 Production Economics	6	P ECON1001 or AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) or RSEC1031 N AGEC2003	
AGEC2105 Applied Econometric Modelling	6	P (ECMT1010 and ECMT1020) or (MATH1001 and MATH1002 and MATH1003 and MATH1005) or BIOM1003 or RSEC1031 N AGEC2005	
AGEC3101 Agribusiness Management	6	P AGEC2103 or AGEC2003 or AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) N AGEC1102; AGEC3103; AGEC3001	Semester 2
AGEC3103 Applied Optimisation	6	P (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103) N AGEC3101	
AGEC2101 Market and Price Analysis	6	P ECON1001 or AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) or RSEC1031 N AGEC2001	Semester 2
AGEC3102 Agricultural and Resource Policy	6	P {(AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103)} OR {(ECON2001 or ECOS2001) and (ECON2002 or ECOS2002)} N AGEC3002	Semester 1
Animal Science			
ANSC3102 Animal Reproduction	6	P ANSC2002 or AVBS1002	Semester 1
ANSC3103 Animal Structure and Function A	6	P ANSC2002 or AVBS1002	Semester 1
ANSC3101 Animal Nutrition 3	6	P ANSC2002 or AVBS1002	
ANSC3104 Animal Structure and Function B	6	P ANSC2002 and ANSC3103 S	
Biometry			
BIOM3006 Statistics for the Natural Sciences	6	P BIOM2001 or STAT3012 5	
Biotechnology			
BIOL3018 Applications of Recombinant DNA Tech	6	P 12 credit points from MBLG (2071/297), MBLG (2072/2972) and Intermediate Biology units. For BMedSc students: 36 credit points of Intermediate BMED units including BMED 2802. N BIOL3918	Semester 1
or			

Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition Ses		
BIOL3918 Applications of Recombinant DNA Tech Adv	6	P Distinction average in12 credit points from MBLG (2071/2971), MBLG (2072/2972) and S Intermediate Biology units. For BMedSc students: 36 credit points of Intermediate BMED units including Distinction in BMED2802. N BIOL3018		
GIS				
SOIL3008 Rural Spatial Information Systems	6	Ş		
Horticulture	0		0 1 1	
Production Horticulture	0	A ((AFNR1001 and AFNR1002) or (HORT1001 and HORT1002)) and HORT2002.         Semester           P Two of PLNT2001, PLNT2901, PLNT2002, PLNT2902, PLNT2003, PLNT2903.         Semester		
BIOI 3017	6	P 12 credit points of Intermediate Biology or 6 credit points of Intermediate Biology and 6	S1 Intensive	
Fungi in the Environment	0	<ul> <li>Is the credit points of intermediate Biology, or 6 credit points of intermediate Biology and 6</li> <li>Intermediate credit points of either Microbiology or Geography, or their equivalent.</li> <li>N BIOL3917</li> <li>The completion of 6 credit points of MRI C upits is highly recommended.</li> </ul>		
or				
BIOL3917 Fungi in the Environment (Advanced)	6	<ul> <li>P Distinction average in 12 credit points of Intermediate Biology, or 6 credit points of Intermediate Biology and 6 Intermediate credit points of either Microbiology or Geography, or their equivalent.</li> <li>N BIOL3017 The completion of 6 credit points of MBLG units is highly recommended.</li> </ul>	S1 Intensive	
Plant Science				
PLNT2002 Aust Flora: Ecology and Conservation	6	P 6 credit points of a Junior unit of study N PLNT2902	Semester 1	
PLNT2902	6	A The contents of BIOI (1002 or 1902) is assumed knowledge. Students wishing to enroll in	Semester 1	
Aust Flora: Ecology & Conservation (Adv)	Ū	Intermediate Biology (BIOL) and Plant Science (PLNT) units of study using BIOL(1003 or 1903) will need to do some preparatory reading <b>P</b> Distinction average in 6 credit points of Junior units of study <b>N</b> PLNT2002		
or				
PLNT3003 Systematics and Evolution of Plants	6	P 6 credit points from any intermediate unit of study from BIOL, PLNT, LWSC, HORT, GEOS, GEOG, ENVI, SOIL or equivalent N BIOL3015, BIOL3915, PLNT3903		
or				
PLNT3903 Systematics and Evolution of Plants Adv	6	P Distinction in 6 credit points from any intermediate unit of study from BIOL, PLNT, LWSC, HORT, GEOS, GEOG, ENVI, SOIL or equivalent. These requirements may be varied and students with lower averages should consult the Unit Executive Officer. N BIOL3015, BIOL3915, PLNT3003	Semester 1	
PLNT3001 Plant, Cell and Environment	6	P 12 credit points of Intermediate Biology, Plant Science, Molecular Biology and Genetics or equivalent N PLNT3901		
or				
PLNT3901 Plant, Cell and Environment (Advanced)	6	<ul> <li>P 12 credit points of Intermediate Biology, Plant Science, Molecular Biology and Genetics or Semes equivalent with average grade of distinction</li> <li>N PLNT3001</li> <li>Note: Department permission required for enrolment</li> </ul>		
or				
PLNT3002 Plant Growth and Development	6	P 12 credit points of intermediate PLNT, BIOL, AGCH or CROP units of study including at least one of PLNT2001, PLNT2901, PLNT2003, PLNT2903, BIOL2016, BIOL2916, BIOL2003, BIOL2903, BIOL2006, BIOL2906, CROP2001, AGCH2002 or equivalent N PLNT3902, BIOL3021, BIOL3931	Semester 2	
or				
PLNT3902 Plant Growth and Development (Advanced)	6	P 12 credit points of intermediate PLNT, BIOL, AGCH or CROP units of study including at least one of PLNT2001, PLNT2901, PLNT2003, PLNT2903, BIOL2016, BIOL2916, BIOL2003, BIOL2906, BIOL2906, CROP2001, AGCH2002 or equivalent. These requirements may be varied and students with lower averages should consult the unit Executive Officer. N PLNT3002, BIOL3021, BIOL3031	Semester 2	
Year 4*^				
In semester one Year 4 students will co	nplete.			
AFNR4101	12	P [HORT3005 and GENE2001 and PPAT3003 and PLNT3001/3901 and PLNT3002/3902] or	Semester 1	
Research Project A	12	[LWSC3005 and SOIL3008 and SOIL2004 and BIOM3006] or [AGCH3025 and PPAT3003 and SOIL2004 and AGRO3004] or AGRO3002 or SOIL3004 or LWSC3004 or HORT3005 or PPAT3003 Note: Department permission required for enrolment		
One core unit from Table F				
And one core or elective unit from Table	D, E or F.			
In semester two Year 4 students will cor	nplete:			
AFNR4001 Professional Experience	6	Note: Department permission required for enrolment	Semester 2	
AFNR4102 Research Project B	12	<b>P</b> AFNR4101	Semester 2	
And one core or elective unit from Table	And one core or elective unit from Table D, E or F			
* Maximum of 2 core units in Year 4 depending on discipline (see Table E)				

Unit of study	Credit points	A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition		
^ A student may apply to the degree co cp) University of Sydney unit of study in with a written academic justification for	ordinator fo year 4 whic enrolment b	r permission to enrol in up to one (6 cp) elective University of Sydney unit of study in year 3 an ch is not listed in Tables D or E. The application must (1) be made prior to enrolment in the unit by the student and (3) be submitted with written approval of the relevant unit of study coordinat	d up to one (6 (2) be submitted or.	
Table E - Year 4 Core				
Agricultural Chemistry				
AGCH4007 Instrumentation in Analytical Chemistry	6	P PLNT2001, AGCH2003 or AGCH2004	Semester 1	
SOIL3009 Contemporary Field and Lab Soil Science	6	P SOIL2003	Semester 1	
Agricultural Economics				
AGEC4103 International Agricultural Trade	6	P (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103) N AGEC4003	Semester 1	
AGEC4104 Agribusiness Analysis	6	P (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103)	Semester 1	
AGEC3102 Agricultural and Resource Policy	6	P {(AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103)} OR {(ECON2001 or ECOS2001) and (ECON2002 or ECOS2002)} N AGEC3002	Semester 1	
Agricultural Genetics				
GENE4011 Plant Cytogenetics	6	P BIOM2001, GENE2001.	Semester 2	
GENE4012 Plant Breeding	6	P BIOM2001, GENE2001	Semester 2	
Agronomy				
AGRO4003 Crop and Pasture Agronomy	6	P AGRO3001 or AGRO3002	Semester 1	
AGRO4004 Sustainable Farming Systems	6	P AGRO3001 or AGRO3002	Semester 1	
Entomology				
ENTO4004 Insect Taxonomy and Systematics	6	A ENTO2001 P ENTO2001 or ENTO2002 or BIOL2017 or BIOL2917	Semester 1	
ENTO4003 Applied Entomology	6	P ENTO2001 or ENTO2002 or BIOL2017 or BIOL2917 (Note: BIOL2017/BIOL2917 are only for BSc students who elect to take this UoS)	Semester 2	
Environmetrics				
ENVX4002 Environmetrics 4	6	P BIOM3004 or BIOM3005 or BIOM3006	Semester 1	
ENVX4001 GIS, Remote Sensing and Land Management	6	A Some knowledge of GIS and spatial information systems and/or some knowledge of soil science, geomorphology or environmental science. Note: Department permission required for enrolment Consent of the unit coordinator required.		
Farming Systems				
AGEC4104 Agribusiness Analysis	6	P (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103)		
AGRO4004 Sustainable Farming Systems	6	P AGRO3001 or AGRO3002		
Food Science AGCH3026 Chemistry and Biochemistry of Foods B	<ul> <li>A 12 units of Junior chemistry</li> <li>P 6 credit points of Intermediate Agricultural Chemistry or PLNT2001 or PLNT2901 or BCHM2071 or BCHM2072</li> <li>C AGCH3025</li> <li>N AFNR5103</li> </ul>		Semester 1	
AGCH4007 Instrumentation in Analytical Chemistry	6	P PLNT2001, AGCH2003 or AGCH2004	Semester 1	
Horticulture				
HORT4004 Issues in Horticultural Science 4A	6	P HORT3001 or HORT3004	Semester 1	
HORT4005 Research and Practice in Hort Science	6	P HORT3005	Semester 2	
Livestock Production				
AGRO4003 Crop and Pasture Agronomy	6	P AGRO3001 or AGRO3002	Semester 1	
AGRO4005 Livestock Production Systems	6	A ANSC3101 P AGRO3004		
Plant Pathology				
PPAT4004 Advanced Mycology and Plant Pathology	6	P PPAT3003	Semester 1	
PPAT4005 Soil Biology	6	P MICR2024 or 6cp intermediate microbiology	Semester 1	
Soil Science				

Unit of study	Credit points	Credit A: Assumed knowledge P: Prerequisites C: Corequisites N: Prohibition points		
SOIL3009 Contemporary Field and Lab Soil Science	6	P SOIL2003		
SOIL3010 The Soil at Work	6	P SOIL2003 or SOIL2004		
Table F - Year 4 electives	(not in	cluding year 3 electives and year 4 core)		
Agricultural Genetics				
GENE4013 Molecular Genetics and Breeding	6	P BIOM2001, GENE2001	Semester 1	
GENE4014 Population and Quantative Genetics	6	P BIOM2001, GENE2001 C GENE4012	Semester 1	
Animal Science				
AVBS4009 Aquaculture	6 P ANSC3101, ANSC3102, ANSC3103, (Animal and Veterinary Bioscience years 1-3 or Bachelor of Science (Agriculture) years 1-3)		Semester 1	
ANSC3107 Animal Genetics 3	6	P GENE2001 or MBLG2072 or MBLG2972		
AVBS4002 Dairy Production and Technology	6	P ANSC3101, ANSC3102, ANSC3103, (Animal and Veterinary Bioscience years 1-3 OR Bachelor of Science (Agriculture) years 1-3)	Semester 2	
AVBS4008 Intensive Animal Industries	<ul> <li>P ANSC3101, ANSC3102, ANSC3103, (Animal and Veterinary Bioscience years 1-3) OR (Bachelor of Science (Agriculture) years 1-3)</li> <li>N AVBS4006, AVBS4007</li> </ul>		Semester 2	
AVBS4012 Extensive Animal Industries	P ANSC3101, ANSC3102, ANSC3103, (Animal and Veterinary Bioscience years 1-3 OR Bachelor of Science (Agriculture) years 1-3) N AVBS4010, AVBS4011		Semester 2	
Land and Water Science				
LWSC3005 Environmental Water Quality	VISC3005 6 P LWSC2002 or GEOG2321 or AGCH2003 or 6 credit points of intermediate Chemistry		Semester 1	
Plant Pathology/Microbiology				
VIRO3001 Virology	01       6       A MICR (2021 or 2921 or 2022 or 2922)         P At least 6 credit points of MBLG units and at least 6 credit points in Intermediate MICR or BCHM or BIOL or IMMU or PCOL or PHSI or PLNT units. For BMedSc students: 42 credit points of Intermediate BMED units including BMED2802. For BScAgr students: PLNT (2001 or 2901) and MICR2024.         N VIRO3901       Students are very strongly advised to complete VIRO (3001 or 3901) before enrolling in VIRO3002 Medical and Applied Virology in Session 2.		Semester 1	
MICR3022 Microbial Biotechnology	6	P At least 6 credit points of MBLG units and 6 credit points of Intermediate MICR units. For BMedSc students: 42 credit points of Intermediate BMED units including BMED (2802 and 2807). For BScAgr students: PLNT (2001 or 2901) and MICR2024. N MICR3922, MICR3002, MICR3902	Semester 2	

# 5. Undergraduate units of study

### Accounting units of study

For ACCT units of study not listed below, please refer to the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook at www.usyd.edu.au/handbooks.

### ACCT1001 Accounting IA

### Accounting IA

**Credit points:** 6 **Session:** Semester 1, Semester 2 **Classes:** 3 hrs of lectures/tutorials per week **Prohibitions:** ACCT1003, ACCT1004 **Assumed knowledge:** HSC Mathematics **Assessment:** Quiz; Mid-semester examination; Tutorial and research assignments; Practice Set; Final examination

Accounting 1A introduces students to the fundamentals of accounting and the double entry system of financial recording. Students examine the assumptions underlying the preparation of financial statements for external users and gain the skills necessary to prepare, interpret and analyse financial statements. In doing so students develop their ability to understand, discuss, analyse and write about accounting-related topics. This unit is designed as an introduction to accounting. As such, no prior knowledge of accounting is assumed.

### ACCT1002

### Accounting IB

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1, Semester 2 Classes: 3 hrs of lectures/tutorials per week Prerequisites: ACCT1001 Prohibitions: ACCT1003, ACCT1004 Assessment: Homework tasks; Group project; Interactive On-line Assessment; Final examination

Accounting is about the recording, classification, reporting and interpretation of information to help make economic decisions. Accounting 1A introduces accounting and the double entry system for financial recording. Accounting 1B develops themes and competencies learnt in Accounting 1A. The primary focus of this unit of study is on conceptual and technical issues relating to management accounting and the information required by internal users to make strategic and operational decisions relating to managing a business. A second theme is the financial accounting information businesses are required to produce to assess a firm's financial state and performance. Students examine how commercial and ethical issues affect business decisions and how there are present and future consequences that will affect different groups of interest

### ACCT1003

### **Financial Accounting Concepts**

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1 Classes: 3 hrs of lectures/tutorials per week Prohibitions: ACCT1001, ACCT1002 Assessment: Group assignments; Mid-semester examination; Final examination.

Note: Terminating unit.

Provides an introduction to the concepts underlying "external" accounting and is designed for students who are not majoring in accounting. The unit utilises a transaction-effect approach to the preparation of financial statements with basic bookkeeping minimalised. Accounting-method choices are analysed for their effect on the financial statements, and, thus, on decision-making.

### ACCT1004

### **Management Accounting Concepts**

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2 Classes: 3 hrs of lectures/tutorials per week Prohibitions: ACCT1001, ACCT1002 Assessment: Quizzes; Assignment; Presentation; Final examination.

Note: Terminating unit.

This unit is designed to explain how managers use accounting information, with an emphasis on identifying relevant accounting information for decision-making. Topics include: estimating cost functions, relevant costing, cost allocation, budgeting, short and long term decision making and managing within a changing environment.

### AFNR1001

### The Rural Environment

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Daniel Tan Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec, 1 tut, 2 prac)/wk Assessment: On-line assessment (problem based learning), practical reports and plant collection, practical tests, two hr final exam. Practical field work: Field practical sessions allow 'hands-on' experience with agronomy and animal husbandry

This unit allows students to discuss Australian rural production and the Australian environment, their interrelation, the issues agriculture and the environment face for the future and the context in which this takes place. It is a core unit for students in BScAgr, BHortSc, BLWSc, BAnVetBioSc and is the main introductory unit for further studies in the Faculty. For studies in the area of Agriculture and Natural Resources, it is important to be able to identify and describe common domestic animals, crops and weeds, broad acre production systems, key environmental issues and to be able to discuss their significance. Students completing this unit of study will be able to relate the Australian environment to opportunities and limitations for agronomy, animal husbandry and native animal and plant species, partly through problem based learning (PBL) in relation to a topical rural issue. In addition students will practice the identification of economic plant species and explore the ecology of pests and weeds and related integrated management practices. Through the problem based activities, students will learn valuable research skills and how to critically assess sources of information through library and database research. Through the production of reports and essays, students can demonstrate academic writing and recognise the importance of academic honesty.

### Textbooks

Pearson CJ, Cunningham GM and King DH (1993). 'A Plain English Guide to Agricultural Plants.' (Longman Cheshire: Melbourne)

Pratley JE (Ed) (2003). 'Principles of Field Crop Production.' (Oxford University Press: South Melbourne)

Reid RJ (Ed) (1990). 'The Manual of Australian Agriculture.' (Butterworths: Sydney)

### AFNR1002

### **Climate and the Environment**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Daniel Tan Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec, 1 tut & 2 prac)/wk Assessment: On-line assessments (problem based learning), laboratory reports and web activities, 2 hr final exam

This unit allows the students to discover how climate influences the biophysical and biotic environment and how this affects rural production, native and domestic animals, crops and pastures, native vegetation and pest populations; it also highlights the importance of physics in solving problems in relation to climate and rural production. It is a core unit for students in BScAgr, BHortSc, BLWSc, BAnVetBioSc, builds on knowledge gained in AFNR1001 and lays the basis for studies in the biophysical area of the Faculty. For studies in the area of Agriculture and Natural Resources, it is important to develop knowledge and quantitative skills in the basic physical principles and the main drivers for climate and climate change in an agricultural context. Students completing this unit of study will be able to reflect on the ecosystem interactions between animals, plants and the biophysical environment. In addition, students will experiment with how changes in climate and spatial climate variability can affect animal and pest populations, vegetation densities and cropping patterns and its relation to management decisions. Using problem based activities, students will learn valuable research skills and to critically assess



sources of information through library and database research. Students will demonstrate academic writing by producing reports and essays and recognise the importance of academic honesty.

### Textbooks

Denny MW (1993) 'Air and Water: the Biology and Physics of Life's Media (Princeton University Press)

### AFNR4001

### **Professional Experience**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Ms Lynn Henry, Dr Damien Field and the Dean of the Faculty Session: Semester 2 Classes: 4 workshops 3 hours each over 4 years Assessment: One 2hr exam, 2 (multi media) case studies (equivalent to 4000 words), 4 blog postings (1000 words total) Practical field work: 60 days of professional experience, 1 weeklong excursion Note: Department permission required for enrolment.

This unit of study is designed to allow students to critically reflect on the relationship between the rural enterprise and environment and how they can contribute to the future decisions and management affecting rural community. It is a core unit of study in 4th year for the BAgEc, BScAgr, BLWSc, BResEc, BHortSc which requires students to complete 60 days of professional experience with the expectation that students will examine the nature of facts from their degree in this environment. The unit will be counted towards 4th year, but professional experience placements will normally be undertaken throughout the degree (full details are available in the Faculty handbook). The Professional Experience program has been developed to enable students to experience range of activities, such as research, extension, on-farm and industry both in the rural and urban to complement their learning within their individual degree programs. Specific emphasis will also be placed on students reflecting on their personal and professional development through these experiences. On completing this unit, students will be able to integrate their broad range of knowledge of the rural environment and enterprises with theories and concepts form across disciplines. Students will be able to use these new understandings to support and guide the future developments in the rural enterprise. This would require the students to critically reflect on the pivotal relationships between the academic degree, rural environment, professional experience, and beliefs and values if the rural community. By developing and presenting the portfolio and engaging in other online activities the students will enhance their skills in inquiry, information literacy and communication. In particular the autonomous development of case studies reflecting the contemporary issues in agriculture the students will have to consider their understandings of ethical, social and professional issues and further develop the personal and intellectual autonomy.

### AFNR4101

### **Research Project A**

Credit points: 12 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Lindsay Campbell Session: Semester 1 Classes: No formal classes, approx 18h per week Prerequisites: [HORT3005 and GENE2001 and PPAT3003 and PLNT3001/3901 and PLNT3002/3902] or [LWSC3005 and SOIL3008 and SOIL2004 and BIOM3006] or [AGCH3025 and PPAT3003 and SOIL2004 and AGRO3004] or AGRO3002 or SOIL3004 or LWSC3004 or HORT3005 or PPAT3003 Assessment: Oral presentation, literature review

Note: Department permission required for enrolment.

This unit aims to develop a student's ability to undertake a major research project in an area of specialization. The unit builds on theoretical and applied knowledge gained across most of the units of study undertaken throughout their degree program. This unit is a corequisite with AFNR4102 and each student will work with an academic supervisor in an area of specialization and develop a well defined research project to be executed. The research project is undertaken to advance the students ability to build a well-develop research skills, a strong analytical capacity, and the ability to provide high quality research results demonstrating a sound grasp of the research question. Working with an academic supervisor students will develop their ability to define a research project including the producing testable hypotheses, identifying existing knowledge from reviewing the literature and the design and execution of a research strategy towards solving the research question. Students will build on their previous research and inquiry skills through sourcing a wide range of

knowledge to solve the research problem and enhance their intellectual and personal autonomy by means of the development of experimental programs. Students will improve their communication skills through oral presentation of their research project proposal and the writing of a comprehensive literature review.

### AFNR4102

### **Research Project B**

Credit points: 12 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Lindsay Campbell Session: Semester 2 Classes: No formal classes, approx 18h per week Prerequisites: AFNR4101 Assessment: Oral presentation, research paper

This unit is a continuation of the major research project initiated in AFNR4101 and continues to build on theoretical and applied knowledge gained across most of the units of study undertaken throughout their degree program. Working with their academic supervisor in the area of specialization the student will continue to pursue the defined research project towards presenting final results and conclusions. The research results are presented in a format of a research paper as submitted to a research journal. The research paper and corrected literature review is combined and presented together as a thesis. Students will continue to build their research skills, develop strong analytical capacity, demonstrate a sound grasp of the topic. and an ability to interpret results in a broad framework. Working with an academic supervisor students will develop their ability to produce results of high quality, draw reliable conclusions and identify future areas avenues of research. Students will build on their previous research and inquiry skills through sourcing a wide range of knowledge to solve the research problem and enhance their intellectual and personal autonomy by means of the managing the research program. Students will improve their communication skills through oral presentation of their research findings and the writing of a research paper.

### AGCH2003

### **Rural Environmental Chemistry**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Robert Caldwell Session: Semester 1 Classes: 3 lec/week and 30 hours of lab/semester **Prerequisites**: 12 credit points of Junior Chemistry **Prohibitions**: AGCH2001, AGCH2002 and CHEM2404 **Assessment**: One 2 hr exam, laboratory reports, theory of prac test, lecture quiz

This introductory unit of study consists of aspects of chemistry relevant in studies of basic and applied biological sciences including agriculture, food and the rural environment. Lecture topics include an introduction to quantitative aspects of biophysical, environmental and aquatic chemistry with particular reference to protocols for specimen sampling and maintenance of specimen quality; the principles of basic analytical methods such as spectroscopy, chromatography and electrochemistry; environmental aspects of water such as thermal properties and its behaviour as a solvent of hydrophobic solutes, surfactants, neutral hydrophilic solutes, salts and other electrolytes, and gases. The lectures will also include environmental nutrient cycling (C, N, S, O, P, micronutrients) with reference to pesticides, herbicides, organic and inorganic pollutants affecting agricultural produce and the environment, and gases of environmental concern. Ten laboratory sessions will demonstrate aspects of analytical chemistry including: elemental analysis of foods and natural waters, spectrophotometry, chromatographic techniques, preparation of buffers, fundamentals of pH and conductance measurement, water as a solvent including the effect of surfactants and electrolytes. Students will analyze natural water samples using the skills acquired in earlier laboratory sessions and write an environmental assessment from their findings. An on-line tutorial on safety procedures in a chemistry laboratory is a pre-requisite for commencement of laboratory experiments.

### AGCH3025

### **Chemistry and Biochemistry of Foods A**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Meredith Wilkes, Dr Robert Caldwell, Prof Les Copeland, A/Prof Neil Howes Session: Semester 1 Classes: 3 lec/wk; 21 hrs laboratory Prerequisites: 6 credit points of Intermediate units in either Agricultural Chemistry or Chemistry or PLNT2001 or PLNT2901 or BCHM2071 or BCHM2072 Prohibitions: AFNR5102 Assumed knowledge: 12 credit points of Junior chemistry **Assessment:** One 2 hr theory exam, one 1 hr theory of prac exam, practical reports, lecture quizzes

This unit of study aims to give students an understanding of the properties, relationship between form and function and fitness for purpose (quality) of food components, and the interactions between these components during storage, processing and digestion. The unit will develop an understanding of the role of agricultural products as foods. Students will gain an appreciation of the biochemical systems we know as foods and will build upon knowledge gained in intermediate levels of biochemistry. Students will explore the relationship between chemical composition and structure of macroand micro-constituents and their function in foods. Students will also develop an analytical approach in understanding of the biochemistry of food formulations, processing and storage stability. At the completion of this unit, students will be able to describe the chemistry, biochemistry and processing behaviour of major food constituents such as carbohydrates, proteins, lipids, natural fibres and gel-forming polymers. They will also be able to demonstrate an understanding of the functionality of these constituents and gain experience in laboratory techniques used in industry for the analysis of some of these compounds in actual food products. Students will gain research and inquiry skills by mastering the key theories and concepts presented in lecture material and practical classes. Students will also gain information literacy and communication skills by using various sources of information for the synthesis of material required for practical reports. At the end of the unit students should also have an enhanced understanding of the role of agriculture in Australian and International food production systems.

### Textbooks

There is no recommended textbook. Laboratory notes will be available for purchase from the Copy Centre in the first week of semester and lecture notes will be made available through WebCT

### AGCH3026

### Chemistry and Biochemistry of Foods B

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Meredith Wilkes, Dr Robert Caldwell, Prof Les Copeland, A/Prof Neil Howes Session: Semester 1 Classes: 3 lec/wk and 21 hrs laboratory Prerequisites: 6 credit points of Intermediate Agricultural Chemistry or PLNT2001 or PLNT2901 or BCHM2071 or BCHM2072 Corequisites: AGCH3025 Prohibitions: AFNR5103 Assumed knowledge: 12 units of Junior chemistry Assessment: One 2 hr exam, practical reports, theory of practical exam, oral and written presentation on a case study

This unit aims to give students an understanding of the biochemistry of processing of raw products used in food manufacture, with special emphasis placed on current issues faced by the food industry. The unit is designed to build upon intermediate levels of chemistry and biochemistry by developing a deeper understanding of how biochemical molecules contained in raw products affect the processing, manufacture and quality of foods. It complements AGCH3025 by applying the knowledge gained in that unit in food processing procedures. The teaching covers the use of enzymes in food processing and diagnostic analysis, the types of raw products used in foods and their processing, the chemistry of raw products with special attention given to proteins, doughs and baking technologies, the reactions that occur during processing and the evaluation of foods. Students will gain exposure to a wide range of food related issues through the presentation of lectures by invited speakers with industry experience. At the end of this unit students will understand the chemistry of doughs and the changes that occur in baked goods, the role of enzymes in the food industry and the processing of raw ingredients and the products produced. Students will also have an enhanced understanding of issues that face Australian and international agricultural practices and current issues presented by an increasingly global food processing industry. Students will gain research and inquiry skills by mastering the key theories and concepts presented in lecture material and practical classes. Students will also gain information literacy and communication skills by using various sources of information for the synthesis of material required for practical reports and an oral presentation. At the end of the unit students should also have an enhanced understanding of the role of agriculture in Australian and international food production systems. *Textbooks* 

No recommended text. Laboratory notes will be available for purchase from the Copy Centre in the first week of semester and lecture notes will be available through the unit WebCT site.

### AGCH3032

### Land and Water Ecochemistry

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Professor Ivan Kennedy, Dr Robert Caldwell Session: Semester 2 Classes: 5-day field trip in AVCC common break; 20 hr lectures/tutorials, 25 hr laboratory classes and project during semester Prerequisites: AGCH2003 or AGCH2004 or PLNT2001 or CHEM24XX or BCHM2XXX or ENVI2001 Prohibitions: AGCH3030, AGCH3031 Assessment: One 2 hr exam, field trip report and presentation, prac and project reports

This field-oriented unit will develop professional expertise in rural ecochemistry, measuring impacts on sustainability and seeking solutions to chemical problems at the catchment scale. AGCH3032 is an elective unit suitable for the BSc, BScAgr, BLWSc, BHortSc, BResEc and BAnVetBioSc degrees, building on intermediate units in chemistry or biochemistry. It will promote knowledge and professional skills related to key chemical processes in ecosystems causing risks to soil and water resources, the quality of agricultural produce and to ecological biodiversity. These will be examined by quantitative risk analysis, targeted monitoring and remediation, seeking innovative solutions (e.g. IPM and genetic modification). A field trip in the AVCC break and professional report on a chosen topic will investigate relevant case studies at selected centres in eastern Australian doing innovative research on global warming and climate change, soil and water quality and environmental protection. Lectures will provide knowledge in the environmental C, N and S cycles important for sustaining action in ecosystems, the nature of greenhouse gases and mitigation of their production including C sequestration, risks to biota (soil, water, plants, animals) from acidification and innovative means of remediation, environmental risk from pesticides and other pollutants, monitoring and their remediation. In laboratory exercises, students will gain skills in relevant analyses using GC, LC, mass spectrometry and ELISA. The assessment procedures are designed to provide students with skills in definition of research problems and risk assessment, quality in analyses, risk management and remediation, and effective communication of outputs.

### AGCH4007

### Instrumentation in Analytical Chemistry

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Robert Caldwell Session: Semester 1 Classes: Four student contact hours on average per week: Lectures: 13 hours (in weeks 1 to 13); Laboratories: 8 x 3 h Prerequisites: PLNT2001, AGCH2003 or AGCH2004 Assessment: One 2hr exam, laboratory work reports, one major problem solving assignment

This unit of study is designed to expose students to the principles and technology associated with modern analytical instrumentation. This unit plays an important role for students undertaking complementary studies in analytical food or environmental chemistry. Students are given the theoretical principles behind the instrumentation and wherever possible given hands-on training in the use of that instrumentation. At the conclusion of this unit, students should be able to develop software analysis protocols for several analytical instruments, carry out analytical procedures, and perform basic fault-finding diagnostics. Students will be able to confidently assert that they have had experience in certain types of analytical procedures and operations using a range of analytical instrumentation.

### AGEC1006

### **Economic Environment of Agriculture**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Ms Lynn Henry Session: Semester 2 Classes: (3 lec, 1 workshop)/wk Prohibitions: AGEC1003, AGEC1004 Assumed knowledge: HSC Mathematics Assessment: One two hour exam, workshop papers, mid semester exam

To give students an overview of the structure, viability and importance of the agricultural sector in the Australian economy. It is a core unit of study in the BScAgr, BHortSc and BAnVetBioSc degrees. It is designed to give an understanding of the basic economic principles and how they relate to Australian agriculture. Students will look at basic economic theory and concepts and then apply these concepts to solve simplified versions of real problems faced by the agriculture and resource sectors. Students will look at the relationship between these concepts and the concepts learnt within their science related courses. Students will be able to analyse economic concepts and apply these concepts to real world scenarios. They will be able to synthesis and comprehend the relationship between the economic and science disciplines. The students will gain skills through workshop based tasks, information literacy and communication skills through the presentation of the workshop reports and discussion throughout the workshop.

### Textbooks

HE Drummond and JW Goodwin, Agricultural Economics, 2nd edn (Prentice-Hall, 2004)

### AGEC1101

### Agricultural and Resource Systems

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 1 Classes: (3x1hour lectures, 1x1hour tutorial)/week Prohibitions: AGEC1001 Assumed knowledge: HSC Mathematics or HSC Mathematics Extension 1 Assessment: 1x1hour mid-semester exam, 1x2hour final exam, 1xassignment, tutorial papers

An introductory unit of study which serves as a foundation for later units in agricultural economics, and introduces some of the basic economic principles required in the discipline of agricultural and resource economics. Topics covered include the agricultural and resource industries in the Australian and world economies; changing place of agriculture in world economies; place of agriculture in economic development; economic and physical factors determining the location of agricultural and resources industries; the changing structure of the Australian agricultural and resource sectors; the physical and biological environment in which farm firms operate; issues in natural resources.

### AGEC1102

### Agricultural Economics 1

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 2 Classes: (3x1hour lectures, 1x1hour tutorial)/week Corequisites: AGEC1101 Prohibitions: AGEC1002 Assumed knowledge: HSC Mathematics or HSC Mathematics Extension 1 Assessment: 1x1hour mid-semester exam, 1x2hour final exam, 1xassignment, tutorial papers

The unit applies principles studied in introductory microeconomics to the agricultural sector. The first part of the unit is focused on basic concepts of supply, demand, equilibrium in agricultural markets, and how markets can be modelled mathematically. Market dynamics are considered. The second part of the unit is focused on agricultural business decision making. Concepts of income, cost and profit, their measurement and documentation in farm business accounts, ownership structures and taxation issues are covered. Sources of risk in agriculture, alternative management strategies, and basic techniques of decision making in the face of risk are explored.

### AGEC2101

### Market and Price Analysis

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2-3 lec & 1x1hour tut)/wk Prerequisites: ECON1001 or AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) or RSEC1031 Prohibitions: AGEC2001 Assessment: Mid semester exam (I hour), final exam (2 hours), tutorial assignments

This unit focuses on the nature of agricultural and resource commodity markets, market demand relationships, market supply relationships, price determination under alternative market structures, marketing margin relationships, derived demand for inputs, spatially and temporally related markets, market dynamics, price expectations, commodity futures markets and other pertinent topics. Applied examples from the agricultural and resource industries and the overall economy will be used throughout the semester as illustrations of the principles involved

# AGEC2102

### Agribusiness Marketing

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Ms Elizabeth Nolan Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec, 1 tut)/wk Prerequisites: AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) or AGEC1002 or AGEC1102 or RSEC1031 or AGEC1031 Assessment: One 45 minute mid semester, one group presentation based on individual case studies, one 2000 word case study, one 2hr exam

This unit of study is designed to provide an introductory understanding of agribusiness marketing in a modern context. The unit will provide students in the Sciences degrees with an understanding of how the economic theory taught in first year in AGEC1006 can be treated in an applied context. For BAgrEc students, it is an intermediate level unit in the Agribusiness major. In this unit of study students will study the theory relating to the firm-level marketing mix and marketing strategy, decision making, marketing management and planning, market research and information. The unit of study will also address the organisation and trends of agribusiness marketing including value-adding and market power in the supply chain, market efficiency and international marketing by agribusiness firms. The unit content is analytical, and draws on applied microeconomics to demonstrate how marketing decisions are made along the marketing chain. At the end of this unit students will be able to use marketing theory to analyse the steps in the marketing chain and be aware of the forces for change within that chain. By completing this unit, students should have improved their ability to master key theories, identify and frame problems, organise knowledge, carry out individual and group research, and synthesise information. They should also have improved their information literacy skills, and communication skills through group presentations and individual research

### Textbooks

Schaffner, DJ, Schroder, WR and Earle, MD (2003). Food Marketing: An international Perspective, 2nd Edition, McGraw-Hill

### AGEC2103

### **Production Economics**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Ms Shauna Phillips Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec, 1 tut)/wk Prerequisites: ECON1001 or AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) or RSEC1031 Prohibitions: AGEC2003 Assessment: 1 mid sem exam (50 mins), 1 end sem exam (2hrs), 1 assignment

Production economics is concerned with production decisions on resource allocation at the firm, industry and economy levels. The topics include: the nature of agricultural resource industry production; production functions; factor substitution; principles of enterprise combination and multi-product production; firm objectives; constrained and unconstrained maximisation; cost functions and other duality relationships; economies of scale and size in farming; input demands and dual relationships; production over time; productivity and technical change; production under risk and the illustration of the principles involved through the use of practical applications and exercises involving both the agricultural and resource industries. In addition, basic decision analysis will be introduced including basic concepts of probability; concepts of utility; utility functions and elicitation of preferences. Students will understand the major economic concepts and principles of resource allocation for the firm in the context of agricultural production, and understand the firm and market level economic insights provided by economic analysis of production. This is a core unit for BAgrEc and BResEc students and a non-core unit for BScAgr students. Production Economics is the first of several units of study in the BAgrEc and BResEc degrees directed towards developing an economic understanding of how society organizes its production activities. Other related units of study include the third year units Agribusiness Management (BAgrEc) and Applied Optimisation (BResEc), and various fourth year units, eg. Quantitative Planning Methods, Agricultural Finance and Risk and Environmental and Resource Economics and other resource economics units. Students will formulate simple economic optimisation problems of production graphically and mathematically, such problems include unconstrained optimisations, equality-constrained optimisations and linear inequality-constrained optimizations. Students will use both calculus and linear algebra in deriving optimal resource allocations for these problems. Familiarity with performing optimisations and exploring the

sensitivity of optima will be developed with the use of spreadsheets and mathematical programming packages.

### Textbooks

Debertin, D.L. (2002) Agricultural Production Economics, 2nd edn, D.L.Debertin, University of Kentucky, Lexington.

### AGEC2105

### Applied Econometric Modelling

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Ms Shauna Phillips Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec, 1 tut)/wk Prerequisites: (ECMT1010 and ECMT1020) or (MATH1001 and MATH1002 and MATH1003 and MATH1005) or BIOM1003 or RSEC1031 Prohibitions: AGEC2005 Assessment: 1 mid semester exam (50 mins), 1 end semester exam (2hrs), 1 assignment

Applied Econometric Modelling is designed to provide students with a sound understanding of the application of applied econometric methods to the agricultural and resource sectors. Topics covered will include: single and multiple regression, forecasting, dummy variables, violations of OLS assumptions, dynamics, binary choice models, and an introduction to cointegration. Emphasis will be placed on developing the ability to estimate and interpret economic relationships. The computing side of the unit involves the use of the statistical package EVIEWS. This unit of study is designed to develop student understanding and capability in applied regression analysis. It is a core unit for students in BAgrEc and BResEc, students and a non core unit for BScAgr students. It builds on the theoretical knowledge gained in EMCT1010, GEOG2321 and LWSC2002. Students will become familiar with exploring data sets and estimating, interpreting, and assessing regressions that represent economic relationships. At the end of this unit, students will be able to understand the major concepts and principles of applied regression analysis, estimate simple regressions in EVIEWS and interpret the output, and be able to read. understand, and possibly replicate recent literature in agricultural and resource economics journals that apply econometric methods. The students will gain research and computing skills.

Textbooks

D.N. Gujarati, Essentials of Econometric, 3rd Ed. (McGraw-Hill Irwin), New York.

### AGEC3101

#### Agribusiness Management

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Ms Lynn Henry Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec, 2 wkshp)/wk Prerequisites: AGEC2103 or AGEC2003 or AGEC1006 or (AGEC1003 and AGEC1004) Prohibitions: AGEC1102; AGEC3103; AGEC3001 Assessment: One mid semester exam (1 hour), one final exam (2 hours), workshop papers and assignment

This unit of study is designed to introduce decision making problems encountered by firms and agribusiness firms and general methods of solving microeconomic decision making problems. It is unit of study that builds on knowledge gained in junior units of study in particular AGEC1006, AGEC2103 and AGEC2102. Students will review production economics and activity analysis and show how budgeting methods can be used to relate them. They will extend these budgeting techniques to problems of time and risk, using capital and parametric budgeting. Students will also be introduced to linear programming and show how this tool is a practical method of solving decision making problems. Students will learn to consider methods for solving decision making problems where the outcomes are not known with certainty. The students will gain skills through workshop based tasks, an assignment, information literacy and communication skills through the presentation of the workshop reports and discussion throughout the workshop.

### AGEC3102

### Agricultural and Resource Policy

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2-3 lec & 1x1 hour tut)/wk Prerequisites: {(AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103)} OR {(ECON2001 or ECOS2001) and (ECON2002 or ECOS2002)} Prohibitions: AGEC3002 Assessment: One mid semester exam (1 hour); one final exam (2 hours); assignments; tutorial papers

This unit is designed to cover basic theoretical and modelling frameworks for economic evaluation of policy formation (including Pareto welfare economics and public choice theory); market and government failure; the institutional structure of agricultural and resource policy formulation in Australia; micro and macroeconomic issues in agricultural and resource policy; and issues arising from linkages between agriculture and the resource industries and with the rest of the economy. Students will be expected to read widely.

Textbooks

Godden, D. 1997, Agricultural and Resource Policy: Principles and Practice, Oxford University Press, Melbourne (currently out of print)

Stiglitz, J. 2000, Economics of the Public Sector, Norton, New York.

N.B. Students are advised not to buy the textbooks before lectures commence in case there are any changes.

### AGEC3103

### **Applied Optimisation**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: A/Prof Ross Drynan Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec & 2 tut)/wk Prerequisites: (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103) Prohibitions: AGEC3101 Assessment: One end-of-semester exam (2 hours), assignments, class work

This unit of study deals with constrained optimization problems in which when one or more constraints are inequalities. Such problems are explored/solved by "mathematical programming" techniques. The focus of the unit in on linear programming (LP) problems, i.e. ones in which both the objective and the constraints are linear functions. Linear programming has wide application to farm planning, financial planning, and other planning contexts. Graphical and mathematical representations of linear programming problems are covered. Topics include solution methods, solution information, primal and dual formulations, stability of optimal solutions, and parametric programming. After covering the basics of LP, the focus shifts to modelling of real world scenarios in LP models. Special formulations (eg. transportation model), and extension to integer programming are examined. Students develop experience and confidence in the use of spreadsheet-based optimizer routines, and with specialised optimization packages (eg. LINDO).

### AGEC3104

### **Research Methods**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec & 1-2 hr tut)/wk Prerequisites: AGEC2105 or ECMT2010 or ECMT2110 or AGEC2005 Prohibitions: AGEC3004 Assessment: One mid semester exam (1 hour), one final exam (2 hours), assignments, research proposal

This unit deals with the nature of research and inquiry in applied economics. Topics covered will include: alternative philosophical perspectives on inquiry; scientific method; inductive thought and deductive logic; creativity; research as an orderly process of enquiry; preparation of research proposals; secondary data sources for agricultural and resource economists; collection of primary data; statistical design of sample surveys; questionnaire construction; interviewing techniques; and methods of analysis of survey data. Topics are illustrated with examples of research in theoretical economics, empirical discipline-advancing research, empirical exploratory research, and research using policy-evaluation modelling. Students are expected to read widely.

### AGEC4101

### **Agricultural Marketing Analysis**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2-3 hr lec & 1x1 hour tut)/wk Prerequisites: (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103) Prohibitions: AGEC4004 Assessment: One mid semester exam (1 hour) one final exam (2 hours), case studies

Performance of the agricultural and resource marketing systems, marketing margins, transportation, storage, advertising, wholesaling, and retailing. The structure, conduct and performance of marketing firms, and government and public interest in the food system will also be addressed via a number of case studies. Extensive readings will be required. The unit is designed to focus on analysing applied strategic management problems facing marketing firms. Students will be required to read widely.

Textbooks Collections of readings

### AGEC4102

### Agricultural Development Economics

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2-3 hours lec & 1x1 hour tut)/wk Prerequisites: (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103) Assessment: One mid semester exam (1 hour) one final exam (2 hours), case studies

This unit is designed to expose students to issues of economic growth and development, and their policy and welfare impacts in developing countries. More specifically the unit will focus on agricultural development policies and outcomes. Linkages with other industries, environment, sustainability, globalisation and national and international development agencies will also be discussed. Extensive reading will be required.

Textbooks

Collections of readings

### AGEC4103

### International Agricultural Trade

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2-3 hours lec & 1x1 hour tutorial)/wk Prerequisites: (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103) Prohibitions: AGEC4003 Assessment: One mid semester exam (1 hour) one final exam (2 hours), case studies

In this unit of study the basic economic principles underlying international trade in agricultural and resource commodities and the policies involved will be presented. Issues related to trade and development will also be considered. The main topics covered will include: trends in agricultural and resources trade; economics and politics of protection, economic integration and impacts on international commodity trade; international trade policy making. An understanding of globalisation, including foreign direct investment, will also be required. Extensive reading will be required.

Textbooks

Collections of readings

### AGEC4104

### Agribusiness Analysis

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2-3 hours lec & 1x1 hour tut)/wk Prerequisites: (AGEC2001 or AGEC2101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103) Assessment: One mid semester exam (1 hour), one final exam (2 hours), case studies

This unit focuses on applications of economic theory and methods in agribusiness decision making. It provides advanced treatment of the industrial organisation of agribusiness firms. Case studies will be used to examine the economic complexities of global agribusiness systems. Extensive readings make up the central component of the unit

Textbooks Collections of readings

#### AGEC4107 Special Topics

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 1, Semester 2 Classes: Individual research and consultation Prohibitions:

AGEC4007 Assessment: Research paper Note: Department permission required for enrolment.

This unit deals with the specialised areas of agricultural and resource economics of particular interest to approved students. The student will read under the guidance of a member of staff and complete

designated learning tasks. Textbooks

Individual reading

### AGEC4108

### **Quantitative Planning Methods**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec & 2 tut/lab session)/wk Prerequisites: AGEC3101 or AGEC3103 or AGEC3031 or AGEC3001 Prohibitions: AGEC4008 Assessment: One end-of-semester exam (2 hours), 2 assignments

This unit examines the use of mathematical methods and models in planning at both the individual firm level and the sectoral level. While the principal focus is on formal optimization, simulation and Monte Carlo methods are briefly discussed. Topics include non-linear programming, elements of input-output analysis, computable general equilibrium analysis, dynamic problems and methods (eg. dynamic programming and optimal control). Sectoral level planning applications considered include transportation and plant location studies; spatial equilibrium; and resource utilization across time. Firm level applications include multi-period planning, queuing problems, inventory analysis, and replacement problems. Extensive use is made of computer-based optimization.

### AGEC4109

### Agricultural Finance and Risk

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: A/Prof Ross Drynan Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec & 2 tut/lab session)/wk Prerequisites: {(AGEC3001 or AGEC3101) and (AGEC2003 or AGEC2103)} OR (AGEC1102 and AGEC3103) Prohibitions: AGEC4009 Assessment: One end-of-semester exam (2 hours), 2 assignments

This unit has two related components. One component concerns risk and risk management in agriculture; the other deals with issues of agricultural producer finance. Risk topics include: risk measurement, subjective probability, adjusting beliefs as a result of new information; risk attitudes; decision making under risk; expected utility theory; valuing information; generalizations of expected utility theory; E-V analysis; stochastic dominance; internal measures to cope with risk including diversification and flexibility; insurance, futures, options and other market instruments for managing risk. Finance topics include the implications of capital market imperfections and consequential differences between corporate and small business finance; financial relationships between debt/equity levels and risk, optimal debt levels; cost of capital; short term working capital management; and longer term capital (investment) budgeting. Techniques of valuation of projects in risk-free and risk situations are examined. Financial and risk management practices in Australian agriculture are reviewed.

### AGEC4110

### **Professional Skills**

Credit points: 3 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 1 Classes: (One 2 hr sem)/wk Corequisites: AGEC4011 or AGEC4111 Prohibitions: AGEC4010 Assessment: Discussion papers

A series of lectures, seminars and workshops designed to provide students with enhanced professional skills.. Sessions will focus on communication skills, including report writing, preparation of policy briefs, seminar and workshop presentations. Other sessions will be focused on aspects of professional ethics, attitudes and responsibilities and leadership. Participatory activities such as team debates and mock inquiry hearings addressing issues of current relevance to agricultural /resource economists are used to develop the student's communication skills and knowledge of issues.

### AGEC4111

### **Contemporary Issues**

Credit points: 3 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 2 Classes: (One 2 hr seminar)/wk Corequisites: AGEC4010 Prohibitions: AGEC4011 Assessment: 1x2hour final exam, 1xgroup presentation, 1x assignment

Through regular seminars by guest speakers and occasional workshops or other participatory activities, students examine a broad range of national and international issues of current relevance to Australian agricultural and resource economists

### AGEC4112

### **Research Project A**

Credit points: 9 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 hr sem)/wk Prerequisites: AGEC3104 or AGEC3004 Corequisites: AGEC4113 Prohibitions: AGEC4012 Assessment: Research thesis; presentations

Note: Department permission required for enrolment.

In this unit of study, students develop skills in economic research by designing, undertaking and reporting on a single research study (thesis). Students undertake research on an approved topic under the supervision of a member of staff and prepare a report of approximately

25,000 words in length. Students are allocated to the thesis on the basis of available resources and the advice and approval of the co-ordinator for the Research Project.

### AGEC4113

### **Research Project B**

Credit points: 9 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 hr sem)wk Prerequisites: AGEC3104 or AGEC3004 Corequisites: AGEC4112 Prohibitions: AGEC4013 Assessment: Research thesis; presentations

Note: Department permission required for enrolment.

In this unit of study, students develop skills in economic research by designing, undertaking and reporting on a single research study (thesis). Students undertake research on an approved topic under the supervision of a member of staff and prepare a report of approximately 25,000 words in length. Students are allocated to the thesis on the basis of available resources and the advice and approval of the co-ordinator for the Research Project.

### AGEC4121

### **Research Exercises A**

Credit points: 9 Teacher/Coordinator: A/Prof Ross Drynan Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec or sem)/wk Prerequisites: AGEC3104 or AGEC 3004 Corequisites: AGEC4122 Prohibitions: AGEC4012, AGEC4112 Assessment: Written research report/paper(s), seminar

This unit of study is taken in conjunction with the companion unit, AGEC4122 Research Exercises B. Students develop skills in economic research by participating in the designing, undertaking and reporting on one or more research exercises undertaken under the guidance of a staff member. Students typically work partly individually and partly in groups on a project that is common to the entire class. Students may be required to work on separate aspects of that project or may be required to examine the same aspect using different approaches. Students will be required to prepare individual and/or group written reports and/or oral presentations concerning data acquisition, analysis and interpretation of results. The precise nature of the research, the research methods, and the emphasis of the exercises will be determined in conjunction with the specification of the research exercise(s) undertaken in the companion unit, AGEC4122.

### AGEC4122

### **Research Exercises B**

Credit points: 9 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec or sem)/wk Prerequisites: AGEC3104 or AGEC3004 Corequisites: AGEC4121 Prohibitions: AGEC4013, AGEC4113 Assessment: Written research reports and papers

This unit of study is taken in conjunction with the companion unit, AGEC4121 Research Exercises A. See AGEC4121 for details.

### AGRO3004

### **Crop and Pasture Systems**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Carina Moeller Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2hrs lec, 3hrs pracs)/wk Prerequisites: PLNT2003 or PLNT2903 Assumed knowledge: AFNR1001 and AFNR1002 Assessment: Mid-season prac report (individual reports) (25%), late-season prac report and modelling study (group reports) (25%), one 2hr exam

This unit provides an advanced understanding of (i) the specific productivity of agro-ecological environments, and (ii) the interactions between the bio-physical environment and the management of crop and pasture systems. The unit builds on knowledge and skills gained in AFNR1001, AFNR1002, AUBS1002, PLNT2003, and SOIL2003. Systems research methods will be presented and applied to understand the complex interactions between climate, soil, crops, pastures and management interventions in time and space. Students will have knowledge of the representation of bio-physical processes in simulation models, and will be able to describe the advantages and disadvantages of simulation models. Students will have an understanding of the sources of, and management responses to, spatial variability Students will have an appreciation of the drivers of climatic variability in Australia, and how knowledge of these drivers can be used to optimise the management of crop and pasture systems.

Students will have knowledge of the economic and environmental goals in agricultural systems management, and approaches for analysing trade-offs between these goals. Students will learn (i) scientific methods used in the analysis of the bio-physical data and in the area of climate applications, (ii) stages of the research process (formulation of hypotheses, experimental design, data collection, analysis and interpretation), (iii) critical evaluation of sources information, (iv) writing skills, (v) presentation skills (visual, oral), and (vi) team work skills.

### Textbooks

Pratley JE (Ed) (2003). 'Principles of Field Crop Production.' (Oxford University Press: South Melbourne)

Hammer GL, Nicholls N, Mitchell C (2000). Applications of Seasonal Climate Forecasting in Agricultural and Natural Ecosystems. The Australian Experience.' (Kluwer Academic Publishers: Dordrecht)

### AGRO4003

### **Crop and Pasture Agronomy**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Lindsay Campbell Session: Semester 1 Classes: Tutes, intensives/workshops, excursion Prerequisites: AGRO3001 or AGRO3002 Assessment: Report, oral presentation and exam

This unit examines agronomy as the discipline that underpins agricultural production. As a case study, the cotton industry is examined in detail to understand the end-user and social demands on agricultural production, the technical issues that challenge the farmer and the diversity of other specialist information from relevant disciplines such as entomology, pathology and soil science that must be integrated into the farming system. Likewise the rice and/or pastoral industries provide a contrasting farming system as another case study. The unit includes a one-week excursion to cotton growing areas in northern NSW, specialist intensive instruction provided by the Cotton CRC and a series of workshops) tutorials that provides analysis and synthesis of the major farming systems in this industry.

### AGRO4004

### Sustainable Farming Systems

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Lindsay Campbell Session: Semester 1 Classes: Negotiated practicals and workshops (63h) Prerequisites: AGRO3001 or AGRO3002 Assessment: Reports

This unit is designed to provide students with training in the professional skills required to practice agronomy. The unit principally builds on theoretical and applied knowledge gained in third year agronomy (AGRO3004) and second year plant physiology (PLNT2003). In this unit students will integrate their knowledge of soils, plant pathology, entomology, experimental design, biometry and economics to address applied problems in agronomy, namely the issue of sustainability. After completing this unit students should be able to confidently design and manage a field experiment and interpret their findings by integrating knowledge from across discipline boundaries. Students will develop their ability to establish conclusions towards making recommendations for long term sustainability. By implementing and managing a major field experiment students will develop their research and inquiry skills. Team work is strongly encouraged in this unit and the integration and reporting of their findings will develop their critical thinking and written communication skills.

### AGRO4005

#### Livestock Production Systems

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Lindsay Campbell Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 hr lectures or workshop, 1 hr practical or fieldtrip, 1 hr case study)/wk Prerequisites: AGRO3004 Assumed knowledge: ANSC3101 Assessment: One 2hr exam (50%), case study report (25%), practical or fieldtrip assignments (15%), participation in debate (10%)

The aim of this unit is to highlight the interrelationships between livestock production, plant, soil and water resources using scientific principles and predicting the effects of management actions and environmental conditions on the system Livestock production systems builds on knowledge in the AGRO 3004, which deals with pasture and cropping systems and expands this into the management of systems involving animals. As such it integrates knowledge from all prior units

in the degree and is the most senior units for students interested in Agronomy and Livestock production systems. In this unit students will investigate and discuss how pasture management directly influences livestock production and how management of livestock systems can be a sustainable industry in terms of natural resources. The students will work in a group to research a new component in livestock management systems research and participate in a debate about intensifying or extensifying the livestock industry Students completing this unit will be able to evaluate how the management of different pastoral systems (both dryland and irrigated) affects the nutritional value of different pastures and sustainability of soil and water resources, and demonstrate management decision making in relation to stocking rates and pasture growth and nutrition. In addition students will contrast new and innovative animal grazing systems to more traditional systems in terms of stocking rates, live weight gain and natural resource impact and debate the ethical and scientific views of intensive animal production (such as feedlots) and extensive animal production (such as native animal and biological production) Through group work and independent research on the case studies students will gain valuable research and interpersonal skills. Writing and communication skills are developed through report and exam writing and oral communication through participation in a debate.

### ANSC3101 **Animal Nutrition 3**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Russell Bush Session: Semester 2 Classes: lectures 3 hrs/wk, tutorials 0.5 hrs/wk, laboratories 1.5 hrs/wk Prerequisites: ANSC2002 or AVBS1002 Assessment: assignments, including web based problem solving exercises (35%), oral presentation (10%), quiz (10%), tutorial (5%),written exam (40%) **Practical field work:** 2 field trips (6 hours)

This Unit of Study builds upon principles discussed in ANSC2002 (Animal Science 2). The Unit is broadly divided into four sections, namely: estimating the nutritive value of feeds; estimating the nutrient requirements of animals; diet formulation; errors in feeding. The focus is on coming to an understanding of the assessment of nutritional adequacy and the avoidance and solving of nutritional problems, with a particular emphasis on animals used in agricultural production systems and wildlife. The principles discussed in this course will be expanded in the following year, in which species-specific systems will be described. The basis of successful feeding management is an understanding of the following: the composition of feeds; the digestibility and efficiency of utilisation of nutrients by the animal; the requirements of the animal for nutrients; interactions between nutrients that influence health and production. And following from this an ability to: formulate diets to meet animal requirements for a variety of purposes and under a variety of constraints; identify deficiencies, excesses and imbalances in diets and so avoid a decline in productive efficiency and/or a decline in health.

#### Textbooks

McDonald, Edwards, Greenhalgh & Morgan 2002, Animal Nutrition, 6th edn, Prentice Hall

### ANSC3102

### Animal Reproduction

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Prof Gareth Evans Session: Semester 1 Classes: lectures 2 hrs/week, tutorials 1 hr/week, practicals 3 hrs/week Prerequisites: ANSC2002 or AVBS1002 Assessment: written and oral assignments 25%, written exam 15%, end of semester written exam 60%

A comprehensive program on basic and applied male and female reproductive biology with particular emphasis on domestic animals. The unit of study includes reproductive cycles, sexual differentiation, fertilization, development, gestation and parturition. Applied aspects include tuition on semen collection and processing, control and management of reproduction, artificial insemination, embryo transfer, pregnancy diagnosis, and induction of parturition. Tuition is given on campus in Sydney and at the University Farms, Camden.

### Textbooks

Hafez, B & Hafez, ESE (eds) 2000, Reproduction in farm animals, Lippincott Williams and Wilkins

Senger, PL 2003, Pathways to pregnancy and parturition, 2nd edn, Current Conceptions Inc

### ANSC3103

### Animal Structure and Function A

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Melanie Collier Session: Semester 1 Classes: lectures 3hrs/wk, laboratories/tutorials 3hrs/wk (note these will vary depending upon the week) Prerequisites: ANSC2002 or AVBS1002 Assessment: assignments/presentations (45%), theory exam (55%)

Animal Structure and Function A will develop an understanding of the role of the body systems in maintaining an animal's internal homeostasis. In ASFA the structure and function of the integument, digestive, endocrine, immune and central nervous systems of the body are explored in depth particularly with reference to the maintenance of homeostasis and an animal's perception of, and response to, its environment. The developed understanding of the normal functioning of these systems allows identification of the impact of abnormal function of these systems on the animal. The overall goals of the Unit are (i) to enable students to develop a rich understanding of the relationships between body systems and structures (to be continued in ASFB). (ii) to develop generic skills particularly in oral presentation and reading and writing critically,(iii) to develop an appreciation of the links between structure, function and their relevance to animal production that will be further developed in advanced, applied studies in Animal Nutrition, Behaviour and Reproduction in third year and in 4th year Animal Production.

### Textbooks

The recommended textbook: for the animal structure component of the unit is: Dyce, KM, Sack, WO & Wensing, CJG 2002, Textbook of veterinary anatomy, 3rd edn, W.B.Saunders, Philadelphia

for the physiology component of this unit: Sherwood, L, Klandorf, H and Yancey, P H ( 2005) Animal Physiology. From Genes to Organisms. Thomson Brooks Cole

A handbook containing details of lecture outlines, objectives, reference lists, details of practical classes, staffing as well as other relevant class material will be available for students to purchase

### ANSC3104

### Animal Structure and Function B

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Melanie Collier Session: Semester 2 Classes: lectures 3 hrs/wk, laboratories/tutorials 3 hrs/wk, activities will vary on a weekly basis Prerequisites: ANSC2002 and ANSC3103 Assessment: anatomy dissection project 20%, topic test 20%, exam 60%

In this Unit students will complete the study of the structure and function of organ systems in animals started in ANSC3103. The role of the cardiovascular, respiratory and renal systems will be investigated in relation to maintenance of homeostasis and applied to analysis and resolution of problems in animal production. A study of the structure and function of muscle will include its role in movement, as meat in a production setting and an integration of muscle, cardiovascular, renal and endocrine physiology in a study of a horse's response to exercise and training.

Textbooks

For Animal Structure:

Dyce, KM, Sack, WO & Wensing, CJG 2002, Textbook of veterinary anatomy, 3rd edn, W.B.Saunders, Philadelphia OR

Smallwood, JE 1973, An introductory study to bovine anatomy, The author, Bryan, Texas

For Animal function:

Sherwood, L, Klandorf, H and Yancey, PH 2005. Animal Physiology. From Genes to Organisms. Thomson Brook Cole

### ANSC3107

### **Animal Genetics 3**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Prof Chris Moran Session: Semester 2 Classes: lectures 3 hrs/wk, practicals 3 hrs/wk Prerequisites: GENE2001 or MBLG2072 or MBLG2972 Assessment: 30min test on practicals (25%). 1500wd essay (25%), 1.5 hr exam (50%)

The unit of Study explores in detail genetic aspects of commercial animal populations and investigates options for the practical application of genetics to improve animal productivity. It is designed to provide the background material, fundamental concepts and data analysis methods for breeding strategies in each of the animal industries. The unit of study develops basic principles of population and quantitative genetics from Agricultural Genetics 2 and provides a valuable complement to the molecular principles expanded in Animal

Biotechnology 3. Animal Genetics provides the context and justifies the application for advanced reproductive technologies presented in Animal Reproduction 3. At the end of this Unit of Study, students will demonstrate an understanding of: the principles of population genetics and the concepts of relationship and inbreeding, and adverse effects of this inbreeding; the principles of quantitative genetics including the concepts of genetic variance, heritability and repeatability, and methods for the identification and selection of superior livestock; the use of multitrait selection procedures to increase the overall economic value of populations of animals; the constraints to production gains using genetic selection programmes and advantages obtained through crossbreeding; the practical application of selection and crossing in animals; the genetical implications of reproductive technology such as embryo sexing, splitting and cloning, artificial insemination and MOET.

### Textbooks

Falconer, DS and Mackay, TFC 1995, An introduction to quantitative genetics, 4th edn, Longman Chesire, London

### OR

Simm, G 1998, Genetic Improvement of Cattle and Sheep, Farming Press, Miller Freeman, Tonbridge, UK

### AVBS1002

### **Concepts of Animal Management**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Mrs Irene Van Ekris Session: Semester 2 Classes: 6 hrs/week (lectures and practicals) Prerequisites: 6 credit points of junior Biology Assessment: practical class testing (20%), written assignments (20%), 90 min exam (60%) Practical field work: There will be several whole day practical classes at the Camden campus

This unit will explore the management of animals in natural and man-made environments. At the end of this unit of study, student will understand: The characteristics of the management systems of the major domestic species used for production in Australia and in a world wide context; the characteristics and principles underpinning sustainable management of native animals in natural and man-made environments; an appreciation of the dependence of living organisms upon their environment; the chemical, neural and hormonal mechanisms in the animal body responsible for the maintenance of homeostasis (e.g. fluid and electrolyte balance, body temperature and energy balance); an appreciation of the husbandry practices and innovations that have been adopted by the production industries to retain their competitive advantage; a demonstrated capability in handling and husbandry of the major domestic production animal species, and an appreciation of the application of these skills to non-domestic species; a demonstrated understanding of the importance of high standards of animal welfare practice in the management of animals.

### Textbooks

There is no single text that adequately covers the unit content and for this reason no formal text is required. Where appropriate, relevant reference material will be identified for specific area of the course.

### AVBS4002

### **Dairy Production and Technology**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Prof Bill Fulkerson Session: Semester 2 Classes: lectures 3 hrs/wk, practicals 3 hrs/wk. Prerequisites: ANSC3101, ANSC3102, ANSC3103, (Animal and Veterinary Bioscience years 1-3 OR Bachelor of Science (Agriculture) years 1-3) Assessment: practical report (20%), milking and Ha cap report (15%), 2 hr exam (65%)

This unit will explore the various aspects of dairy farming and the dairy industry from a scientific point of view. The lectures are a mix of the principles on which sound dairy farming is based and practical example of how this operates in practice. The course is not meant to provide a set of methods on dairying to be used as recommendations. An overall theme is the way the industry has been able to dramatically improve on farm production by adopting many labour saving and efficiency based innovations. At the end of this unit of study, students will demonstrate an understanding of: The characteristics of the dairy industry in Australia and in a world wide context; an appreciation of the practices and innovations that have been adopted by the industry to retain its competitive advantage; the principles on which pasture and feed management on farm are based; the integration of knowledge of genetics and reproduction into the type of herd improvement structure set up in the dairy industry; the application of ruminant physiology knowledge to developing feeding programs for dairy cows; the extension of basic reproductive physiology onto the dairy farm using case studies as examples.

Textbooks

There is no single text that adequately covers the course content and for this reason no formal text is required. Where appropriate, relevant reference material will be identified for specific areas of the course.

### AVBS4008

### **Intensive Animal Industries**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Jeff Downing Session: Semester 2 Classes: Lectures 3 hrs/week, practicals 3 hrs/week Prerequisites: ANSC3101, ANSC3102, ANSC3103, (Animal and Veterinary Bioscience years 1-3) OR (Bachelor of Science (Agriculture) years 1-3) Prohibitions: AVBS4006, AVBS4007 Assessment: practical report and in course evaluations (25% pigs), participation and assignment (25% poultry), written exam (50%: poultry and pigs 50:50)

This unit of study is composed of two parts, a Poultry Production component and a Pig Production component. The course will provide students with a comprehensive overview of the production of eggs and poultry meat and pork. The individual components examine various aspects of the poultry and pig production systems important in maintaining efficiency and profitability. It investigates aspects of breeding, nutrition, housing, growth performance, heath, welfare, reproductive capability, waste management, marketing and current industry issues. This unit will expand on some aspects of previous year 3 units of study in animal structure and function, nutrition and reproduction.

### Textbooks

There is no single text that adequately covers in Australian pig industry and for this reason no formal text is required. There are many sites (industry, Academic institutions and government departments) on the Web which provide excellent information. Links to these will be provided. Where appropriate, relevant reference material will be identified for specific areas of the course. Often poultry specific text books are obsolete very quickly, it would be important to learn to identify trade information (the library subscribes to many; breeder management guides and product expectations; equipment web-sites, etc) and scientific journals as resources.

### AVBS4009

### Aquaculture

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Joy Becker (Coordinator), Prof Richard Whittington, Prof Chris Moran, Prof Gareth Evans, Prof David Fraser Session: Semester 1 Classes: Lectures 2hrs/wk, tutorials 1hr/wk, practicals 2hrs/wk Prerequisites: ANSC3101, ANSC3102, ANSC3103, (Animal and Veterinary Bioscience years 1-3 or Bachelor of Science (Agriculture) years 1-3) Assessment: written and/or oral assignment (30%), written practical report (30%), exam 1.5 hrs (40%) Practical field work: field work 1hr/wk

The Unit of Study explores in detail aspects of commercial aquaculture, including global trends in aquaculture development. Other topics include water quality, feeding, management, health and disease, genetics and reproduction, environmental impact and economic constraints to production. The unit of study emphasises methods to improve aquacultural productivity. It builds on basic principles of anatomy, physiology, nutrition, genetics and health and disease presented in other units of study in BAnVetBioSc. At the end of this Unit of Study, students will demonstrate an understanding of the principles of: the context of aquaculture in global food production; husbandry, management and welfare of aquaculture species; comparative aspects of husbandry in aquaria, domestic, commercial; health and disease relevant to aquaculture; nutrition of aquaculture species; reproduction and genetics of species in aquaculture; water quality and environmental impact of aquaculture; economics and marketing of aquaculture products.

### AVBS4012

### **Extensive Animal Industries**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: A/Prof Peter Wynn Session: Semester 2 Classes: Lectures 2hrs/wk, tutorials 1hr/wk, Practicals 2hrs/wk, field work 1 hr/wk Prerequisites: ANSC3101, ANSC3102, ANSC3103, (Animal and Veterinary Bioscience years 1-3 OR Bachelor of Science (Agriculture) years 1-3) Prohibitions: AVBS4010, AVBS4011 Assessment: written assignment

(25%), practical report (25%) and written exam (50%)  $\,$  Practical field work: 5 day study tour

This unit introduces the concepts of sheep and beef cattle production in the Australian environment within the context of world food and fibre consumption and production. The key products and domestic and export markets for these are presented. The course then provides an historical perspective of the basis for each of these industries and then describes each of the production systems designed to meet the demand for these products. These will cover production in both the tropical and temperate regions of Australia and include the key elements of extensive grazing and intensive feedlot systems. Major issues will include breeds and breeding systems, basic nutrition and production practices and animal welfare issues as they affect the quality and quantity of product marketed. The concepts of first stage processing of both meat and fibre products in abattoirs and top-making plants respectively will be presented. The grading of products based on quality factors. The major factors that influence the quality of product and therefore market demand will be presented. Lecture material will be supported with a 5 day study tour to the Riverina to evaluate different commercial production systems, appropriate practical classes and student presentations.

### Textbooks

Anderson RS, Edney ATB 1991 Practical animal handling, Pergamon Press

Battaglia RA 2001, Handbook of livestock management, Prentice Hall Lawrie, RA 1980, 1981, Developments in meat science, vols 1&2, Applied Science Publishers

Lawrie, RA 1985, 1988, 1991, Developments in meat science, vols 3-5, Elsevier Applied Science

Ensminger, ME & Perry RC 1997, Beef cattle science, Interstate Publishers Temple, G 2000, Beef cattle handling and facilities design, Grandin Livestock Systems Fort Collins, Colo

Cottle, DJ 2000, Australian sheep and wool handbook, WRONZ Developments, Christchurch

Massy, C 1990 The Australian merino, Viking O'Neil

### BIOL1001

### **Concepts in Biology**

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1, Summer Main Classes: Three 1 hour lectures and one 3 hour practical per week. **Prohibitions:** BIOL(1101 or 1901 or 1911) **Assumed knowledge:** None. However, students who have not completed HSC Biology (or equivalent) are strongly advised to take the Biology Bridging Course (in February) **Assessment:** One 2.5 hour exam, assignments, quizzes

Note: It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken concurrently with all other Junior units of study in Biology. Students who have completed HSC Biology and scored 80+ should enrol in BIOL1911. Students who lack 80+ in HSC Biology but have a UAI of at least 93 may enrol in BIOL1911 with permission from the UEO. The completion of MBLG 1001 is highly recommended.

Concepts in Biology is an introduction to the major themes of modern biology. The unit emphasizes how biologists carry out scientific investigations, from the cellular/molecular level to the level of ecosystems. Topics covered in lectures and practicals include: introductory cell biology, with particular emphasis on how cells obtain and use energy; the diversity and biology of microorganisms; an introduction to molecular biology through the role of DNA in protein synthesis, including current developments in DNA technology; genetics or organisms; theories of evolution and phylogenetic analysis, and how they are used to interpret the origins of the diversity of modern organisms; and interactions between organisms in biological communities, with emphasis on Australian ecology.

### Textbooks

Knox R B et al. Biology, 3rd ed. McGraw-Hill. 2005

### **BIOL1002**

### Living Systems

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2 Classes: Three 1 hour lectures and one 2 hour practical per week. **Prohibitions:** BIOL1902 Assumed knowledge: HSC 2-unit Biology. Students who have not undertaken an HSC biology course are strongly advised to complete a Biology Bridging Course (in February). Assessment: One 2.5 hour exam, assignments, quizzes.

Note: It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken before this unit of study. This unit of study, together with BIOL (1001 or 1911) provides entry to all Intermediate units of study in biology in the School of Biological Sciences. Living Systems deals with the biology of organisms, from bacteria to large plants and animals, and emphasises the ways in which they can live in a range of habitats. The importance of energy in living systems, and how elements are used and recycled in biological communities, are described. The unit of study includes lectures and laboratory classes on the physiology of nutrition and growth, basic physiological processes of animals and plants, the ways in which organisms control and integrate their activities, and their reproduction. Finally applications of knowledge of genetics and ecology to practical problems in agriculture and conservation are introduced.

### Textbooks

Knox R B et al. Biology. 3rd ed. McGraw-Hill. 2005

### BIOL1901

### Biology - Ecosystems to Genes (Advanced) This unit of study is not available in 2008

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1 Classes: Three 1 hour lectures and one 3 hour practical per week. **Prerequisites:** UAI of at least 93 and HSC Biology result in the 90th percentile or better, or Distinction or better in a University level Biology unit, or by invitation. **Prohibitions:** BIOL1001, BIOL1101 **Assessment:** One 2.5 hour exam. assignments. guizzes

Note: Department permission required for enrolment. Note: It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1101 or 1901) be taken before all Semester 2 Junior units of study in Biology.

This unit of study shares lectures and practical classes with BIOL1101 but also includes more demanding alternative components of Biology - Ecosystems to Genes.

Textbooks

As for BIOL1101.

### BIOL1902

### Living Systems (Advanced)

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2 Classes: Three 1 hour lectures and one 2 hour practical per week. Prerequisites: UAI of at least 93 and HSC Biology result in the 90th percentile or better, or Distinction or better in a University level Biology unit, or by invitation. Prohibitions: BIOL1002, BIOL1904, BIOL1905 Assessment: One 2.5 hour exam, assignments, quizzes, independent project

Note: Department permission required for enrolment.

This unit of study shares lectures and practical classes with BIOL1002 but also includes more demanding alternative components of Living Systems

Textbooks

As for BIOL1002.

### BIOL1911

### **Concepts in Biology (Advanced)**

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1 Classes: 3 lectures & one 3 hrs prac/wk. Prerequisites: 80+ in HSC 2-unit Biology (or equivalent) or Distinction or better in a University level Biology unit, or by invitation. Prohibitions: BIOL (1001, 1101, 1901) Assessment: One 2.5hr exam, assignments, quizzes.

Note: Department permission required for enrolment. Note: It is recommended that BIOL (1001 or 1911) be taken concurrently with all other Junior units of study in Biology. The completion of MBLG1001 is highly recommended.

Concepts in Biology (Advanced) builds on the main themes introduced in HSC Biology, with emphasis on current research in biology. Topics covered in lectures and practicals include: cell biology, with particular emphasis on how cells obtain and use energy; the diversity and biology of microorganisms; current developments in molecular biology, including recombinant DNA technology and the human genome project; inheritance, genetics and the origins of diversity of modern organisms; and interactions between organisms in biological communities, with emphasis on Australian ecology. Research-based lectures will expand on the general lecture topics and include current investigations of such diverse topic areas as cancer therapies, metabolic malfunction, anarchy in beehives, evolutionary studies of snake reproductive strategies, plant phylogeny and global environmental change.

### Textbooks

Knox RB et al. Biology. 3rd ed. McGraw-Hill. 2005

### BIOL3009 Terrestrial Field Ecology

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Glenda Wardle (UEO), Prof Christopher Dickman, Dr Clare McArthur Session: S2 Intensive Classes: One 6 day field trip held in the pre-semester break (Sunday, July 20 - Friday, July 25, 2008) and 4 practical classes during weeks 1-4 in Semester 2. Prerequisites: 12 credit points of Intermediate Biology or ANSC2004 and BIOM2001 Prohibitions: BIOL3909, BIOL3041, BIOL3941, BIOL3042, BIOL3942, BIOL3024, BIOL3924 Assumed knowledge: Ecological Methods (BIOL3006) or Ecological Methods (advanced) BIOL3906. Prior completion of one of these units is very strongly recommended. Assessment: Discussions and quiz (10%), research project proposal and brief presentation (10%), sampling project report (20%), specimen collection (10%), research project report (50%). Note: One 6 day field trip held in the pre-semester break (Sunday, July 20 -Friday, July 25, 2008) and 4 practical classes during weeks 1-4 in Semester 2.

This field course provides practical experience in the experimental analysis of terrestrial populations and assemblages. Students learn a broad range of ecological sampling techniques and develop a detailed understanding of the logical requirements necessary for manipulative ecological field experiments. The field work incorporates survey techniques for plants, small mammals and invertebrates and thus provides a good background for ecological consulting work. Students attend a week-long field course and participate in a large-scale research project as well as conducting their own research project. Invited experts contribute to the lectures and discussions on issues relating to the ecology, conservation and management of Australia's terrestrial flora and fauna.

### BIOL3017

### Fungi in the Environment

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Peter McGee Session: S1 Intensive Classes: 40 hours of practicals in a two week intensive program held immediately prior to semester one (labs run from 18 February to 29 February 2008), plus the equivalent of 30 hours self-guided study during the semester. Prerequisites: 12 credit points of Intermediate Biology, or 6 credit points of Intermediate Biology or Geography, or their equivalent. Prohibitions: BIOL3917 Assessment: One 2 hour take home exam, laboratory and written assignments.

Note: The completion of 6 credit points of MBLG units is highly recommended.

The unit is designed to develop understanding of fungal ecology in relation to environmental and rehabilitation biology, biological control of pests and pathogens, and soil microbiology. Emphasis will be placed on the function of fungi, and the benefit provided by fungi in symbiotic interactions with plants, including mycorrhizal fungi and shoot-borne endophytes. Physiological and ecological implications of the interactions will also be considered. Each student will design and implement a research project. Analytical thinking and research-led activity will be encouraged. Using broad scientific approaches, each student will gain the capacity to work cooperatively to find and analyse information from primary sources, develop approaches to test their understanding, and to present their work in a scientifically acceptable manner. Students will develop a deeper understanding of one area of fungal biology through independent study. Part of the learning material will be available on the internet.

### BIOL3018

### Applications of Recombinant DNA Tech

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr B Lyon Session: Semester 1 Classes: Two 1 hour lectures per week; up to 4 hours laboratory per week. Prerequisites: 12 credit points from MBLG (2071/297), MBLG (2072/2972) and Intermediate Biology units. For BMedSc students: 36 credit points of Intermediate BMED units including BMED 2802. Prohibitions: BIOL3918 Assessment: One 2 hour exam, practical reports, assignment/seminar

A unit of study with lectures, practicals and tutorials on the application of recombinant DNA technology and the genetic manipulation of prokaryotic and eukaryotic organisms. Lectures cover the applications of molecular genetics in biotechnology and consider the impact and implications of genetic engineering. Topics include the cloning and expression of foreign genes in bacteria, yeast, animal and plant cells, novel human and animal therapeutics and vaccines including human gene therapy, new diagnostic techniques for human and veterinary disease, the transformation of animal and plant cells, the genetic engineering of animals and plants, and the environmental release of genetically-modified (transgenic) organisms. Practical work may include nucleic acid isolation and manipulation, gene cloning and PCR amplification, DNA sequencing and computer analysis of gene sequences, immunological detection of proteins, and the genetic transformation and assay of plants.

### BIOL3917

### Fungi in the Environment (Advanced)

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Peter McGee Session: S1 Intensive Classes: 40 hours of practical work in a two week intensive program immediately prior to semester one (labs run from 18 February to 29 February 2008), plus the equivalent of 30 hours self-guided study during the semester. Prerequisites: Distinction average in 12 credit points of Intermediate Biology, or 6 credit points of Intermediate Biology and 6 Intermediate credit points of either Microbiology or Geography, or their equivalent. Prohibitions: BIOL3017 Assessment: One 2 hour take home exam, laboratory and written assignments.

Note: The completion of 6 credit points of MBLG units is highly recommended.

Qualified students will be encouraged to develop a research project under supervision. The content and nature of the research will be agreed on with the executive officer.

### BIOL3918

### Applications of Recombinant DNA Tech Adv

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr B Lyon Session: Semester 1 Classes: Two 1 hour lectures and one 4 hour laboratory per week. Prerequisites: Distinction average in12 credit points from MBLG (2071/2971), MBLG (2072/2972) and Intermediate Biology units. For BMedSc students: 36 credit points of Intermediate BMED units including Distinction in BMED2802. Prohibitions: BIOL3018 Assessment: One 2 hour exam, assignment/seminar

Qualified students will participate in alternative components of BIOL3018 Applications of Recombinant DNA Technology. The content and nature of these components may vary from year to year.

### BIOM2001

### **Biometry 2**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Thomas Bishop Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec, 1 workshop, 1x2 hr practical)/wk Prerequisites: BIOM1003 or (MATH1011 and MATH1015) Assessment: 1 2 hour theory exam (30%), 1 2 hour practical exam (30%), 1 written assignment (10%), weekly practical assignments (30%)

This unit of study is designed to introduce students to (i) analysing experiments where there are 3 or more treatment levels (ii) the modelling of regression relationships. It is a core unit for students in BScAgr, BHortSc, BLWSc and BAnVetBioSc, and builds upon the concepts learnt in BIOM1003. In the first part, students will investigate how to analyse experiments with more than 2 treatment levels, multiple factors and different blocking designs. In the second half they will learn to model relationships between response and predictor variables using regression. In addition they will learn about the scientific method and the principles of experimental design. At the end of this unit, students will have learnt how to analyse data using ANOVA and regression, the basic methods needed for their future studies and careers. The students will gain research and inquiry skills through completion of weekly computer assignments and a written assignment on the scientific method. Information literacy and communication skills will be developed through weekly computer work.

### Textbooks

### Recommended only:

Clewer, A. G. & Scarisbrick, D. H. 2001, Practical Statistics and Experimental Design for Plant and Crop Science, John Wiley & Sons, West Sussex.

Dytham, C. 2003, Choosing and Using Statistics: A Biologist's Guide, Blackwell, Oxford.

McConway, K. J., Jones, M. C. & Taylor, P. C. 1999, Statistical Modelling using GENSTAT, Arnold, London.

Mead, R., Curnow, R. N. & Hasted, A. M. 2003, Statistical Methods in Agriculture and Experimental Biology, Chapman & Hall/CRC, London.

Morris, T. R. 1999, Experimental Design and Analysis in Animal Sciences, CABI Publishing, Oxon.

### **BIOM3006**

### **Statistics for the Natural Sciences**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Thomas Bishop Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2x1 hr workshops, 1x3 hr practical)/wk Prerequisites: BIOM2001 or STAT3012 Assessment: 1x3 hour exam (40%), 1 major report (20%), weekly practical assignments (40%)

This unit of study is designed to introduced students to the analysis of data they may face in their future careers, in particular data that are not well behaved, they may be non-normal, there may be missing observations or they may be correlated in space and time. It is a core unit for students in BLWSc and is a prerequisite for those in BScAgr wishing to specialise in Environmetrics. It is also offered to BSc students wishing to complete an applied statistics unit. In the first part, students will learn about the generalisation of the linear regression and ANOVA model to accommodate non-normal data, mixtures of categorical and continuous data and non-linearities in the relationship between the response and predictor variables. In the second part, students will learn about stochastic processes and how to analyse (i) data that is correlated in space and time (ii) designed experiments with REML. At the end of this unit, students will have learnt a range of advanced statistical methods and be equipped to apply this knowledge to analyse data that they may encounter in their future studies and careers. The students will gain research and inquiry skills through completion of weekly computer assignments and a major report where they will analyse a 4th year research project. Information literacy and communication skills will be developed through weekly computer work and an oral presentation of the results from the major report.

### CHEM1001

### Fundamentals of Chemistry 1A

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1 Classes: Three 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week; one 3 hour practical per week for 10 weeks. Prohibitions: CHEM1101, CHEM1901, CHEM1109, CHEM1903 Assumed knowledge: There is no assumed knowledge of chemistry for this unit of study, but students who have not undertaken an HSC chemistry course are strongly advised to complete a chemistry bridging course before lectures commence. Assessment: Theory examination (75%), laboratory exercises and continuous assessment quizzes (25%) Practical field work: A series of 10 three-hour laboratory sessions, one per week for 10 weeks of the semester.

The aim of the unit of study is to provide those students whose chemical background is weak (or non-existent) with a good grounding in fundamental chemical principles together with an overview of the relevance of chemistry. There is no prerequisite or assumed knowledge for entry to this unit of study. Lectures: A series of 39 lectures, three per week throughout the semester.

#### Textbooks

A booklist is contained in the booklet Junior Chemistry distributed at enrolment. Further information can be obtained from the School.

### CHEM1002

### Fundamentals of Chemistry 1B

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2 Classes: Three 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week; one 3 hour practical per week for 10 weeks. Prerequisites: CHEM (1001 or 1101) or equivalent Prohibitions: CHEM1102, CHEM1108, CHEM1904 Assessment: Theory examination (75%), laboratory exercises and continuous assessment quizzes (25%) Practical field work: A series of 10 three-hour laboratory sessions, one per week for 10 weeks of the semester.

CHEM1002 builds on CHEM1001 to provide a sound coverage of inorganic and organic chemistry. Lectures: A series of 39 lectures, three per week throughout the semester.

### Textbooks

A booklist is contained in the booklet Junior Chemistry distributed at enrolment. Further information can be obtained from the School.

### CHEM1101

### Chemistry 1A

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1, Semester 2, Summer Main Classes: Three 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week; one 3 hour practical per week for 10 weeks. Corequisites: Recommended concurrent units of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics Prohibitions: CHEM1001, CHEM1109, CHEM1901, CHEM1903 Assumed knowledge: HSC Chemistry and Mathematics Assessment: Theory examination (75%), laboratory exercises and continuous assessment quizzes (25%) Practical field work: A series of 10 three-hour laboratory sessions, one per week for 10 weeks of the semester.

Chemistry 1A is built on a satisfactory prior knowledge of the HSC Chemistry course. A brief revision of basic concepts of the high school course is given. Chemistry 1A covers chemical theory and physical chemistry. Lectures: A series of 39 lectures, three per week throughout the semester.

### Textbooks

A booklist is contained in the booklet Junior Chemistry distributed at enrolment. Further information can be obtained from the School.

### CHEM1102

### Chemistry 1B

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1, Semester 2, Summer Main Classes: One 3 hour lecture and 1 hour tutorial per week; one 3 hour practical per week for 10 weeks. Prerequisites: CHEM (1101 or 1901) or a Distinction in CHEM1001 or equivalent Corequisites: Recommended concurrent units of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics Prohibitions: CHEM1002, CHEM1108, CHEM1902, CHEM1904 Assessment: Theory examination (75%), laboratory exercises and continuous assessment quizzes (25%) Practical field work: A series of 10 three-hour laboratory sessions, one per week for 10 weeks of the semester.

Chemistry 1B is built on a satisfactory prior knowledge of Chemistry 1A and covers inorganic and organic chemistry. Successful completion of Chemistry 1B is an acceptable prerequisite for entry into Intermediate Chemistry units of study. Lectures: A series of 39 lectures, three per week throughout the semester.

### Textbooks

A booklist is contained in the booklet Junior Chemistry distributed at enrolment. Further information can be obtained from the School.

### CHEM1901

### Chemistry 1A (Advanced)

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1 Classes: Three 1 hour lecture and one 1 hour tutorial per week; one 3 hour practical per week for 10 weeks. Prerequisites: UAI of at least 96.4 and HSC Chemistry result in band 5 or 6, or Distinction or better in a University level Chemistry unit, or by invitation Corequisites: Recommended concurrent unit of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics Prohibitions: CHEM1001, CHEM1101, CHEM1109, CHEM1903 Assessment: Theory examination (75%), laboratory exercises and continuous assessment quizzes (25%) Practical field work: A series of 10 three-hour laboratory sessions, one per week for 10 weeks of the semester.

Note: Department permission required for enrolment.

Chemistry 1A (Advanced) is available to students with a very good HSC performance as well as a very good school record in chemistry or science. Students in this category are expected to do Chemistry 1A (Advanced) rather than Chemistry 1A. The theory and practical work syllabuses for Chemistry 1A and Chemistry 1A (Advanced) are similar, though the level of treatment in the latter unit of study is more advanced, presupposing a very good grounding in the subject at secondary level. Chemistry 1A (Advanced) covers chemical theory and physical chemistry. Lectures: A series of about 39 lectures, three per week throughout the semester.

### Textbooks

A booklist is contained in the booklet Junior Chemistry distributed at enrolment. Further information can be obtained from the School.

### CHEM1902

### Chemistry 1B (Advanced)

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2 Classes: Three 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week; one 3 hour practical per week for 10 weeks. Prerequisites: CHEM (1901 or 1903) or Distinction in CHEM1101 or equivalent Corequisites: Recommended concurrent unit of study: 6 credit points of Junior Mathematics Prohibitions: CHEM1002, CHEM1102, CHEM1108, CHEM1904 Assessment: Theory examination (75%), laboratory exercises and continuous assessment quizzes (25%) Practical field work: A series of 10 three-hour laboratory sessions, one per week for 10 weeks of the semester. Note: Department permission required for enrolment.

Chemistry 1B (Advanced) is built on a satisfactory prior knowledge of Chemistry 1A (Advanced) and covers inorganic and organic chemistry. Successful completion of Chemistry 1B (Advanced) is an acceptable prerequisite for entry into Intermediate Chemistry units of study. Lectures: A series of about 39 lectures, three per week throughout the semester.

### Textbooks

A booklist is contained in the booklet Junior Chemistry distributed at enrolment. Further information can be obtained from the School.

### Commercial Law units of study

For CLAW units of study not listed below please refer to the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook at www.usyd.edu.au/handbooks.

### CLAW1001

### Commercial Transactions A

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1, Semester 2, Summer Early Classes: 2hrs of lectures and 1 tutorial per week Assessment: Exam, Mid-Semester Test, Tutorial Assessment, Case Analysis

This unit of study is concerned with the fundamental elements of business law. It commences with an overview of the Australian legal system (sources of law, parliament, courts, statutory interpretation, doctrine of precedent), including an examination of those provisions in the Commonwealth Constitution relevant to business and commercial activities. The unit continues with a detailed study of those aspects of the law of contract that underlie all commercial transactions and are the essence of commercial law (formation of contract, terms of a contract, factors affecting the validity and enforcement of contracts, termination, remedies for breach of contract). Some aspects of the law of agency, criminal law and the law of torts (in particular, negligence and negligent misstatement) are introduced. The unit concludes with an examination of some of the key provisions of the Trade Practices Act 1974 (Cth) including those relating to misleading and deceptive conduct and manufacturers' liability.

### CLAW1002

### **Commercial Transactions B**

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2 Classes: 2hrs of lectures and 1 tutorial per week Prerequisites: CLAW1001 Assessment: Final exam, tutorial participation, optional mid semester exam, optional tutorial hand in, optional assignment

Commerce today covers a diverse range of items - from securities to patents and all forms of property in between. An understanding of what the forms of property are and how to gain or sell an interest is essential to everything from tax through marketing to e-commerce. This unit provides a detailed overview of the types of property found in standard commercial transactions and the methods for acquiring or divesting an entity with an interest in that property. The unit focuses on all forms of personal property including intellectual property and real property (land). . Students will gain both an understanding of the transactions and the property as well as analytical skills in assessing and working out problems and case studies to do with commercial property.

### Econometrics units of study

For ECMT units of study not listed below please refer to the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook at www.usyd.edu.au/handbooks.

### ECMT1010

### **Business and Economic Statistics A**

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1, Semester 2 Classes: 3 hrs per week Prohibitions: ECMT1011, ECMT1012, ECMT1013, MATH1015, MATH1005, MATH1905, STAT1021 Assessment: Workshop participation/homework; Quiz; Assignment; Mid-Semester exam; Final exam;

This unit provides an introduction to basic statistics and its applications in economics and business disciplines. Topics include: methods for data management; analysis and interpretation of data; probability; the normal distribution; an introduction to sampling theory and hypothesis testing; and the concepts of regression analysis. A key component is the provision of instruction and experience in the use of computers and statistical software as an aid in the analysis of data. Students are expected to use data resources on the World Wide Web, retrieve data and analyse this data using Excel.

### ECMT1020

### **Business and Economic Statistics B**

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2, Summer Main Classes: 3 hrs per week Corequisites: ECMT1010 Prohibitions: ECMT1021, ECMT1022, ECMT1023 **Assessment:** Two quizzes; Workshop questions/homework; Assignment; Mid-Semester exam; Final exam

Note: Other than in exceptional circumstances, it is strongly recommended that students do not undertake Business and Economic Statistics B before attempting Business and Economic Statistics A.

This unit broadens the knowledge gained in the unit, ECMT1010 Business and Economic Statistics A by introducing further tools (and their applications) for use in economics, finance, marketing and accounting. This unit features practical applications. Possible topics include: further aspects of hypothesis testing including goodness-of-fit models; regression analysis including a brief introduction to logit models, time series and its applications to economics and finance; input-output analysis; index numbers and mathematics of finance. The material is further complemented by mathematical topics including matrices and partial differentiation. In addition, students are expected to use data resources on the World Wide Web, retrieve data and analyse this data using Excel.

### ECMT2110

### **Regression Modelling**

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1 Classes: 3 hrs per week Prerequisites: ECMT1010 Prohibitions: ECMT2010 Assessment: Tutorial participation/computer work; Project; Mid-Semester exam; Final exam

Students undertaking this unit have some background in basic statistics including an introduction to regression analysis. Using this knowledge as a base, an extensive discussion of basic regression theory and some of its extensions is provided. The unit covers how linear regression models can be applied to data to estimate relationships, to forecast, and to test hypotheses that arise in economics and business. Guidelines for using econometric techniques effectively are discussed and students are introduced to the process of model building. It is essential that the discussion of regression modelling be complemented with practice in analysing data. An important task is the computing component using econometric software.

### Economics units of study

For ECON and ECOS units of study not listed below please refer to the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook at www.usyd.edu.au/handbooks.

### ECON1001

### Introductory Microeconomics

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1, Summer Main Classes: 1 x 2hr lecture and 1 tutorial per week Assumed knowledge: Mathematics Assessment: Online tests, mid semester exam, final exam

Introductory Microeconomics addresses the economic decisions of individual firms and households and how these interact in markets. It is a compulsory core unit for the Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Commerce and an alternative core unit for the Bachelor of Economic and Social Science. Economic issues are pervasive in contemporary Australian society. Introductory Microeconomics introduces students to the language and analytical framework adopted in Economics for the examination of social phenomena and public policy issues. Whatever one's career intentions, coming to grips with economic ideas is essential for understanding society, business and government. Students are given a comprehensive introduction to these ideas and are prepared for the advanced study of microeconomics in subsequent years.

### ECON1002

### Introductory Macroeconomics

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2, Summer Main Classes: 1 x 2hr lecture and 1 tutorial per week Assumed knowledge: Mathematics Assessment: 2 in-class tests, Tutorial Assessment, Final Exam

Introductory Macroeconomics addresses the analysis of the level of employment and economic activity in the economy as a whole. It is a compulsory core unit for the Bachelor of Economics (BEc) and for the Bachelor of Commerce and an alternative core unit for the Bachelor of Economic and Social Science. Introductory Macroeconomics examines the main factors that determine the overall levels of production and employment in the economy, including the influence of government policy and international trade. This analysis enables an exploration of money, interest rates and financial markets, and a deeper examination of inflation, unemployment and economic policy.

### ECOS2001

### Intermediate Microeconomics

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1, Semester 2, Summer Main Classes: 1 x 2hr lecture and 1 tutorial per week **Prerequisites:** ECON1001 Corequisites: ECMT1010 **Prohibitions:** ECON2001, ECOS2901, ECON2901 Assessment: Tutorials, 2 in-class tests,,Final Exam

Note: Certain combinations of Maths/Stats may substitute for Econometrics - consult the Chair of the Discipline of Economics.

The aim of Intermediate Microeconomics is the development of theoretical and applied skills in economics. It covers applications and extensions of the theory of consumer choice, firm behaviour and market structure. Emphasis is given to the economics of information and choice under uncertainty; industry structures other than monopoly and perfect competition; markets for factors of production; general equilibrium and economic efficiency; market failure and the role of government. This unit provides a basis for the more specialised options that comprise third year economics.

### ECOS2002

### Intermediate Macroeconomics

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1, Semester 2, Summer Main Classes: 1 x 2hr lecture and one tutorial per week **Prerequisites:** ECON1002 Corequisites: ECMT1010 Prohibitions: ECON2002, ECOS2902, ECON2902 Assessment: 1 Mid Semester exam, Final exam, Assignments

Note: Certain combinations of Maths/Stats may substitute for Econometrics - consult the Chair of the Discipline of Economics.

This unit of study develops models of the goods, money and labour markets, examines issues in macroeconomic policy. Macroeconomic relationships, covering consumption, investment, money and employment, are explored in detail. Macro-dynamic relationships, especially those linking inflation and unemployment, are also considered. Exchange rates and open economy macroeconomics are also addressed. In the last part of the unit, topics include the determinants and theories of economic growth, productivity and technology, the dynamics of the business cycle, counter-cyclical policy and the relationship between micro and macro policy in the context of recent Australian experience.

### ECOS2901

### Intermediate Microeconomics Honours

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1 Classes: 1 x 2hr lecture and one tutorial per week Prerequisites: ECON1001 and ECON1002 with a Credit average or better in the two units of study combined Corequisites: ECOS2903 and ECMT1010 Prohibitions: ECON2901, ECOS2001, ECON2001 Assessment: 2 mid semester exams, Final Exam

Note: Certain combinations of Maths/Stats may substitute for Econometrics. Consult the Chair of the Discipline of Economics.

This unit is comprised of lectures based upon the curriculum for ECOS2001 Intermediate Microeconomics, supported by a seminar for one hour a week. The content of lectures reflect a more analytical and critical treatment of the topics than ECOS2001. The topics, which build on the theory of consumer and firm behaviour and market structure, include game theory, oligopoly, general equilibrium and welfare, externalities and public goods and the economics of information.

### ECOS2902

### Intermediate Macroeconomics Honours

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2 Classes: 1 x 2hr lecture and 1 tutorial per week Prerequisites: ECON1001 and ECON1002 with a Credit average or better in the two units of study combined Corequisites: ECOS2903 and ECMT1010 Prohibitions: ECON2902, ECOS2002, ECON2002 Assessment: Assignments, mid semester exam, Final Exam

Note: Certain combinations of Maths/Stats may substitute for Econometrics. Consult the Chair of the Discipline of Economics.

This unit is comprised of lectures based upon the curriculum for ECOS2002 Intermediate Macroeconomics, supported by a seminar for one hour a week. The content of lectures reflects a more intensive treatment of the topics than ECOS2002. Topics covered include: models of the goods, money and labour markets; macro-economic relationships such as consumption, investment, demand for money and labour demand and supply; macro-dynamic relationships, especially those linking inflation and unemployment; exchange rates and open economy macroeconomics; theories of economic growth; productivity and technological change; the dynamics of the business cycle; and the relationship between micro- and macro-economic policy.

### ENTO2001

### Entomology

**Credit points:** 6 **Teacher/Coordinator:** Dr Sarah Mansfield **Session:** Semester 2 **Classes:** (2x1hour lecture, 1x3hour practical, 1x1hour insect collection)/week **Assessment:** 1 x 2hr exam (50%), 3 x lab quizzes (15%), 1x practical test (20%), 1 x insect collection (15%)

This unit is an introduction to insects, the most abundant group of organisms. The course begins with insect external and internal anatomy, feeding modes, life cycles and behaviour. Real world examples are used to demonstrate the ecological roles insects play in natural and agricultural ecosystems (e.g. pollinators, herbivores, predators, parasitoids, disease vectors). This knowledge is then linked to aspects of applied entomology: insecticides, biological control, habitat manipulation, integrated pest management, medical entomology and insect conservation. Practical sessions focus on insect morphology and taxonomy, so that students learn to identify common insect orders and families. Students must make a representative insect collection. This course forms the basis of students' entomological knowledge for BScAgr and BHortSc degrees and lays the foundation for future study in entomology.

### Textbooks

Required: 1) Laboratory manual, available from University Publishing Service. 2) Zborowski, P. & Storey, R. 1995. A field guide to insects in Australia. Reed New Holland, Sydney. 207 pp.

Recommended: Gullan, P.J. & Cranston, P.S. 2005. The Insects: an outline of entomology. 3rd edition, Blackwell Publishing, Malden, MA. 505 pp.

### ENTO4003 Applied Entomology

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Sarah Mansfield Session: Semester 2 Classes: (1x2hr lec, 1x3h prac)/wk Prerequisites: ENTO2001 or ENTO2002 or BIOL2017 or BIOL2917 (Note: BIOL2017/BIOL2917 are only for BSc students who elect to take this UoS) Assessment: 2h exam (40%), insect collection (20%), field diary (20%), group project (15%), in-class discussion (5%)

The focus of this unit is the development and adoption of integrated pest management (IPM) within Australian agriculture. It builds on the knowledge gained in second year entomology (BScAgr and BHortSc) and is a core unit for the entomology specialty (BScAgr). Applied entomology deals with the control of insect pests and the use of beneficial insects. The biology of major pest (herbivores and disease vectors) and beneficial (predators, parasitoids, pollinators) insect groups is covered in depth. Students will compare the advantages and disadvantages of different pest control strategies and evaluate the importance of insect ecology, control methods and socio-economic factors to successful adoption of integrated pest management. Field trips will demonstrate the practical application of IPM concepts presented in lectures. Research, inquiry and information literacy skills will be improved through critical review of current literature and compilation of a field diary. Students will practice their communication skills and develop personal and intellectual autonomy through a group project, in-class discussion and a self-directed insect collection.

### Textbooks

Required: New, T.R. 2002. Insects and Pest Management in Australia Agriculture. Oxford University Press, Melbourne. 346 pp.

Recommended: Gullan, P.J. & Cranston, P.S. 2005. The Insects: an outline of entomology. 3rd edition, Blackwell Publishing, Malden, MA. 505 pp.

Llewellyn, R. (Ed.) 2002. The Good Bug Book. 2nd edition, Australasian Biological Control, Richmond, NSW. 110  $\rm pp$ 

### ENTO4004

### Insect Taxonomy and Systematics

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Sarah Mansfield Session: Semester 1 Classes: (1 x 2hr lec, 1 x 3hr prac)/week Prerequisites: ENTO2001 or ENTO2002 or BIOL2017 or BIOL2917 Assumed knowledge: ENTO2001 Assessment: 2h exam (40%), museum project (30%), insect collection (25%), in-class discussion (5%)

Knowledge of the evolutionary relationships between insect groups contributes to our understanding of insect biology and correct taxonomic identification of insects is essential for all areas of entomological research, including pest management. This unit builds on the knowledge gained in second year entomology (BScAgr and BHortSc) and is a core unit for the entomology specialty (BScAgr). Key concepts that underpin the study of insect systematics, biogeography and phylogeny are described using examples from the evolutionary development of insects. The role of morphological, genetic and molecular studies in the classification of insects is examined. Students will demonstrate their knowledge of insect taxonomy through individual projects and assess the impact of evolutionary relationships among insect groups on modern agriculture. Research, inquiry and information literacy skills will be improved through a museum project and a self-directed insect collection. Students will practice their communication skills and develop personal and intellectual autonomy through in-class discussion of current literature.

### Textbooks

Required: Gullan, PJ & Cranston, PS 2005. The Insects: an outline of entomology. 3rd edition, Blackwell Publishing, Malden, MA. 505 pp. Recommended: Naumann, I 1993. CSIRO Handbook of Australian Insect Names. 6th edition, CSIRO Entomology, Melbourne, VIC. 200 pp.

### ENVI3111

### **Environmental Law and Ethics**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Gerry Bates Dr Rachel Ankeny Session: Semester 1 Classes: Two 2 hour lectures per week. Prerequisites: 12 credit points of Intermediate Science or Agriculture units. Prohibitions: ENVI3001, ENVI3003. Assumed knowledge: Intermediate Environmental Science. Assessment: Essays, lutorial papers.

This unit of study covers topics in environmental law and ethics. The environmental law component provides an overview of all laws in Australia pertaining to environmental matters and looks at a number of environmental issues at the various levels of analysis, policy making, implementation of policy, enforcement, and dispute resolution. It also provides a broad background to the political and economical issues as they relate to the legal issues involved. It also examines international environmental law, particularly examining how these influence and affect our local policies. The ethics component helps students develop thoughtful and informed positions on issues in environmental ethics using arguments derived from traditional ethics as well as environmentally specific theories. Ethical conflicts are often inevitable and difficult to resolve but using the resources of philosophical ethics and regular reference to case studies, students can learn to recognize the values and considerations at stake in such conflicts, acknowledge differing viewpoints and defend their own well considered positions.

### ENVI3112

### **Environmental Assessment**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr John Dee Dr Scott Kable Session: Semester 2 Classes: Two 2 hour lectures per week. Prerequisites: 12 credit points of Intermediate Science or Agriculture units. Prohibitions: ENVI3002, ENVI3004. Assumed knowledge: Intermediate Environmental Science. Assessment: Essays, tutorial papers, report.

This unit of study is composed of two components: environmental impact assessment and risk assessment. The former is generally concerned with issues related to environmental impact assessment and builds toward the process of producing an EIS/EIA. Moor specifically it seeks to establish a critical understanding of the theory and practice of environmental impact studies/statements (EIS) and environmental impact assessment processes (EIA) from both the positive (scientific) and normative (value) perspectives. Emphasis is placed on gaining skills in writing and producing an assessment report, which contains logically ordered and tightly structured argumentation

that can stand rigorous scrutiny by political processes, the judiciary, the public and the media. The risk assessment component considers a more chemical approach to the assessment of risk and issues of safety with respect to chemicals, ecotoxicology and the environment.

### ENVX4001

### **GIS, Remote Sensing and Land Management**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Inakwu OA Odeh Session: Semester 2 Classes: 2 lec, 1tut & 4hr prac/wk (wks 1-6); Project: (wks 7-12) Assumed knowledge: Some knowledge of GIS and spatial information systems and/or some knowledge of soil science, geomorphology or environmental science. Assessment: Lab prac reports, group work, presentation and project report

Note: Department permission required for enrolment. Note: Consent of the unit coordinator required.

This unit of study is aimed at advanced techniques in Remote Sensing (RS), linked with Geographical Information Systems (GIS), as applied to land management problems. It is a main elective unit for BLWSc and BScAgr students that provide a broader spatial context of the land resources. The unit consists of three separate but overlapping parts: 1) a short theoretical part which focuses on the concepts of RS; 2) a practical part which aims at developing hands-on skills in using RS and GIS tools, and 3) an application-focused module in which students will learn the skills of how to design a land management project and actualise it using integrated GIS and RS techniques. At the completion of this unit students will have grasp the theories and concepts of GIS and acquired research skills in the application of advanced remote sensing and GIS algorithms to provide evidence-based solutions to natural resource management and environmental problems. Communication skills and critical thinking for solving land resources problems are encouraged through class discussions, group work and tutorial presentations.

### Textbooks

van Dijk, A. and Bos, M.G. 2001. GIS and remote sensing techniques in landand water-management. Kluwer Academic Publisher, Dordrecht.

Skidmore, A. 2002. Environmental modelling with GIS and remote sensing. Taylor & Francis, London.

Mowrer, H. T. and Congalton, R. G. (Editors). 2000. Quantifying spatial uncertainty in natural resources: theory and applications for GIS and remote sensing. Ann Arbor Press

Wilson J. P. and Gallant J. C. (Editors). 2000. Terrain Analysis: Principles and Applications. John Wiley and Sons New York

### ENVX4002

### **Environmetrics 4**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Thomas Bishop Session: Semester 1 Classes: 2x1 hr workshops and 1x3 hr practical (weeks 1-7); 6 hours project work (weeks 8-13) Prerequisites: BIOM3004 or BIOM3005 or BIOM3006 Assessment: One major project (60%), practical assignments (40%)

This unit of study is designed to introduce the students to advanced statistical methods, programming and algorithm development with direct applications for solving environmental and agricultural problems. It is a core unit for BScAgr students wishing to specialize in Environmetrics and available as an elective for students in BScAgr, BHortSc and BLWSc who have completed one of BIOM3004, BIOM3005 or BIOM3006. In the first half the students will learn about spatial and temporal statistics, the design of sampling schemes to monitor change in space and time, and stochastic simulation. These methods will be taught in R to introduce the students to computer programming and algorithm development. In the second half the students will undertake a major project where they will encode a statistical method or simple process model related to their own interests. At the end of this unit, students will have gained an introduction to computer programming and algorithm development which will empower them to create customised code and scripts in their future studies and career. The students will gain research and inquiry skills through the major project where they will develop their own program to perform an analysis of their choice. Information literacy and communication skills will be developed through weekly computer work.

### GENE2001 Agricultural Genetics 2

### Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Professor Peter Sharp Session: Semester 1 Classes: (3 lec, 3 prac/tut)/wk Prerequisites: At least one of (BIOL1001, BIOL1002, BIOL1101, BIOL1901, BIOL1911) Assessment: Exam,

(BIOL1001, BIOL1002, BIOL1101, BIOL1901, BIOL1911) Assessment: Exam, assignment, tests This lecture and practical unit of study provides an introduction to the genetics and breeding of plants and animals. It provides an understanding for parallel and following express Lectures as understanding for parallel and following express Lectures and animals.

understanding for parallel and following courses. Lectures cover the basics of gene transmission and interaction, cytogenetics, molecular genetics, population and quantitative genetics, as well as the more applied aspects of plant and animal breeding and biotechnology. Practicals emphasise, with agricultural examples, the procedures of genetic and cytogenetic analysis, and the use of computers in simulation procedures in population genetics, quantitative inheritance and selection programs, and provide exposure to current plant and animal breeding and biotechnology.

### GENE4011

### Plant Cytogenetics

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Norm Darvey Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec, 2 seminars/workshops, 1 lab)/wk Prerequisites: BIOM2001, GENE2001. Assessment: 2hr exam, assignments, practical reports, presentation

Lectures in cytology and cytogenetics, with special emphasis on cereals and the application of chromosome engineering to plant breeding. The laboratory unit includes routine cytological procedures and tissue culture technology.

### GENE4012

### **Plant Breeding**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Professor Richard Trethowan Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec, 2 seminars/workshops, 1 lab)/wk Prerequisites: BIOM2001, GENE2001 Assessment: 2hr exam, assignments, practical reports, presentation

Lectures and practical work devoted to the theory, philosophy and practice of plant breeding, screening techniques conservation of genetic variability, breeding for disease resistance, the use of tissue culture in breeding, with examples from both field and horticultural crops.

### GENE4013

### Molecular Genetics and Breeding

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Professor Peter Sharp Session: Semester 1 Classes: (3 lec, 2 seminars/workshops, 1 lab)/wk Prerequisites: BIOM2001, GENE2001 Assessment: 2hr exam, assignments, practical reports, presentation

Lectures and laboratory work covering the structure and function of plant genomes and genes, the technology and results of DNA transformation and the analysis of plant traits by molecular techniques including by genetic mapping using molecular and other genetic markers

### GENE4014

### **Population and Quantative Genetics**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Prof Chris Moran Session: Semester 1 Classes: (3 lec, 2 labs)/wk Prerequisites: BIOM2001, GENE2001 Corequisites: GENE4012 Assessment: 2hr exam, assignments, practical reports, presentation

Lectures and practical periods dealing with population genetic, quantitative inheritance and animal breeding given by the Faculty of Veterinary Science

## Geography and Geology units of study

For GEOG and GEOS units of study not listed below please refer to the Faculty of Science Handbook at www.usyd.edu.au/handbooks.

### GEOG2321 Fluvial and Groundwater Geomorphology

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Melissa Neave Session: Semester 2 Classes: Two 1 hour lectures and one 2 hour practical per week. Prerequisites: GEOG(2311 or 2001) or 36 credit points of Junior study including GEOS1001 or GEOS1901 or GEOG1001 or ENVI (1001 or 1002) or GEOL (1001 or 1002 or 1501). Students in the Bachelor of Resource Economics should have 36 credit points of study in Biology (or Land and Water Science), Chemistry and Mathematics. Students in the Bachelor of Land and Water Science should have ENVI1002, 12 credit points of Chemistry, 6 credit points of Biology, BIOM1002. Prohibitions: GEOG (2002 or 2302) or 2303) or MARS2002 or MARS2006 Assessment: One 2 hr exam, one quiz, one field report, practical exercises

This unit of study provides an introduction to the fundamentals of fluvial geomorphology (the study of surface water as an agent of landscape change) and groundwater hydrology. The fluvial geomorphology section of the unit will describe the movement of water in stream channels and investigate the landscape change associated with that movement. Topics to be covered will include open channel flow hydraulics, sediment transport processes and stream channel morphology. Practical work will focus on the collection and analysis of field data. The quantity and quality of the groundwater resources are closely linked to geology and fluvial geomorphology. The groundwater section of this unit is based around four common groundwater surface water interaction. In the practical component, common groundwater computer models such as FLOWTUBE and MODFLOW will be used to further explore these problems.

### Textbooks

Recommended Textbooks: Fetter, CW. Applied Hydrogeology. Prentice-Hall. 2001. & Knighton, D. Fluvial Forms and Processes. Hodder-Arnold. 1998

### GEOS1001

### Earth, Environment and Society

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Tom Hubble, Dr Mel Neave, Dr Bill Pritchard Session: Semester 1, Summer Late Classes: Two 1 hour lectures and one 2 hour practical per week. Prohibitions: GEOS1901, GEOG1001, GEOG1002, GEOL1001, GEOL1002, GEOL1902 Assessment: One 2 hour exam, 2000 word essay, field and prac reports

This is the gateway unit of study for Human Geography, Physical Geography and Geology. Its objective is to introduce the big questions relating to the origins and current state of the planet: climate change, environment, landscape formation, and the growth of the human population. During the semester you will be introduced to knowledge, theories and debates about how the world's physical and human systems operate. The first module investigates the system of global environmental change, specifically addressing climate variability and human impacts on the natural environment. The second module presents Earth as an evolving and dynamic planet, investigating how changes take place, the rate at which they occur and how they have the potential to dramatically affect the way we live. Finally, the third module, focuses on human-induced challenges to Earth's future. This part of the unit critically analyses the relationships between people and their environments, with central consideration to debates on population change and resource use.

### GEOS1002

### Introductory Geography

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Mel Neave, Dr Kurt Iveson Session: Semester 2 Classes: Two 1 hour lectures and one 2 hour practical per week. Prohibitions: GEOS1902, GEOG1001, GEOG1002 Assessment: One 2 hour exam, one 2000 word essay, five practical reports

This unit of study provides an introduction to the ways that human and physical landscapes are produced. It begins with an investigation of Earth's surface features, exploring the distribution of landforms across Earth and interpreting their evolutionary histories. Several landscapes will be examined including those formed by rivers, wind, oceans and glaciers. But physical landscapes evolve under the influence of and affect human operations. Therefore, the unit of study will also consider the political, economic, cultural and urban geographies which shape contemporary global society. Each of these themes will be discussed with reference to key examples, in order to consider the ways in which the various processes (both physical and human) interact in the shaping of places. The unit of study will also include short field trips to localities surrounding the university to observe processes of spatial change and conflict. The unit of study is designed to attract and interest students who wish to pursue geography as a major within their undergraduate degree, but also has relevance to students who wish to consider the way geographers understand the contemporary world.

### GEOS1003

### Introduction to Geology

**Credit points:** 6 **Teacher/Coordinator:** Dr Tom Hubble, A/Prof Clarke, Dr Julie Dickinson **Session:** Semester 2 **Classes:** Three 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour practical per week. **Prohibitions:** GEOS1903, GEOL1002, GEOL1902 **Assessment:** One 2 hour exam, practical reports, field report

The aim of this unit of study is to examine the chemical and physical processes involved in mineral formation, the interior of the Earth, surface features, sedimentary environments, volcanoes, and metamorphism. Lectures and laboratory sessions on mountain building processes and the formation of mineral deposits will lead to an understanding of the forces controlling the geology of our planet. Processes such as weathering, erosion and nature of sedimentary environments are related to the origin of the Australian landscape. In addition to laboratory classes there is a two-day excursion to the western Blue Mountains and Lithgow to examine geological objects in their setting.

### Textbooks

The recommended text is Hamblin & Christiansen. Earth's Dynamic Systems. 9th Edition. Prentice Hall. 2001.

### GEOS2113

### Making the Australian Landscape

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr S.J. Gale Session: Semester 1 Classes: Two - three 1 hour lectures and one - two 1 hour practicals per week. Prerequisites: 24 credit points of Junior units of study, including GEOS1002 or GEOS1003 or GEOS1902 or GEOS1903 or GEOG1001 or ENVI1002 or GEOL1001 or GEOL1002 or GEOL1902 Prohibitions: GEOS2913 Assessment: One 2 hour examination, practical reports.

The shifts in the nature of the Earth's environment over time and the resultant changes in process regimes have had dramatic impacts on the way the Australian physical landscape has evolved. We consider here the effects of these changes on the broad pattern of the landscape, focusing particularly on slopes and soils. We follow this by investigating the environmental changes that have taken place since the end of the last glacial, the time when the continent's climates and environments first took on a recognisably modern form. We deal specifically with the impact of human activity on the Australian biophysical environment, emphasising both pre-European impacts and those changes that have taken place since European contact.

### GEOS3018

### **Rivers: Science, Policy and Management**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Mel Neave. Session: Semester 1 Classes: Two 1 hour lectures, one 1 hour tutorial, two 4 hour practicals per week; fieldwork Prerequisites: (24 credit points of Intermediate units of study including 6 credit points of Intermediate Geography units of study) or ((MARS2005 or MARS2905) and (MARS2006 or MARS2906)) Prohibitions: GEOS3918 Assessment: One 2 hour exam, two 1500 word essays

The unit of study is concerned with understanding the functioning of river catchments from both natural science and social science perspectives, at a variety of scales. The catchment as a morphodynamic process-response system is addressed with an emphasis on the relationships between processes and landform entities. Similarly, relationships within social, economic, and political systems are explored within the catchment context, with particular emphasis on the interactions between the social system and bio-physical system. Empirical context for the unit will primarily be drawn from the Murray-Darling, Mekong, and Hawkesbury-Nepean catchments. Fieldwork in the latter is integral to the unit of study.

### Textbooks

Gordon, et al. Stream Hydrology: An Introduction for Ecologists. 2004.

### Government units of study

For GOVT units of study not listed below please refer to the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook at www.usyd.edu.au/handbooks.

### GOVT1101

### **Australian Politics**

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1, Semester 2 Classes: 2 lectures and 1 tutorial per week Assessment: Essay; Exam; Participation; Paper

This unit introduces students to debates about the nature and limits of Australian democracy, to the major institutions of Australian politics, and to the distribution of power in Australian society. Major institutions and forces such as parliament, executive government, the federal system, political parties and the media are examined as arenas of power, conflict and consensus. Who rules? How? Which groups are excluded?

### GOVT1104

### **Power in Society**

This unit of study is not available in 2008

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2 Classes: Two lectures and one tutorial per week Assessment: Critical Reading Exercises; Participation; Case Study; Exam

This unit provides an introduction to the study of politics through a focus on the key organising principle of political science: power. Different ways in which power is theorised and structured are considered, not with the intention of presenting a universal theory or theories, but rather to find some connections and extensions amongst a wide variety of experiences of political power. In particular this unit considers the way power operates in Australian society in relation to political decision making. The unit draws on case studies in order to combine the study of key political ideas and concepts with practical examples from our daily lives (e.g. diet, transport, drugs, clothing, etc.).

### GOVT1105

### Geopolitics

**Credit points:** 6 **Session:** Semester 2 **Classes:** 2 lectures and 1 tutorial per week **Assessment:** Critical reading and bibliographic assignments; essay; exam; tutorial participation

This unit will examine how the contemporary international political order has emerged by focusing upon the interplay of diplomatic and strategic issues in the post-war world. It will begin with an analysis of the Cold War and its origins, tracing the development of Soviet-American rivalry, its manifestations in Europe, Asia, Africa and Latin America, and the different ways in which that rivalry was played out. The collapse of the Soviet Union as both a superpower and a state and the disappearance of the communist bloc will be analysed, before surveying the post-Cold War international scene. Among the issues reviewed in the post-Cold War era will be the question of US hegemony and unilateralism vs. multilateralism, nuclear proliferation, the continuing tension between the first and the third worlds, questions of civilisational conflict.

### GOVT1202

### World Politics

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1, Semester 2 Classes: 2 lectures and 1 tutorial per week Assessment: Assignment; Essay; Exam; Participation

This unit introduces the core content of the field of international relations. The first part of the unit presents the realist, liberal, Marxist and constructivist paradigms of international relations. The second part of the unit discusses the key actors and processes political scientists define in the field, including the state, decision makers, bureaucratic organisations, and classes. The final part of the unit focuses on international security, international political economy, and global problems.

### GOVT1406

### International Business and Politics

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1 Classes: 2 lectures and 1 tutorial per week Assessment: Assignment; Essay; Exam; Participation

This unit introduces students to the international business environment, particularly those forces that shape international business relations and markets: international political relations, international trade, international financial markets, and the global economic and political architecture. The unit surveys issues associated with global marketplaces, trade and investment, culture, internationalisation, the international monetary system, foreign exchange, trade agreements, markets in Asia, international investment risk, risk analysis for international business, and risk mitigation. The unit is especially concerned with international business as it relates to international business and politics in Asia.

### HORT2002

### **Horticultural Science 2**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Jenny Jobling Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec, 1x3hr prac)/wk Prerequisites: BIOL1001 and (BIOL1002 or BIOL1902) Assumed knowledge: (AFNR1001 and AFNR1002) or (HORT1001 and HORT1002) Assessment: One 2 hr exam (55%), 3 assignments and plant ID quiz (45%).

This course covers topics in three areas, firstly on the physiology of growth and development of fruit trees, with special attention to the winter/spring activities involved in orchard/vineyard establishment. Secondly there is a unit of the identification of horticultural plants that covers both theory and practical aspects. Thirdly the principles and practices of flower and nursery crop production. Plant identification will build on knowledge and skills learnt in AFNR1001 and AFNR1002 to provide students with a detailed foundation of plant use in ornamental horticulture, based around plant families. The students will gain important information about these aspects of the horticultural industry as well as research and enquiry skills through research based practical sessions and assignments.

#### Textbooks

Reference books: M.N. Westwood. Temperate-Zone Pomology: Physiology and Culture 3rd Edn (Timber Press, 1993) H.T. Hartmann, D.E. Kester, F.T. Davies & R.L. Geneve. Plant Propagation:

H.T. Hartmann, D.E. Kester, F.T. Davies & R.L. Geneve. Plant Propagation: Principles and Practices (Prentice Hall International 1997)

### **HORT3005**

### **Production Horticulture**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Jenny Jobling Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec; 1x3hr prac/workshop)/wk Prerequisites: Two of PLNT2001, PLNT2901, PLNT2002, PLNT2902, PLNT2003, PLNT2903. Assumed knowledge: ((AFNR1001 and AFNR1002) or (HORT101 and HORT1002)) and HORT2002. Assessment: One 3 hr exam (55%), three assignments (45%)

This unit of study covers topics on the production of perennial fruit crops, wine grapes, the sustainable production of vegetables and it also covers the key aspects of the postharvest handling and quality assurance of fresh produce. At the end of this unit students are expected to have a detailed understanding of these areas of horticulture and be able to discuss related literature and the physiological principles underlying the commercial success of these horticultural enterprises. Students will also gain research and enquiry skills through research based practical sessions and assignments.

### Textbooks

Reference Books:

Loius Glowinski (1991) The complete Book of Fruit Growning in Australian. Lothian Books

Baxter, P. (1997) Growing Fruit In Australia. MacMillan Australia Westwood, M.N. (1993) Temperate-Zone Pomology. Timber Press Inc.

### HORT4004

### **Issues in Horticultural Science 4A**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Robyn McConchie Session: Semester 1 Classes: 2 lectures per week for 13 weeks & 6 prac per 13 weeks Prerequisites: HORT3001 or HORT3004 Assessment: Exam (2 hr) (25%), plant ID practical quizzes (15%), consulting report (45%), seminar presentation (15%) Students attend a series of discussion workshops on minimising the environmental impact of horticultural enterprises. It introduces students to current themes and thinking in sustainable practices in horticultural science, covering issues such as efficient water management, sustainable use of fertilizers, salinity, heavy metal pollution, disposal of plastics, integrated pest management and organic practices. Students also undertake an industry based case study analysis of a horticultural supply chain, designed to provide them with skills in data analysis and interpretation, problem identification and problem solving. In addition, students will add to their general knowledge of important horticultural plants and their uses through plant identification workshops.

### **HORT4005**

### **Research and Practice in Hort Science**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Professor David Guest Session: Semester 2 Classes: 2h tut/wk; one 1-week excursion Prerequisites: HORT3005 Assessment: Tutorial papers (30%); project proposal (10%); project report (50%); peer review (10%)

Upon completion of this unit, students will have participated in a major excursion and a series of discussion workshops based on prescribed readings that will broaden their appreciation of current research themes in horticultural science, industry issues, stimulate critical thinking, enhance professional research skills and give an insight into the career opportunities for horticultural scientists. Attendance at seminars, written reports and presentations made during these workshops will improve student skills in critical analysis and communication.

### Information Systems units of study

For INFS units of study not listed below please refer to the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook at www.usyd.edu.au/handbooks.

### INFS1000

### **Business Information Systems Foundations**

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1, Semester 2, Summer Main Classes: 3hrs per week **Prohibitions:** ISYS1003, INFO1000, INFO1003, INFO1903 Assessment: Tutorial work/ participation; Individual project; Group project; Final examination

The Information Age, with its focus on information as a key business resource, has changed the way Business Information Systems (BIS) are viewed in organisations. In previous years, people approached BIS primarily as a tool to increase efficiency, either by cutting costs, time or energy spent. In the information age, however, the role of BIS is different it is an enabler of innovation and a tool for getting the right information into the hands of the right people at the right time. This unit is designed to develop your understanding of how businesses operate and shows how business information systems support business operations and management. You will be provided with an introduction to BIS theories, frameworks and models to assist in understanding the nature and contribution of BIS in a range of organisational contexts including private, public and not for profit.

### LWSC2002

### Sustainable Land and Water Management

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Dhia Al Bakri (Coordinator), Dr Willem Vervoort Session: Semester 2 Classes: Lec 2hr/wk; practical: 3hr/wk (for 8 weeks); field work: 25hr/wk (for 1 wk only) Assumed knowledge: LWSC1001, LWSC1002 Assessment: One 2 hr exam (50%), laboratory and practical reports (20%), field trip report (30%) Practical field work: 1 week field trip

This unit introduces students to the principles and practices of sustainable development and integrated catchment management. Students' appreciation of the principles will be facilitated through theoretical and practical case studies focusing on problems and issues facing land and water users and managers in Australia. This unit builds on knowledge gained in LWSC 1001, LWSC 1002, and SOIL 2001 and establishes the foundation for LWSC 3005 (Environmental Water Quality) and GEOG 2303 (Groundwater Hydrology). The unit provides one of the essential building blocks for developing the conceptual framework for, and linking the other units to the central themes of, the Bachelor of Land and Water Science. The unit consists of two parts.

The first part will involve a series of lectures and practical exercises. The second part of the unit is a 5-day field trip traveling from Sydney to Orange and through the Lachlan valley to the Jemalong irrigation district. During the fieldtrip, students will examine the interactions between the socio-economic and biophysical systems of the landscape, undertake data gathering and perform practical exercises in relation to a wide range of land and water issues and problems. After completion of this unit, students should be able to: Explain the principles underlying the concepts of sustainable development and ICM Identify main land and water degradation issues in Australia and define relevant causes, effects and management options; Describe the relevance of the LG model to sustainable catchment and resource management Develop an understanding of the link between water quantity and water quality and its implications for management. Employ a range of basic computational techniques which will allow them to explore the link between water quality and quantity in more detail. Develop an understanding of flow variability, its causes and assessment and its relation to water quality Assess landscape-land use interaction in relation to farm productivity, water quality and land management.

### Textbooks

Al Bakri D 2002. Geoscience and sustainable catchment and resource management: The Ben Chifley Catchment case study, Environmental Geology, 42, 588-596.

Al Bakri D 2001. Towards developing a geoscientific approach to sustainable agricultural and rural development, Journal of Environmental Geology ,40 (4-5), 543-556.

Heathcote IW 1998. Integrated watershed management, principles and practices, John Wiley and Sons, New York.

### LWSC3005

### **Environmental Water Quality**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr D Al Bakri, Professor I Kennedy, Dr R Caldwell Session: Semester 1 Classes: 2 lec/wk; 3hr lab for 7 weeks; 25hr fieldwork (in 1 wk only) Prerequisites: LWSC2002 or GEOG2321 or AGCH2003 or 6 credit points of intermediate Chemistry Assessment: One 2 hr exam (40%), laboratory and practical reports (35%), field trip professional report (25%)

The unit of study will provide students with an in-depth understanding of the main water quality problems in Australia, related limnological issues and the underlying causes and processes. The unit builds on knowledge gained in LWSC2002, AGCH2003 and GEOG2321. The study program commences with a field trip module to the productive Macquarie and Namoi Valleys, where irrigated agriculture has been developed. Environmental impacts of agricultural enterprises such as irrigation farming and human settlements on water environments will be assessed. Field observations on pH, nutrient level, salt content, pesticide contamination, and microbial content in aquatic environments will be made with samples returned for more detailed laboratory analysis at the University. The unit will also investigate sources and dynamic of pollutants in receiving water, sediment-nutrient interaction and pollution control strategies. The unit will cover aspects of freshwater ecology with particular emphasis on wetlands ecosystem, riparian vegetation, phytoplankton communities and cyanobacteria.

### Textbooks

Wetzel R G 2001. Limnology: Lake and reservoir ecosystems, 3rd edn, Academic Press London.

### LWSC3006

### Landscape Hydrology and Management

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Willem Vervoort Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec, 0.6 on-line 2.4 prac )hr/wk Prerequisites: LWSC2002 or GEOG2321 Assessment: On-line activities 10%; oral presentation 10%; practical reports 50%; 2 hr exam 30%

This unit of study is designed to allow students to examine catchment-scale hydrological modeling, groundwater hydrogeochemistry as an investigative tool for water quality and policy making at the catchment level. It is a core unit for students in BLWSc and builds on the theoretical knowledge gained in LWSC3004, GEOG2321 and LWSC2002. In the first part, students will investigate several ways to simulate catchment hydrological processes and review the possibilities and impossibilities of using simulation models for catchment management. In the second part students will apply

hydrogeochemical techniques to investigate groundwater quality and review recent developments in catchment-based management strategies to control salinity and pollution. At the end of this unit, students will be able to articulate advantages and disadvantages of using simulation models for catchment management, justify the choice of a simulation model for a particular catchment management problem, identify issues in relation to uncertainty, apply hydrogeochemical investigation techniques for groundwater and describe innovative strategies for salinity and pollution control. The students will gain research and inquiry skills through research based group projects, information literacy and communication skills through on-line discussion postings, laboratory reports and a presentation and personal and intellectual autonomy through working in groups.

### Mathematics units of study

For MATH units of study not listed below please refer to the Faculty of Science Handbook at www.usyd.edu.au/handbooks.

### MATH1001

### **Differential Calculus**

**Credit points:** 3 **Session:** Semester 1, Summer Main **Classes:** Two 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week. **Prohibitions:** MATH1011, MATH1901, MATH1906, MATH1111 **Assumed knowledge:** HSC Mathematics Extension 1 **Assessment:** One 1.5 hour examination, assignments and quizzes.

MATH1001 is designed to provide a thorough preparation for further study in mathematics and statistics. It is a core unit of study providing three of the twelve credit points required by the Faculty of Science as well as a Junior level requirement in the Faculty of Engineering. This unit of study looks at complex numbers, functions of a single variable, limits and continuity, vector functions and functions of two variables. Differential calculus is extended to functions of two variables. Taylor's theorem as a higher order mean value theorem.

Textbooks

As set out in the Junior Mathematics Handbook.

### MATH1002

### Linear Algebra

Credit points: 3 Session: Semester 1, Summer Main Classes: Two 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week. Prohibitions: MATH1902, MATH1012, MATH1014 Assumed knowledge: HSC Mathematics Extension 1 Assessment: One 1.5 hour examination, assignments and quizzes.

MATH1002 is designed to provide a thorough preparation for further study in mathematics and statistics. It is a core unit of study providing three of the twelve credit points required by the Faculty of Science as well as a Junior level requirement in the Faculty of Engineering. This unit of study introduces vectors and vector algebra, linear algebra including solutions of linear systems, matrices, determinants, eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

### Textbooks

As set out in the Junior Mathematics Handbook

### **MATH1003**

### Integral Calculus and Modelling

Credit points: 3 Session: Semester 2, Summer Main Classes: Two 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week. Prohibitions: MATH1013, MATH1903, MATH1907 Assumed knowledge: HSC Mathematics Extension 2 or MATH101 or MATH1111 Assessment: One 1.5 hour examination, assignments and quizzes.

MATH1003 is designed to provide a thorough preparation for further study in mathematics and statistics. It is a core unit of study providing three of the twelve credit points required by the Faculty of Science as well as a Junior level requirement in the Faculty of Engineering. This unit of study first develops the idea of the definite integral from Riemann sums, leading to the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus. Various forms of integration are considered, such as integration by parts. The second part is an introduction to the use of first and second order differential equations to model a variety of scientific phenomena.

### Textbooks

As set out in the Junior Mathematics Handbook

### MATH1005 Statistics

Credit points: 3 Session: Semester 2, Summer Main Classes: Two 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week. Prohibitions: MATH1015, MATH1905, STAT1021, STAT1022, ECMT1010 Assumed knowledge: HSC Mathematics Assessment: One 1.5 hour examination, assignments and quizzes.

MATH1005 is designed to provide a thorough preparation for further study in mathematics and statistics. It is a core unit of study providing three of the twelve credit points required by the Faculty of Science as well as a Junior level requirement in the Faculty of Engineering. This unit offers a comprehensive introduction to data analysis, probability, sampling, and inference including t-tests, confidence intervals and chi-squared goodness of fit tests.

### Textbooks

As set out in the Junior Mathematics Handbook

### MATH1011

### Life Sciences Calculus

Credit points: 3 Session: Semester 1, Summer Main Classes: Two 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week. Prohibitions: MATH1111, MATH1001, MATH1901, MATH1906, BIOM1003 Assumed knowledge: HSC Mathematics Assessment: One 1.5 hour examination, assignments and quizzes.

This unit is designed to provide calculus for students of the life sciences who do not intend to undertake higher year mathematics and statistics. It includes the fitting of data to various functions, introduces finite difference methods, and it demonstrates the use of calculus in optimisation problems. It extends differential calculus to functions of two variables and develops integral calculus, including the definite integral and multiple integrals.

### Textbooks

As set out in the Junior Mathematics Handbook

### MATH1013

### **Differential and Difference Equations**

Credit points: 3 Session: Semester 2, Summer Main Classes: Two 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week. Prohibitions: MATH1003, MATH1903, MATH1907 Assumed knowledge: HSC Mathematics or MATH1111 Assessment: One 1.5 hour examination, assignments and quizzes.

MATH1013 is designed to provide the theory of difference and differential equations for students of the life sciences who do not intend to undertake higher year mathematics and statistics. This unit of study looks at the solution of equations by bisection and iteration, first and second order difference equations where chaos is met, and examples of modelling using simple first and second order differential equations. *Textbooks* 

As set out in the Junior Mathematics Handbook

### MATH1015

### Biostatistics

Credit points: 3 Session: Semester 1 Classes: Two 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week. **Prohibitions:** MATH1005, MATH1905, STAT1021, STAT1022, ECMT1010, BIOM1003 **Assumed knowledge:** HSC Mathematics **Assessment:** One 1.5 hour examination, assignments and quizzes.

MATH1015 is designed to provide a thorough preparation in statistics for students in the Biological and Medical Sciences. It offers a comprehensive introduction to data analysis, probability and sampling, inference including t-tests, confidence intervals and chi-squared goodness of fit tests. There are comprehensive details of this unit of study in the Junior Mathematics Handbook distributed at the time of enrolment.

### Textbooks

As set out in the Junior Mathematics Handbook

### MATH1901

### Differential Calculus (Advanced)

Credit points: 3 Session: Semester 1 Classes: Two 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week. Prerequisites: HSC Mathematics Extension 2. This requirement may be varied. Students with an interest in mathematics, but without HSC mathematics Extension 2, should consult the unit of study coordinator. Prohibitions: MATH1111, MATH1011, MATH1001, MATH1906 Assumed knowledge: HSC Mathematics Extension 2 Assessment: One 1.5 hour examination, assignments and quizzes.

### Textbooks

As set out in the Junior Mathematics Handbook

### MATH1902

### Linear Algebra (Advanced)

Credit points: 3 Session: Semester 1 Classes: Two 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week. Prerequisites: HSC Mathematics Extension 2. This requirement may be varied. Students with an interest in mathematics, but without HSC mathematics Extension 2, should consult the unit of study coordinator. Prohibitions: MATH1002, MATH1012, MATH1014 Assumed knowledge: HSC Mathematics Extension 2 Assessment: One 1.5 hour examination, assignments and quizzes.

This unit is designed to provide a thorough preparation for further study in mathematics and statistics. It is a core unit of study providing three of the twelve credit points required by the Faculty of Science as well as a Junior level requirement in the Faculty of Engineering. It parallels the normal unit MATH1002 but goes more deeply into the subject matter and requires more mathematical sophistication.

### Textbooks

As set out in the Junior Mathematics Handbook

### MATH1903

### Integral Calculus and Modelling Advanced

Credit points: 3 Session: Semester 2 Classes: Two 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week. Prerequisites: HSC Mathematics Extension 2. This requirement may be varied. Students with an interest in mathematics, but without HSC mathematics Extension 2, should consult the unit of study coordinator. Prohibitions: MATH1003, MATH1013, MATH1907 Assumed knowledge: HSC Mathematics Extension 2 or Credit or better in MATH1001 or MATH1901 Assessment: One 1.5 hour examination, assignments and quizzes.

MATH1903 is designed to provide a thorough preparation for further study in mathematics and statistics. It is a core unit of study providing three of the twelve credit points required by the Faculty of Science as well as a Junior level requirement in the Faculty of Engineering. This unit of study parallels the normal unit MATH1003 but goes more deeply into the subject matter and requires more mathematical sophisticaton.

Textbooks

As set out in the Junior Mathematics Handbook

### MATH1905

### Statistics (Advanced)

Credit points: 3 Session: Semester 2 Classes: Two 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week. Prerequisites: HSC Mathematics Extension 2. This requirement may be varied. Students with an interest in mathematics, but without HSC mathematics Extension 2, should consult the unit of study coordinator. Prohibitions: MATH1015, MATH1005, STAT1021, STAT1022, ECMT1010 Assumed knowledge: HSC Mathematics Extension 2 Assessment: One 1.5 hour examination, assignments and quizzes.

This unit is designed to provide a thorough preparation for further study in mathematics and statistics. It is a core unit of study providing three of the twelve credit points required by the Faculty of Science as well as a Junior level requirement in the Faculty of Engineering. This Advanced level unit of study parallels the normal unit MATH1005 but goes more deeply into the subject matter and requires more mathematical sophistication.

### Textbooks

As set out in the Junior Mathematics Handbook

### **MICR2024**

### **Microbes in the Environment**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Andrew Holmes Session: Semester 2 Classes: Two 1 hour lectures and one 3 hour practical per week. Prerequisites: 30 credit points of Junior Science or Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resource units including 6 credit points of Junior Biology. Prohibitions: MICR2021, MICR2921, MICR2001, MICR2901, MICR2003, MICR2007, MICR2011, MICR2909 Assessment: One 2 hour exam, fortnightly practical quiz, project report and continuous practical assessment. Note: Students are very strongly recommended to complete MICR (2021 or 2921 or 2024) before enrolling in MICR2922 in Semester 2. For progression on to Senior Microbiology units, students must also complete MBLG(1001 or 1901) or PLNT (2001 or 2901).

This unit introduces the diversity of microbes found in soil, water, air, plant and animal environments. Through an examination of their physiology and genetics it explores their interactions with plants, animals and each other, and their roles as decomposers and recyclers in the environment. The soil is a rich microbial environment, and the concept of soil health and its relationship to plant growth is discussed. Practical classes introduce techniques and skills in isolating, quantifying and culturing microbes, designing and interpreting experiments to study microbial growth, and in preparing and presenting data. Students will complete a short project that is relevant to either agricultural microbiology.

### Textbooks

Atlas RM and Bartha R (1997) Microbial Ecology: Fundamentals and applications. 4th Edition. Benjamin/Cummings Scientific Publishing, Menlo Park, CA

### **MICR3022**

### **Microbial Biotechnology**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr A Holmes Session: Semester 2 Classes: Two 1 hour lectures per week and six 5 hour practicals. Prerequisites: At least 6 credit points of MBLG units and 6 credit points of Intermediate MICR units. For BMedSc students: 42 credit points of Intermediate BMED units including BMED (2802 and 2807). For BScAgr students: PLNT (2001 or 2901) and MICR2024. Prohibitions: MICR3922, MICR3002, MICR3902 Assessment: One 2 hour exam, continuous assessment, practical work, practical reports

This unit of study will cover both traditional microbial biotechnologies and the impact of new technologies on the emergence of new industries. Existing applications are based on empirical management of a remarkably small proportion of microbial diversity. The past ten years have seen dramatic advances in the capacity to explore microbial diversity and actively manage microbial communities. This course will focus on how these new techniques are creating new opportunities in biotechnology. General applications to be covered include production of metabolites or small molecules by microbial cultures (alcohols and antibiotics), production of macromolecules in microorganisms (protein expression and DNA manipulations), and management of microbial communities in biotechnology (gastrointestinal health, waste treatment and prospecting). Specific new techniques covered will include gene discovery via environmental metagenomics; microarrays and high throughput screening for isolation and recovery of producers of novel bioactive compounds. The practical component is designed to enable students to have a degree of independence in experimental planning. The project involves the integration of molecular and microbiological techniques to recover a biotechnologically relevant enzyme from a natural community.

### Marketing units of study

For MKTG units of study not listed below please refer to the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook at www.usyd.edu.au/handbooks.

### **MKTG1001**

#### **Marketing Principles**

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1, Semester 2 Classes: 1 lecture and 1 tutorial per week **Prohibitions:** MKTG2001 Assessment: Marketing plan; Group presentation; Tutorial assignment ; Two exams

This unit examines the relationships among marketing organisations and final consumers in terms of production-distribution channels or value chains. It focuses on consumer responses to various marketing decisions (product mixes, price levels, distribution channels, promotions, etc.) made by private and public organisations to create, develop, defend, and sometimes eliminate, product markets. Emphasis is placed on identifying new ways of satisfying the needs and wants, and creating value for consumers. While this unit is heavily based on theory, practical application of the concepts to "real world" situations is also essential. Specific topics of study include: market segmentation strategies; market planning; product decisions; new product development; branding strategies; channels of distribution; promotion and advertising; pricing strategies; and customer database management.

#### MKTG1002

### Marketing Research 1

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2 Classes: 1 lecture and 1 tutorial per week Prerequisites: MKTG1001 (or MKTG2001) Prohibitions: MKTG2003 Assessment: Group project; Tutorial participation portfolio; Individual critique; Exams (mid-semester and final)

Fundamental to marketing is a requirement to understand who your customers are and what they want. Marketing research is the essential activity of discovering information and presenting it in a useful format to marketing decision makers. This unit introduces the skills and knowledge necessary to allow students to accurately formulate research questions and then discover answers ensuring that these are accurate, reliable and timely. Particular focus is given to different approaches to and aspects of data collection, including: qualitative research; secondary data collection; questionnaire design; sampling; experimental design; validity and basic data analysis.

### PLNT2001

### Plant Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Meredith Wilkes, Prof Les Copeland, Dr Rosanne Quinnell Session: Semester 1 Classes: 2-3 lec/week, 32 hrs total; tutorials: 5 hrs total; laboratories: 36 hrs total **Prerequisites:** 12 credit points of Junior Chemistry and 12 credit points of Junior Biology (or with the Dean's permission BIOL1201 and BIOL1202) **Prohibitions:** PLNT2901, AGCH2001 **Assessment:** One 2hr exam, practical reports, practical quizzes, theory of practical exam, 400 word writing assignment

This unit of study is designed to develop an understanding of the molecular principles that underlie the structure and function of plants and how these principles relate to the use of plants by humans as a source of food and fibre. The unit is a core unit for BScAgr and BHortSc students and an elective for BSc and other degree programs. It recognizes the specialized nature of plant biochemistry and molecular biology and is a platform for students who wish to gain a sound knowledge of plant growth and development. This unit covers the biochemistry of the main carbohydrate, lipid, protein and nucleic acid constituents of plants , metabolic pathways that regulate plant growth and development, the mobilization and deposition of storage reserves, storage and expression of genetic information and plant responses to environmental influences. The role of molecular biology in the manipulation of plant growth and development will also be explored. At the completion of this unit students will be able to demonstrate theoretical knowledge of the biochemical structure and function of plants and how molecular biology can enhance our use of plants as food and fibres. Students will also be able to demonstrate abilities in the practice of laboratory methods used to analyse plants and the effective communication of experimental findings. Students enrolled in this unit will gain research and enquiry skills through attendance at lectures and participation in laboratory classes and tutorials, information literacy and communication skills through the synthesis of information used to prepare practical reports, social and professional understanding by participation in groupwork and assessments that seek to understand the role of agriculture in the broader community.

### Textbooks

No recommended text. A study guide/laboratory manual will be available for purchase from the Copy Centre during the first week of semester. Lecture notes and readings will be available through WebCT.

### **PLNT2002**

### Aust Flora: Ecology and Conservation

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Glenda Wardle, Dr Murray Henwood. Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 hrs lec & 3 hrs prac)/wk, audiovisual. Prerequisites: 6 credit points of a Junior unit of study **Prohibitions:** PLNT2902 Assessment: One 2-hr exam (40%), laboratory reports (20%) herbarium (20%), one 2-hr practical exam (20%).

This unit provides a broad understanding of the evolution, classification and diversity of terrestrial plants, and the principles of plant ecology in an Australian context. The major types of Australian vegetation are discussed across a range of temporal and spatial scales, and their current distribution related to their environment and origins. Selected contemporary issues in plant conservation from Australian natural and managed systems are explored. There is a strong emphasis on practical skills such as phylogenetic inference, plant identification and the collection and analysis of ecological data. The practical component of the unit of study uses examples taken from the Australian flora (including plants of horticultural significance) and major crop plants. Important elements of this unit are half-day field trips to the Royal National Park, and the construction of student herbaria. The practical sessions and interactions with staff encourage students to develop their own learning style and enhance a strong sense of self-reliance. Critical thinking, effective communication and other vocational and generic skills are emphasized. The content is well suited to students with interests in botany, plant science and ecology, and is often combined with units of study offered through the School of Biological Sciences and the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources. This unit of study also complements a wide range of units of study from: science (e.g. plant science, earth and environmental science, animal science, bioinformatics, molecular and cell biology, genetics and biotechnology); agriculture (e.g. horticulture, land and water science, and natural resources); and broader disciplines (e.g. education, arts, and environmental law).

### Textbooks

A Laboratory Manual for the unit will be available for purchase from the Copy Centre during the first week of Semester.

### **PLNT2003**

### Plant Form and Function

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: A/Prof Robyn Overall, Dr Lindsay Campbell Session: Semester 2 Classes: 24 lectures; 10 tutorials; 8 x 2 hr and 2x3hr labs; 2x6 hr field trips Prohibitions: PLNT2903, BIOL2003, BIOL2903, CROP2001 Assumed knowledge: 12 credit points of Junior Biology, or equivalent eg BIOL (1001 or 1101 or 1901 or 1911) and BIOL (1002 or 1903) Assessment: One 2hr theory exam (40%), prac exam (20%), anatomy project (10%), quizzes (5%), physiology report (10%), field report (15%)

This unit of study investigates the structure of cells, tissues and organs of flowering plants and relates them to function. Topics include; how photosynthesis, translocation, water transport and nutrition relate to the structures that carry out these processes. Most of the information on plant structure will be provided in self-instructional audio-visual sessions augmented by small group discussions. This is integrated with experiments carried out in the laboratory or on field excursions to investigate the physiological aspects of plant structures. There is a focus on recent advances in plant molecular biology where they have been critical in enhancing our understanding of the form and function of plants. The physiological and anatomical responses of plants to extreme environments such as drought and salinity will also be addressed. Attention will be paid to the anatomy and physiology of crop, horticultural and Australian native plants. This unit of study complements Plant Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Australian Flora: ecology and conservation and Cell Biology and leads onto senior units of study in plant sciences, including Plant Growth and Development. It is essential for those seeking a career in plant molecular biology.

### Textbooks

Taiz L, Zeiger E (2006) Plant Physiology 4th ed. Sunderland, Mass Sinauer Recommended reading:

Atwell B, Kriedemann P, Turnbull C (1999) Plants in Action. Macmillan, South Yarra.

Buchanan BB, Gruissem W, Jones RL (2000) Biochemistry and Molecular Biology of Plants, ASPP, Rockvill, Maryland

A Study Guide for the unit will be available for purchase from the Copy Centre during the first week of semester.

### PLNT2901

### Plant Biochem & Molecular Biology (Adv)

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Meredith Wilkes, Prof Les Copeland, Dr Rosanne Quinnell Session: Semester 1 Classes: 2-3 lec/week, 32 hrs total; tutorials: 5 hrs total; research project: 36 hrs total **Prerequisites:** A Distinction average in 12 credit points of Junior Chemistry and 12 credit points of Junior Biology (or with the Dean's permission BIOL1201 and BIOL1202) **Prohibitions:** PLNT2001, AGCH2001 **Assessment:** One 2hr exam, practical report, 400 word writing assignment

This unit of study is designed to develop an understanding of the molecular principles that underlie the structure and function of plants and how these principles relate to the use of plants by humans as a source of food and fibre. This unit is offered at an advanced level and is available to students in BScAgr, BHortSc, BSc and other degree programs. This unit recognizes the specialized nature of plant biochemistry and is of interest to students who wish to gain a more advanced knowledge of plant growth and development. This unit covers the biochemistry of the main carbohydrate, lipid, protein and nucleic acid constituents of plants , metabolic pathways that regulate plant growth and development, the mobilization and deposition of storage reserves, storage and expression of genetic information and plant responses to environmental influences. The role of molecular biology in the manipulation of plant growth and development will also be explored. At the completion of this unit students will be able to demonstrate theoretical knowledge of the biochemical structure and function of plants and how molecular biology can enhance our use of plants as food and fibres. Students will also be able to demonstrate abilities in the practice of laboratory methods used to anaylse plants and the effective communication of experimental findings by completing a short research project. Students enrolled in this unit will gain research and enquiry skills through attendance at lectures and tutorials and by completing a small research project and information literacy and communication skills through the synthesis of information used to prepare a report on the findings of the research project.

### Textbooks

No recommended text. A study guide/laboratory manual will be available for purchase from the Copy Centre during the first week of semester. Lecture notes and readings will be available through WebCT.

### **PLNT2902**

### Aust Flora: Ecology & Conservation (Adv)

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Glenda Wardle, Dr Murray Henwood Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec & 3 prac)/wk, audiovisual Prerequisites: Distinction average in 6 credit points of Junior units of study Prohibitions: PLNT2002 Assumed knowledge: The contents of BIOL(1002 or 1902) is assumed knowledge. Students wishing to enroll in Intermediate Biology (BIOL) and Plant Science (PLNT) units of study using BIOL(1003 or 1903) will need to do some preparatory reading Assessment: One 2-hr exam (40%), laboratory reports (20%) research project (20%), one 2-hr practical exam (20%)

Qualifed students will participate in alternative components of PLNT2002. The content and nature of these components may vary from year to year. See prerequisites for Senior units of study in Biology *Textbooks* 

A Laboratory Manual for the unit will be available for purchase from the Copy Centre during the first week of Semester

### PLNT2903

### Plant Form and Function (Advanced)

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: A/Prof Robyn Overall, Dr Lindsay Campbell Session: Semester 2 Classes: 24 lectures; 10 tutorials; 8 x 2 hr and 2x3hr labs; 2x6 hr field trips Prohibitions: PLNT2003, BIOL2003, BIOL2003, CROP2001 Assumed knowledge: 12 credit points of Junior Biology, or equivalent eg BIOL (1001 or 1101 or 1901 or 1911) and BIOL (1002 or 1902 or 1003 or 1903) Assessment: One 2hr theory exam (40%), prac exam (20%), research project oral and written presentation (25%), field report (15%)

The content will be based on PLNT2003 but qualified students will participate in alternative components at a more advanced level. The content and nature of these components may vary from year to year. *Textbooks* 

Taiz L, Zeiger E (2006) Plant Physiology 4th ed. Sunderland, Mass Sinauer Recommended reading: Atwell B, Kriedemann P, Turnbull C (1999) Plants in Action. Macmillan, South

Atwell B, Kriedemann P, Turnbull C (1999) Plants in Action. Macmillan, South Yarra.

Buchanan BB, Gruissem W, Jones RL (2000) Biochemistry and Molecular Biology of Plants, ASPP, Rockvill, Maryland

A Study Guide for the unit will be available for purchase from the Copy Centre during the first week of semester.

### PLNT3001

### Plant, Cell and Environment

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Rosanne Quinnell, A/Prof Robyn McConchie, Dr Charles Warren Session: Semester 2 Classes: Workshops and discussions 2 hr/wk; laboratories: alternate weeks 30 hr total (6 pracs; 5 hr each) Prerequisites: 12 credit points of Intermediate Biology, Plant Science,

Molecular Biology and Genetics or equivalent **Prohibitions:** PLNT3901 Assessment: One 2hr exam, 3 reports

This unit of study of comprises workshops and practical sessions that will be guided largely by current directions in plant science research in Australia. Three theme areas will be identified and used to direct the workshops and discussions conducted throughout the semester. We expect students to be able to span levels of plant organisation: molecular, cellular, tissues, organs, whole organism physiology and ecology. Theme areas for discussion will consider the Australian flora and the areas currently under investigation at the University of Sydney such as post-harvest physiology. Students will need to draw on knowledge from Intermediate units of study and will be expected to explore in the published literature in order to successfully integrate information from areas unfamiliar to themselves so as to participate in workshops and discussions. This unit of study provides opportunities for students to develop their skills in research and enquiry, information literacy, and communication. The practical component of this unit of study has sufficient flexibility for students to design their own group experiments to answer questions raised during the workshops. A range of equipment for student experiments will be available including: pulse amplitude modulated (PAM) fluorometer; oxygen electrodes; Scholander bomb, gel electrophoresis (PAGE). The purpose of this Unit of Study is to develop an understanding of current directions in Plant Science at an advanced level. When you have successfully completed this unit of study, you should be able to: be familiar with modern approaches of physiology, biophysics and molecular biology in the study of plant function; understand how domains of knowledge interact to describe plant function; understand how plants function in stressful environments; carryout a small research project; draft a manuscript for publication in a peer-reviewed journal.

### Textbooks

Students will be drawing on the current research literature for content. A Study Guide for the unit will be available for purchase during the first week of semester from the Copy Centre at a cost to be advised.

### **PLNT3002**

### **Plant Growth and Development**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Jan Marc (Executive Officer), Prof Robyn Overall, Prof David Guest, Dr Lindsay Campbell Session: Semester 2 Classes: 2-3 lec per wk, one 4 hr practical (6 weeks only), one 3 hr presentation of research project in week 13 Prerequisites: 12 credit points of intermediate PLNT, BIOL, AGCH or CROP units of study including at least one of PLNT2001, PLNT2901, PLNT2003, PLNT2903, BIOL2016, BIOL2916, BIOL2003, BIOL2903, BIOL2006, BIOL2906, CROP2001, AGCH2002 or equivalent Prohibitions: PLNT3902, BIOL3021, BIOL3931 Assessment: One 2 hr exam (60%), project presentation and report (20%), laboratory quizzes, report and book (20%)

This unit explores the fundamental mechanisms underlying plant growth and development from seed to maturity. It builds on the knowledge gained in intermediate units in biology and plant sciences. The unit covers the process of building the plant body from embryogenesis, development and operation of meristems, polarity, patterning, control of flowering and fruit development to programmed cell death and senescence. Students will investigate the role of hormonal signals in coordinating plant growth and development, and the cellular and molecular mechanisms underlying plant responses to environmental signals such as gravity, light, and salinity. Students will explore aspects of recent plant molecular biology that have been critical in enhancing our current understanding of plant growth and development, using examples from crop, horticultural and native plants as well as the model plant Arabidopsis. Lectures are augmented by experimental work in which students will identify fundamental mechanisms in plant development using plant tissue culture, protoplast production and modern cell biological techniques. Students will be able to articulate novel findings by conducting an independent research project. An excursion to the ANU and the CSIRO Plant Industry in Canberra will provide an opportunity to explore world-class research facilities for plant molecular biology. The students will gain research and inquiry skills through individual and group-based projects, communication skills through group discussions and laboratory reports, and presentation skills and personal and intellectual autonomy through working in groups. This unit of study complements other senior units of study in the Plant Science Major and is essential for those seeking a career in plant molecular biology.

### Textbooks

Taiz L, Zeiger E (2006) Plant Physiology 4th ed. Sinauer Associates, Sunderland, Massachusetts

Recommended reading: Atwell B, Kriedemann P, Turnbull C (1999) Plants in Action. Macmillan, South Yarra.

Buchanan BB, Gruissem W, Jones RL (2000) Biochemistry and Molecular Biology of Plants, ASPP, Rockville, Maryland

A Study Guide for the unit will be available for purchase from the Copy Centre during the first week of semester.

### **PLNT3003**

### Systematics and Evolution of Plants

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Murray Henwood Session: Semester 1 Classes: 2 lectures, one 3 hour practical per week, 2-day field-trip Prerequisites: 6 credit points from any intermediate unit of study from BIOL, PLNT, LWSC, HORT, GEOS, GEOG, ENVI, SOIL or equivalent Prohibitions: BIOL3015, BIOL3915, PLNT3903 Assessment: One 2 hr take-home exam (45%), oral presentation (5%), nomenclature exercise (15%), research project (35%)

This unit of study introduces students to the practical aspects of Plant Systematics and evolution. Students will gain a working knowledge of the general techniques and approaches used in Plant Systematics (including an understanding of plant taxonomy, phylogenetics and evolutionary processes). A range of data sources (nucleotide sequences and morphology) will be used to address questions concerning the evolution, classification and historical biogeography of various plant groups. A two-day field trip will provide tuition in plant identification and an opportunity to acquire skills in field-botany . This unit of study is recommended for students with an interest in the areas of: botany, plant science, horticulture, fungal biology (including plant pathology), environmental science, bioinformatics and ecology. It is often combined with units of study offered through the School of Biological Sciences and the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources.

### Textbooks

Plant Systematics: A phylogenetic Approach (2002). W.S. Jud, C.S. Campbell, E.A. Kellog, P.F. Stevens & M.J. Donohuge

### **PLNT3901**

### Plant, Cell and Environment (Advanced)

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Rosanne Quinnell, A/Prof Robyn McConchie. Dr Charles Warren Session: Semester 2 Classes: Workshops and discussions 2 hr/wk; laboratories: alternate weeks 30 hr total (6 pracs; 5 hr each) Prerequisites: 12 credit points of Intermediate Biology, Plant Science, Molecular Biology and Genetics or equivalent with average grade of distinction Prohibitions: PLNT3001 Assessment: One 2hr exam, one advance student project report.

Note: Department permission required for enrolment.

This unit of study of comprises workshops and practical sessions that will be guided largely by current directions in plant science research in Australia. Three theme areas will be identified and used to direct the workshops and discussions conducted throughout the semester. We expect students to be able to span levels of plant organisation: molecular, cellular, tissues, organs, whole organism physiology and ecology. Theme areas for discussion will consider the Australian flora and the areas currently under investigation at the University of Sydney such as post-harvest physiology. Students will need to draw on knowledge from Intermediate units of study and will be expected to explore in the published literature in order to successfully integrate information from areas unfamiliar to themselves so as to participate in workshops and discussions. This unit of study provides opportunities for students to develop their skills in research and enquiry, information literacy, and communication. The practical component of this unit of study has sufficient flexibility for students to design their own group experiments to answer questions raised during the workshops. A range of equipment for student experiments will be available including: pulse amplitude modulated (PAM) fluorometer; oxygen electrodes; Scholander bomb, gel electrophoresis (PAGE). The purpose of this unit of study is to develop an understanding of current directions in Plant Science When you have successfully completed this unit of study, you should be able to: be familiar with modern approaches of physiology, biophysics and molecular biology in the study of plant function; understand how domains of knowledge interact to describe plant function; understand how plants function in stressful environments.

### Textbooks

Students will be drawing on the current research literature for content. A Study Guide for the unit will be available for purchase during the first week of semester from the Copy Centre at a cost to be advised.

### PLNT3902

### Plant Growth and Development (Advanced)

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Jan Marc (Executive Officer), Prof Robyn Overall, Prof David Guest, Dr Lindsay Campbell Session: Semester 2 Classes: 2-3 lec per wk, one 4 hr practical (6 weeks only), one 3 hr presentation of research project in week 13 Prerequisites: 12 credit points of intermediate PLNT, BIOL, AGCH or CROP units of study including at least one of PLNT2001, PLNT2901, PLNT2003, PLNT2903, BIOL2016, BIOL2916, BIOL2003, BIOL2903, BIOL2006, BIOL2906, CROP2001, AGCH2002 or equivalent. These requirements may be varied and students with lower averages should consult the unit Executive Officer. Prohibitions: PLNT3002, BIOL3021, BIOL3931 Assessment: One 2 hr exam (60%), project presentation and report (20%), laboratory quizzes and book (20%)

Qualified students will participate in alternative components of PLNT3002 Plant Growth and Development, representing 30% of the total assessment, as follows: the students will be exempt from one standard laboratory report and the standard independent group project. Instead, the students will conduct an advanced independent individual practical or theoretical research project under the supervision of a member of the academic staff. The program includes a formal presentation of the results of the project in verbal and written reports.

### Textbooks

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### PLNT3903

### Systematics and Evolution of Plants Adv

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Murray Henwood Session: Semester 1 Classes: 2 lectures & 1 practical per week Prerequisites: Distinction in 6 credit points from any intermediate unit of study from BIOL, PLNT, LWSC, HORT, GEOS, GEOG, ENVI, SOIL or equivalent. These requirements may be varied and students with lower averages should consult the Unit Executive Officer. Prohibitions: BIOL3015, BIOL3915, PLNT3003 Assessment: One 2 hr take-home exam (45%), oral presentation (5%), nomenclature exercise (15%), research project (35%)

Qualified students will participate in alternative components of PLNT3003 Systematics and Evolution of Plants. The content and nature of these components may vary from year to year.

#### Textbooks

Plant Systematics: A phylogenetic Approach (2002). W.S. Jud, C.S. Campbell, E.A. Kellog, P.F. Stevens & M.J. Donohuge

### PPAT3003

### Plant Disease

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Prof David Guest Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec, 3 hr prac)/wk Prerequisites: MICR2024 Assessment: One 2hr end of semester exam (60%), one prac exam (25%), six take-home quizzes (15%)

This unit introduces plant disease and the pathogens that limit agricultural and horticultural production. The unit is core to the BScAgr and BHortSc degrees and is available as an elective to BLWS and BSc students. It builds on the material introduced in MICR2024. The lecture component of the unit discusses the aetiology of plant disease and symptom development; diagnosis of plant disease; the biology, epidemiology and management of fungi and other microbes that cause plant disease; breeding for disease resistance; plant-parasite relationships; and disease resistance in plants. The practical component introduces techniques used in handling and identifying fungi and in studying plant disease, and develops skills in experimental

design, execution and interpretation of experimental data. At the completion of this unit, students will be able to exercise problem-solving skills (developed through practical experiments and lecture discussions), think critically, and organise knowledge (from consideration of the lecture material and preparation of practical reports), expand from theoretical principles to practical explanations (through observing and reporting on practical work), use certain computer software for analysing data and reporting on laboratory projects. Students learn to work in a research team, plan effective work schedules (to meet deadlines for submission of assessable work), use statistical analysis in research, keep appropriate records of laboratory research, work safely in a research laboratory and operate a range of scientific equipment. Students will gain research and inquiry skills through research based group projects, information literacy and communication skills through assessment tasks and personal and intellectual autonomy through working in groups.

### Textbooks

Schumann GL & Darcy CJ 2006. Essential Plant Pathology. APS Press, St Paul, Minn., USA

### PPAT4004

### Advanced Mycology and Plant Pathology

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Prof David Guest Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 tut, 3 hrs prac)/wk Prerequisites: PPAT3003 Assessment: Two hour end of semester exam (70%), 1500-word review paper (30%)

This unit investigates evolution, systematics, taxonomy and biology of fungi and their role as plant pathogens; plant disease epidemiology and understanding fungal populations; infection processes and plant defence. The unit is an elective for BScAgr, BHortSc and BSc students. It builds on the material introduced in PPAT3003 and BIOL3017. Undertaking this unit will develop skills in isolating and identifying plant pathogenic fungi, diagnosing plant diseases, designing, conducting and analysing experiments. At the completion of this unit, students will be able to exercise problem-solving skills (developed through practical experiments, projects and tutorial discussions), think critically, and organise knowledge (from consideration of the lecture material and preparation of project reports), and expand from theoretical principles to practical explanations (through observing and reporting on project work). Students will consolidate their teamworking skills, develop self-directed study skills and plan effective work schedules, use statistical analysis in research, keep appropriate records of laboratory research, work safely in a research laboratory and operate a range of scientific equipment. Students will gain research and inquiry skills through individual and group research projects, information literacy and communication skills through assessment tasks and personal and intellectual autonomy through working in groups.

### Textbooks

Agrios GN. 2005. Plant Pathology 5th ed. Academic Press

Plant pathogens and plant diseases / edited by J.F. Brown and H.J. Ogle; endorsed by the Australasian Plant Pathology Society Inc. Armidale, N.S.W.: Rockvale Publications for the Division of Botany, School of Rural Science and Natural Resources, University of New England, 1997.

Carlile MJ. The Fungi 2nd ed. Academic Press

Kendrick B. 2001. The Fifth Kingdom 3rd ed. Mycologue Press, Ontario. www.mycolog.com

### PPAT4005

### Soil Biology

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Prof David Guest Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 tut, 3 hrs prac)/wk Prerequisites: MICR2024 or 6cp intermediate microbiology Assessment: Tutorial papers (30%), project proposal (10%), project report (50%), peer review (10%)

This unit investigates the diversity of organisms living in the soil, their biology, interactions and ecology, and their roles in maintaining and improving soil function. The unit is an elective for BScAgr, BHortSc and BSc students. It builds on the material introduced in MICR2024, PPAT3003 and BIOL3017. Undertaking this unit will develop skills in monitoring soil microbes, designing, conducting and analysing experiments. At the completion of this unit, students will be able to exercise problem-solving skills (developed through practical experiments, projects and tutorial discussions), think critically, and organise knowledge (from consideration of the lecture material and

preparation of project reports), and expand from theoretical principles to practical explanations (through observing and reporting on project work). Students will consolidate their teamworking skills, develop self-directed study skills and plan effective work schedules, use statistical analysis in research, keep appropriate records of laboratory research, work safely in a research laboratory and operate a range of scientific equipment. Students will gain research and inquiry skills through group research projects, information literacy and communication skills through assessment tasks and personal and intellectual autonomy through working in groups.

### Textbooks

Sylvia et al. 2005. Principles and Applications of Soil Microbiology 2nd ed. Pearson.

Schjonning PJ. 2001. Managing Soil Quality. CAB International

### Psychology units of study

For PSYC units of study not listed below please refer to the Faculty of Science Handbook at www.usyd.edu.au/handbooks.

### PSYC1001 Psychology 1001

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1, Summer Main Classes: Three 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week, plus 1 hour per week of additional web-based (self-paced) material related to the tutorial. Assessment: One 2.5hr exam, one 1000w essay, multiple tutorial tests, experimental participation.

Psychology 1001 is a general introduction to the main topics and methods of psychology, and is the basis for advanced work as well as being of use to those not proceeding with the subject. Psychology 1001 covers the following areas: conceptual issues in psychology; science and statistics in psychology; behavioural neuroscience; applied psychology; social psychology; personality theory. This unit is also offered in the Sydney Summer School. Consult the web site: http://www.usyd.edu.au/summerschool/ for more information.

### Textbooks

Psychology 1001 Handbook,

Weiten, W. Psychology Themes and variations. 7th Ed. Belmont, CA: Thomson Wadsworth. 2007

### PSYC1002 Psychology 1002

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2, Summer Main Classes: Three 1 hour lectures and one 1 hour tutorial per week, plus 1 hour per week of additional web-based (self-paced) material related to the tutorial. Assessment: One 2.5 hour exam, one 1250 word research report, multiple tutorial tests, experimental participation.

Psychology 1002 is a further general introduction to the main topics and methods of psychology, and it is the basis for advanced work as well as being of use to those not proceeding with the subject. Psychology 1002 covers the following areas: human development; human mental abilities; learning, motivation and emotion; visual perception; cognitive processes. This unit is also offered in the Sydney Summer School. Consult the web site: http://www.usyd.edu.au/summerschool/ for more information.

Textbooks

Psychology 1002 Handbook

Weiten, W. Psychology. Themes and variations. 7th Ed. Belmont, CA: Thomson Wadsworth. 2007

### RSEC1031

### **Resource Economics 1**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: A/Prof Fredoun Ahmadi Esfahani Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec & 1 tut)/wk Prohibitions: AGEC1031 Assessment: One mid semester exam (1 hour), one final exam (2 hours), tutorial papers, assignments

This unit provides a comprehensive introduction to resource and environmental economics, and how particular concepts in economics are used to provide insights into efficient and sustainable natural resource management. Some descriptive content regarding Australia's natural resource assets and industries is included, but the primary focus is analytical. Emphasis is placed on the importance of property rights structures, cost-effective regulations and dynamic considerations in managing natural resource stocks and environmental assets. Some material on economic valuation of environmental assets and benefit-cost analysis is included.

#### RSEC4131 Benefit-Cost A

### Benefit-Cost Analysis

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: A/Prof Fredoun Ahmadi-Esfahani Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec & 1 tut)/wk Prerequisites: ECON2001 and (AGEC2103 or AGEC2003) Prohibitions: AGEC4037 Assessment: 20% written essay, 20% mid semester exam, 60% final exam

This unit provides a detailed treatment of benefit-cost analysis and its use in public sector decision making and project evaluation. The underpinning concepts in welfare economics are analysed in detail, such as economic efficiency, criteria for assessing social welfare improvements, and economic surplus measures. Procedures of undertaking a benefit-cost analysis are presented, and tools of non-market valuation for environmental assets are covered in detail. These techniques include both stated and revealed preference techniques, including contingent valuation, choice modeling, hedonic pricing and travel cost methods.

### RSEC4132

### **Environmental Economics**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Tihomir Ancev Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec & 1 tut)/wk Prerequisites: ECON2001 or AGEC2103 or AGEC2003 Prohibitions: ECON3013, AGEC4035 Assumed knowledge: ECON2001, ECON2002, AGEC3001, AGEC2101, AGEC2105 Assessment: One 1hr midterm exam, practical report, an essay paper, one 2 hr end of semester exam

Note: Only available to 4th year students in the FAFNR. Available to 3rd year students in the FEB. Available to students that have completed RSEC1031 or ENVI3013 with permission from the unit coordinator

The course provides theoretical and empirical background necessary for a resource economist to be able to successfully function when faced with various environmental problems. The unit investigates economic aspects of a range of environmental issues. The studied concepts are exemplified with environmental problems related to agriculture (soil salinity, algal blooms, overgrazing etc.) as well as with environmental problems typical to Australia. The guiding economic themes are: competing uses of the environment / externalities, market failure, the importance of property rights, optimal allocation of pollution abatement, technical issues in non-market valuation methods (measuring benefits without commodities), and the processes for making choices relating to non-market goods. Some social issues with environmental impacts are studied through exploration of the problems of population size and distribution, economic growth, and environmental regulation.

### Textbooks

Grafton, Adamowics, Dupont, Nelson, Hill and Renzetti. The Economics of the Environment and Natural Resources. Blackwell Publishing, 2004 Dodo Thampapillai., Environmental Economics: Concepts, Methods and Policies.,

Oxford University Press, 2002 Perman, R., Y. Ma, J. McGilvray and M. Common. Natural Resource and

Perman, R., Y. Ma, J. McGilvray and M. Common. Natural Resource and Environmental Economics. Pearson, 3rd Ed. 2003

Charles D. Kolstad., Environmental Economics., Oxford University Press, 2000 Tom Tietenberg., Environmental and Natural Resource Economics., 6th Edition, Addison-Wesley, 2003

### RSEC4133

### **Economics of Mineral & Energy Industries**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Tihomir Ancev Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec & 1 tut)/wk Prerequisites: ECON2001 and (AGEC2103 or AGEC2003) Prohibitions: ECON3013 Assumed knowledge: ECON2002, AGEC3001, AGEC2101, AGEC2105 Assessment: One 1hr midterm exam, an essay paper, one 2 hr end of semester exam

Note: Only available to 4th year students in the FAFNR. Available to 3rd year students in the FEB. Available to students that have completed RSEC1031 or ENVI3013 with permission from the unit coordinator

The unit provides theoretical and empirical background in the economics of minerals exploration, extraction and marketing and in the economics of energy generation, distribution and use. The economics of minerals and energy commodity markets will be discussed and analyzed. The interactions of mineral extraction and energy generation activities with other natural resources and the environment will be of particular interest (e.g. mine site remediation,

land use conflicts). Sustainability and prospects for long term efficient use of these resources, as well as the development and use of alternative technologies will also be discussed. In addition, institutional and policy issues (e.g. regulatory reform), will be analyzed. The unit will discuss the main aspects of the markets for minerals and energy, market structure, business environment and price movements. The unit will also provide an introductory discussion on the markets for derivatives (options, futures, forward, swaps) on minerals and energy commodities. Available to 3rd year students in the FEB. Available to students that have completed RSEC1031 or ENVI3113 with permission from the unit coordinator.

### Textbooks

Brennan, T.J., Palmer, L.K. and Martinez, A.S., Alternating Currents: Electricity Markets and Public Policy, Resources for the Future Press, Washington D.C., 2002.

Tilton, J.E., On Borrowed Time? Assessing the Threat of Mineral Depletion, Resources for the Future Press, Washington D.C., 2003.

Perman, R., Y. Ma, J. McGilvray and M. Common. Natural Resource and Environmental Economics. Pearson, 3rd Ed. 2003.

Tom Tietenberg, Environmental and Natural Resource Economics, 6th Edition, Addison-Wesley, 2003.

Ferdinand E. Banks, Energy Economics: A Modern Introduction, Kluwer Academic Publishers, 2000.

Stephen E. Kesler, Mineral Resources, Economics and the Environment, Maxwell Macmillan International, 1994.

N.B. Students are advised not to buy the textbook before lectures commence in case there are any changes.

### **RSEC4134**

### Economics of Water & Bio-resources

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Tihomir Ancev Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec & 1 tut)/wk Prerequisites: ECON2001 and (AGEC2103 or AGEC2003) Prohibitions: ECON3013 Assumed knowledge: ECON2002, AGEC3001, AGEC2101, AGEC2105 Assessment: One 1hr midterm exam, an essay paper, one 2 hr end of semester exam

Note: Only available to 4th year students in the FAFNR. Available to 3rd year students in the FEB. Available to students that have completed RSEC1031 or ENVI3013 with permission from the unit coordinator

The unit consists of two complementary parts: water economics and economics of biological resources (fisheries, forestry, other wildlife). The main objective of the water economic component is to investigate the economic aspects of water use and water quality. In particular approaches toward efficient use of the water resource over time, optimal allocation of water among competing uses and achievement of the socially optimal level of water quality will be discussed. The demand for water from various sectors will be analysed in both static and dynamic settings. Issues considered include the selection and construction of water storages, aquifer water extraction and alternative water sources. The issues of waste water disposal and water quality, changing water technologies, and water pollution will be also discussed. Particular attention will be devoted to the economic mechanisms for managing the water resources including property rights, water allocation and water markets. The key policy instruments (taxes, quotas, standards) in these areas will be analyzed and discussed. The institutional and policy aspects will also be considered through analysis of water policy reform in Australia and elsewhere. The main objective of the economics of biological resources will be to introduce students to the bio-economic modelling of the resources that experience biological growth. This will be prominently exemplified through various aspects of fishery economics. The unit will also discuss the economics of wildlife preservation and protection, as well as the economics of biodiversity. Available to 3rd year students in the FEB. Available to students that have completed RSEC1031 or ENVI3113 with permission from the unit coordinator.

### Textbooks

Bergstrom, Boule and Poe (Eds.), The Economic Value of Water Quality, Edward Elgar Pub., 2001.

Easter, Rosegrant and Dinar (Eds.), Markets for Water: Potential and Performance, Kluwer Academic Pub., 1998.

David Smith, Water in Australia, Oxford University Press, 1999.

Perman, R., Y. Ma, J. McGilvray and M. Common. Natural Resource and Environmental Economics. Pearson, 3rd Ed. 2003.

John M. Hartwick and Nancy D. Olewiler, The Economics of Natural Resource Use, 2nd Ed. , Addison-Wesley, 1998.

Conrad, J.M. (1999), Resource Economics, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.

N.B. Students are advised not to buy the textbook before lectures commence in case there are any changes.

### RSEC4141

### **Resource Economics Project A**

Credit points: 9 Teacher/Coordinator: A/Prof Fredoun Ahmadi-Esfahani Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 hr sem)/wk Prerequisites: AGEC3104 or AGEC3004 or AGEC4041 Corequisites: RSEC4142 Prohibitions: AGEC4012, AGEC4112 Assessment: Research thesis; presentations

In this unit of study, students develop skills in economic research by designing, undertaking and reporting on a single research study (thesis). Students undertake research on an approved topic under the supervision of a member of staff and prepare a report of approximately 25,000 words in length.

*Textbooks* Not applicable as this is a research unit

### RSEC4142

### **Resource Economics Project B**

Credit points: 9 Teacher/Coordinator: A/Prof Fredoun Ahmadi-Esfahani Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 hr sem)/wk Prerequisites: AGEC3104 or AGEC3004 or AGEC4041 Corequisites: RSEC4141 Prohibitions: AGEC4013, AGEC4113 Assessment: Research thesis; presentations

In this unit of study, students develop skills in economic research by designing, undertaking and reporting on a single research study (thesis). Students undertake research on an approved topic under the supervision of a member of staff and prepare a report of approximately 25,000 words in length.

Textbooks

Not applicable as this is a research unit

### SOIL2003

### **Soil Properties and Processes**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: A/Prof Balwant Singh (Coordinator), Prof Alex McBratney, Dr Stephen Cattle Session: Semester 1 Classes: (3 lec & 3hr prac)/wk Assessment: Prac book and fieldtrip report (15%), 3 Quizzes (15%), essay (5%), practical exam (25%), written exam (40%)

This unit of study is designed to introduce students to the fundamental concepts within pedology, soil physics and soil chemistry. These concepts are part of the grounding principles that underpin crop and animal production, nutrient and water cycling, and environmental sustainability taught by other units of study in the Faculty. Referring to common soil profiles in NSW, students will concentrate on factors affecting soil formation, the rudiments of soil description, and analysis of soil properties that are used in soil classification. Students will also develop knowledge of the physics of water and gas movement, soil strength, soil chemical properties, inorganic and organic components, nutrient cycles and soil acidity in an agricultural context. At the end of this unit students will become familiar with the factors that determine a soil's composition and behaviour, and will have an understanding of the most important soil physical and chemical properties. Students will develop communication skills through essay, report and practical exercises. The final report and laboratory exercise questions are designed to develop team work and collaborative efforts.

#### Textbooks

Campbell, K.O. & Bowyer, J.W. (eds) (1988). The Scientific Basis of Modern Agriculture. Sydney University Press.

White, R.E. (2006). Principles and Practice of Soil Science: the Soil as a Natural Resource. 4th ed., Blackwell Science, Oxford. Charman, P.E.V. & Murphy, B.W. (2000). Soils: Their properties and

Charman, P.E.V. & Murphy, B.W. (2000). Soils: Their properties and management. 2nd ed. Oxford University Press, Melbourne

### SOIL2004

### The Soil Resource

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Stephen Cattle (Coordinator), Prof Alex McBratney, A/Prof Balwant Singh Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec, 2 pracs)/wk, 24 hr (5 days) field work out of semester time Assessment: Literature review exercise (10%), soil description and mapping report (20%), laboratory report (15%), 2 hr exam (50%), field excursion participation (5%)

This unit will familiarize students with the description and mapping of soil types in the Australian landscape, with common analytical methods for soil and with the various forms of degradation that may alter the quality and function of soil. It is an applied soil science unit which builds on the fundamental soil science concepts learned in the SOIL2003 unit. The first practical component of the unit, a five-day soil survey, will give students experience in soil description and classification in the field, and soil samples collected during this survey will be subsequently analysed for a variety of attributes by the students in laboratory practicals. In the lecture series, topics including soil type distribution, soil quality, soil function, soil fertility and soil degradation will be discussed and linked to practical sessions. By the end of this unit, students will be able to construct maps of soil properties and soil type distribution, describe primary soil functions, soil attributes and types of soil degradation in an agricultural context, and be able to recognize and communicate the ability of a soil profile to sustain plant growth. Students will gain research and inquiry skills by collecting, analyzing and interpreting soil survey data. They will improve their information literacy skills by carrying out a literature review exercise, and will gain communication skills by having to prepare and present a poster.

### Textbooks

Brady NC & Weil RR. (2002) The Nature and Properties of Soils. 13th ed. (or any later edition) Prentice Hall, New Jersey.

Isbell RF McDonald WS & Ashton LJ. (1997) Concepts and Rationale of the Australian Soil Classification. Australian Collaborative Land Evaluation Program, CSIRO Publishing, Canberra.

White RE (2006) Principles and Practice of Soil Science: the Soil as a Natural Resource.4th ed., Blackwell Science, Oxford.

McKenzie N, Jacquier D, Isbell, R & Brown K. (2004) Australian Soils and Landscapes: An Illustrated Compendium. CSIRO publishing, Melbourne.

### SOIL3008

### **Rural Spatial Information Systems**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr I Odeh Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec, 2hr prac)/wk, four-day field trip Assessment: One 15 min presentation (10%), 3500w prac report (35%), 1500w report on field excur (15%), one 2 hr exam (40 %)

This unit is designed to impart knowledge and skills in spatial analysis and geographical information science (GISc) for decision-making in rural context. The unit of study is intended to introduce students to modern geospatial analysis and GISc technologies. It is offered as a core unit for BLWSc students and as an elective for BScAgr, BHortSc, BSc and BResEc students. The lecture material will present several themes: principles of GISc, fundamentals of remote sensing and geo-image analysis, geospatial data sources and acquisition methods, processing of geospatial data and spatial statistics. Practical exercises will focus on learning geographical information systems (GIS) and how to apply them to land resource assessment, including digital terrain modelling, land-cover assessment, sub-catchment modelling, and soil quality assessment for decisions regarding sustainable land use and management. A 4 day field excursion during the mid-semester break will involve a day GPS fieldwork at Arthursleigh University farm and three days in Canberra visiting various government agencies which research and maintain GIS coverages of major rural environments. By the end of this UoS, students should be able to: differentiate between spatial data and spatial information; source geospatial data from government and private agencies; apply conceptual models of spatial phenomena for practical decision-making in rural context; apply critical analysis of situations to apply the concepts of spatial analysis to solving environmental and land resource problems; communicate effectively results of GIS and remote sensing investigations through various means- oral, written and essay formats; and use a major GIS software package such as ArcGIS

### Textbooks

Burrough, P.A. and McDonnell, R.A. 1998. Principles of Geographic Information Systems. Oxford University Press: Oxford.

Clarke, K. C. 2003. Getting Started With Geographic Information Systems. 4th Edition. Prentice Hall: Upper Saddle River, New Jersey.

Jensen, J. R. 2000. Remote Sensing of the Environment: An Earth Resources Perspective. Prentice Hall: Upper Saddle River, New Jersey.

Lillesand, T. M. Kiefer, R. W. Chipman J. W. 2004. Remote Sensing and Image Interpretation. 5rd ed. Wiley International: New York

### SOIL3009

### **Contemporary Field and Lab Soil Science**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Prof Alex McBratney (coordinator), A/Prof Balwant Singh, Dr Stephen Cattle, Dr Budiman Minasny Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec, 2 prac)/wk, 6-day field excursion Prerequisites: SOIL2003 Assessment: One 2hr exam; pedology, soil physics and soil chemistry written assessments; group presentation, synthesis paper

This is a theoretical and empirical unit providing specialised training in three important areas of contemporary soil science, namely pedology, soil chemistry and soil physics. The key concepts of these sub-disciplines will be outlined and strengthened by hands-on training in essential field and laboratory techniques. All of this is synthesized by placing it in the context of soil distribution and use in North-Western New South Wales. The unit is motivated by the teaching team's research in this locale. It builds on students existing soil science knowledge gained in SOIL2003. After completion of the unit, students should be able to articulate the advantages and disadvantages of current field & laboratory techniques for gathering necessary soil information, and simultaneously recognise key concepts and principles that guide contemporary thought in soil science. Students will be able to synthesise soil information from a multiplicity of sources and have an appreciation of the cutting edge areas of soil research. By investigating the contemporary nature of key concepts, students will develop their skills in research and inquiry. Students will develop their communication skills through report writing and oral presentations and will also articulate an openness to new ways of thinking which augments intellectual autonomy. Teamwork and collaborative efforts are encouraged in this unit.

#### Textbooks

D. Hillel. 2004. Introduction to Environmental Soil Physics. Elsevier Science, San Diego, CA, USA

R. Schaetzl and S. Anderson 2005. Soils: Genesis and Geomorphology. Cambridge University Press, New York, NY, USA

D.L. Sparks 2003 Environmental Soil Chemistry (2nd edn). Academic Press, San Diego, CA, USA

## SOIL3010

### The Soil at Work

**Credit points:** 6 **Teacher/Coordinator:** Prof Alex McBratney (coordinator) A/Prof Balwant Singh, Dr Stephen Cattle (facilitators) plus research-only academics **Session:** Semester 2 **Classes:** Problem-based unit: each student completes 2 problems; 4 x 3 hr workshops per problem (each student attends 8 workshops in total) **Prerequisites:** SOIL2003 or SOIL2004 **Assessment:** For each of two scenarios: Statement of the problem report (12.5%) - shared info, but two team reports; How to tackle problem seminar (12.5%) - team seminars, before fieldwork, analyses done; Results seminar (12.5%) - team seminars; Final report (12.5%) - individual work

This is a problem-based applied soil science unit. It is designed to allow students to identify soil-related problems in the real-world and by working in a group and with an end-user to suggest short and long-term solutions to such problems. This is a core unit for students majoring or specializing in soil science and an elective unit for those wishing to gain an understanding of environmental problem-solving. It utilises and reinforces soil-science knowledge gained in SOIL2003 and/or SOIL2004 and problem-solving skills gained during the degree program. This unit will address real-world scenarios which involve soil-related problems such as carbon management, structural decline, acidification, salinisation and contamination. Students will gain some understanding of the concept of sustainability, and will be able to identify the causes of problems by reference to the literature, discussion with landusers and by the design and execution of key experiments and surveys. They will gain a focused knowledge of the key soil drivers to environmental problems and will have some understanding on the constraints surrounding potential solutions. By designing and administering strategies to tackle real-world soil issues students will develop their research and inquiry skills and enhance their intellectual autonomy. By producing reports and seminars that enables understanding by an end-user students will improve the breadth of their communication skills.

#### Textbooks

I.W.Heathcote 1997. Environmental Problem Solving: A Case Study Approach. McGraw-Hill, New York, NY, USA

### VIRO3001 Virology

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Tim Newsome Session: Semester 1 Classes: Two 1 hour lectures per week; Five 2 hour tutorials and six 4 hour practicals per semester. Prerequisites: At least 6 credit points of MBLG units and at least 6 credit points in Intermediate MICR or BCHM or BIOL or IMMU or PCOL or PHSI or PLNT units. For BMedSc students: 42 credit points of Intermediate BMED units including BMED2802. For BScAgr students: PLNT (2001 or 2901) and MICR2024. Prohibitions: VIRO3901 Assumed knowledge: MICR (2021 or 2921 or 2022 or 2922) Assessment: One 2 hour exam, practical work, group presentations

Note: Students are very strongly advised to complete VIRO (3001 or 3901) before enrolling in VIRO3002 Medical and Applied Virology in Session 2.

Viruses are some of the simplest biological machinery known, being completely dependent on hosts for their replication, yet they are also the etiological agents for some of the most important diseases in humans. New technologies that have revolutionised the discovery of new viruses are also revealing a hitherto unappreciated abundance and diversity in the ecosphere, and a wider role in human health and disease. Developing gene technologies have enabled the use of viruses as therapeutic agents, in novel vaccine approaches, gene delivery and in the treatment of cancer. This unit of study is designed to introduce students who have a basic understanding of molecular biology to the rapidly evolving field of virology. Viral infection in plant and animal cells and bacteria is covered by an examination of virus structure, genomes, gene expression and replication. Building upon these foundations, this unit then progresses to examine host-virus interactions, pathogenesis, cell injury, the immune response and the prevention and control of infection. The structure and replication of sub-viral agents: viroids and prions, and their role in disease are also covered. The practical component provides hands-on experience in current diagnostic and research techniques such as molecular biology, cell culture, ELISA and immunoblot and is designed to enhance the

students' practical skills and complement the lecture series. Tutorials and case studies cover a range of topical issues and provide a forum for students to develop their communication skills. *Textbooks* 

Principles of Virology. SJ Flint et al. ASM Press. 2004. ISBN 1-55581-259-7

### Industrial Relations and Human Resource Management units of study

For Industrial Relations and Human Resource Management (WORK) units of study not listed below please refer to the Faculty of Economics and Business Handbook at www.usyd.edu.au/handbooks.

### WORK1003

### Foundations of Work and Employment

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1, Semester 2 Classes: 2 lectures and 1 seminar per week Assessment: Participation, short essay, major essay, exam

Note: This is the compulsory unit of study for the Industrial Relations/Human Resource Management major.

This unit draws on concepts from industrial relations and human resource management to examine the interests and strategies of workers, unions, managers, employers and the state. It explores the relationships between these parties as they seek to manage their environments and workplaces and to exercise control over each other. The unit enables students to understand how and why the organisation, regulation and management of work are changing in Australia and globally. As well as providing an introduction to all aspects of the study of the employment relationship, this is the foundation unit for a major in industrial relations and human resource management.

# 6. Undergraduate degree resolutions and policies

## Resolutions of the Faculty

### Course rules

- To qualify for a degree, candidates must complete units of study making a total of 192 credit points and Professional Experience specified for individual degree courses. In a full-time program the normal load will be 48 credit points in each year for four years. The degree program must be completed within 10 calendar years of the first enrolment or re-admission without credit. If a candidate is admitted or re-admitted with credit, the Faculty will determine a reduced time limit for completion of the degree.
- Candidates for the degrees of Bachelor of Agricultural Economics, Bachelor of Horticultural Science, Bachelor of Land and Water Science, Bachelor of Resource Economics and Bachelor of Science in Agriculture shall complete the units of study listed for each degree in the Faculty Handbook.

### 3. Restrictions on units

- 3.1 A candidate may choose elective units of study for which there is no prerequisite unit of study or for which the prerequisite/corequisite has been satisfied, provided that the timetable permits attendance at all scheduled classes.
- 3.2 Variations permitted to the requirements specified in Resolutions 1 and 2 include:

### 3.3 Talented students

- 3.3.1 Some variation in units of study required for completion of the degree may be approved by the Dean for exceptionally talented students.
- 3.4 Summer School
- 3.4.1 Units of study completed at the University of Sydney Summer School which correspond to units of study listed for the undergraduate degrees in the Faculty Handbook may be credited towards the course requirements.
- 3.5 Cross-institutional enrolment
- 3.5.1 Provided that permission has been obtained in advance, the Dean may permit a student to complete a unit of study at another institution and have that unit credited to his/her course requirements provided that either:
- 3.5.1.1 the unit of study content is material not taught in any corresponding unit of study in the University, or
- 3.5.1.2 the student is unable for good reason to attend a corresponding unit of study at the University.

### 3.6 Additional units

3.6.1 A student may enrol in units of study additional to the requirements in an academic year, only with the permission of the Dean.

### 3.7 Timetable clashes

3.7.1 A student must obtain written permission of the Discipline Leader(s) concerned, and the permission of the Dean, all of whom may impose conditions of attendance, to enrol in units of study which have timetable clashes.

### 3.8 Restriction on enrolment

3.8.1 A student must obtain the written permission of the Dean to enrol in level 3000 units of study unless he/she has successfully completed all required level 1000 units of study and has successfully completed or is concurrently enrolled in compulsory level 2000 units of study.

### 3.9 Credit transfer

3.9.1 Graduates or students in other faculties or other degrees within the Faculty or of other institutions who are admitted to candidature for the degree of bachelor in the Faculty may be granted credit for units of study required for the various degrees of the Faculty as specified in Resolution 2, as the Dean on behalf of the Faculty may determine, up to a maximum value of 96 credit points.

3.9.2 The Dean may approve credit for a maximum of 36 unspecified credit points for units of study successfully completed elsewhere, but not comparable to units listed in Resolution 2, as part of the 96 credit point maximum credit transfer permitted.

### Faculty rules

### 4. Assessment policy

- 4.1 Assessment methods for units of study offered in the Faculty will be included in unit details in the Faculty Handbook and made available to students enrolled in the units at the beginning of the semester.
- 4.2 Examinations
- 4.2.1 Completion of unit of study
- 4.2.1.1 A student who has been absent from more than 10 percent of classes in a unit may be deemed to have failed to complete the requirements specified by the Faculty for the unit and may be excluded by the Dean from admission to examinations in that unit.
- 4.2.2 Further testing
- 4.2.2.1 A Discipline Leader may arrange for further testing of students in addition to scheduled assessments and examinations, in accordance with Academic Board policy.
- 4.2.2.2 Further tests may be awarded where the candidate has been prevented by sufficient and duly certified illness or misadventure from completing the assessment for a unit of study. The full range of common result grades is available for these candidates.
- 4.2.2.3 Further tests may be awarded in a unit of study where the examiner requires further evidence to reach a final assessment of a candidate who has failed a unit of study and whose performance is borderline (e.g. a final mark in the range 45–49 percent). The highest grade of award available is Pass.
- 4.2.2.4 Where possible and practicable, all further tests will be administered and results finalised no later than two weeks after the end of the examination period.
- 4.2.2.5 The Discipline Leader is responsible for the awarding, timetabling and conduct of further tests, which may take such form as the Discipline Leader directs. Students in a unit of study must be given notice of the proposed date for conducting further tests no later than the date of publication of the final University examinations timetable.
- 4.2.2.6 Individual students granted a further test should wherever possible be given at least three days prior notice. A candidate who is absent from a further test without sufficient reason will be deemed to have failed the test.
- 4.2.2.7 In respect to the notification of students referred to above, students will be deemed to have been notified by the Discipline Leader as a result of the posting of information by the due date on one or more noticeboards as advised by the Discipline Leader concerned and posting an email to the student/s official University email address.
- 4.2.2.8 It is the responsibility of the student to provide written evidence of illness or misadventure to the appropriate Discipline Leader as soon as possible and practicable and in any case before the close of the relevant examination period. Where such evidence is not presented in time for the student to be offered a further test on the advertised date, the evidence will only be considered by the Discipline Leader where there is sufficient reason why it has not been presented by that date.

### 5. Honours and University Medal

- 5.1 First Class or Second Class Honours, Division One or Division Two may be awarded at graduation.
- 5.2 First Class Honours candidates whose work is of sufficient merit, in the opinion of the Faculty Committee to Award Prizes,

Honours and the University Medal, shall receive a bronze medal.

- 5.3 Award of honours at graduation
- 5.3.1 Honours are awarded in Agriculture and not in an individual subject.
- 5.3.2 Details of the fourth year work and determination of marks for fourth year are the responsibility of the Discipline Leader and sections concerned.
- 5.3.3.1 All candidates who have completed an independent research project as part of the final year degree program are formally eligible to be considered for honours.
- 5.3.3.2 Except with the special permission of the Faculty, honours shall not be awarded to any candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Agricultural Economics, Bachelor of Horticultural Science, Bachelor of Land and Water Science, Bachelor of Resource Economics or Bachelor of Science in Agriculture unless the candidate has completed the course in the minimum time.
- 5.3.3.3 Notwithstanding the previous condition, candidates who complete the first three years of the course in four years, and who by virtue of their weighted average marks would otherwise qualify for the award of honours, will be so considered.
- 5.3.3.4 Such candidates may however be disadvantaged in terms of honours grading and ranking.

For the Bachelor of Agricultural Economics and Bachelor of Resource Economics:

- 5.3.4.1 For the assessment of an aggregate mark for the award of honours at the end of the fourth year:
- 5.3.4.1.1 Each of the units of study at level 2 and level 3 provided for in the resolutions shall be weighted according to credit point value and a weighted average mark (WAM) obtained.
- 5.3.4.1.2 Each of the units of study at level 4 provided for in the resolutions shall be weighted according to credit point value and a weighted average mark (WAM) obtained.
- 5.3.4.1.3 The overall aggregate honours mark shall be the average of the level 2/3 WAM and the level 4 WAM.

For the Bachelor of Horticultural Science, Bachelor of Land and Water Science and Bachelor of Science in Agriculture:

- 5.3.4.2 For the determination of the overall honours mark for the award of honours at the end of the fourth year:
- 5.3.4.2.1 Each of the units of study provided for in the resolutions in second and third years shall be weighted according to credit point value and a weighted average mark (WAM) obtained.
- 5.3.4.2.2 The overall honours mark shall be the average of the second and third year WAM and the fourth year mark.
- 5.3.5 In computing the aggregate marks of students, the mark achieved on the occasion of the first attempt at a unit of study shall be the mark used.

For the Bachelor of Agricultural Economics and Bachelor of Resource Economics:

5.3.6.1 For the award of a particular level of honours a candidate, except in special circumstances, must obtain the relevant minimum aggregate honours mark and the minimum WAM in second and third year units of study set out in the following table:

Level of honours	Minimum overall honours mark	Minimum WAM Years 2/3
First Class	75	70
Second Class, Division 1	70	65
Second Class, Division 2	65	62

For the Bachelor of Horticultural Science, Bachelor of Land and Water Science and Bachelor of Science in Agriculture:

5.3.6.2 For the award of a particular level of honours, a candidate, except in special circumstances, must obtain the relevant minimum marks as set out in the following table:

Level of honours	Minimum overall honours mark	Minimum WAM Years 2/3
First Class	75	70
Second Class, Division 1	70	65
Second Class, Division 2	65	60

- 5.3.6.3 In the event of a recommendation for the award of honours that departs from these standards, it shall be incumbent upon the Discipline Leader and section concerned to make out a substantial case for such a departure.
- 5.3.6.4 Admissible grounds for departure would include medical disability or misadventure early in the course, and the existence of consistently lower standards of grading in units of study undertaken outside the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources.
- 5.3.7 The Committee to Award Prizes, Honours and the University Medal shall be responsible for the award of the university medal and the award of honours. Achievement of the minimum standards referred to elsewhere in these resolutions is not in itself sufficient justification for these awards.
- 5.3.8.1 For the Bachelor of Agricultural Economics and Bachelor of Resource Economics, a university medal may be awarded, on the recommendation of the Agricultural and Resource Economics Discipline Leader, to a student who has a Level 4 WAM of at least 85, an aggregate honours mark of at least 80 and a Second/Third Year WAM of at least 80.
- 5.3.8.2 For the Bachelor of Horticultural Science, Bachelor of Land and Water Science and Bachelor of Science in Agriculture, a university medal may be awarded, on the recommendation of the Sciences Discipline Leader, to a student who has a Level 4 WAM of at least 85, an overall honours mark of at least 80 and a Second/Third Year WAM of at least 80.

# 6. Suspension, withdrawal and discontinuation, re-enrolment and satisfactory progress

- 6.1 Suspension of candidature
- 6.1.1 A student, who has enrolled for the degree and who wishes to suspend candidature for more than two semesters, must seek approval of the Dean, who, where appropriate, may consult Discipline Leaders concerned and having considered advice, may determine any conditions for re-enrolment.
- 6.1.2 A student, who has not obtained written permission to suspend candidature for more than two semesters, will be required to apply for re-admission in accordance with procedures determined by the Dean.
- 6.2 Withdrawal and discontinuation of enrolment
- 6.2.1 Withdrawal from Semester 1 units of study
- 6.2.1.1 A candidate for a degree of bachelor who discontinues enrolment in a March Semester unit of study on or before 31 March in that year shall be recorded as having withdrawn from that unit.
- 6.2.2 Withdrawal from Semester 2 units of study
- 6.2.2.1 A candidate for a degree of bachelor who discontinues enrolment in a July Semester unit of study on or before 31 August in that year shall be recorded as having withdrawn from that unit.
- 6.2.3 Discontinuation
- 6.2.3.1 A student who wishes to discontinue enrolment in a course or a unit of study must apply to the Dean or the Dean's nominee.
- 6.2.3.2 Discontinued Not to count as failure: A candidate for the degree of bachelor who discontinues enrolment in a unit of study after the relevant withdrawal period and up to the last day of the seventh week of teaching in a one semester unit of study, shall be recorded as Discontinued Not to count as failure (DNF).
- 6.2.3.3 Discontinued Fail: A candidate for the degree of bachelor who discontinues enrolment in a unit of study after the last day of the seventh week of teaching in a one semester unit of study, shall be recorded as Discontinued – Fail (DF).
- 6.2.3.4 The Dean, Pro-Dean or an Associate Dean of the Faculty may determine that a discontinuation of enrolment should be recorded as Discontinued Not to count as failure (DNF) on the grounds of serious ill health or misadventure.
#### 6.3 Re-enrolment after an absence

- 6.3.1 A student who wishes to re-enrol after an absence must contact the Dean in writing no less than six weeks prior to the commencement of the semester to allow administrative processes to be carried out.
- 6.4 Satisfactory progress exclusion and re-admission
- 6.4.1 There are certain circumstances in which a student may be asked to show good cause why he/she should be permitted to repeat any previously attempted study, if, in the opinion of the Faculty Exclusions and Re-admission Committee, he/she has not made satisfactory progress towards fulfilling the requirements of the degree or the unit.
- 6.4.2 Satisfactory progress cannot be defined in all cases in advance but a student who has failed more than 50 percent of the credit points for which enrolled in the most recent two semesters of enrolment shall be deemed not to have made satisfactory progress.
- 6.4.3 In cases where the Faculty permits the re-enrolment of a student whose progress has been deemed unsatisfactory, the Faculty may require the completion of specified units of study in a specified time, and if the student does not comply with these conditions the student may again be called upon to show good cause why he/she should be allowed to re-enrol in the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources.
- 6.4.4.1 It is not possible to define in advance all the reasons that constitute 'good cause' but serious ill health, or misadventure properly attested, will be considered.
- 6.4.4.2 In addition your general record, for example in other courses, would be taken into account. In particular if you were transferring from another faculty your record in your previous faculty would be considered.
- 6.4.4.3 Not usually acceptable as good cause are such matters as demands of employers, pressure of employment, time devoted to non-university activities and so on, except as they may be relevant to any serious ill health or misadventure.

#### 7. Professional experience

- 7.1 Students are required to undertake professional experience in university vacations as an integral and essential part of their overall training in the degrees of Bachelor of Agricultural Economics, Bachelor of Horticultural Science, Bachelor of Land and Water Science, Bachelor of Resource Economics and Bachelor of Science in Agriculture.
- 7.2 The aims of professional experience are to:
- 7.2.1 Familiarise students with agricultural, horticultural or natural resource industries
- 7.2.2 Provide the opportunity to experience agricultural and horticultural production and natural resource management across a range of environments and managerial systems
- 7.2.3 Provide experience with business organisations involved in finance, marketing, research and development and other aspects of the rural industries, and

7.2.4 Train students to collect, collate, analyse and report.

### 7.3 For all degrees

- 7.3.1 Please note: Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Land and Water Science who commenced their enrolment in 2004 need to attend one Faculty excursion only to satisfy their professional experience requirements.
- 7.4 For all other students:
- 7.4.1 Candidates must complete a minimum of 60 days of professional experience.
- 7.4.1.1 Each component of the experience must be approved on behalf of the Dean before credit is granted. A minimum of 30 days must be completed as on-farm/field experience with the minimum on any enterprise being 10 days.
- 7.4.1.2 A maximum of 20 days may be credited on property which is owned by the candidate's parents or the University.
- 7.4.1.3 The farms concerned must be commercial farms not hobby farms. Commercial farms are defined as those having a gross income of at least \$25,000.
- 7.4.1.4 Field experience relates to work undertaken in practical settings for example Landcare, survey work, etc.
- 7.4.1.5 In addition, candidates must complete a minimum of 30 days 'graduate placement' (minimum 10 days at any one enterprise). Graduate placement is non-farm experience, typically with organisations with whom graduates find employment (e.g NSW Department of Primary Industries, finance organisations, etc) experiencing the kind of work they will find as a graduate.
- 7.4.2 A separate professional experience report must be submitted following each visit to a farm or organisation.
- 7.4.2.1 Credit is subject to a satisfactory and timely report.
- 7.4.2.2 Late reports normally are not credited. Time penalties are applied to resubmitted and incomplete reports.
- 7.4.3 In addition to the 60 days minimum professional experience, students must attend one of the North Western, Central or South Western New South Wales excursions arranged by the Faculty.
- 7.4.4 Final year students wishing to graduate must complete all practical work requirements by 31 January of the year of graduation. Reports from graduands submitted after 31 January will not be marked until the July semester.

#### 8. Faculty excursions

- 8.1 All students must attend at least one Faculty NSW excursion. The excursions are normally held each year as follows:
- 8.1.1 Central West at Easter, from Easter Monday
- 8.1.2 South West Excursion in the second semester mid-semester break (the end of September, just before the October long weekend).
- 8.1.3 North West Excursion during Orientation Week.
- 8.2 The Faculty arranges all local transport, food and accommodation. Students are required to meet reasonable living costs.

## 7. Undergraduate scholarships and prizes

The information below outlines scholarships and prizes available to undergraduate students. For information about financial assistance go to www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv/finances/financial\_assistance\_office/

Prize or scholarship	Value (\$s)	Qualification
ABARE Scholarship	9750	See Undergraduate Merit Scholarships in this chapter
James S Ashton Memorial Scholarship	3000	See Undergraduate Merit Scholarships in this chapter
Commonwealth Bank Scholarship	6000	See Undergraduate Merit Scholarships in this chapter
Native Cockroach Research Scholarship	3000	See Undergraduate Merit Scholarships in this chapter
Oasis Horticulture P/L Scholarship in Horticulture	6000	See Undergraduate Merit Scholarships in this chapter
Faculty scholarships for HSC entrants	7000 pa	See Faculty scholarships below
Belmore Scholarships	500	Proficiency in First Year
	500	Proficiency in First Year Chemistry
	500	Proficiency in Second Year
	500	Proficiency in Soil Properties and Processes and either Plant Biochemistry and Molecular Biology or Rural Environmental Chemistry
Brian G Davey Memorial Scholarships in Soil Science	400	Proficiency in Soil Properties and Processes and the Soil Resource
Golden Jubilee Scholarship in Agri Science	500	Proficiency in Third Year
[1] Martin McIlrath Scholarships	490	Proficiency in HSC and First, Second and Third Years (men only). Preference to sons of ex-servicemen
John Mercer Bursary	1000	See details listed before the prize details
ABARE Prizes	300	Highest honours aggregate at graduation in BAgrEc and highest honours aggregate at graduation in BResEc
John Arthur Cran	100	Proficiency in HSC
Bruce Davidson Prize in Resource Economics	300	Proficiency in an essay or thesis in natural resource economics
Bruce R Davidson Memorial Prize in Resource Economics	200	Proficiency in First Year Examinations
Clifford Dawson Holliday	200	Proficiency in Third Year Examinations
John Neil Downing Memorial	550	Proficiency in professional experience
John and Beatrice Froggatt	1000	Proficiency in Second Year Entomology and the Fourth Year Agricultural Entomology specialisation
WW Froggatt Memorial	200	Proficiency in Agricultural Entomology project in Fourth Year
Goodman Fielder Prize in Plant Nutrition	250	Proficiency in Crop and Pasture Agronomy and Sustainable Farming Systems
DL Jackson	400	Proficiency in The Rural Environment and in Climate and the Environment
FC McCleery Memorial Award	200	Fellowship and Leadership in the Faculty (Third Year students)

Prize or scholarship	Value (\$s)	Qualification
Theresa G Makinson	100	Proficiency in the specialisation of Horticultural Science in Fourth Year
Warren F Musgrave Prize in Resource Economics	200	Proficiency in Second Year Examinations
Sibella Macarthur Onslow	200	Proficiency in the specialisation of Agronomy in Fourth Year
FL Partridge*	400	For students in Third and Fourth Years in need of financial assistance
Alan Randall Prize in Resource Economics	200	Proficiency in Third Year Examinations
Joyce Winifred Rouse	40	Proficiency in the specialisation of Food Science in Fourth Year
SUAGA Prize	n.a.	President, AGSOC
GW Walker Memorial Essay	100	Most proficient essay or report in the unit Agricultural Marketing Analysis
Professor WL Waterhouse	80	Proficiency in Agricultural Genetics 2 and Plant Disease
Sir Robert Watt Memorial Prize	80	Proficiency in Crop and Pasture Systems
Weed Society of NSW Prize	100	Proficiency in Weed Science
NH White Memorial Prize	100	Proficiency in the specialisation of Plant Pathology in Fourth Year
AR Woodhill Prize in Entomology	300	Proficiency in Entomology in Second Year
Arthur Yates and Co Pty Ltd (two prizes)	100	Proficiency in the specialisation of Agricultural Genetics in Fourth Year
	100	Proficiency in the specialisation of Horticultural Science in Fourth Year
*Applicant required to submit an application to the Scholarships Office.		

## Faculty scholarships for first year students

Scholarships valued at \$7000 per year are available for students entering the Bachelor of Agricultural Economics, Bachelor of Horticultural Science, Bachelor of Land and Water Science, Bachelor of Resource Economics and Bachelor Science in Agriculture. The scholarships are valid for the duration of a degree (usually four years).

To be eligible, you need a minimum UAI of 94 and will be asked to attend an interview.

A small number of entry scholarships valued at \$3000 for one year only will be awarded to applicants who just miss out on full Faculty scholarships.

If you apply for the University of Sydney Scholarships and nominate the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources, your application will be considered for a Faculty scholarship. Applications close on the 30 September and forms are available from your careers adviser or the University of Sydney website at www.usyd.edu.au/scholarships.

## University of Sydney scholarships

The University offers scholarships worth \$5000 each to students completing their HSC (or equivalent) in 2006. These scholarships have a minimum UAI requirement of 95 and are between one and five years in length. These scholarships are available across all undergraduate degrees within the University.

## Access scholarships

Access scholarships are for students who have suffered some form of educational disadvantage – usually disability, living in a rural/remote area or low socio-economic background. They are awarded on the basis of equity and merit and valued at \$4000 per year for up to five years. Applications close in September each year.

## University bursaries

Bursaries are awarded on the combined grounds of financial need and academic merit and application may be made in March to the Financial Assistance Office (open Monday to Friday from 9.30am to 4.30pm; phone +61 2 9351 2416, email fao@stuserv.usyd.edu.au).

In addition interest-free loans are available to students who are able to demonstrate financial need.

## Other scholarships

These include the Council of Education Scholarship, the Freemasons' Scholarship and the Spero Gravas Scholarship. Applications close at the end of April. Information is available from the Scholarships website at www.usyd.edu.au/scholarships.

## Undergraduate merit scholarships

## Scholarships for continuing undergraduate students

Scholarships of \$5000 for one year only are awarded to continuing students (2nd year or higher) on the basis of merit. No application is required.

## James S Ashton Memorial Scholarship

Established in 1995 by donations through the initiative of Professor Fred and Claire Hilmer with the assistance of Susan and James W Ashton in memory of their son James S Ashton (BScAgr 1993), to encourage and assist outstanding undergraduate students in Agriculture. The scholarship may be awarded annually, on the recommendation of the Dean on the advice of a Faculty Selection Committee, to a student who enrols full-time in the fourth year of the BAnimVetBio or BScAgr degree, provided the student's work is of sufficient merit. The student will show potential for making a significant contribution to the application of science and technology to the animal industries. While the student's overall academic record must be of sufficient merit it is not intended that the scholarship be limited to the applicant with the strongest academic record. Additional criteria will include performance in project work and work experience in animal science and related areas and participation in community and University activities which would demonstrate evidence of integrity of character, diligence and regard for fellow students. At the time of award, the recipient may not be in receipt of any other substantial scholarship award. Value \$3000. Application forms are available at the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Office.

## The Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics (ABARE) Scholarship

ABARE offers a two-year undergraduate scholarship. Scholarships were first awarded in 2001 to Third Year BAgrEc students. The total value of each scholarship is \$9750.

#### Terms and conditions

- The Faculty awards the ABARE Scholarship to one third year full-time Bachelor of Agricultural Economics or Bachelor of Resource Economics student.
- 2. The scholarship is available only to Australian citizens.
- 3. The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of the recipients' career aspirations, interpersonal and communication skills, initiative, level of self motivation and academic performance in first and second year. The Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources will prepare a short-list of University of Sydney applicants, based normally on a minimum WAM of 65 (credit level), for joint interview by ABARE staff and one or more nominated members of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources. (An applicant who did not have a minimum WAM of 65, but who provided evidence that they met all other criteria, would be eligible for short-listing).
- 4. The scholarships comprise three payments, the first payable on award of the scholarship, which is usually in the July Semester of third year. The second and third payments are made early in the February and July Semesters of fourth year, subject to continued satisfactory academic progress.
- The value of the scholarship shall reflect the value of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources undergraduate scholarship scheme.
- 6. The scholarship holder will forward semester results to the ABARE Officer appointed as soon as they become available.
- 7. The scholarship holder will consult with the Faculty prior to selection of any substantial elective component of the coursework.
- 8. There shall be no bonding or other commitment to employment between ABARE and a scholar, but scholarship holders may be encouraged to undertake paid vacation employment with ABARE between the third and fourth academic years. Such work may be credited towards the student's professional experience requirements subject to the usual guidelines.
- 9. A scholarship is intended for continuous progress between third and fourth year, but ABARE may consider a request for an interruption in a scholar's progress towards the degree for some exceptional purpose, and if such a request is approved, the scholarship shall be suspended during such interruption.
- 10. The Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources reserves the right to revoke a scholarship at any time, following consultation with ABARE, if a scholarship holder does not maintain a credit average or if there is a substantive change in enrolment which affects the basis of eligibility.
- A scholarship holder may be required to relinquish the scholarship, if they accept any other scholarship of comparable or greater value without prior permission from the Faculty and ABARE.

Application forms are available at the Faculty Office.

## Commonwealth Bank Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the Commonwealth Bank to allow industry to contribute to the tertiary education of students destined for a career in business and finance and with relevance to the agricultural sector. Scholarship holders will have the opportunity to work for a major Australian bank with a rich history in serving the agricultural segment and as a result will gain significant insight into the rural industry and a jump start to their chosen career path. A candidate is expected to:

- have elected to study units in years 3 and 4 of the BAgrEc which will provide them with a well rounded academic base from which to launch their career
- have a strong desire to work at a regional location in the banking/finance industry
- display career aspirations which are relevant to the Premium Business Services division of the Commonwealth Bank
- normally have completed Years 1 and 2 in minimum time, have a minimum WAM of 65 and be strong enough academically to complete the degree over a four year period (however an applicant who did not have a minimum WAM of 65, but met all other criteria, would be eligible for consideration)
- be majoring in banking, finance, business, commerce, economics, accounting, agricultural economics or management-related units of study, and
- have a strong customer focus.

The scholarship is awarded on the basis of the applicant's:

- career aspirations
- interpersonal and communication skills
- initiative, level of self-motivation and self confidence
- academic performance in Years 1 and 2 and the first semester of Year 3.

An interview of short-listed candidates is part of the selection process. *Value:* \$6000

Closing Date: September

### Horticulture Scholarships

From 2008, the Faculty will offer a number of scholarships to Bachelor of Horticultural Science students, each valued at approximately \$5000pa. The funding for these scholarships has been provided by Australian United Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Association Ltd (AUF), Horticulture Australia Ltd (HAL) and the Lynch Group. Further information about these scholarships, including the terms and conditions, is available from the Faculty Office.

# The EJ Holtsbaum University of Sydney Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Scholarship

The EJ Holtsbaum Agricultural Research Institute was established in 2003 following the gift by Mr EJ Holtsbaum to the University of his property "Nowley". Mr Holtsbaum, whose family had owned Nowley since 1964, made the gift with the view that the farm would continue to prosper under the University's stewardship, and serve as a centre on the Liverpool Plains for the creation and dissemination of innovative technology for agricultural production and natural resource management. Surplus profits from the operation of Nowley are to be allocated for scholarships. Recipients shall be of high academic merit and show the intention to establish a career in agriculture (in whatever form). The intention of the scholarships is to help students fund their studies, and to encourage in recipients a sense of giving something back to the land through their degree, should they have the opportunity to do so.

### Native Cockroach Research Scholarship

Established by Dr HA Rose in 1996 for Entomology research to encourage and assist students interested in Australian native cockroaches. The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of the applicant's career aspirations, written communication skills, initiative, level of self motivation, commitment to the area and academic performance.

A candidate is expected to:

- enrol full-time in the fourth year of the BScAgr degree
- specialise in Agricultural Entomology

- undertake his/her project on some aspect of the biology of native cockroaches, and
- normally have completed the first three years in minimum time, have a minimum second/third year WAM of 65 (credit level) and be strong enough academically to complete the degree over the four year period. (An applicant who did not have a minimum WAM of 65, but met all other criteria, would be eligible for consideration.)

An interview will be conducted, if necessary, for ranking. Application forms are available at the Faculty Office.

## Oasis Horticulture Pty Ltd Scholarship in Horticulture

Oasis Horticulture Pty Ltd offers two-year undergraduate scholarships. The first was awarded in 1998. Assuming a high calibre of applicants, it is envisaged that there would be a new scholarship commencing each year. The linking of the scholarship to paid vacation employment, which can count as professional experience, is a particularly attractive aspect of the scholarship.

Oasis Horticulture, situated at Winmalee in the foothills of the Blue Mountains, is one of Australia's largest wholesale nurseries. The company is well known for flower and vegetable seedlings as well as potted lines. Oasis Horticulture has an intensive Research and Development Department. Its Propagation Department is responsible for the vegetative propagation of several million young plants annually.

#### Terms and conditions

- 1. The Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources awards the Oasis Horticulture Scholarship in Horticulture to a third year full-time Bachelor of Horticultural Science or Bachelor of Science in Agriculture student of the University of Sydney.
- 2. The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of the applicant's demonstrated commitment to horticulture, career aspirations, interpersonal and communication skills, initiative, level of self motivation and academic performance in the first three semesters of enrolment. The Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Naturall Resources will prepare a short-list of applicants, based normally on a minimum WAM of 65 (credit level), for joint interview by Oasis Horticulture representatives and one or more nominated members of the Faculty. (Applicants who do not have a minimum WAM of 65, but who provided evidence that they meet all other criteria, will be eligible for short-listing).
- 3. The scholarship comprises four payments of \$1500 payable at the beginning and middle of the scholarship holder's third and fourth years of study (in March and September).
- 4. The scholarship holder will forward semester results to Oasis Horticulture as soon as they become available.
- 5. The scholarship holder will consult with the Faculty and Oasis Horticulture prior to selection of any substantial elective component of the coursework.
- 6. The scholarship holder must undertake paid vacation employment with Oasis Horticulture between the second and third (4–8 weeks) and the third and fourth (4–8 weeks) academic years or 8–16 weeks at some vacation time mutually agreeable to Oasis Horticulture and the student.
- 7. During vacation employment the scholarship holder will be employed as a full-time staff member of Oasis Horticulture, at a location selected by the company following consultation with the scholarship holder.
- 8. The Faculty and Oasis Horticulture expect the scholarship holder to undertake limited extracurricular activities and training, particularly public speaking and presentation skills, and develop a network of contacts in the horticultural industry and in particular in the nursery and related sectors.
- 9. The Faculty reserves the right to revoke the scholarship at any time, following consultation with Oasis Horticulture, if the scholarship holder does not maintain a credit average and/or performance is unsatisfactory during vacation employment or if there is a substantive change in enrolment which affects the basis of eligibility.
- 10. The scholarship holder will not accept any other scholarship without prior permission from the Faculty and Oasis Horticulture.

## More undergraduate scholarships

## **Belmore Scholarships**

In 1871 the Earl of Belmore made a gift for the purpose of providing a gold medal for proficiency in geology and practical chemistry with special reference to agriculture. His Lordship stated that should additional branches connected with agriculture be thereafter taught in the University, the examination for the medal might be made to embrace them. Upon the establishment of a Chair of Agriculture in 1910, it was decided to award the income of the fund as a scholarship. Four scholarships of \$500 each are awarded annually on the recommendation of the Dean of the Faculty to students in the Faculty. Two are tenable by students enrolling in the second year of the BHortSc, BLWSc, BResEc or BScAgr degree, the first being awarded to the student showing greatest proficiency in the first-year examinations and the second awarded for greatest proficiency in the first-year Chemistry units of study. A further two are tenable by students enrolling in the third year of the BHortSc, BLWSc or BScAgr degree, the first being awarded to the student showing greatest proficiency at the second year examinations and the second awarded for greatest proficiency in Soil Properties and Processes and either Plant Biochemistry and Molecular Biology or Rural Environmental Chemistry. A student enrolling in the third year of the BResEc degree is also eligible for the second-year general proficiency scholarship. In each case the student's work must be of sufficient merit. Two scholarships may not be awarded to the same person in any one year.

## Brian G Davey Memorial Scholarships in Soil Science

Established in 1989 at the request of Mrs Leith Davey in memory of her husband Dr Brian G Davey, Senior Lecturer in Soil Science until his death in 1989. Two scholarships may be awarded annually on the recommendation of the Sciences Discipline Leader. One may be awarded to the most proficient student who achieves the highest aggregate mark in the units of study Soil Properties and Processes and the Soil Resource in the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources and who enrols in the fourth year Soil Science specialisation for a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture or a Bachelor of Land and Water Science degree, provided the student's work is of sufficient merit. The other scholarship may be awarded to the most proficient student who achieves the highest aggregate mark in the units of study Soil Properties and Processes and the Soil Resource in the Faculty of Science who enrols in Soil Science Honours for a Bachelor of Science degree, provided the student's work is of sufficient merit. The scholarships may be shared. If sufficient funds are available more than two scholarships may be awarded in any one year. Value: \$400 per annum each

## Golden Jubilee Scholarship in Agricultural Science

In 1960, which was the golden jubilee year of the foundation of the School of Agriculture in this University and of the Australian Institute of Agricultural Science, a committee was formed to raise a fund to endow an annual scholarship in agricultural science. The scholarship was established in 1961 by the gift of £1574 18s 0d from the Jubilee Scholarship Fund Appeal. Awarded annually for the study of agricultural science in the fourth year to a student at the end of third year, on the basis of academic achievement, application to the course of study and aptitude for agricultural science. Value: \$500

## Martin McIIrath Scholarships for Undergraduates in Veterinary Science and Agriculture

The scholarships tenable in the first year are awarded on the results of the HSC examination and those in higher years on the results of the annual examinations of the preceding years. In the award of the scholarships preference is given to ex-servicemen and male descendants of ex-servicemen. Women are eligible to apply if they are current or ex-members of the armed forces. Each scholarship is tenable for one year. The scholarships are awarded by the Trustees on the recommendation of the Faculty concerned and after consideration of the question of preferred eligibility. Please note that these scholarships will only be awarded in any one year when there are eligible applicants in both the Faculties of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources and Veterinary Science.

Value: Approximately \$2000, tenable for 1 year The application form is available from: www.usyd.edu.au/study/scholarships

## John Mercer Bursary (Agriculture)

This bursary has been created by donation of the family, friends, colleagues and students of the late John R Mercer, Senior Lecturer in Animal Nutrition at the University. The bursary is available to one or more students enrolled in animal science units of study in third or fourth years of the Bachelor of Science in Agriculture or the Bachelor of Animal and Veterinary Bioscience who have demonstrated sufficient academic merit and are in financial need. Preference may be given to students with a demonstrable interest in Animal Nutrition. The award will be made on the recommendation of the Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Science. A total of \$1000 is available annually.

#### For further information see:

www.usyd.edu/stuserv/finances/financial\_assistance\_office/scholarships.shtml

## NSW Farmers Association Tertiary Scholarships

You may apply directly to the Association for one of five competitive scholarships available across NSW. To be eligible for a scholarship, you, your partner or your parents must have been full members of the Association for at least the two consecutive years before the date on which you apply. Applicants must be full-time students, in the second or subsequent year of full-time study.

Applicants will be assessed on the basis of:

- academic record and status
- all round ability including leadership qualities
- · communication skills and practical application, and
- commitment to agriculture and rural communities.

Applications close in January each year and forms are available from: www.nswfarmers.org.au Value: \$5000

## Undergraduate prizes

## ABARE Prize

Established in 1995 by ABARE for a prize in support of academic excellence in the field of agricultural economics. Two prizes are awarded annually on the recommendation of the Agricultural and Resource Economics Discipline Leader. One prize is awarded to the student who attains the highest honours aggregate on graduation in the degree of Bachelor of Agricultural Economics and another to the student who attains the highest honours aggregate on graduation in the degree of Bachelor of Resource Economics. *Value: \$300 each* 

## John Arthur Cran Prize

Established in 1959 by the offer of an annual donation by Mrs Esther Cran in memory of her husband John Arthur Cran. In 1983 the University received a bequest of \$1000 from Mrs Cran with the intent that the prize be awarded in perpetuity. The prize may be awarded annually on the recommendation of the Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources to the most proficient candidate at the Higher School Certificate or equivalent examination who enrols full-time in the first year of candidature for one of the following degrees – Bachelor of Science in Agriculture, Bachelor of Agricultural Economics, Bachelor of Horticultural Science, Bachelor of Land and Water Science or Bachelor of Resource Economics – provided that the student's work is of sufficient merit. *Value:* \$100

## Bruce Davidson Prize in Resource Economics

Established in 1995 by donations from the family of Bruce Robinson Davidson and former students and colleagues in recognition of his pioneering research in water resource economics in Australia, and as a tribute to his outstanding contributions as a teacher and researcher in agriculture and agricultural economics. Awarded annually, on the recommendation of the Agricultural and Resource Economics Discipline Leader, to an undergraduate student enrolled in the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources who submits the best essay or thesis in the area of natural resource economics. *Value:* **\$300** 

## Bruce R Davidson Memorial Prize in Resource Economics

Established in 2002 by a donation from Dr David Godden in recognition of Dr Davidson, a former member of this Faculty, for his extensive research in resource economics in Australia. Awarded annually, on the recommendation of the Agricultural and Resource Economics Discipline Leader, to the Bachelor of Resource Economics student showing the greatest proficiency at the first year examinations. *Value: \$200* 

## **Clifford Dawson Holliday Prize**

Founded in 1954 by a bequest of £1000 from Andrew Holliday for a prize to be known as the Clifford Dawson Holliday Prize in Agriculture. Awarded annually to the most proficient candidate at the third year annual examinations in the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources.

Value: \$200

## John Neil Downing Memorial Prize

Established by RG Downing BSc(Agr), by gifts of £25 in 1948 and £500 in 1949, for a prize in memory of his son, Lieutenant John Neil Downing, who was killed in action. The prize, which may be shared, is awarded annually on the recommendation of the Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources to the student in the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources who shows greatest proficiency in the professional experience requirement, provided the student's work is of sufficient merit. *Value:* **\$550** 

## John and Beatrice Froggatt Prize

Established in 1986 by a bequest of \$10,000 from the estate of Mrs Beatrice E Froggatt of Killara who died in 1985. Awarded annually on the recommendation of the Sciences Discipline Leader to the student with the highest aggregate in the second year unit of study Entomology and fourth year Entomology specialisation, provided that the student's work is of sufficient merit. The prize may be shared. *Value:* \$1000

## WW Froggatt Memorial Prize

Established in 1979 by a bequest of \$1000 from the estate of Joyce Chiosso Froggatt in memory of her father. Awarded annually on the recommendation of the Sciences Discipline Leader to the student in fourth year Agricultural Entomology who shows the greatest proficiency in a research project in entomology, if the student's work is of sufficient merit.

Value: \$200

## **DL Jackson Memorial Prize**

Established in 1975 by public subscription in memory of DL Jackson, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Agronomy and Horticultural Science. To be awarded annually on the recommendation of the Sciences Discipline Leader after consulting the professor most concerned to the most proficient student in the units of study the Rural Environment and Climate and the Environment provided that the candidate's work is of sufficient merit. *Value:* **\$400** 

## FC McCleery Memorial Award

Established in 1979 by a series of donations over a number of years by the Reverend AB Catley, a graduate of the Faculty of Agriculture, for an award in that Faculty. The award honours the memory of FC McCleery, BScAgr (1925), the former Chief Biometrician in the NSW Department of Agriculture. FC McCleery was judged by his peers, both when a student at this University and in his later professional career, to be a man of great integrity who contributed greatly in both fields by his leadership and fellowship. Throughout his professional career he remained interested in a wide range of subjects from classical Greek literature to modern theology.

The award is made annually after a ballot, conducted by the Dean, of third year students in the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources to the person amongst their number who they judge at that ballot to have contributed most to the life of the Faculty by way of leadership and fellowship. Only those students who have completed the first two years of their degree course in minimum time shall be eligible for nomination. *Value: \$200* 

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### Theresa G Makinson Prize

Established in 1972 by the donation of \$500 from Miss KJ Laurence, to establish a prize in memory of her aunt, Theresa Genevieve Makinson, 1885–1939. Awarded annually, on the recommendation of the Sciences Discipline Leader after consulting the professor most concerned, to the most proficient student in fourth year specialisation Horticulture, provided that the candidate's work is of sufficient merit. *Value:* \$100

## Warren F Musgrave Prize in Resource Economics

Established in 2002 by a donation from Dr David Godden in recognition of Professor Musgrave, a former student of this Faculty, for his extensive research in resource economics in Australia. Awarded annually, on the recommendation of the Agricultural and Resource Economics Discipline Leader, to the Bachelor of Resource Economics student showing the greatest proficiency at the second year examinations.

#### Value: \$200

### Sibella Macarthur Onslow Memorial Prize

Established in 1944 by a gift of £360 from members of the Victorian League of New South Wales and other friends of Miss Sibella Macarthur Onslow. Awarded annually on the recommendation of the Sciences Discipline Leader, after consulting academic staff most concerned, for greatest proficiency in the Fourth year specialisation Agronomy, provided the student's work is of sufficient merit. *Value:* \$200

## FL Partridge Prize

Founded in 1928 by a gift of shares from an anonymous donor to establish the "FL Partridge Endowment" in memory of FL Partridge. The endowment is used to provide a prize in the Faculty of Agriculture,

Food and Natural Resources in accordance with the following conditions:

- The FL Partridge Prize shall be awarded to undergraduates in the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources who have passed the second year examination in that Faculty.
- The prize shall be of the annual value of \$400 and shall be tenable in the third and fourth years of the agricultural curriculum, provided the holder is diligent and of good conduct and passes creditably all the examinations of the course.
- The prize will only be awarded to students in such necessitous circumstances that they would have difficulty in completing the agricultural curriculum without some financial assistance.
- Where there are two or more candidates who fulfil the last condition the prize will be awarded to the student who at the end of the second or third year has the best academic record.
- Any unexpended income shall be used to create a fund for the carrying out of such research work within the Faculty as the Faculty may determine.
- Applications for the FL Partridge Prize must reach the Registrar before the end of March in each year.

## Alan Randall Prize in Resource Economics

Established in 2002 by a donation from Dr David Godden in recognition of Professor Randall, a former student of this Faculty, for his research in international resource economics. Awarded annually, on the recommendation of the Agricultural and Resource Economics Discipline Leader, to the Bachelor of Resource Economics student showing the greatest proficiency at the third year examinations. *Value: \$200* 

## Joyce Winifred Rouse Prize

The prize was established in 1987 by a donation from Randolph G Rouse on behalf of his wife. Awarded annually on the recommendation of the Sciences Discipline Leader to the most proficient student in fourth year specialisation Food Science in the BScAgr degree or the BSc degree provided that the candidate's work is of sufficient merit. *Value: \$40* 

### Sydney University Agricultural Graduates' Association Prize

Established in 1994 by an offer of an annual donation from the Sydney University Agricultural Graduates' Association to recognise undergraduates who contribute time and effort to the leadership and fellowship of agricultural students. The prize shall be awarded annually to the student elected as President of the Sydney University Agricultural Society.

The prize shall be a commemorative object selected by SUAGA

### GW Walker Memorial Essay Prize

Founded in 1944 and 1945 by amounts of £50 each received from the New South Wales Council of Agriculture Associations, Lindley Walker Wheat Coy Ltd, and the Flour Mill-Owners' Association of New South Wales, as a memorial to George W Walker. Awarded annually on the recommendation of the Agricultural and Resource Economics Discipline Leader to the student who presents the best essay in the unit of study Agricultural Marketing Analysis, provided the essay is of sufficient merit. *Value:* \$100

## Professor WL Waterhouse Prize

In 1953 a sum of £150 was handed to the Senate by the Sydney University Agricultural Graduates' Association as part of subscriptions received in making a presentation to Professor WL Waterhouse on his retirement. The money was used to establish a prize to perpetuate the name and work of Professor Waterhouse. Awarded annually to the most proficient student in the units of study Agricultural Genetics

2 and Plant Disease, provided that the candidate's work is of sufficient merit.

### Value: \$80

## Sir Robert Watt Memorial Prize

Established in 1966 by the gift of \$500 from Lady Madge Watt and her daughter in memory of Emeritus Professor Sir Robert Watt, the first Professor of Agriculture at this University. Awarded annually on the recommendation of the Sciences Discipline Leader, after consulting the professor most concerned, to the most proficient student in Crop and Pasture Systems, provided the candidate's work is of sufficient merit.

Value: \$80

## Weed Society of New South Wales Prize

Founded in 1971 by the offer of an annual gift from the Weed Society of New South Wales. Awarded annually on the recommendation of the Sciences Discipline Leader to the undergraduate student who presents the best essay in the area of Weed Science, provided that the candidate's work is of sufficient merit. *Value:* \$100

## NH White Memorial Prize

Established in 1995 by donations from the former students and colleagues of Neville Hewlett White as a tribute to his outstanding contributions as a teacher and researcher in Plant Pathology. Awarded annually on the recommendation of the Sciences Discipline Leader to the most proficient student in the specialisation of Plant Pathology within the fourth year of the BScAgr program. *Value:* \$100

## AR Woodhill Prize in Entomology

Established in 1966 by the gift of \$1000 from Mrs Woodhill and the colleagues and students of Dr AR Woodhill. Awarded annually on the recommendation of the Sciences Discipline Leader to the most proficient student in the second year unit of study Entomology, provided that the candidate's work is of sufficient merit. The prize may be shared.

Value: \$300

## Arthur Yates and Co Pty Ltd Prize

Established in 1977. Two prizes of \$100 each are awarded annually, the first on the recommendation of the Sciences Discipline Leader after consulting academic staff most concerned to the most proficient student in the specialisation of Horticulture in fourth year, provided that the candidate's work is of sufficient merit, and the second on the recommendation of the Director of the Plant Breeding Institute after consulting academic staff most concerned to the most proficient student in the specialisation of Agricultural Genetics in fourth year, provided that the candidate's work is of sufficient merit.

## Prize compositions

These are prizes for best essays in a variety of fields. Entries usually open around April and close at the end of August. See the Scholarships website (www.usyd.edu.au/scholarships) for more information.

## Ineligibility

A candidate who presents for re-examination in any unit of study shall not normally be eligible for any prize or scholarship awarded in connection with such examination.

## Regulations for undergraduate scholarships in Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources

Established in 1991, by funding from companies, organisations and individuals, referred to hereafter as 'cooperating companies', to encourage and assist candidates for the degrees of Bachelor of Agricultural Economics, Bachelor of Horticultural Science, Bachelor of Land and Water Science, Bachelor of Resource Economics or Bachelor of Science in Agriculture.

1. The scholarship shall be awarded under the following conditions:

- 1.1 Each scholarship shall be named an Undergraduate Scholarship in Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources, except where a cooperating company requests that its name be used as an identifier within the scheme.
- 1.2 The scholarships shall be open to citizens and permanent residents of Australia who qualify in the final year of secondary schooling to enter the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources at the University of Sydney.
- 2. Tenure
- 2.1 Each scholarship shall be tenable for the specific agricultural degree for which it is offered, where applicable, and shall not be transferable to another degree except in exceptional circumstances.
- 2.2 The scholarships shall be tenable for the duration of each recipient's degree program, provided that the scholar meets all the obligations of the program and maintains satisfactory academic progress.
- 3. Advisory Committee
- 3.1 There shall be an Advisory Committee consisting of the following persons:
- 3.1.1 no fewer than five representatives of separate cooperating companies;
- 3.1.2 no fewer than two heads of disciplines in the Faculty including the Agricultural and Resource Economics Discipline Leader (or nominees);
- 3.1.3 no more than three members of the Institute of Advanced Studies within the Faculty;
- 3.1.4 the Dean of the Faculty; and
- 3.1.5 the Executive Director of the Undergraduate Scholarships in Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Program.
- 3.2 The Advisory Committee shall elect its own chairperson.
- 3.3 The Advisory Committee shall advise the Faculty on the conduct and management of the program, including scholar selection, the nature and organisation of the professional experience component, and such other matters as it considers pertinent to the effective operation of the program.
- 3.4 The Executive Director of the program shall be a member of the Faculty, nominated by the Dean, appointed by the Advisory Committee.
- 3.5 The Executive Officer of the program shall be a member of the University's administrative staff, nominated by the Dean, and shall attend meetings of the Advisory Committee.
- 4. Annual meeting of cooperating companies

- 4.1 There shall be an annual general meeting of cooperating companies during the first semester of each academic year, when:
- 4.1.1 the Advisory Committee shall report on the operation of the program over the previous year;
- 4.1.2 the membership of the Advisory Committee for the coming year shall be determined; and
- 4.1.3 any matters relating to the program may be raised and decisions thereon made for implementation by the Advisory Committee.
- 5. Awarding of the scholarships
- 5.1 The scholarships shall be awarded on the basis of academic merit (as indicated by the applicants' performance at the NSW Higher School Certificate Examination, or equivalent), leadership potential and personal qualities.
- 5.2 The scholarships shall be awarded on the recommendation of selection panels consisting of at least one representative from cooperating companies and at least one member of the Faculty appointed by the Dean.
- 6. There shall be no bonding or other commitment to employment between a cooperating company and any scholar.
- 7. A scholarship is intended for a continuous four-year degree program, but the Advisory Committee may consider a request for an interruption in a scholar's progress towards the bachelor degree for some exceptional purpose, and, if such request is approved, the scholarship shall be suspended during such interruption.
- 8. Cost
- 8.1 Cooperating companies shall make a donation to The University of Sydney Undergraduate Scholarship in Agriculture Program, for each year and for each scholarship place supported, comprising the annual scholarship stipend together with an administration levy of \$600 + GST.
- 8.2 Transfers of funds from cooperating companies to the University shall be made by 31 January in the year to which the scholarship place applies.
- 8.3 The administrative levy will be reviewed each year.
- 9. Benefits to cooperating companies
- 9.1 Each current cooperating company shall be entitled to:
- 9.1.1 access to the whole pool of Undergraduate Scholars in Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources for professional work experience in the cohort or cohorts contemporaneous with the year or years of its support; and
- 9.1.2 inclusion of the company's name on a roll of cooperating companies to be set up in the Faculty Office.
- 10. Value and payments
- 10.1 The value of the scholarship stipend in 2006 was \$7000 per annum.
- 10.2 The value of the scholarship stipend shall be adjusted annually by the Advisory Committee after considering movements in the consumer price index.
- 10.3 A scholarship shall run from 1 March to the following 30 November.
- 10.4 The scholarship payments shall be made at regular intervals.

## 8. Postgraduate course requirements

The higher degrees and qualifications in the faculty are: DAgrEc: Doctor of Agricultural Economics DScAgr: Doctor of Science in Agriculture PhD: Doctor of Philosophy MAgrEc: Master of Agricultural Economics MScAgr: Master of Science in Agriculture MAgr: Master of Agriculture GradDipAgr: Graduate Diploma in Agriculture GradCertAgr: Graduate Certificate in Agriculture

The regulations governing the award of these degrees are printed in the Calendar and in this Handbook. Prospective candidates should consult with the Discipline Leader concerned before submitting an application for admission to candidature.

All candidates would normally begin in Semester 1 (near the end of February). In some cases candidates may be able to commence in Semester 2 (late July). Teaching in postgraduate courses in the Faculty develops skills and graduate attributes. A Statement of Generic Graduate Attributes can be found in this Handbook at Section 7 (Other Faculty information). The following statements summarise part only of the regulations governing the award of these degrees.

## Doctor of Agricultural Economics and Doctor of Science in Agriculture

The degrees of Doctor of Agricultural Economics and Doctor of Science in Agriculture shall not be conferred until the candidate is a graduate of eight years' standing from the degree which qualified him or her for candidature. The degree may be awarded for published work which, in the opinion of the examiners, has been generally recognised by scholars in the field concerned as a distinguished contribution to knowledge.

## Doctor of Philosophy

The degree of Doctor of Philosophy is a research degree awarded for a thesis considered to be a substantially original contribution to the subject concerned. Some coursework may be required (mainly in the form of seminars) but in no case is it a major component.

Applicants should normally hold a masters degree or a bachelor's degree with first or high second class honours of the University of Sydney, or an equivalent qualification from another university or institution.

The degree may be taken on either a full-time or part-time basis. In the case of full-time candidates, the minimum period of candidature is two years for candidates holding a masters degree or equivalent, or three years in the case of candidates holding a bachelor's degree with first class or second class honours; the maximum period of candidature is normally four years. The first 12 months of candidature is normally on probation.

Part-time candidature may be approved for applicants who can demonstrate that they are engaged in an occupation or other activity which leaves them substantially free to pursue their candidature for the degree. They should be able to devote at least 20 hours per week to candidature including at least one day per week during each year of candidature or an equivalent annual period made up in blocks. Normally the minimum period of candidature will be determined on the recommendation of the Faculty but in any case will not be less than 3 years; the maximum period of candidature is normally 8 years.

## Master of Agricultural Economics and Master of Science in Agriculture

Graduates of the University of Sydney who have completed units of study acceptable to the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources or persons who, in the opinion of the Faculty, have qualifications equivalent to those required of a graduate of the University of Sydney, may apply for admission as candidates for the degree of master.

Candidates engage in research culminating in a thesis for two to three years full-time or pro rata part-time. Some honours graduates (or equivalent) may be eligible for a minimum candidature of one year full-time. A candidate may be required to serve a period of probation for not more than one year and to complete such work during the period as may be prescribed.

## Master of Agriculture, Graduate Diploma in Agriculture and Graduate Certificate in Agriculture

Postgraduate studies are available towards a Master of Agriculture, Graduate Diploma in Agriculture and Graduate Certificate in Agriculture.

Admission requirements for the Master of Agriculture, Graduate Diploma in Agriculture and Graduate Certificate in Agriculture are normally a bachelor's degree or an equivalent qualification. In some instances the admission requirements may be met by evidence of general or professional qualifications and appropriate work experience to indicate that the student has the academic preparation and capacity to complete the course in question. With the approval of the Dean, students may be granted admission with advanced standing if they have completed relevant prior learning at an equivalent level elsewhere.

Students may transfer between courses and receive credit for any completed units, provided they have not taken out the award from which they are transferring.

The Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and the Master of Agriculture testamur will specify the area of specialisation: Agribusiness, Agricultural Economics, Agricultural Technologies, Natural Resource Management, Resource Economics; Sustainable Agriculture or Turf Management.

To achieve the objectives of the courses, especially for students seeking training in a new discipline, some classes may be taught in conjunction with advanced undergraduate units. However, postgraduate coursework students will engage in additional consultation and more advanced assignment work than their undergraduate counterparts. They will also be assessed against a higher standard. Some students may need to acquire basic knowledge and skills in subject areas before they are able to undertake postgraduate coursework.

## Graduate Certificate in Agriculture

Candidates for the Graduate Certificate complete a total of 24 credit points (cp) made up of 12cp from their selected specialisation as specified in TABLE A and the balance from elective units chosen from any other units listed in TABLE D (subject to meeting prior learning requirements and timetabling). Students who have completed relevant prior learning at an equivalent level may be given up to 6cp advanced standing.



## Table A

Program	Core units
Agribusiness	At least two of AGEC5301, AGEC5401, AGEC5403, AGEC5404
Agricultural Economics	At least two AGEC54XX units
Agricultural Technologies	At least two AFNR51XX, AFNR52XX, AFNR53XX, AFNR55XX units
Natural Resource Management	At least two of RSEC5431, RSEC5432, AFNR5501, AFNR5502, AFNR5506, AFNR5507, AFNR5509, AFNR5510
Resource Economics	At least two of RSEC5431, RSEC5432, RSEC5433, RSEC5434
Sustainable Agriculture	At least two of RSEC5431, RSEC5432, AFNR5201, AFNR5202, AFNR5204, AFNR5205, AFNR5206, AFNR5207, AFNR5208
Turf Management	At least two AFNR56XX units

## Graduate Diploma in Agriculture

Candidates for the Graduate Diploma complete a total of 36cp made up of 18cp from their selected specialisation as specified in TABLE B and the balance from elective units chosen from any other units listed in TABLE D (subject to meeting prior learning requirements and timetabling). Students who have completed relevant prior learning at an equivalent level may be given up to 12cp advanced standing.

## Table B

Program	Core units
Agribusiness	At least three of AGEC5301, AGEC5401, AGEC5403, AGEC5404
Agricultural Economics	At least three AGEC54XX units
Agricultural Technologies	At least three AFNR51XX, AFNR52XX, AFNR53XX, AFNR55XX units
Natural Resource Management	At least three of RSEC5431, RSEC5432, AFNR5501, AFNR5502, AFNR5506, AFNR5507, AFNR5509, AFNR5510
Resource Economics	At least three of RSEC5431, RSEC5432, RSEC5433, RSEC5434
Sustainable Agriculture	At least three of RSEC5431, RSEC5432, AFNR5201, AFNR5202, AFNR5204, AFNR5205, AFNR5206, AFNR5207, AFNR5208
Turf Management	At least three AFNR56XX units

## Master of Agriculture

Candidates for the Master of Agriculture complete a total of 48cp made up of 24cp from their selected specialisation as specified in TABLE C and the balance from elective units chosen from any other units listed in TABLE D (subject to meeting prior learning requirements and timetabling). Students who have completed relevant prior learning at an equivalent level may be given up to 12cp advanced standing.

### Table C

Program	Core units
Agribusiness	AGEC5301, AGEC5401, AGEC5403, AGEC5404
Agricultural Economics	At least four AGEC54XX units
Agricultural Technologies	At least four AFNR51XX, AFNR52XX, AFNR53XX, AFNR55XX units
Natural Resource Management	At least four of RSEC5431, RSEC5432, AFNR5501, AFNR5502, AFNR5506, AFNR5507, AFNR5509, AFNR5510
Resource Economics	RSEC5431, RSEC5432, RSEC5433, RSEC5434
Sustainable Agriculture	At least four of RSEC5431, RSEC5432, AFNR5201, AFNR5202, AFNR5204, AFNR5205, AFNR5206, AFNR5207, AFNR5208
Turf Management	All four AFNR56XX units

## Table D

Code	Unit	Sem
AFNR5003	Biometry	1
AFNR5101	Plant Agricultural Biotechnology	2
AFNR5102	Food Science A	1
AFNR5103	Food Science B	1
AFNR5106	Ecochemistry	2
AFNR5107	Analytical Chemistry A	1
AFNR5108	Plant Cytogenetics	2
AFNR5109	Plant Breeding	1
AFNR5201	Crop Agronomy	1
AFNR5202	Professional Practice in Agronomy	1
AFNR5204	Crop Water Management	2
AFNR5205	Production Horticulture	1
AFNR5206	Postharvest Biology and Technology	1
AFNR5207	Issues in Horticultural Science	1
AFNR5208	Research and Practice in Horticultural Science	2
AFNR5209	Sustainable Cropping Systems	1
AFNR5301	Plant Disease	1
AFNR5303	Adv Mycology & Plant Path	1
AFNR5304	Soil Biology	1
AFNR5305	Applied Entomology (Crops)	1
AFNR5306	Insect Taxonomy & Systematics	1
AFNR5501	The Soil Resource	2
AFNR5502	Remote Sensing, GIS and Land Management	2
AFNR5506	Limnology and Water Quality	1
AFNR5507	Landscape Hydrology and Management	1
AFNR5509	Contemporary Field & Lab Soil Science	1
AFNR5510	The Soil at Work	2
AFNR5601	Turf Management	1
AFNR5602	Advanced Turf Management	2
AFNR5603	Turf Species and Varieties	1
AFNR5604	Diagnostic Methods in Turf Management	1
AFNR5605	Applied Plant Ecology	2
AFNR5901*	Research Review	1 or 2
AFNR5902*	Research Study (12 credit points)	1 or 2
AFNR5903*	Research Project (24 credit points)	1 or 2
AGEC5300**	Business Topics in Amenity Horticulture	1
AGEC5301	Agribusiness Management	1
AGEC5302	Agricultural and Resource Policy	1
AGEC5303	Applied Optimisation	1
AGEC5304	Research Methods	1
AGEC5401	Agricultural Marketing Analysis	2
AGEC5402	Agricultural Development Economics	2
AGEC5403	International Agricultural Trade	1
AGEC5404	Agribusiness Analysis	1
AGEC5405	Quantitative Planning Methods	1
AGEC5406	Agricultural Finance and Risk	2
AGEC5407	Professional Skills (3 credit points)	1
AGEC5408	Contemporary Issues (3 credit points)	2
RSEC5431	Benetit-Cost Analysis	1
RSEC5432	Environmental Economics	1
ROEU5433	Economics of Water and Pie recovered	2
* AENIDE00	ECONOMICS OF WALEF AND BIO-RESOURCES	2
** AGEC530 Resource E	10 is not available in the Agribusiness, Agricultural conomics streams	Economics or

## 9. Postgraduate units of study

#### AFNR5003 Biometry

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Thomas Bishop Session: Semester 1 Classes: 5 hrs workshops/wk, individual consultation and research 1 hr/wk Assumed knowledge: BIOM2001 or equivalent Assessment: Reports (25%), assignment (20%), presentation (5%), exam (50%). All open book.

This unit is an elective available to students enrolled in either the GradCertAgr, GradDipAgr or MAgr degrees. It is designed for students who are interested in research and is intended to further develop your skills in experimental design and statistical modeling. It builds on the topics introduced in the undergraduate unit Biometry 2, and aims to give students sufficient skills and confidence to complete the analysis of their own research data. As such it is particularly useful for MAgr students completing the Research Project, AFNR5903. We start by learning how to determine the number of replicates to use in an experiment. We revise multiple regression and extend the linear model to a time series system. We then examine how normally distributed data from designed experiments can be analysed in a general linear model framework, and hence how to cope with missing or incomplete data. The difference between maximum likelihood and residual maximum likelihood (REML) is studied for a single sample. A REML analysis is obtained for complete and incomplete factorial designs: for fixed, random and mixed models; for data collected from repeated observations on the same experimental unit. Next, we consider various techniques for the analysis of non-normal data, specifically: logistic regression for binary and proportion data; Poisson regression for count data; loglinear modelling for multi-way contingency tables; ordinal and nominal logistic regression for scores & ratings. The assignment is to design and analyse data from either an undergraduate 4th year or postgraduate coursework student research project.

#### Textbooks

Clewer, A.G. and Scarisbrick, D.H. (2001). Practical Statistics and Experimental Design for Plant and Crop Science. West Sussex: John Wiley & Sons.

Dytham, C. (2003). Choosing and Using Statistics: A Biologist's Guide. Oxford: Blackwell.

Mead, R., Curnow, R.N. and Hasted, A.M. (2003). Statistical Methods in Agriculture and Experimental Biology, 3rd ed. Boca Raton: Chapman & Hall/CRC.

#### AFNR5101

#### Plant Agricultural Biotechnology

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Prof Peter Sharp, Dr Neil Howes Session: Semester 2 Classes: 24hrs lectures and 36 hours of other work (practicals, computer database examination, seminars) Prohibitions: GENE4013 Assessment: 3hr exam, reports, assignment

Lectures and other work covering the structure and function of plant genomes and genes, the technology and results of DNA transformation and the analysis of plant traits by molecular techniques including by genetic mapping using molecular and other genetic markers.

## AFNR5102

#### Food Science A

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Robert Caldwell, (Coordinator), Dr Meredith Wilkes, A/Prof Neil Howes, Prof Les Copeland Session: Semester 1 Classes: 24 hrs of lectures and 36 hrs of laboratory during the semester Prohibitions: AGCH3025 Assessment: One 2hr exam, laboratory reports, assignment, theory of laboratory test

This unit of study aims to give students an understanding of the constituents of foods and fibres. The lecture topics cover the chemistry, biochemistry and processing behaviour of major food constituents - oligosaccharides, polysaccharides, lipids and proteins; the relationship between molecular structure of constituents and their functionality in foods; anti-nutritional and toxic constituents of plants and foods; chemistry of dietary fibre; wheat flour doughs and protein chemistry

during baking and cooking; foams and emulsions, thickening agents; enzymes in foods and food processing. The laboratory exercises aim to give students an understanding of the methods used in the analysis of foods and other biological materials, and will include analysis of carbohydrates including starch; wheat flour swelling volume and the RVA; analysis of edible oils; spectroscopic and enzymic methods.

## AFNR5103

### Food Science B

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Robert Caldwell (Coordinator), Dr Meredith Wilkes, A/Prof Neil Howes, Prof Les Copeland Session: Semester 1 Classes: 18 hrs of lectures and 25 hrs of laboratory during the semester Prohibitions: AGCH3026 Assessment: Essays, laboratory reports, poster and oral presentation; theory of laboratory test

This unit of study aims to give students an understanding of global food systems and global food security. In the lecture/seminar/workshop component topics covered will include the sustainable production of major food crops; the role of genetically modified crops in food sustainability and quality; principles and methods in food quality control and assessment; chemical and biochemical aspects of food quality in relation to food processing and nutritional values. The laboratory exercises aim to give students an understanding of the methods used in the analysis of foods and other biological materials, and will include analysis and examination of protein functionality in foods; spectroscopic, enzymic, and chromatographic methods.

#### AFNR5106

#### Ecochemistry

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Professor Ivan Kennedy, Dr Robert Caldwell Session: Semester 2 Classes: 20 hr lectures and tutorials, 25 hr prac and 5-day field trip in the AVCC break Prohibitions: AGCH3030, AGCH3031, AGCH3032 Assumed knowledge: Intermediate level material in the areas of agricultural chemistry, chemistry, biochemistry Assessment: One 2 hr exam (50%), field trip report(s) (25%), prac reports (25%)

This field-oriented unit will develop professional expertise in rural ecochemistry, measuring impacts on sustainability and seeking solutions to chemical problems at the catchment scale. AFNR5106 builds on intermediate and senior units in environmental chemistry or biochemistry. It will promote knowledge and professional skills related to key chemical processes in ecosystems causing risks to soil and water resources, the quality of agricultural produce and to ecological biodiversity. These will be examined by quantitative risk analysis, targeted monitoring and remediation, seeking innovative solutions (e.g. IPM and genetic modification). A field trip in the AVCC break and professional report will investigate relevant case studies at selected centres in eastern Australia doing innovative research on global warming and climate change, soil and water quality and environmental protection. Lectures will provide knowledge in the environmental C, N and S cycles important for sustaining action in ecosystems, the nature of greenhouse gases and mitigation of their production including C sequestration, risks to biota (soil, water, plants, animals) from acidification and innovative means of remediation, environmental risk from pesticides and other pollutants, monitoring and their remediation. In laboratory exercises, students will gain skills in relevant analyses using GC, LC, mass spectrometry and ELISA. The assessment procedures are designed to provide students with skills in definition of research problems and risk assessment, quality in analyses, risk management and remediation, and effective communication of outputs.



## AFNR5107

## Analytical Chemistry A

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Robert Caldwell (Coordinator) Session: Semester 1 Classes: 22 hrs of lectures and 32 hrs of laboratory during the semester **Prohibitions:** AGCH4007 **Assessment:** One 2-hr exam (30%), laboratory reports (30%), major assignment (40%)

Lecture, reading list and laboratory topics will cover the theory and fundamentals of both common and advanced instrumentation used in analytical chemistry. Topics will cover ion selective electrode technology, pH meters, and other electrochemical devices; centrifuge and ultracentrifuge instrumentation, maintenance and applications, instrumentation in atomic and molecular spectrophotometry, gas and liquid chromatography, gel and capillary electrophoresis; automated derivatization methods; mass spectrometry, and immuno-analytical technology.

#### AFNR5108

#### **Plant Cytogenetics**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Norm Darvey Session: Semester 2 Classes: 24hrs lectures and 36 hours of other work (practicals, computer database examination, seminars) Prohibitions: GENE4011 Assessment: 3hr exam, reports, assignment

Lectures in cytology and cytogenetics, with special emphasis on cereals and the application of chromosome engineering to plant breeding. The laboratory unit includes routine cytological procedures and tissue culture technology.

#### AFNR5109

#### Plant Breeding

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Norm Darvey Session: Semester 1 Classes: 24hrs lectures and 36 hours of other work (practicals, computer database examination, seminars) Prohibitions: GENE4012 Assessment: 3hr exam, reports, assignment

Lectures and practical work devoted to the theory, philosophy and practice of plant breeding, screening techniques, conservation of genetic variability, breeding for disease resistance, the use of tissue culture in breeding, with examples from both field and horticultural crops.

#### AFNR5201

#### Crop Agronomy

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Lindsay Campbell Session: Semester 1 Classes: Block intensives/workshops, excursion Assumed knowledge: (AGRO3001 Agronomy 3 or AGRO3002 Agronomy 3) and (PLNT2003 Plant Form and Function or PLNT2903 Plant Form and Function (Advanced)) Assessment: Report, oral presentations and exam

This unit examines agronomy as the discipline that underpins agricultural production. Two industries are studied to gain appreciation of the main agronomic principles of crop production. Most principles can be applied to dryland crops even though the emphasis in this unit is on irrigated crops. As a case study, the cotton industry is examined in detail to understand the end-user and social demands on agricultural production, the technical issues that challenge the farmer and the diversity of other specialist information from relevant disciplines such as entomology, pathology and soil science that must be integrated into the farming system. Likewise the rice industry provides a contrasting farming system as another case study. The unit includes a one-week excursion to cotton growing areas in northern NSW, specialist intensive instruction provided by the Cotton CRC and a series of workshops) tutorials that provides analysis and synthesis of the major farming systems in this industry.

#### AFNR5202

#### **Professional Practice in Agronomy**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Lindsay Campbell Session: Semester 1 Classes: Pracs, workshops as advised, field work Assumed knowledge: Equivalent of BIOM2001 Biometry 2 and (AGRO3001 Agronomy 3 or AGRO3002 Agronomy 3). Students should have a grasp of experimental design and analysis Assessment: Reports

This unit provides training in the professional skills specific to the practice of agronomy. Students will design and execute field

experiments for a sustainable agricultural system. A challenge is to undertake experiments within the field constraints eg soil, previous cropping history etc. Several case studies involving client-driven experimental or R&D projects both in the field and laboratory will be used to illuminate sound professional practice, including budget management, in field and laboratory experimental design and methodology, data acquisition and assimilation and compilation of professional reports. Assessment will be based on professional involvement in the case studies and on the final reports. Students participate in a long-term experiment that involves planning, decision making and management of a farming system.

## AFNR5204

#### **Crop Water Management**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: A/Prof Bruce Sutton Session: Semester 2 Classes: (3 tut, 2hr prac)/wk Assumed knowledge: PLNT2003 or PLNT2903 Assessment: One 2 hr exam (45%), consultancy report (45%), practical reports (10%)

This unit of study provides a scientific understanding and practical working knowledge of water management in dryland and irrigated agricultural systems, with most of the emphasis at the field scale. The first section of the unit examines the mechanisms underlying a crop water balance, its calculation and measurement and management options for using rainfall as effectively as possible. The second section examines the major forms of irrigation, the scientific principles involved in each, their benefits and shortcomings and management to maximize water use efficiency. The practical classes will develop key skills appropriate to irrigation system management and use of current decision support systems. Postgraduate students will be expected to understand the details of the scientific concepts that underpin this unit at a greater depth than undergraduates pursuing AGRO4005 and should be able to reflect this in a more sophisticated and richer and hence significantly longer consultancy report and a demonstration of greater grasp of knowledge in the examination.

#### Textbooks

M.E. Jensen (1980). Design and Operation of Farm Irrigation Systems (ASAE). Allen, R.G, Periera, L.S., Raes, D. and Smith, M. (1998). Crop Evapotranspiration. Guidelines for computing crop water requirements. FAO Irrigation and Drainage Paper 56.

Hillel, D. (2004). Introduction to Environmental Soil Physics. Elsevier Academic Press.

#### AFNR5205

#### **Production Horticulture**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Jenny Jobling Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec, 4 hr prac)/wk or a field trip Assumed knowledge: HORT1001, HORT1002, HORT2002 or equivalent. Assessment: 3hr exam (55%), Assignments x 3 (45%)

Emphasis is given to the scientific basis for fruit and winegrape production and to sustainable vegetable crop production and tropical horticultural crops. Concepts underlying the establishment of and management of urban plants and use are addressed. The unit develops skills in the evaluation of technical and environmental status of established orchards, vineyards, vegetable crops and urban plantings.

#### AFNR5206

#### Postharvest Biology and Technology

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Robyn McConchie Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec & 4 prac)/wk Assumed knowledge: HORT1001, HORT1002, HORT2002 Assessment: Exam 2 hr (60%), laboratory reports (25%), assignment (10%), seminar (5%)

The unit develops understanding and skills relevant to the maintenance of quality during the harvesting, handling, storage and marketing of fresh plants and plant parts. The subject integrates the postharvest physiology of products that are handled or marketed in a living state, with the technological and economic challenges associated with delivering them from the field to the consumer. Supply chain analysis of crops will be examined via case study examples, drawn from fruits, vegetables, cut flowers, nursery and foliage crops, turf and edible fungi. Students will study all operations from harvesting to consumer evaluation.

#### Textbooks

Wills, R., McGlasson, B., Graham, D. and Joyce, D. "Postharvest: An Introduction to the Physiology and Handling of Fruit, Vegetables and Ornamentals." UNSW Press 4th Edition

#### AFNR5207

#### **Issues in Horticultural Science**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Robyn McConchie Session: Semester 1 Classes: 2 lectures per week for 13 weeks & 6 prac per 13 weeks Assumed knowledge: HORT3004 or equivalent. Assessment: Exam (2 hr) (25%), plant ID practical quizzes (15%), consulting report (45%), seminar presentation (15%)

Students attend a series of discussion workshops on minimising the environmental impact of horticultural enterprises. It introduces students to current themes and thinking in sustainable practices in horticultural science, covering issues such as efficient water management, sustainable use of fertilizers, salinity, heavy metal pollution, disposal of plastics, integrated pest management and organic practices. Students also undertake an industry based case study analysis of a horticultural supply chain, designed to provide them with skills in data analysis and interpretation, problem identification and problem solving. In addition, students will add to their general knowledge of important horticultural plants and their uses through plant identification workshops

#### **AFNR5208**

#### **Research and Practice in Hort Science**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Prof David Guest Session: Semester 2 Classes: 2h tut/wk; one 1-week excursion Assessment: Tutorial papers (30%), project proposal (10%), roject report (50%), peer review (10%)

Upon completion of this unit, students will have participated in a major excursion and a series of discussion workshops based on prescribed readings that will broaden their appreciation of current research themes in horticultural science, industry issues, stimulate critical thinking, enhance professional research skills and give an insight into the career opportunities for horticultural scientists. Attendance at seminars, written reports and presentations made during these workshops will improve student skills in critical analysis and communication.

#### **AFNR5209**

#### Sustainable Cropping Systems

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: A/Prof Bruce Sutton, Dr Daniel Tan, Dr Brett Whelan Session: Semester 1 Classes: (3 tut, 2hr prac)/wk Assumed knowledge: PLNT2003 or PLNT2903 or equivalent. Assessment: One 2 hr exam (45%), consultancy report (45%), practical reports (10%)

Agronomy studies the practices and underlying concepts of sustainable crop and pasture production. The scientific basis of modern practices used in crop production, particularly those relevant to New South Wales, is explored. This knowledge is used to appreciate the scale of future problems such as climate change, soil degradation and increased costs of petrochemical-based inputs like fuel and fertilizer. Possible responses to these problems that will help maintain productivity will be examined. The relationship between agricultural production and natural resource management is also considered as part of a modern production environment, with the impact of recent legislation supporting Ecologically Sustainable Development on agriculture and the agricultural response to it as the focus of discussion. The practical classes will develop key skills appropriate to precision agriculture and use of current decision support systems. Postgraduate students will be expected to understand the details of the scientific concepts that underpin this unit at a greater depth than undergraduates pursuing AGRO4005 and should be able to reflect this in a more sophisticated and richer and hence significantly longer consultancy report and a demonstration of greater grasp of knowledge in the examination.

#### **AFNR5301** Plant Disease

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Prof David Guest Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec, 3 labs)/wk Assumed knowledge: MICR2024 or equivalent. Assessment: One 2hr end of semester exam (60%), one prac exam (25%), six take-home quizzes (15%)

This unit introduces plant disease and the pathogens that limit agricultural and horticultural production. The unit is core to the BScAgr and BHortSc degrees and is available as an elective to BLWS and BSc students. It builds on the material introduced in MICR2024. The lecture component of the unit discusses the aetiology of plant disease and symptom development: diagnosis of plant disease: the biology. epidemiology and management of fungi and other microbes that cause plant disease; breeding for disease resistance; plant-parasite relationships; and disease resistance in plants. The practical component introduces techniques used in handling and identifying fungi and in studying plant disease, and develops skills in experimental design, execution and interpretation of experimental data. At the completion of this unit, students will be able to exercise problem-solving skills (developed through practical experiments and lecture discussions), think critically, and organise knowledge (from consideration of the lecture material and preparation of practical reports), expand from theoretical principles to practical explanations (through observing and reporting on practical work), use certain computer software for analysing data and reporting on laboratory projects. Students learn to work in a research team, plan effective work schedules (to meet deadlines for submission of assessable work), use statistical analysis in research, keep appropriate records of laboratory research, work safely in a research laboratory and operate a range of scientific equipment. Students will gain research and inquiry skills through research based group projects, information literacy and communication skills through assessment tasks and personal and intellectual autonomy through working in groups. Textbooks

Schumann GL & Darcy CJ 2006. Essential Plant Pathology. APS Press, St Paul, Minn., USA

#### AFNR5303

#### Adv Mycology and Plant Pathology

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Prof David Guest Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 tut, 3 hrs prac)/wk Assumed knowledge: PPAT3003 or equivalent Assessment: Two hour end of semester exam (70%), 1500-word review paper (30%)

This unit investigates evolution, systematics, taxonomy and biology of fungi and their role as plant pathogens; plant disease epidemiology and understanding fungal populations; infection processes and plant defence. The unit is an elective for BScAgr, BHortSc and BSc students. It builds on the material introduced in PPAT3003 and BIOL3017. Undertaking this unit will develop skills in isolating and identifying plant pathogenic fungi, diagnosing plant diseases, designing, conducting and analysing experiments. At the completion of this unit, students will be able to exercise problem-solving skills (developed through practical experiments, projects and tutorial discussions), think critically, and organise knowledge (from consideration of the lecture material and preparation of project reports), and expand from theoretical principles to practical explanations (through observing and reporting on project work). Students will consolidate their teamworking skills, develop self-directed study skills and plan effective work schedules, use statistical analysis in research, keep appropriate records of laboratory research, work safely in a research laboratory and operate a range of scientific equipment. Students will gain research and inquiry skills through individual and group research projects, information literacy and communication skills through assessment tasks and personal and intellectual autonomy through working in groups.

#### Textbooks

Agrios GN. 2005. Plant Pathology 5th ed. Academic Press

Plant pathogens and plant diseases / edited by J.F. Brown and H.J. Ogle; endorsed by the Australasian Plant Pathology Society Inc. Armidale, N.S.W.: Rockvale Publications for the Division of Botany, School of Rural Science and Natural Resources, University of New England, 1997. Carlile MJ. The Fungi 2nd ed. Academic Press

Kendrick B. 2001. The Fifth Kingdom 3rd ed. Mycologue Press, Ontario. www.mycolog.com

#### AFNR5304 Soil Biology

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Prof David Guest Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 tut, 3 hrs prac)/wk Assessment: Tutorial papers (30%), project proposal (10%), project report (50%), peer review (10%)

This unit investigates the diversity of organisms living in the soil, their biology, interactions and ecology, and their roles in maintaining and improving soil function. The unit is an elective for BScAgr, BHortSc and BSc students. It builds on the material introduced in MICR2024, PPAT3003 and BIOL3017. Undertaking this unit will develop skills in monitoring soil microbes, designing, conducting and analysing experiments. At the completion of this unit, students will be able to exercise problem-solving skills (developed through practical experiments, projects and tutorial discussions), think critically, and organise knowledge (from consideration of the lecture material and preparation of project reports), and expand from theoretical principles to practical explanations (through observing and reporting on project work). Students will consolidate their teamworking skills, develop self-directed study skills and plan effective work schedules, use statistical analysis in research, keep appropriate records of laboratory research, work safely in a research laboratory and operate a range of scientific equipment. Students will gain research and inquiry skills through group research projects, information literacy and communication skills through assessment tasks and personal and intellectual autonomy through working in groups.

#### Textbooks

Sylvia et al. 2005. Principles and Applications of Soil Microbiology 2nd ed. Pearson.

Schjonning PJ. 2001. Managing Soil Quality. CAB International

#### AFNR5305

#### Applied Entomology (Crops)

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Sarah Mansfield Session: Semester 1 Classes: (1x2hour lec/tut, 1x3hour prac, 1x1hour insect collection)/wk Assumed knowledge: ENTO2001 or equivalent. Assessment: 1 x 2hour exam (40%), 1 x oral presentation (20%), 1 x insect collection (20%), 1 x field diary (20%)

Applied entomology deals with the control of insect pests and the use of beneficial insects. The primary focus of this unit is the development and adoption of integrated pest management within Australian agriculture. The biology of major pest (herbivores and disease vectors) and beneficial (predators, parasitoids, pollinators) insect groups is covered in depth. The advantages and disadvantages of biological, cultural and chemical pest control methods are described using examples from Australian cropping systems. The role of host plant resistance and genetically modified crop varieties is also examined. Students will consider the relative importance of insect ecology, pest control methods and socio-economic factors to successful adoption of integrated pest management. The practical component of the course includes an individual insect collection, some laboratory sessions and day field trips. Students will work in small groups to prepare an oral presentation. Knowledge of ENTO2001 or an equivalent introductory entomology course is assumed.

#### Textbooks

Required: New, T.R. 2002. Insects and Pest Management in Australia Agriculture. Oxford University Press, Melbourne. 346 pp.

Recommended: Gullan, P.J. & Cranston, P.S. 2005. The Insects: an outline of entomology. 3rd edition, Blackwell Publishing, Malden, MA. 505 pp.

#### AFNR5306

#### Insect Taxonomy and Systematics

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Sarah Mansfield Session: Semester 1 Classes: (1x2hr lec/tut, 1x2hr museum project, 1x2hr insect collection)/wk Assumed knowledge: ENTO2001 or equivalent. Assessment: 1 x 2hour exam (40%), 1 x museum project (30%), 1 x insect collection (30%)

Correct taxonomic identification of insect species is essential for all areas of entomological research. Knowledge of the evolutionary relationships between insect groups contributes to our understanding of insect biology and ecology. Key concepts that underpin the study of insect systematics, biogeography and phylogeny are described using examples from the evolutionary development of insects. The role of morphological, genetic and molecular studies in the classification of insects is examined including the use of specialist software for data analysis. This unit extends the student's knowledge of insect taxonomy through field collections and museum studies of a particular insect group (chosen by the student). Knowledge of ENTO2001 or an equivalent introductory entomology course is assumed

#### Textbooks

Required: Gullan, P.J. & Cranston, P.S. 2005. The Insects: an outline of entomology. 3rd edition, Blackwell Publishing, Malden, MA. 505 pp. Recommended: CSIRO Entomology. 1991. The Insects of Australia. 2nd edition, Melbourne University Press, Carlton, VIC. Two volumes, 1137 pp.

#### AFNR5501

#### The Soil Resource

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: A/Prof Balwant Singh (Coordinator), Prof Alex McBratney, Dr Stephen Cattle Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec, 2 hr prac)/wk Assessment: Fieldtrip participation (5%), soil mapping report (25%), laboratory report (15%), essay (10%), examination (45%)

The unit of study is designed to provide a detailed knowledge of the important features and problems of Australian soils. By the end of this unit of study, students will develop skills in describing and interpreting soil profile features in the field. They will become familiar with quantitative soil data handling procedures and be able do quantitative soil mapping; and measure common soil properties in the laboratory. They will also learn to work in a team environment and write a report on soil mapping and laboratory analysis. The lecture topics include-Features, geography and management of Australian soils; Digital soil mapping - concepts and spatial prediction of soil classes; Soil quality, soil health and soil function - physical, biological and chemical indicators of soil sustainability; Soil structure: The elements of soil structure and methods of their assessment: The degradation and amelioration of soil structure and its effect on agriculture; Soil water erosion - detachment, entrainment, runoff and deposition; Soil acidification: effects of soil acidity in soils, forms of soil acidity, sources of soil acidity, buffering mechanisms in soils, soil pH and Al availability, extent of soil acidity in Australia and remediation of soil acidity; Soil salinity: causes, sources of salts, nature of soil salinity, salinity parameters in soil and water, effects of salinity on plant growth, management of soil salinity; Soil contamination: concepts/definitions, sources of contaminants, effects of contaminants, major contaminants in soil, remediation of contaminated soils.; soil carbon accounting.

#### AFNR5502

#### **Remote Sensing, GIS and Land Management**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Inakwu Odeh Session: Semester 2 Classes: 2 lec, 1tut & 4hr prac/wk (wks 1-6); Project: (wks 7-12) Prerequisites: Recommended courses include SOLI3008 (Rural Spatial Information Systems), SOIL3004 (The Soil Resource), GEOS3007 (Remote Sensing: Imaging the Earth), GEOS3014 (GIS in Coastal Management), GEOG5001 (Geographic Information Science A) and GEOG 5002 (Geographic Information Science B) Assumed knowledge: Some knowledge of GIS and spatial information systems and/or some knowledge of soil science, geomorphology and environmental science Assessment: Lab prac reports, group work, presentation and project report

This unit of study is aimed at advanced techniques in Remote Sensing (RS), linked with Geographical Information Systems (GIS), as applied to land management problems. We will review the basic principles of GIS and then focus on advanced RS principles and techniques used for land resource assessment and management. This will be followed by practical training in RS techniques, augmented by land management project development and implementation based on integration of GIS and RS tools. The unit thus consists of three separate but overlapping parts: 1) a short theoretical part which focuses on the concepts of RS; 2) a practical part which aims at developing hands-on skills in using RS tools, and 3) an application-focused module in which students will learn the skills of how to design a land management project and actualise it using integrated GIS and RS techniques. Syllabus summary: Lectures will cover: Overview of the basic principles of Geographical Information

Science (GISc), Advanced principles of remote sensing, Land resource information and data capture using RS, Digital elevation modelling and terrain analysis using remote sensing; Image enhancement and visualization; Image classification and interpretation; RS data interpretation for land resource inventory; RS and GIS for land use and land cover change analysis; Coupling of models of land resource assessment with GIS and RS. Fifty percent of learning time will be devoted to the design and implementation of projects, which can be selected from GIS and RS applications in: agricultural land management, vegetation studies, water and catchment (hydrological) studies; land-cover and land-use change modelling, pesticide and herbicide environmental risk assessment, environmental impact analysis, land degradation modelling including soil salinity, soil erosion, etc.

#### Textbooks

van Dijk, A. and Bos, M.G. 2001. GIS and remote sensing techniques in landand water-management. Kluwer Academic Publisher, Dordrecht.

Skidmore, A. 2002. Environmental modelling with GIS and remote sensing. Taylor & Francis, London.

Mowrer, H. T. and Congalton, R. G. (Editors). 2000. Quantifying spatial uncertainty in natural resources: theory and applications for GIS and remote sensing. Ann Arbor Press

Wilson J. P. and Gallant J. C. (Editors). 2000. Terrain Analysis: Principles and Applications. John Wiley and Sons New York

#### AFNR5506

#### Limnology and Water Quality

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Dhia Al Bakri (Coordinator), Prof Ivan Kennedy, Dr Robert Caldwell Session: Semester 1 Classes: 6-day field trip in orientation week, 26 hr lec/tut, 20 hr prac Prohibitions: AGCH3030 Assumed knowledge: GEOG2303, LWSC2002, AGCH2003 or equivalent Assessment: 2 hr exam (50%), laboratory reports (25%), field trip professional report (25%)

This unit of study will provide students with an understanding of the main Australian water quality problems, related limnological issues and the underlying causes and processes. The unit commences with a field trip module to the productive Namoi and the Macquarie Valleys, where agriculture based on irrigation, environmental impacts on vegetation, soil and water of agricultural enterprises such as cotton farming and human settlements will be assessed. Field observations on pH, nutrient and salt content, pesticide contamination, and microbial content will be made on water, sediment, soils and in constructed wetlands, with samples returned for more detailed laboratory analysis at the University. The unit will also investigate sources and pathways of pollutants reaching streams, lakes and reservoirs, determine the interactions between runoff and water quality, and identify pollution control measures within the context of integrated catchment management (ICM). The unit will cover aspects of freshwater ecology with particular emphasis on wetlands ecosystem, riparian vegetation, macrophytes, phytoplanktonic communities and cyanobacteria. At the completion of this unit, the students will be able to determine different water quality and pollution problems in Australian water bodies; explain underlying causes and processes, relate the interaction between flow and water quality and evaluate their implications on catchment management. The students will also be able to employ limnological modeling to predict heat budget distribution; catchment loading and mass balance of given pollutants, and select appropriate pollution control and management strategies.

#### Textbooks

Wetzel R G 2001. Limnology: Lake and reservoir ecosystems, 3rd edn, Academic Press London.

Dodson S. I. 2005. Introduction to Limnology. McGraw-Hill Book Company, New York.

#### AFNR5507

#### Landscape Hydrology and Management

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Willem Vervoort (Coordinator), Dr Dhia Al Bakri Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2x1hour lecture and 1x2 3hour practical/fieldwork)/week Assumed knowledge: AFNR5506 Assessment: Practical report (2000 words) 35%, on-line discussion and justification (2000 words) 25%, 2hr exam 30%, presentation 10%

This unit of study is designed to allow students to examine catchment-scale hydrological modeling, groundwater

hydrogeochemistry as an investigative tool for water quality and policy making at the catchment level. It is a core unit for students in BLWSc and builds on the theoretical knowledge gained in LWSC3004, GEOG2321 and LWSC2002. In the first part, students will investigate several ways to simulate catchment hydrological processes and review the possibilities and impossibilities of using simulation models for catchment management. In the second part students will apply hydrogeochemical techniques to investigate groundwater quality and review recent developments in catchment-based management strategies to control salinity and pollution. At the end of this unit, students will be able to articulate advantages and disadvantages of using simulation models for catchment management, justify the choice of a simulation model for a particular catchment management problem, identify issues in relation to uncertainty, apply hydrogeochemical investigation techniques for groundwater and describe innovative strategies for salinity and pollution control. The students will gain research and inquiry skills through research based group projects, information literacy and communication skills through on-line discussion postings, laboratory reports and a presentation and personal and intellectual autonomy through working in groups.

Textbooks

Beven, K.J. Rainfall-Runoff modeling, The Primer, John Wiley and Sons, Chichester, 2001

Kumagai. M. and Warwick, W. F. 2003. Freshwater management: Global versus local perspectives, Springer-Verlag, Tokyo.

#### AFNR5509

#### **Contemporary Field and Lab Soil Science**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Prof Alex McBratney (coordinator), Associate Professor Balwant Singh, Dr Stephen Cattle, Dr Budiman Minasny Session: Semester 1 Classes: 6-day field excursion; 2 lec & 2 prac/wk Assessment: One 2hr exam; pedology, soil physics and soil chemistry written assessments; group presentation, synthesis paper

This is a theoretical and empirical unit providing specialised training in three important areas of contemporary soil science, namely pedology, soil chemistry and soil physics. The key concepts of these sub-disciplines will be outlined and strengthened by hands-on training in essential field and laboratory techniques. All of this is synthesized by placing it in the context of soil distribution and use in North-Western New South Wales. The unit is motivated by the teaching team's research in this locale. It builds on students existing soil science knowledge. After completion of the unit, students should be able to articulate the advantages and disadvantages of current field & laboratory techniques for gathering necessary soil information, and simultaneously recognise key concepts and principles that guide contemporary thought in soil science. Students will be able to synthesise soil information from a multiplicity of sources and have an appreciation of the cutting edge areas of soil research. By investigating the contemporary nature of key concepts, students will develop their skills in research and inquiry. Students will develop their communication skills through report writing and oral presentations and will also articulate an openness to new ways of thinking which augments intellectual autonomy. Teamwork and collaborative efforts are encouraged in this unit.

#### Textbooks

D. Hillel. 2004. Introduction to Environmental Soil Physics. Elsevier Science, San Diego, CA, USA.

R. Schaetzl and S. Anderson 2005. Soils: Genesis and Geomorphology. Cambridge University Press, New York, NY, USA.

D.L. Sparks 2003 Environmental Soil Chemistry (2nd edn). Academic Press, San Diego, CA, USA

#### AFNR5510 The Soil at Work

**Credit points:** 6 **Teacher/Coordinator:** Prof Alex McBratney (coordinator), A/Prof Balwant Singh, Dr Stephen Cattle (facilitators), plus research-only academics **Session:** Semester 2 **Classes:** Problem-based unit: each student completes 2 problems; 4 x 3 hr workshops per problem (each student attends 8 workshops in total) **Assessment:** For each of two scenarios: Statement of the problem report (12.5%) - shared information, two team reports How to tackle problem seminar (12.5%) - team seminars Einal report (12.5%) - individual work

This is a problem-based applied soil science unit. It is designed to allow students to identify soil-related problems in the real-world and by working in a group and with an end-user to suggest short and long-term solutions to such problems. It utilises and reinforces soil-science knowledge and problem-solving skills gained during the program. This unit will address real-world scenarios which involve soil-related problems such as carbon management, structural decline, acidification, salinisation and contamination. Students will gain some understanding of the concept of sustainability, and will be able to identify the causes of problems by reference to the literature, discussion with landusers and by the design and execution of key experiments and surveys. They will gain a focused knowledge of the key soil drivers to environmental problems and will have some understanding on the constraints surrounding potential solutions. By designing and administering strategies to tackle real-world soil issues students will develop their research and inquiry skills and enhance their intellectual autonomy. By producing reports and seminars that enables understanding by an end-user students will improve the breadth of their communication skills.

#### Textbooks

I.W.Heathcote 1997. Environmental Problem Solving: A Case Study Approach. McGraw-Hill, New York, NY, USA

#### AFNR5601

#### Turf Management

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Peter Martin Session: Semester 1 Classes: External studies and residential block Assumed knowledge: Practical knowledge of turf cultural practices; basic chemistry and basic biology Assessment: One 3 hr examination, two 2,000 word assignments, tutorial papers and practical reports

This unit examines the scientific basis of turf management for both warm climate and cool climate grasses. Topics include the history and economic importance of managed grass surfaces; the macroand micro-environment of turf both above and below ground; the physiology of growth under turf conditions including the effects of water, traffic, mowing, cultivation and nutrition; establishment of turf by seed and vegetative methods; and the objective assessment of turf quality.

Textbooks

Beard, J.B. Turfgrass: Science and Culture (Prentice Hall)

Atwell, B., Kriedemann, P. and Turnbull, C. Plants in Action: adaptation in nature; performance in cultivation (Macmillan Australia)

Glendinning, J (ed.) Australian Soil Fertility Handbook (CSIRO Publications Collingwood)

#### AFNR5602

#### Advanced Turf Management

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Peter Martin Session: Semester 2 Classes: External studies and residential block Prerequisites: AFNR5601 Turf Management and AFNR5603 Turf Species and Varieties Assumed knowledge: Practical knowledge of turf cultural and construction practices; basic chemistry; basic biology Assessment: One 3hr examination, one oral presentation, one 2,000 word assignment, tutorial papers and practical reports

Readings, discussions and practical experiments to gain advanced expertise in laboratory and field aspects of selected areas of plant and soil sciences underlying turf management. Topics include germination and establishment, stress physiology, minimization of water use while maintaining acceptable turf quality, use of saline and downgrade waters for turf irrigation, root growth, growth analysis, fertilizer and pesticide management, environmental legislation relevant to turf facilities, turf construction materials and techniques, design of turf facilities, quality assurance in turf construction and maintenance of turf constructions.

#### Textbooks

Adams, W.A. and Gibbs, R.J. Natural Turf for Sport and Amenity (CAB International, Wallingford).

Atwell, B., Kriedemann, P. and Turnbull, C. Plants in Action: adaptation in nature; performance in cultivation (Macmillan Australia)

#### AFNR5603

#### **Turf Species and Varieties**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Peter Martin Session: Semester 1 Classes: External studies and residential block Corequisites: AFNR5601 Turf Management **Assumed knowledge:** Practical knowledge of main turf species, basic biology **Assessment:** One 3hr examination, one 2,000 word assignment, tutorial papers, practical report and plant collection

This unit has three main aims: (a) to provide an overview of plant variation, ecotypic differentiation and the principles of plant taxonomy, with special reference to grasses, (b) to teach skills in identification of members of the grass family and related families including detailed morphological terminology and the use of conventional and vegetative taxonomic keys, and (c) to provide an introduction to the methods of development of new turf cultivars by breeding and/or selection. Information is also provided on biochemical methods of identifying grass varieties, comparative testing of turf grasses, plant breeders' rights and cultivar registration.

#### Textbooks

Hubbard, C.E. Grasses, 3rd Edition, (Penguin Books, London)

Wheeler, D.J.B., Jacobs, S.W.L. and Whalley, R.D.B., Grasses of New South Wales, 3rd. Edition, (University of New England Printery, Armidale) Reference book: Briggs, D. and Walters, S.M. Plant Variation and Evolution, 3rd Edition (Cambridge University Press, Cambridge)

#### AFNR5604

#### **Diagnostic Methods in Turf Management**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Peter Martin Session: Semester 1 Classes: External studies and residential block Assessment: One 3hr examination, one 2,000 word assignment, tutorial papers and a laboratory book

Following an overview of the main chemical, physical and biological diagnostic tests used in the formulation of advice by turf consultants and in decision making by turf managers, the course will cover the theory and practice of sampling and of the conduct of tests (including interpretation guidelines) using selected methods in the three areas. Chemical testing will include the more important diagnostic methods for soils, irrigation and effluent waters and tissues; physical testing will cover particle size analysis, bulk density, pore space, moisture characteristic and infiltration rates for gravels, sands and soils used in turf construction; biological testing will cover the techniques used for the identification of the major pests and diseases of turf grasses. The unit includes an extensive laboratory component. Reference will also be made to quality assurance procedures in sampling and laboratory practice and the importance of statistical procedures in the interpretation of results.

#### Textbooks

Rayment, G.E. and Higginson, F.R. Australian Laboratory Handbook of Soil and Water Chemical Methods (Inkata Press, Adelaide).

Peverill, K.I. et al., Soil Analysis: an Interpretation Manual (CSIRO publishing, Collingwood)

Smiley, R.W., Dernoeden, P.H. and Clarke, B.B. Compendium of Turfgrass Diseases, 2nd Edition, (APS Press, St Paul)

#### AFNR5605

#### Applied Plant Ecology

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Peter Martin Session: Semester 2 Classes: External studies and residential block Prerequisites: AFNR5601 or equivalent AFNR foundation unit of study Assumed knowledge: Practical awareness of pesticide use in the amenity horticulture industries. Basic chemistry, basic biology. Assessment: One 3hr exam, one 2,000 word assignment, one oral presentation, tutorial papers and practical reports

Intended primarily for students in the amenity horticulture field, this unit explores the effects of the management practices used in the industry on the micro- and macro- environments, both biological and physical. Input factors such as water, nutrients, organic amendments and pesticides will be considered in relation to their modes of action and their effects on soil sustainability (including acidification and salinification), macro-and micro-biodiversity, contamination of runoff water and ground water, and safety for staff and members of the community. Issues such as the use of selective versus broad-spectrum pesticides, the development of resistance to pesticides and enhanced bio-degradation of pesticides will be considered from the ecological perspective. Physical management methods such as scarification and coring in turf management and canopy reduction in tree management will be evaluated in terms of the net ecological benefits of the practices. During the semester each student will be required to choose a topic in consultation with the lecturer and subsequently present a seminar to the class in the form of a case study or situation analysis.

#### Textbooks

Atwell, B., Kriedemann, P and Turnbull, C. Plants in Action: adaptation in nature, performance in cultivation. (Macmillan, Melbourne) (selected chapters) Gibson, D.J. Methods in Comparative Plant Population Ecology. (Oxford University Press. Oxford).

Coleman, D.C. and Crossley, D.A. Fundamentals of Soil Ecology (Academic Press, London)

Smith, L.W. Notes on the Ecology of Weed Management (Plant Breeding Institute, Camden)

#### AFNR5901

#### **Research Review**

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1, Semester 2 Classes: No scheduled classes Prohibitions: AFNR5902, AFNR5903 Assessment: 10,000 word review (100%)

Students complete a review of the research literature on a mutually agreed topic relevant to their program and write a report of approximately 10,000 words. Each student will be assigned an adviser. This unit aims to train students in the following generic attributes: information skills, critical thinking, technical writing.

#### AFNR5902

#### **Research Study**

Credit points: 12 Session: Semester 1, Semester 2 Classes: No scheduled classes Prohibitions: AFNR5901, AFNR5903 Assessment: 15,000 word review (75%), oral presentation (25%)

Students complete a review of the research literature and analyze predetermined data to test a hypothesis on a mutually agreed topic relevant to their program. The literature review and results of the analysis are presented in an oral presentation and a written report of approximately 15,000 words. Each student will be assigned supervisor. This unit aims to train students in the following generic attributes: information skills, critical thinking, hypothesis testing, oral presentation, data analysis and presentation, technical writing.

#### AFNR5903

#### Research Project

**Credit points:** 24 **Session:** Semester 1, Semester 2 **Classes:** No scheduled classes **Prohibitions:** AFNR5901, AFNR5902. **Assessment:** 25,000 word thesis comprising a literature review (25%) and a research paper (45%), oral research proposal (10%), oral research presentation (20%)

Students complete a review of the research literature and conduct empirical research on a mutually agreed topic relevant to their program. Students present an oral research proposal, and the literature review and results of the research are presented in an oral presentation and a thesis of approximately 25,000 words. Each student will work closely with an assigned supervisor. This unit aims to train students in the following generic attributes: information skills, critical thinking, developing research proposals, hypothesis testing, data analysis and presentation, oral presentation, technical writing.

Note: AFNR5901, AFNR5902 and AFNR5903 are mutually exclusive

#### AGEC5300

#### **Business Topics in Amenity Horticulture**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 1 Classes: Intensive course 26 lectures plus supporting workshops Assessment: 2 hr examination; 2 assignments

This unit is focussed on managerial economics of profit and non-profit organisations involved in providing turf-related, and more generally horticulture-based, products and services, such as active and passive recreation and amenity services. Market priced and non-priced goods and services are considered. Topics may include accounting concepts, budgeting, financial planning and control, capital management, resource management, demand assessment, marketing and pricing strategies, environmental externalities and other market failures, regulation and other forms of government intervention, and non-market valuation.

## AGEC5301

## Agribusiness Management

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2 Classes: (3 lec & 2 workshop)/wk Assessment: One mid semester exam (1 hour) one final exam (2hr), assignments

This unit of study deals with the application of economic principles and techniques of business management to agribusiness firms, with a particular focus on farms. The topics covered will include: management goals and objectives; budgeting; gross margins analysis; parametric budgeting; sources of management information and its analysis; simple systems simulation; applications of linear programming to farm and agribusiness planning; financial management; risk in planning and management; cash, credit, debt and taxation management; evaluation of investment and firm growth alternatives; acquisition and transfer of assets; the role of financial institutions in the agricultural credit market. Students develop skills in computer-based farm planning. While the unit covers material dealt with at the third year level, additional workshops, seminars, tutorials, assignments and/or assessment will be provided as appropriate to the postgraduate program.

#### Textbooks

J.B. Hardaker et al. Coping with Risk in Agriculture, 2nd edn (CABI, 2004)

#### AGEC5302

#### Agricultural and Resource Policy

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2-3 lec, 1x1 hour tutorial)/week Assessment: One mid semester exam (1 hour); one final exam (2 hours); assignments; tutorial papers

This unit is designed to cover basic theoretical and modelling frameworks for economic evaluation of policy formation (including Pareto welfare economics and public choice theory); market and government failure; the institutional structure of agricultural and resource policy formulation in Australia; micro and macroeconomic issues in agricultural and resource policy; and issues arising from linkages between agriculture and the resource industries and with the rest of the economy. Students will be expected to read widely. While the unit covers material dealt with at the third year level, additional workshops, seminars, tutorials, assignments and/or assessment will be provided as appropriate to the postgraduate program.

#### AGEC5303

#### **Applied Optimisation**

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec and 2 tut)/wk Assessment: One end-of-semester exam (2 hours), assignments, class work

This unit of study deals with constrained optimization problems in which when one or more constraints are inequalities. Such problems are explored/solved by "mathematical programming" techniques. The focus of the unit is on linear programming (LP) problems, i.e. ones in which both the objective and the constraints are linear functions. Linear programming has wide application to farm planning, financial planning, and other planning contexts. Graphical and mathematical representations of linear programming problems are covered. Topics include solution methods, solution information, primal and dual formulations, stability of optimal solutions, and parametric programming. After covering the basics of LP, the focus shifts to modelling of real world scenarios in LP models. Special formulations (eg. transportation model), and extension to integer programming are examined. Students develop experience and confidence in the use of spreadsheet-based optimizer routines, and with specialised optimization packages (eg. LINDO). The unit includes material dealt with at the advanced undergraduate level. Additional workshops, seminars, tutorials, assignments and/or assessment are provided as appropriate to the postgraduate program.

#### AGEC5304

#### Research Methods

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec, 1-2 hour tut)/week Assessment: One mid semester exam (1 hour), one final exam (2 hours), assignments, research proposal This unit deals with the nature of research and inquiry in applied economics. Topics covered will include: alternative philosophical perspectives on inquiry; scientific method; inductive thought and deductive logic; creativity; research as an orderly process of enquiry; preparation of research proposals; secondary data sources for agricultural and resource economists; collection of primary data; statistical design of sample surveys; questionnaire construction; interviewing techniques; and methods of analysis of survey data. Topics are illustrated with examples of research in theoretical economics, empirical discipline-advancing research, empirical exploratory research, and research using policy-evaluation modelling. Students are expected to read widely. While the unit covers material dealt with at the third year level, additional workshops, seminars, tutorials, assignments and/or assessment will be provided as appropriate to the postgraduate program.

#### AGEC5401

#### Agricultural Marketing Analysis

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2-3 lec, 1x1 hour tut)/wk Assessment: One mid semester exam (1 hour) one final exam (2 hours), case studies

Performance of the agricultural and resource marketing systems, marketing margins, transportation, storage, advertising, wholesaling, and retailing. The structure, conduct and performance of marketing firms, and government and public interest in the food system will also be addressed via a number of case studies. Extensive readings will be required. The unit is designed to focus on analysing applied strategic management problems facing marketing firms. Students will be required to read widely.

Textbooks

Collections of readings

#### AGEC5402

#### Agricultural Development Economics

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2-3 lec, 1x1 hour tut)/wk Assessment: One mid semester exam (1 hour) one final exam (2 hours), case studies

This unit is designed to expose students to issues of economic growth and development, and their policy and welfare impacts in developing countries. More specifically the unit will focus on agricultural development policies and outcomes. Linkages with other industries, environment, sustainability, globalisation and national and international development agencies will also be discussed. Extensive reading will be required.

Textbooks

Collections of readings

#### AGEC5403

#### Agricultural Trade

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2-3 lec, 1x1 hour tut)/wk Assessment: One mid semester exam (1 hour) one final exam (2 hours), case studies

In this unit of study the basic economic principles underlying international trade in agricultural and resource commodities and the policies involved will be presented. Issues related to trade and development will also be considered. The main topics covered will include: trends in agricultural and resources trade; economics and politics of protection, economic integration and impacts on international commodity trade; international trade policy making. An understanding of globalisation, including foreign direct investment, will also be required. Extensive reading will be required.

Textbooks

#### Collections of readings.

#### AGEC5404

#### Agribusiness Analysis

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2-3 lec, 1x1 hour tut)/wk Assessment: One mid semester exam (1 hour) one final exam (2 hours), case studies This unit focuses on applications of economic theory and methods in agribusiness decision making. It provides advanced treatment of the industrial organisation of agribusiness firms. Case studies will be used to examine the economic complexities of global agribusiness systems. Extensive readings make up the central component of the unit. *Textbooks* 

Collections of readings.

## AGEC5405 Quantitative Planning Methods

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec & 2 tut/lab session)/wk Assessment: One end-of-semester exam (2 hours), 2 assignments

This unit examines the use of mathematical methods and models in planning at both the individual firm level and the sectoral level. While the principal focus is on formal optimization, simulation and Monte Carlo methods are briefly discussed. Topics include non-linear programming, elements of input-output analysis, computable general equilibrium analysis, dynamic problems and methods (eg. dynamic programming and optimal control). Sectoral level planning applications considered include transportation and plant location studies; spatial equilibrium; and resource utilization across time. Firm level applications include multi-period planning, queuing problems, inventory analysis, and replacement problems. Extensive use is made of computer-based optimization. The unit includes material dealt with at the advanced undergraduate level. Additional workshops, seminars, tutorials, assignments and/or assessment are provided as appropriate to the postgraduate program.

#### AGEC5406

#### Agricultural Finance and Risk

Credit points: 6 Teacher/Coordinator: A/Prof Ross Drynan Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec & 2 tut/lab session)/wk Assessment: One end-of-semester exam (2 hours), 2 assignments

This unit has two related components. One component concerns risk and risk management in agriculture; the other deals with issues of agricultural producer finance. Risk topics include: risk measurement, subjective probability, adjusting beliefs as a result of new information; risk attitudes; decision making under risk; expected utility theory; valuing information; generalizations of expected utility theory; E-V analysis; stochastic dominance; internal measures to cope with risk including diversification and flexibility; insurance, futures, options and other market instruments for managing risk. Finance topics include the implications of capital market imperfections and consequential differences between corporate and small business finance; financial relationships between debt/equity levels and risk, optimal debt levels; cost of capital; short term working capital management; and longer term capital (investment) budgeting. Techniques of valuation of projects in risk-free and risk situations are examined. Financial and risk management practices in Australian agriculture are reviewed. The unit includes material dealt with at the advanced undergraduate level. Additional workshops, seminars, tutorials, assignments and/or assessment are provided as appropriate to the postgraduate program.

#### AGEC5407

#### **Professional Skills**

Credit points: 3 Teacher/Coordinator: A/Prof Fredoun Ahmadi-Esfahani Session: Semester 1 Classes: One 2 hour seminar/week Assessment: Discussion papers, 1x2 hour exam, essay

A series of lectures, seminars and workshops designed to provide students with enhanced professional skills. Sessions will focus on communication skills, including report writing, preparation of policy briefs, seminar and workshop presentations. Other sessions will be focused on aspects of professional ethics, attitudes and responsibilities and leadership. Participatory activities such as team debates and mock inquiry hearings addressing issues of current relevance to agricultural /resource economists are used to develop the student's communication skills and knowledge of issues.

#### AGEC5408 Contemporary Issues

Credit points: 3 Teacher/Coordinator: Dr Michael Harris Session: Semester 2 Classes: One 2 hour seminar/week Assessment: 1x2hour final exam, 1xgroup presentation, 1x assignment

Through regular seminars by guest speakers and occasional workshops or other participatory activities, students examine a broad range of national and international issues of current relevance to Australian agricultural and resource economists.

#### RSEC5431

#### **Benefit Cost Analysis**

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec, 1 tut)/wk Assessment: One 1 hr mid term exam, an essay paper, one 2 hr end of semester exam

This unit provides a detailed treatment of benefit-cost analysis and its use in public sector decision making and project evaluation. The underpinning concepts in welfare economics are analysed in detail, such as economic efficiency, criteria for assessing social welfare improvements, and economic surplus measures. Procedures of undertaking a benefit-cost analysis are presented, and tools of non-market valuation for environmental assets are covered in detail. These techniques include both stated and revealed preference techniques, including contingent valuation, choice modeling, hedonic pricing and travel cost methods.

#### Textbooks

J. Sinden and D. Thampapillai, Introduction to Benefit Cost Analysis, Longman, 1995.

H. C. Campbell, and R. Brown, Benefit-Cost Analysis: Financial and Economic Appraisal Using Spreadsheets, Cambridge University Press, 2003.

N.B. Students are advised not to buy the textbook before lectures commence in case there are any changes.

#### RSEC5432

#### **Environmental Economics**

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 1 Classes: (2 lec, 1 tut)/wk Assessment: 1hr midterm exam, an essay paper, 2 hr end of semester exam

The unit provides theoretical and empirical background related to economic aspects of a range of environmental issues. The unit exemplifies the studied concepts with environmental problems related to agriculture (soil salinity, algal blooms, overgrazing etc.) as well as with environmental problems typical to Australia. The guiding economic themes are externalities, market failure, the importance of property rights, optimal allocation of pollution abatement, technical issues (e.g. measuring benefits without commodities [e.g. existence values]), and the processes for making choices relating to non-market goods. Some social issues related to environmental impacts are studied through exploration of the problems of population size and distribution, economic growth, and environmental regulation.

#### Textbooks

D. Thampapillai., Environmental Economics: Concepts, Methods and Policies., Oxford University Press, 2002.

R. Perman, Y. Ma, J. McGilvray and M. Common. Natural Resource and Environmental Economics. Pearson, 3rd Ed. 2003.

C. D. Kolstad., Environmental Economics., Oxford University Press, 2000.

T. Tietenberg., Environmental and Natural Resource Economics., 6th Edition, Addison-Wesley, 2003.N.B. Students are advised not to buy the textbook before lectures commence in case there are any changes.

#### **RSEC5433**

#### **Economics of Mineral & Energy Industries**

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec, 1 tut)/wk Assessment: 1hr midterm exam, an essay paper, 2 hr end of semester exam

The unit provides theoretical and empirical background in the economics of minerals exploration, extraction and marketing and in the economics of energy generation, distribution and use. The economics of the minerals and energy commodity markets will be discussed and analyzed. The interactions of mineral extraction and energy generation activities with other natural resources and the environment will be of particular interest (e.g. mine site remediation, land use conflicts). Sustainability and prospects for long term efficient use of these resources, as well as the development and use of alternative technologies will also be discussed. In addition, institutional

and policy issues (e.g. regulatory reform), will be analyzed. The unit will discuss the main aspects of the markets for minerals and energy, market structure, business environment and price movements. The unit will also provide an introductory discussion on the markets for derivatives (options, futures, forward, swaps) on minerals and energy commodities.

#### Textbooks

T. J. Brennan, L. K. Palmer, and A. S. Martinez, Alternating Currents: Electricity Markets and Public Policy, Resources for the Future Press, Washington D.C., 2002.

J. E. Tilton, On Borrowed Time? Assessing the Threat of Mineral Depletion, Resources for the Future Press, Washington D.C., 2003.

R. Perman, Y. Ma, J. McGilvray and M. Common. Natural Resource and Environmental Economics. Pearson, 3rd Ed. 2003.

T. Tietenberg., Environmental and Natural Resource Economics., 6th Edition, Addison-Wesley, 2003.

F. E. Banks., Energy Economics: A Modern Introduction., Kluwer Academic Publishers, 2000.

S. Kesler., Mineral Resources, Economics and the Environment, Maxwell Macmillan International, 1994. N.B. Students are advised not to buy the textbook before lectures commence in case there are any changes.

#### RSEC5434

#### **Economics of Water and Bio-resources**

Credit points: 6 Session: Semester 2 Classes: (2 lec, 1 tut)/wk Assessment: 1hr midterm exam, an essay paper, 2 hr end of semester exam

The main objective of the economics of biological resources will be to introduce students to the bio-economic modeling of the resources that experience biological growth. The unit consists of two complementary parts: water economics and economics of biological resources (fisheries, forestry, other wildlife). The main objective of the water economic component is to investigate the economic aspects of water use and water quality. In particular approaches toward efficient use of the water resource over time, optimal allocation of water among competing uses and achievement of the socially optimal level of water quality will be discussed. The demand for water from various sectors will be analysed in both static and dynamic settings. Issues considered include the selection and construction of water storages, aquifer water extraction and alternative water sources. The issues of waste water disposal and water quality, changing water technologies, and water pollution will be also discussed. The unit will also discuss the economics of wildlife preservation and protection, as well as the economics of biodiversity. Particular attention will be devoted to the economic mechanisms for managing the water resources including property rights, water allocation and water markets. The key policy instruments (taxes, quotas, standards) in these areas are analyzed and discussed. The institutional and policy aspects will also be considered through analysis of water policy reform in Australia and elsewhere.

Textbooks

Bergstrom, Boule and Poe (Eds.), The Economic Value of Water Quality, Edward Elgar Pub., 2001.

Easter, Rosegrant and Dinar (Eds.), Markets for Water: Potential and Performance, Kluwer Academic Pub., 1998.

D. Smith, Water in Australia, Oxford University Press, 1999.

R. Perman, Y. Ma, J. McGilvray and M. Common. Natural Resource and Environmental Economics. Pearson, 3rd Ed. 2003.

J. M. Hartwick and Nancy D. Olewiler, The Economics of Natural Resource Use., 2nd Ed., Addison-Wesley, 1998.

J. M. Conrad, (1999), Resource Economics, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.

N.B. Students are advised not to buy the textbook before lectures commence in case there are any changes.

9. Postgraduate units of study

## 10. Postgraduate degree resolutions and policies

## Resolutions of the Faculty

## Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Agriculture

- Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Agriculture candidates will proceed by coursework.
   Students may undertake part-time candidature.
- 1.3 Students may commence candidature in either first or second semester.

#### 2. Admission requirements

- 2.1 Admission requirements for the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Agriculture are normally a bachelor's degree or an equivalent qualification.
- 2.2 In some instances the admission requirements may be met by evidence of general or professional qualifications and appropriate work experience to indicate that the student has the academic preparation and capacity to complete the course in question.
- 2.3 With the approval of the Dean, students may be granted admission with advanced standing if they have completed relevant prior learning at an equivalent level elsewhere.

#### 3. Periods of candidature

- 3.1 The period of candidature for a full-time candidate for the Graduate Certificate will be one semester.
- 3.2 The period of candidature for a full-time candidate for the Graduate Diploma will be one year.
- 3.3 The Master of Agriculture will normally take three semesters (18 months) of full time study to complete, but may be completed in two semesters with Faculty approval.

#### 4. Coursework to be completed

- 4.1.1 Candidates for the Graduate Certificate complete a total of 24 credit points made up of 12 credit points from their selected specialisation as specified in TABLE A and the balance from elective units chosen from any other units listed in TABLE B (subject to meeting prior learning requirements and timetabling).
- 4.1.2 Students who have completed relevant prior learning at an equivalent level may be given up to 6 credit points advanced standing with the approval of the Dean.
- 4.2.1 Candidates for the Graduate Diploma complete a total of 36 credit points made up of 18 credit points from their selected specialisation as specified in TABLE A and the balance from elective units chosen from any other units listed in TABLE B (subject to meeting prior learning requirements and timetabling).
- 4.2.2 Students who have completed relevant prior learning at an equivalent level may be given up to 12 credit points advanced standing with the approval of the Dean.
- 4.3.1 Candidates for the Master of Agriculture complete a total of 48 credit points made up of 24 credit points from their selected specialisation as specified in TABLE A and the balance from elective units chosen from any other units listed in TABLE B (subject to meeting prior learning requirements and timetabling) or, with the Dean's approval, two appropriate 6 credit point units offered from outside the Faculty.
- 4.3.2 Students who have completed relevant prior learning at an equivalent level may be given up to 12 credit points advanced standing with the approval of the Dean.
- 4.4 Advanced standing is given only when:
- 4.4.1 no unit of study for which credit is granted has been a basis for the award of any other degree or diploma;
- 4.4.2 the unit or units were passed at a level of competence or with such additional assessment or other requirements as may be determined by the Board in each case;
- 4.4.3 the unit or units were completed within six years immediately preceding the commencement of candidature for the Master

of Agriculture, the Graduate Diploma or the Graduate Certificate.

- 4.5 Students may transfer between programs and receive credit for any completed units, provided they have not taken out the award from which they are transferring.
- 4.6.1 To achieve the objectives of the courses, especially for students seeking training in a new discipline, some classes may be taught in conjunction with advanced undergraduate units.
- 4.6.2 However, postgraduate coursework students will engage in additional consultation and more advanced assignment work than their undergraduate counterparts.
- 4.6.3 They will also be assessed against a higher standard.

#### 5. Subject Areas

- 5.1 The Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Agriculture may be awarded in the following subject areas and the testamur for the award will specify the subject area:
- 5.1.1 Agribusiness
- 5.1.2 Agricultural Economics
- 5.1.3 Agricultural Technologies
- 5.1.4 Natural Resource Management
- 5.1.5 Resource Economics5.1.6 Sustainable Agriculture
- 5.1.6 Sustainable Agriculture 5.1.7 Turf Management

## 6. Satisfactory progress

6.1 The Board of Postgraduate Studies may require a candidate proceeding by coursework to show good cause why he or she should be allowed to reenrol in a unit of study which has been twice failed or discontinued to count as failure.

#### 7. Withdrawal from units of study

- 7.1 A candidate for a Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Master of Agriculture who discontinues enrolment in a Semester 1 unit of study on or before 31 March in that year, will be recorded as withdrawn from that unit.
- 7.2 A candidate for a Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Master of Agriculture who discontinues enrolment in a Semester 2 unit of study on or before 31 August in that year, will be recorded as withdrawn from that unit.

#### 8. Discontinuation

8.1 A candidate for a Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Master of Agriculture who discontinues enrolment in a unit of study after the withdrawal period but before the end of classes in that unit, will be recorded as 'Discontinued - Not to count as failure' in that unit.

#### 9. Completion of course

- 9.1 Except by permission of the Dean, no student will be allowed to sit for any examination unless the requirements specified by the Faculty have been completed.
- 9.2 The Dean may call upon any student who has been absent from more than 10 per cent of classes in any semester to show cause for such absence.
- 9.3 Students who fail to show sufficient cause may be excluded from admission to examinations. No excuse for absence from lectures, demonstration or practical work will be received unless tendered in writing to the Faculty Office within one week after attendance is resumed.

#### 10. Delegation

- 10.1 In these resolutions:
- 10.1.1 Faculty delegates its responsibility to the Board of Postgraduate Studies.
- 10.1.2 The Board of Postgraduate Studies awards the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Agriculture whenever the coursework results are satisfactory.
- 10.1.3 The Board of Postgraduate Studies delegates the following responsibilities to the Dean who in turn delegates them to the Associate Dean (Postgraduate): approval of:
- 10.1.3.1 admission to candidature
- 10.1.3.2 suspension of candidature



10.1.3.3 award of the Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Agriculture.

### Table A: core units

Semester 1 (all units are 6 credit points unless otherwise indicated)
Agribusiness

AGEC5301	Agribusiness Management
AGEC5403	International Agricultural Trade
AGEC5404	Agribusiness Analysis

### Agricultural Economics

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AGEC5403	International Agricultural Trade	
AGEC5404	Agribusiness Analysis	
AGEC5405	Quantitative Planning Methods	
AGEC5407	Professional Skills (3 credit points)	

### Agricultural Technologies

AFNR5102	Food Science A
AFNR5103	Food Science B
AFNR5107	Analytical Chemistry A
AFNR5109	Plant Breeding
AFNR5201	Crop Agronomy
AFNR5205	Production Horticulture
AFNR5206	Postharvest Biology and Technology
AFNR5207	Issues in Horticultural Science
AFNR5301	Plant Disease
AFNR5303	Adv Mycology Plant Path
AFNR5304	Soil Biology and Biodiversity
AFNR5305	Applied Entomology (Crops)
AFNR5306	Insect Taxonomy and Systematics
AFNR5506	Limnology and Water Quality
AFNR5507	Landscape Hydrology and Mngt
AFNR5509	Contemporary Field and Lab Soil Science

Natural Resource Management	f
AFNR5503	Field and Laboratory Soil Physics
AFNR5504	Field and Laboratory Pedology
AFNR5506	Limnology and Water Quality
AFNR5507	Catchment Hydrology and Mngt
AFNR5509	Contemporary Field and Lab Soil Science
RSEC5431	Benefit-Cost Analysis
RSEC5432	Environmental Economics

Resource Economics		
RSEC5431	Benefit-Cost Analysis	
RSEC5432	Environmental Economics	

Sustainable Agriculture		
AFNR5201	Crop Agronomy	
AFNR5202	Professional Practice in Agronomy	
AFNR5205	Production Horticulture	
AFNR5206	Postharvest Biology and Technology	
AFNR5207	Issues in Horticultural Science	
RSEC5431	Benefit-Cost Analysis	
RSEC5432	Environmental Economics	

Turf Management		
AFNR5601	Turf Management	
AFNR5603	Turf Species and Varieties	
AFNR5604	Diagnostic Methods in Turf Mngt	

Semester 2 (all units are 6 credit points unless otherwise indicated)
Agribusiness

AGEC5401 Agricultural Marketing Analysis

Agricultural Economics		
AGEC5401	Agricultural Marketing Analysis	
AGEC5402	Agricultural Development Economics	
AGEC5406	Agricultural Finance and Risk	
AGEC5408	Contemporary Issues (3 credit points)	

Agricultural Technologies		
AFNR5101	Plant Agricultural Biotechnology	
AFNR5106	Ecochemistry	
AFNR5108	Plant Cytogenetics	
AFNR5204	Crop Water Management	
AFNR5208	Research & Practice in Hort Science	
AFNR5501	The Soil Resource	
AFNR5502	Remote Sensing, GIS and Land Management	
AFNR5510	The Soil at Work	

#### Natural Resource Management

AFNR5501	The Soil Resource
AFNR5502	Remote Sensing, GIS and Land Management
AFNR5510	The Soil at Work

#### Resource Economics

RSEC5433	Econs of Mineral & Energy Industries
RSEC5434	Econs of Water and Bio-resources

#### Sustainable Agriculture

AFNR5204	Crop Water Management
AFNR5208	Research & Practice in Hort Science

## Turf Management

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AFNR5602	Advanced Turf Management
AFNR5605	Applied Plant Ecology

## Table B: all units

Code	Unit	Sem
AFNR5003	Biometry	1
AFNR5101	Plant Agricultural 2 Biotechnology	
AFNR5102	Food Science A	1
AFNR5103	Food Science B	1
AFNR5106	Ecochemistry	2
AFNR5107	Analytical Chemistry A	1
AFNR5108	Plant Cytogenetics	2
AFNR5109	Plant Breeding	1
AFNR5201	Crop Agronomy 1	
AFNR5202	Professional Practice in Agronomy	1
AFNR5204	Crop Water Management 2	
AFNR5205	Production Horticulture 1	
AFNR5206	Postharvest Biology & Technology	1
AFNR5207	Issues in Horticultural 1 Science	
AFNR5208	Research and Practice in 2 Horticultural Science	
AFNR5209	Sustainable Cropping 1 Systems	
AFNR5301	Plant Disease	2

Code	Unit	Sem
AFNR5303	Adv Mycology and Plant 1 Path	
AFNR5304	Soil Biology and 1 Biodiversity	
AFNR5305	Applied Entomology 1 (Crops)	
AFNR5306	Insect Taxonomy and Systematics	1
AFNR5501	The Soil Resource	2
AFNR5502	Remote Sensing, GIS & Land Mngt	2
AFNR5506	Limnology and Water Quality	1
AFNR5507	Landscape Hydrology and Management	1
AFNR5601	Turf Management	1
AFNR5509	Contemporary Field and Lab Science	1
AFNR5510	The Soil at Work	2
AFNR5602	Advanced Turf Management	2
AFNR5603	Turf Species and Varieties	1
AFNR5604	Diagnostic Methods in Turf Management	1
AFNR5605	Applied Plant Ecology	2
AFNR5901*	Research Review 1 or 2	
AFNR5902*	Research Study (12 credit points)	1 or 2
AFNR5903*	Research Project (24 1 or 2 credit points)	
AGEC5300	Business Topics in 1 Amenity Horticulture	
AGEC5301	Agribusiness 1 Management	
AGEC5302	Agricultural and 1 Resource Policy	
AGEC5303	Applied Optimisation	1
AGEC5304	Research Methods	1
AGEC5401	Agricultural Marketing Analysis	2
AGEC5402	Agricultural Development Economics	2
AGEC5403	International Agricultural Trade	1
AGEC5404	Agribusiness Analysis	1
AGEC5405	Quantitative Planning Methods	1
AGEC5406	Agricultural Finance and 2 Risk	
AGEC5407	Professional Skills (3 1 credit points)	
AGEC5408	Contemporary Issues (3 credit points)	2
RSEC5431	Benefit-Cost Analysis	1
RSEC5432	Environmental Economics	1
RSEC5433	Economics of Mineral & Energy Industries	2
RSEC5434	Economics of Water and Bio-resources	2
*AFNR5901, AFNR5902 and AFNR5903 are mutually exclusive		

## Master of Science in Agriculture, Master of Agricultural Economics and Doctor of Philosophy

- 1.1 A candidate for the degree of Master of Science in Agriculture, Master of Agricultural Economics or Doctor of Philosophy, will proceed by research and submission of a thesis.
- 1.2 A candidate for the degree of Master of Science in Agriculture will proceed to the degree in the Sciences Discipline.

- 1.3 A candidate for the degree of Master of Agricultural Economics will proceed in the Agricultural and Resource Economics Discipline.
- 2. Admission requirements
- 2.1 An applicant for admission to candidature for a research degree will:
- 2.1.1 hold a degree of Bachelor of the Faculty with First or Second Class Honours or equivalent of the University of Sydney; or
- 2.1.2 for the Master of Agricultural Economics or Master of Science in Agriculture, hold a degree of Bachelor of the Faculty with a credit grade or above in the fourth year in the field in which the candidate is proceeding; or
- 2.1.3 have completed courses in another faculty or institution, these courses being deemed by the Faculty to be equivalent.
- 2.2 Demonstrated research ability will be considered when determining eligibility; applicants proposing to proceed primarily by research and thesis should provide evidence such as publications in scientific journals.
- 2.3 A research topic, which is satisfactory in terms of research interests, resources and availability of supervision within the discipline, must be agreed upon between the applicant and the supervisor.
- 2.4.1 The Faculty will require a person admitted as a candidate for the degree of Master of Science in Agriculture, Master of Agricultural Economics or Doctor of Philosophy to serve a period of probation for not more than one year and to complete such work during the period as it may prescribe, and at the completion of the period, the Faculty will review the candidature and the work completed, and may confirm or terminate the candidature.
- 2.4.2 If the Faculty confirms the candidature, it will be deemed to have commenced at the beginning of the period of probation.
- 2.5.1 Applicants may be required to provide evidence of adequate financial resources for personal support and compulsory fees during candidature.
- 2.5.2 They may be required to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Faculty a proficiency in the English language adequate to undertake the proposed candidature.

#### 3. Availability

- 3.1 The number of students admitted may be limited and will be determined by:
- 3.1.1 availability of resources, including space, library, equipment and computing facilities, and
- 3.1.2 availability of adequate and appropriate supervision.
- 3.2 In considering an application for admission to candidature the Faculty will take account of resource limitations and will select in preference applicants who are most meritorious in terms of section 2 above.

#### 4. Periods of candidature

- 4.1 The minimum period of candidature for a full-time candidate for the degree of Master of Science in Agriculture or the degree of Master of Agricultural Economics will be two years, except in the case of a candidate who holds the degree of Bachelor of the Faculty with first- or second-class Honours or another qualification accepted by the Faculty as equivalent, for whom the minimum period will be one year.
- 4.2 The maximum period of full-time candidature for the Master of Science in Agriculture or the Master of Agricultural Economics will be three years, but the Faculty may, in special circumstances, extend a candidature.
- 4.3 The minimum period of candidature for a full-time candidate for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy will usually be three years.
- 4.4 The maximum period of full-time candidature for the Doctor of Philosophy will be four years, but the Faculty may, in special circumstances, extend a candidature.
- 4.5 The Faculty will determine the minimum and maximum periods of candidature for part-time candidates on a pro-rata basis.
- 4.6 The Faculty may deem time spent or work done for another research degree of The University of Sydney to be time spent or work done for the degree of Master of Science in Agriculture or the degree of Master of Agricultural Economics if the candidate has ceased to be a candidate for the other degree, and the Faculty may reduce the minimum and maximum periods of candidature accordingly.

#### 5. Part-time candidature

5.1 The Faculty may permit candidates to enrol in part-time candidature provided they supply a satisfactorily detailed plan

of their proposed program and attend at the University for such consultation with the supervisor and participate in such faculty activities as are required by the Associate Dean (Postgraduate).

- 5.2 The Faculty may permit part-time candidates for the Master of Agricultural Economics, Master of Science in Agriculture or Doctor of Philosophy admitted under the provisions of chapter 10 of the by-laws to complete the investigation elsewhere, after two years have been spent in this or equivalent candidature within the University.
- Candidates admitted to part-time candidature are expected to 5.3 devote a minimum of 20 hours per week (or equivalent) to their candidature.
- 5.4 Research assistants or associate lecturers in the University will enrol part-time unless they can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Faculty that they have sufficient time to pursue full-time candidature.

#### Control of candidature 6.

- Each candidate for the Master of Agricultural Economics, 6.1 Master of Science in Agriculture or Doctor of Philosophy will pursue his or her course of advanced study and research wholly under the control of the Faculty.
- Where a candidate is employed by an institution other than the 6.2 University, the Faculty may require a statement by that employer acknowledging that the candidature will be under the control of the Faculty.

#### Appointment of supervisor 7.

- The Faculty will appoint a member of the full-time academic or 7.1 research staff of the Discipline in which a candidate for the Master of Agricultural Economics, Master of Science in Agriculture or Doctor of Philosophy is proceeding to be the candidate's supervisor.
- The Faculty will also appoint one or more associate supervisor/s 7.2 of the candidate who may be a member of the academic or research staff of the University, an Honorary Research Associate, or a person with appropriate qualifications in another institution or organisation.

#### 8. Progress

- Each candidate will report regularly to the Faculty on his or her 8.1 progress towards completing the requirements for the degree.
- 8.2 The Faculty will consider the report of each candidate and may, if it considers that a candidate has not made satisfactory progress towards completing the requirements for the degree, terminate the candidature.

#### Discontinuation of enrolment and readmission after 9. discontinuation

- A Master of Agricultural Economics, Master of Science in 9.1 Agriculture or Doctor of Philosophy candidate will be presumed to have discontinued enrolment in a unit of study or the degree from the date of application to the Faculty unless evidence is produced
- 9.1.1 that the discontinuation occurred at an earlier date, and
- 9.1.2 that there was good reason why the application could not be made at the earlier time. A candidate who discontinues enrolment in a unit of study or 9.2
- degree before 31 March or 31 August will be recorded as having withdrawn from that unit or degree.
- 9.3 A candidate who discontinues enrolment in a unit of study or degree after 31 March or 31 August will be recorded as 'Discontinued - Not to count as failure'.
- A candidate who at any time discontinues enrolment from a 9.4 degree will not be entitled to re-enrol in that degree unless the candidate is readmitted to candidature for that degree.
- 9.5 Subject to section 9.1, candidates may not discontinue enrolment in a unit of study after the end of classes in that unit, unless the degree regulations permit otherwise.
- 9.6 The Dean, Pro Dean or an Associate Dean of a Faculty may act on behalf of that Faculty in the administration of these resolutions.

#### 10. Lodgement of thesis

- 10.1.1 Not earlier than the end of the minimum period of candidature, each candidate proceeding by research and thesis will lodge with the Faculty copies of a thesis embodying the results of an original investigation carried out by the candidate.
- 10.1.2 Three copies of a thesis are required from Masters candidates and four copies from PhD candidates.

- 10.2 The candidate will state in the thesis, generally in a preface and specifically in notes, the sources from which the information was derived, the extent to which the candidate has made use of the work of others, and the portion of the thesis the candidate claims to be original.
- 10.3 The thesis will be accompanied by a certificate from the candidate's supervisor stating whether, in the supervisor's opinion, the form of presentation of the thesis is satisfactory.
- 10 4 A candidate must be enrolled at the time of submission of the thesis

#### 11. Form of a thesis

- A thesis may be bound for submission in either a temporary or 11.1 a permanent form.
- 11.2 Temporary binding must be strong enough to withstand ordinary handling and postage. The preferred form of binding is the 'Perfect Binding' system; ring-back or spiral binding is not permitted.
- The cover of a temporarily bound thesis must have a label with 11.3 the candidate's name, name of the degree, the title of the thesis and the year of submission.
- The requirements for permanent binding are set out in the 11.4 Statutes and Regulations in the Academic Board's resolutions for binding of PhD theses.
- 11.5 Following examination, and emendation if necessary, at least one copy of a thesis (the Rare Book Library copy) must be bound in permanent form on archive paper.
- 11.6 If emendations are required, all copies of a thesis which are to remain available within the University must be emended.

#### 12. Examination

- 12.1 The Faculty will appoint three examiners for a PhD thesis, of whom at least two will be external to the University. An internal examiner need not be expected and the supervisor can not be an examiner.
- The Faculty will generally appoint two examiners for a Masters 12.2 thesis of whom at least one will be external to the University. The supervisor can not be an examiner.

#### 13. Result of candidature

- The Board of Postgraduate Studies awards, or for the PhD 13.1 degree the PhD Awards Sub Committee of the University's Committee of Graduate Studies recommends the award of, the dearee whenever:
- the examiners have recommended without reservation that 13.1.1 the degree be awarded and the Pro Dean concurs; or
- all of the examiners have recommended that the degree be 13.1.2 awarded or awarded subject to emendations to all copies of the thesis which are to remain available within the University and the Pro Dean concurs; or
- the Board of Postgraduate Studies unanimously accepts a 1313 recommendation from the Discipline Leader to award or award subject to emendations despite reservations expressed by one or more of the examiners; or
- 13.2 The Board of Postgraduate Studies may permit an unsuccessful candidate to prepare for re-examination if, in its opinion, the candidate's work is of sufficient merit to warrant this concession and the Pro Dean has so recommended.

#### 14. Delegation

- In these resolutions Faculty delegates its responsibility to the 14.1 Board of Postgraduate Studies.
- The Board of Postgraduate Studies delegates the following 14 2 responsibilities to the Dean who in turn delegates them to the Associate Dean (Postgraduate): approval of:
- award of the degree of Doctor of Philosophy under conditions 14.2.1 approved by the University's Committee for Graduate Studies
- award of the Master of Science in Agriculture and Master of 14.2.2 Agricultural Economics degrees when there is no apparent reason for debate by the Board
- 14.2.3 appointment of examiners
- admission to candidature 14.2.4
- 14.2.5 supervisory arrangements
- 14.2.6 variation of candidature
- 14.2.7 extension of candidature 14.2.8 completion of candidature away from the University
- suspension of candidature 14.2.9
- 14.2.10
- approval of continuance following receipt of annual progress reports.

### 15. Board of Postgraduate Studies

- 15.1 Pursuant to the resolutions of Senate the Faculty appoints the following to the Board of Postgraduate Studies:
- 15.1.1 Dean
- 15.1.2 Pro Dean
- 15.1.3 15.1.4
- 15.1.5
- Pro Dean Associate Dean (Postgraduate) Professors of the Faculty Discipline Leaders (or nominees) Postgraduate Coordinators Two elected representatives of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources. 15.1.6 15.1.7

## 11. Postgraduate scholarships and prizes

The University of Sydney on the recommendation of the Faculty awards postgraduate scholarships to candidates proceeding by research and thesis to the degrees of Doctor of Philosophy, Master of Science in Agriculture and Master of Agricultural Economics. The terms and conditions for the Thomas Lawrance Pawlett Postgraduate Scholarship, the Christian Rowe Thornett Scholarship, the Alexander Hugh Thurburn Scholarship, the WC Turland Postgraduate Scholarship and the FH Loxton Studentship are listed below. They are normally offered annually, when available, as soon as possible after the award of the Australian Postgraduate Awards upon which value the stipend is based.

#### Summary of scholarships and prizes

The following table is a summary only; for full details concerning the conditions governing the awards of these prizes and scholarships contact the Research Office.

Scholarship	Value \$	Closing date	Other information	
Tenable at the University of Sydney				
Australian Postgraduate Awards	19,231 in 2006	31 October	Graduates with Hons I. For research in any field	
University of Sydney Postgraduate Awards	as for APA	31 October	Graduates with Hons I. For research in any field	
Henry Bertie and Florence Mabel Gritton Postgraduate Research Scholarships	as for APA	January and July	For research in chemistry in relation to industry and agriculture	
Richard Claude Mankin Scholarship – Postgraduate	as for APA	January	For research into water conservation.	
James Vincent Scholarship in Microbiology	up to 1000	31 March	APA or similar scholarship holders working in applied microbiology	
Awards restricted to candidates in Agriculture	Awards restricted to candidates in Agriculture			
McCaughey Memorial Institute Scholarship	as for APA	as advertised	Graduates to conduct research in agricultural sciences with particular relevance to rice	
Norman Scott Noble Scholarship	up to 1000	mid-May	Travel grant or grant-in-aid to candidates in the discipline of agricultural entomology	
Irvine Armstrong Watson Scholarship	up to 500	mid-May	Travel grant or grant-in-aid to candidates in the disciplines of agricultural genetics, biometry, plant breeding or plant pathology	
Faculty scholarships				
The following five are identical (except that the FH Lo>	ton is restricted	to males) and are awa	rded annually depending on the availability of funds.	
Thomas Lawrence Pawlett Postgraduate Scholarship	as for APA	31 October	Graduates for full-time research within Faculty (preference to Hons I or II Div. 1 or equivalent)	
Christian Rowe Thornett Scholarship	as above	31 October	as above	
Alexander Hugh Thurburn Scholarship	as above	31 October	as above	
WC Turland Postgraduate Scholarship	as above	31 October	as above	
FH Loxton Postgraduate Scholarship	as above	31 October	as above. Restricted to males	

## General terms and conditions

The scholarships are awarded under the following general terms and conditions:

- The object of the scholarships shall be the encouragement and promotion of the scientific study of agriculture within the Faculty.
   The scholarships shall be awarded by the Faculty of Agriculture,
- The scholarships shall be awarded by the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources, to University graduates, graduands or persons holding equivalent qualifications who are eligible for admission to candidature for a higher degree by research and thesis and who enrol as full-time candidates.
- In awarding the scholarships, consideration shall be given to the work of the applicants during their undergraduate courses, their postgraduate careers, if any, and their special aptitude and ability to carry out the object of the scholarship.
- 4. The annual value of the scholarship shall be equal to the value of the Australian Postgraduate Awards and shall provide the same allowances as those awards
- 5. The maximum tenure of the scholarships shall be, in the case of a candidate:
- 5.1 for the degree of Master, for up to two years, or
- 5.2 for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, for three years and in exceptional circumstances may be extended by up to six months.
- 6. The tenure of the scholarships may be, in the case of a candidate:
- 6.1 who has been enrolled previously for a higher degree in the Faculty, reduced by the time credited towards the degree for which the candidate enrols, or

- 6.2 who is or has been enrolled for the same degree for which the scholarship is awarded, reduced by the time the candidate has been enrolled for that degree.
- 7. The scholar shall furnish progress reports to the Faculty annually at the end of the academic year and at other times if directed.
- 8. The scholar shall acknowledge the tenure of the scholarship in any thesis or other publication which shall result from such tenure.
- No scholar shall, except with the approval of the Faculty, occupy any salaried position or hold any other award during the term of appointment. The scholar may undertake teaching assistance consistent with the University Postgraduate Research Award conditions.

## Specific terms of awards

The following specific terms and conditions of award apply to the postgraduate scholarships listed.

### Thomas Lawrance Pawlett Scholarships

Dr Thomas Lawrance Pawlett of Cremorne bequeathed the income from his residuary estate to the University for the purpose of encouraging and promoting the scientific study of agriculture in connection with the said University for the founding of a research or travelling scholarship or scholarships in agriculture, to be called the Thomas Lawrance Pawlett Scholarship.



There are three types of scholarship established under the foundation: the Thomas Lawrance Pawlett Postgraduate Scholarship, the Thomas Lawrance Pawlett Postdoctoral Scholarship and the Thomas Lawrance Pawlett Visiting Scholarship.

## Thomas Lawrance Pawlett Postgraduate Scholarship

The scholarship is awarded under the following specific condition:

1. The name of the scholarship shall be the Thomas Lawrance Pawlett Postgraduate Scholarship.

## Christian Rowe Thornett Scholarship

The scholarship was established in 1975 by a bequest from Mrs Christian Rowe Thornett for the teaching and development of agricultural science.

The scholarship is awarded under the following specific condition:

1. The name of the scholarship shall be the Christian Rowe Thornett Scholarship.

### Alexander Hugh Thurburn Scholarship

In 1972 the Faculty of Agriculture received a bequest from Mary Esme Thurburn, who established a scholarship in memory of her husband.

The scholarship is awarded under the following specific condition:

1. The name of the scholarship shall be the Alexander Hugh Thurburn Scholarship.

### WC Turland Postgraduate Scholarship

The scholarship was established in 1976 by a bequest from WC Turland.

It is awarded under the following condition:

1. The name of the scholarship shall be the WC Turland Postgraduate Scholarship.

### FH Loxton Postgraduate Scholarship

Established in 1960 under the will of FH Loxton, who bequeathed a portion of the income of his residuary estate to the University for the purpose of establishing and maintaining studentships and or scholarships tenable in the Faculties of Veterinary Science, Agricultural Science and Engineering in particular in the Department of Chemical Engineering. These studentships and scholarships shall be awarded to male persons only by the Faculty of Veterinary Science, the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources or the Department of Chemical Engineering.

The scholarships shall be awarded in any of the following categories, at Faculty discretion:

- Postgraduate Research Scholarships
- Postgraduate Supplementary Scholarships
- Postgraduate Short term Research/Thesis Completion Scholarships
- Undergraduate Scholarships
- Postdoctoral Fellowships
- 1. The name of the scholarships shall be the FH Loxton Postgraduate Studentships.
- 2. The scholarships are for postgraduate research and shall be awarded on the basis of academic merit.
- 3. The scholarships are of the annual value of an Australian Postgraduate Award (APA). A relocation allowance and a thesis allowance are payable in line with APA entitlements.
- 4. The scholarships are tenable for up to two years for a masters degree and up to three years for a PhD degree subject to satisfactory annual progress judged by the Faculty concerned, or the Department in the case of Chemical Engineering. In exceptional circumstances, a further extension of six months may be granted to PhD candidates. Periods of study already

undertaken towards the degree prior to the commencement of the award will be deducted from the maximum period of tenure.

## Norman Scott Noble Scholarship

Established in 1987 by a donation of \$14000 by Mrs Mabel Noble in memory of her husband, Dr Norman Scott Noble, a distinguished graduate of the Faculty of Agriculture.

The scholarship is awarded under the following conditions:

- 1. The name of the scholarship shall be the Norman Scott Noble Scholarship.
- 2. The objects of the scholarship shall be to further studies in agricultural entomology and to encourage and promote the discipline at the University of Sydney.
- The scholarship shall be awarded by the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources on the recommendation of the Dean, who shall act on the advice of the appropriate professors, associate professors, readers and the candidate's supervisor in recommending the award and in determining the value of the scholarship.
- The scholarship may only be awarded to a candidate enrolled in the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources for a higher degree or a diploma in the discipline of agricultural entomology.
- 5. The scholarship may be held in conjunction with any other postgraduate award and may be in the form of a travel grant or a grant-in-aid for the holder for expenses incurred in connection with the holder's research.
- More than one scholarship may be awarded in any one year if sufficient funds are available. The maximum amount available for the award of the scholarships in any year shall be \$1000.
- 7. A candidate may be awarded the scholarship more than once, provided that the total value of the awards to any one candidate does not exceed \$3000.

Applications for the scholarship shall be lodged at the Research Office by mid-May each year.

## Irvine Armstrong Watson Scholarship

The scholarship was established in 1987 by a donation of \$5000 by Mrs Loloma Watson and family in memory of their husband and father, Emeritus Professor Irvine Armstrong Watson.

The scholarship is awarded under the following conditions:

- 1. The name of the scholarship shall be the Irvine Armstrong Watson Scholarship.
- The object of the scholarship shall be to further studies in the disciplines of agricultural genetics, biometry, plant breeding or plant pathology.
- 3. The scholarship shall be awarded by the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources on the recommendation of the Dean, who shall act on the advice of the appropriate professors, associate professors, readers and the candidate's supervisor in recommending the award and in determining the value of the scholarship.
- 4. The scholarship may only be awarded to a candidate enrolled in the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources for a higher degree or a diploma in one of the disciplines of agricultural genetics, biometry, plant breeding or plant pathology.
- 5. The scholarship may be held in conjunction with any other postgraduate award and may be in the form of a travel grant or a grant-in-aid for the holder for expenses incurred in connection with the holder's research.
- 6. More than one scholarship may be awarded in any one year if sufficient funds are available. The maximum amount available for the award of the scholarships in any year shall be \$500.
- A candidate may be awarded the scholarship more than once, provided that the total value of the awards to any one candidate does not exceed \$1000.

Applications for the scholarship shall be lodged at the Research Office by mid-May each year.

## Awards not restricted to graduates in Agriculture

- Travelling scholarships
- Baillieu Research Scholarship\*
- HS Carslaw Memorial Scholarship
  William and Catherine McIlrath Scholarship
- The Rhodes Scholarship
- The Gowrie Postgraduate Research Scholarships
- The JB Watt Travelling Scholarship
- The James King of Irrawang Travelling Scholarship\*
- The Charles Gilbert Heydon Travelling Fellowship in Biological Sciences
- The Eleanor Sophia Wood Travelling Fellowships
- The Herbert Johnson Travel Grants\*
- The Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan Awards

#### \*Grants in aid

## Grants in aid

Grants-in-aid are designed to provide supplementary living allowances, travel grants or grants-in-aid. Applicants must be:

- enrolled full-time in a higher degree at the University of Sydney (some grants-in-aid are also open to part-time students and graduates), and
- 2. citizens or permanent residents of Australia.

Applicants are required to complete a single application form for the awards and they will be considered for the award(s) for which they are eligible.

If seeking one of the awards designed to support overseas travel, it is essential that applicants justify in their applications why support for overseas travel is being sought. Applicants should state whether their research can be undertaken in Australia and, if not, why it is necessary for them to travel overseas for purposes of study. Applicants should provide an outline of their proposed travel plans, indicating the extent to which the period of overseas study is necessary and is regarded to be integral to their total research program, in addition to details of current financial support and the amount of funding sought from the scholarships. If necessary, a separate sheet should be attached to the application form.

Applications must be lodged no later than the closing date of mid-May in each year.

These awards, details of which follow, are currently offered as grants-in-aid only in the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources.

Award	Maximum value \$
Norman Scott Noble Scholarship	1000
Irvine Armstrong Watson Scholarship	500

Note: The selection committees reserve the right to share any of the above awards.

## Further information

Other scholarships are available. Enquiries about scholarships should be made at the Research Office. International students should make their enquiries at the International Office. Enquiries about scholarships offered by other universities should be addressed to the registrar of the university concerned. Scholarship conditions may change without notice.

## 12. Other Faculty information

This chapter contains information specific to the Faculty and some general information. For further details about discontinuation and examinations, as well as general information about the organisation of the University, assistance for students with disabilities, child care facilities, accommodation, health, counselling, financial assistance, careers advice and a range of other matters go to www.usyd.edu.au.

## Enrolment

Students who do not satisfy the pre-enrolment conditions should contact the Faculty Office in the McMillan Building.

## Confirmation of enrolment

All the information provided when you enrol is added to the University's computerised student record system. This includes your degree, academic year and the units you are taking. It is important that this information be recorded correctly at the beginning of the year, and amended should a change occur in any of the details during the year. Any subject enrolment has a financial implication under the Higher Education Contribution Scheme (HECS).

To enable you to see what enrolment data has been recorded, you will be sent a "Confirmation of enrolment" notice shortly after completion of enrolment. You should check this carefully. If the information is correct you should keep the notice as a record of your current enrolment. Should the notice be incorrect in any detail, you should apply at the Faculty Office immediately to have your record amended. A new confirmation will then be prepared and sent to you. You will also receive, about two months after the beginning of each semester, a statement showing your HECS/fee assessment for that semester. If there appears to be an error in this assessment, you should follow the directions for correction of the assessment which are included on the statement.

## Changing or discontinuing your enrolment

If you wish to change a unit of study in which you are enrolled, or discontinue a unit of study, you may do so on the University website at MyUni within a limited range of dates, prior to and early in each semester. Outside those dates, you should apply at the Faculty Office. Your record at the University will not be correct unless you do this. It is not sufficient, for instance, to tell a professor or the lecturer, or even the Faculty Office that you discontinued a unit. Unless an enrolment change is approved on MyUni or at the Faculty Office (both of which should generate a new confirmation of enrolment form) it will not be accepted by the University and in some cases you will still incur a financial liability under HECS.

If you wish to discontinue enrolment totally you must provide written advice to the Faculty Office.

## Classes

The Faculty takes all possible care to avoid timetable clashes between the core units in each year of the degrees, but it is the responsibility of each student to ensure they do not have any timetable clashes when taking repeat or elective units of study.

## Examinations

There are two formal examination periods each year.

Period	Held	Approximate duration
Semester 1	June	2 weeks
Semester 2	November	2 weeks

In addition, individual faculties and departments may examine at other times and by various methods of assessment, such as essays, assignments, viva voce, practical work. Some departments do not examine during the February semester.

The following information applies to the Bachelor of Agricultural Economics, Bachelor of Horticultural Science, Bachelor of Land and Water Science, Bachelor of Resource Economics and Bachelor of Science in Agriculture degrees.

#### Notification of examination results

The results of semester examinations are available on MyUni and posted to you at the end of each semester.

#### **Disclosure of examination marks**

Final marks will appear on your semester result notice. Marks may also be obtained from the Faculty for the major components of assessment which make up the final marks. You are entitled to information about any details of the assessment procedures used to determine the final result.

Your examination scripts may be retrieved for up to six months after the completion of assessment in each unit. This does not apply to examination papers which involve the repeated use of the same material in successive examinations.

#### **Examination grades**

Each unit taken will be allotted one of the following grades at examinations.

Grade	Percent
High Distinction	85–100
Distinction	75–84
Credit	65–74
Pass	50–64
Fail	0–49



## Plagiarism

Plagiarism can be broadly defined as knowingly presenting another person's ideas, findings or written work as one's own by copying or reproducing them without due acknowledgment of the source. Plagiarism may involve copying the work of another student, or it may involve paraphrasing or copying a published author's text or argument without giving a reference. At its worst, plagiarism is theft.

Please read the University policy on plagiarism which may be viewed on the University website at:

www.usyd.edu.au/senate/policies/Plagiarism.pdf.

Students are required to submit a signed statement of compliance for all work submitted to the University for assessment, presentation or publication certifying that no part of the work constitutes a breach of this policy.

## The need to seek early advice

Many students in need of advice fail to make full use of the assistance available to them. If you believe that your performance during a course, or your preparation for your examinations, has been adversely affected by medical, psychological or family circumstances, you should seek advice as early as possible. Members of the teaching staff, especially your degree coordinator, the University Counselling Service and the University Health Service are all available for consultation and can give advice on appropriate action to take. Students can seek initial guidance from the Faculty Office about available help.

## Special consideration procedure

If you believe that your performance has been adversely affected by illness or other misadventure, you should submit a special consideration form to the Faculty Office. Only well-attested serious illness or misadventure during a semester or occurring at the time of an examination will warrant special consideration for academic performance. Occasional brief or trivial illness would not normally be regarded as sufficient to explain an absence or a poor performance and students are discouraged from submitting certificates for absences totaling less than one week, although frequent recurrent short absences would need documentation.

To apply for special consideration:

- 1. Obtain a special consideration application pack from the Faculty Office, University or Faculty website or the Student Centre
- Complete the special consideration forms (for consideration due to serious illness have a registered medical practitioner or counsellor complete the Professional Practitioner's Certificate; for consideration due to misadventure attach the appropriate documentation)
- 3. Lodge the form with the Faculty Office
- Applications must be received within one week from the end of the period (i.e. assignment due date or date of examination) for which consideration is being sought
- 5. Retain the receipt that will be given on lodgement of the form.

Any application must be accompanied by appropriate medical certificates or other relevant documents. The Professional Practitioner Certificate must include:

- 1. dates of consultation
- an evaluation by the practitioner, psychologist, etc, as to the severity, duration and effect on the student's ability to attend classes, learn or complete assessment requirements
- a description of the nature and seriousness of the student's problems, within the limits of confidentiality, so that an academic assessment can be made of the possible effects of the illness or accident on the student's performance
- any other relevant information relating to the student's illness, trauma, etc
- 5. any other documentation that may be relevant

6. confirmation the Practitioner authorises the University to contact them to verify the authenticity of the certificate.

# Statement of generic graduate attributes

The University states that our graduates' attitude towards scholarship, global citizenship and lifelong learning will set them apart from other graduates. Further, these broad attributes can be understood as a combination of five overlapping clusters of skills and abilities. These skills and abilities (contextualised for FAFNR) are shown below.

#### 1. Research and Inquiry. Graduates of the University will be able to create new knowledge and understanding through the process of research and inquiry.

- Recognise and master appropriate theories, concepts and principles from a range of disciplines
- Collect and integrate several lines of evidence and apply them in a balanced way in an argument
- Design an experiment, investigation, survey or other means to test an hypothesis or proposition
- Critically analyse information, synthesising and summarising the outcomes
- Be able to clearly identify problems
- Apply knowledge and understanding to address familiar and novel problems
- Demonstrate awareness of the provisional nature of the facts and principles associated with a field of study
- Appreciate the issues of sample selection, accuracy, precision and uncertainty during collection, recording and analysis of data
- Demonstrate ability to assess data quality
- Understand and manage the nature of risk and uncertainty in decision making
- Prepare, process, interpret and present data, using appropriate qualitative and quantitative techniques and packages
- Solve numerical problems using computer-based and non-computer based techniques

## 2. Information Literacy. Graduates of the University will be able to use information effectively in a range of contexts.

- Collect and record electronic or non-electronic information or data in the library, laboratory or field and summarise it using appropriate qualitative and/or quantitative techniques
- Appreciate and analyse financial and other management information, both current and historical, and use it in decision making
- Appreciate the difficulties of having incomplete information on which to base decisions
- Identify, evaluate and respond to a variety of information sources (e.g. electronic, textual, numerical, verbal, graphical)
- Identify, evaluate and respond to a variety of data types (e.g. scientific, non-scientific, primary and secondary)
- Demonstrate competence in the use of computer-based information handling and data processing tools
- Appreciate the economic, legal, social, ethical and cultural issues in the gathering and use of information

# 3. Personal and Intellectual Autonomy. Graduates of the University will be able to work independently and sustainably, in a way that is informed by openness, curiosity and a desire to meet new challenges.

- To be intellectually curious
- To be open to new ideas, methods and ways of thinking
- Identify individual and collective goals and responsibilities
- Devise strategies to achieve goals
- Assume responsibility for one's actions
- Reflect on and evaluate own performance as an individual and as a team member, and identify areas for future improvement

- Identify and work towards targets for personal, academic and career development
- Develop an adaptable and flexible approach to study and work
- Develop the skills necessary for self-managed and lifelong learning (e.g. working independently, time management and organisational skills)
- Develop independent thinking

4. Ethical, Social and Professional Understanding. Graduates of the University will hold personal values and beliefs consistent with their role as responsible members of local, national, international and professional communities.

- Recognise the complementary roles of leadership and management in an organisation
- Recognise and respect the views, opinions and contributions of other team members
- Recognise moral and ethical issues related to the subject
- Appreciate the need for professional codes of conduct where applicable
- Display the potential for competence, behaviour and attitudes required in a professional working life including initiative, leadership, team skills, and professional responsibility
- Devise, plan and undertake investigations in a responsible and safe manner, paying due attention to risk assessment, rights of access, relevant health and safety regulations, legal requirements and sensitivity to the impact of investigation on the environment and stakeholders
- Understand the role of agriculture, food and natural resources within the Australian society and economy, as well as being aware of the opportunities for international contributions and collaboration
- Display the capacity to be informed, responsible and critically discriminating participants in academic, social, cultural and moral issues, in the community of scholars, in the workforce and as citizens of both Australia and the world

#### 5. Communication. Graduates of the University will recognise and value communication as a tool for negotiating and creating new understanding, interacting with others, and furthering their own learning.

- Communicate accurately, clearly, concisely, confidently and appropriately to a variety of audiences in written, verbal and graphical forms
- Contribute constructively to group discussions
- Listen to, appreciate and evaluate the views of others
- Use the internet critically and exhaustively as a means of communication and a source of information
- Use computer packages to create effective ways to communicate information

## Faculty computer laboratories

The Faculty currently has four computer laboratories. They are used by undergraduate and postgraduate students undertaking units given by the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources. They can be used by arrangement with the Faculty's Network Manager, Mr Kyle Kiefer (+61 2 9351 3947). Please consult the timetable on the entrance doors before proceeding into the laboratory. During some small classes casual access may be permitted, but please check with supervising staff first.

**Watt Computer Laboratory**, located in room 307 of the Watt Building A04. This laboratory has 27 PCs and is opened automatically at 7am and closed automatically at 7pm Monday to Friday (except for public holidays). There are a limited number of swipe cards available from the University Security Office for weekend access – please consult the undergraduate intranet for a list of eligible students.

**Ross Street Computer Laboratory**, located on the ground floor of the Ross St Building A03, and consisting of 30 PCs. This laboratory is not opened automatically, but is generally available Monday to Friday.

**Woolley Computer Laboratory**, located on the ground floor of the Woolley Building A20, and consisting of 10 PCs. This laboratory is not opened automatically, but fourth year and postgraduate students can be given a code for out-of-hours use.

**GIS Computer Laboratory**, located in Room 303 of the Macmillan Building A05. This laboratory is not opened automatically and is generally restricted to students in certain disciplines.

## Summer School

Most faculties at the University offer units of study from degree programs during January/February. As the University uses all of its HECS quota in first and second semester, these units are full fee-paying and entirely voluntary. However, Summer School units enable students to accelerate their degree progress, make up for a failed unit or fit in a unit which otherwise would not suit their timetables. New students may also gain a head start by completing requisite subjects before they commence their degrees. Units start in January and run for up to six weeks (followed by an examination week). Notice of the units available is contained in the various faculty handbooks and is usually circulated to students with their results notices. Fee waiver scholarships are available. See www.summer.usyd.edu.au for further details.

## Ancillary fees and charges

The following fees and charges from 2006 can be a guide for similar charges in 2007.

### **Printing charges**

All students have free access to the Ross Street, Watt, McMillan and Woolley computer laboratories of the Faculty and a printing allocation to cover what may be expected by way of assignments and computer output from practical classes. Currently the limits are 125 pages per year for first to third year undergraduate students and 500 for fourth year students. Students may top up their limit (\$10 per 125 pages). For postgraduate students no limit to printing is set.

#### Manuals and notes

Students are usually provided with unit of study material in class, via the Faculty intranet or through WebCT. Some manuals and lecture notes are sold and students are advised of charges at the beginning of the respective unit.

### Excursions

Students are required to pay a fee towards the cost of excursions in some elective Year 3 and 4 units. Fees are determined by taking into account the cost of basic accommodation and adequate meals. Fees for these units of study can be ascertained from the unit of study coordinator.

## Libraries

## University of Sydney Library

The University of Sydney Library is a network of 19 libraries across nine campuses. Visit the Library website at: www.library.usyd.edu.au.

The specialist libraries for research in Agriculture are:

Badham Library – visit www.library.usyd.edu.au/libraries/badham/ and Camden Library – www.library.usyd.edu.au/libraries/camden/.

Your student card will allow you to borrow from any of the libraries in the system. Location maps, opening hours and contact details for each library are listed on the website (see below). Many of the other libraries will have information of interest to you too. Visit: www.library.usyd.edu.au/libraries.

The website also provides access to services including the library catalogue (at http://opac.library.usyd.edu.au) and a range of databases, which are used to find references to journal articles (see www.library.usyd.edu.au/databases).

It is possible to access many of these databases from off campus. Visit www.library.usyd.edu.au/databases/wam.html for more information, or contact your Faculty Liaison Librarian.

Both the Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Subject Guide (at www.library.usyd.edu.au/subjects/agriculture/) and the animal science information-based VEIN – Veterinary Education and Information Network (see http://vein.library.usyd.edu.au) contain pointers to useful information sources.

## Faculty Liaison Librarians

Information specialists are available to assist you with your information needs.

## Camden and Narrabri campuses

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## Mathematics Learning Centre

### Head – Jacqueline M Nicholas

The Mathematics Learning Centre offers help to undergraduate students who enter the University with insufficient preparation in mathematics, to enable them to cope with the mathematical requirements of their chosen course. In the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources, units in Agricultural Economics, Biometry, Economics and Econometrics all assume a certain level of knowledge of mathematics. Generally, students entering the Faculty are assumed to have taken HSC 2-unit mathematics or its equivalent. If you know that you lack this assumed knowledge, or if you are doubtful whether you are well enough prepared, you should contact the Mathematics Learning Centre.

Staff at the Centre can help you decide which topics you need to do extra work on. Resources are provided for individual study, with guidance from the Centre's staff, and small tutorials can be arranged for students who are having difficulties. Introductory and bridging courses are organised during the summer.

The Centre is on the fourth floor of the Carslaw Building (Room 455). Any student seeking assistance should visit us at the Centre, contact us by phone on +61 2 9351 4061 or see the information on our website at www.usyd.edu.au/mlc.

## Faculty societies

## The Sydney University Agricultural Society (AgSoc)

AgSoc is an association for the undergraduates of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources, as well as students from rural backgrounds and anyone with an interest in agriculture. It is run by a student-elected committee from within the Faculty, which organises social and sporting events. Details of how to join are explained during Orientation Week.

## Why should you join?

There is a small annual membership fee to become part of AgSoc, which entitles you to vote, hold office, participate in Faculty sports and obtain great discounts to all social functions as well as on the large range of "Agger" merchandise. Functions include formal events such as the annual ball, as well as numerous harbour cruises, barbecues and other informal occasions.

Membership of many other faculty societies is compulsory. This is not the case in Agriculture, yet large numbers of students join for every year of their degree – an indication of the close social interaction and love of a good time that makes Agriculture the envy of the larger faculties. The AgSoc 2007 Committee encourages all members of the Faculty to become involved.

# Sydney University Agricultural Graduates' Association (SUAGA)

SUAGA is a graduate society. All graduates of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources, and all current and former members of the academic staff of the Faculty, are eligible for membership. Some of the more important aims of the Association are to maintain and foster the relationship between agriculture graduates and the University, to promote social and cultural relationships among the graduates and to take an interest in any matters that may be of benefit to the Faculty.

## Institutes and advisory councils

Advisory Council of the Plant Breeding Institute within the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources

- 1.1 There shall be an institute to be known as the Plant Breeding Institute within the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources.
- 1.2 The Institute shall undertake, promote and develop the science of plant breeding and allied areas.
- 2.1 The Institute shall have an Advisory Council comprising:
- 2.1.1 the Vice-Chancellor and Principal, the Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources and the Director of the Plant Breeding Institute or their nominees;
- 2.1.2 not more than three trustees of the New South Wales Wheat Research Foundation appointed by the Dean on the recommendation of the Foundation and three additional members of the broader industry sectors serviced by the Institute appointed by the Dean on the recommendation of the Director;
- 2.1.3 not more than three members of the full-time staff of the University appointed by the Dean on the recommendation of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources, two of whom shall be staff of the Plant Breeding Institute.
- 2.2 Each member shall hold office for a period of three years and shall be eligible for reappointment.
- 2.3 The Council shall provide advice to the Plant Breeding Institute on:
- 2.3.1 industry trends
- 2.3.2 areas for research expansion/development
- 2.3.3 services required for industry (including educational services for the users of the Plant Breeding Institute's products)
- 2.3.4 strengths and weaknesses in the Plant Breeding Institute's programs.
- 2.4 The Council shall have such other functions as may be assigned by the Dean.
- 3.1 The Council shall elect annually from amongst its members an honorary Chairperson.
- 3.2 All questions which come before the Council shall be decided at any meeting duly convened, at which a quorum is present, by a majority of the votes of the members present.
- 3.3 The chairperson at any such meeting shall have one vote.
- 3.4 At any such meeting seven members shall form a quorum.
- 4.1 There shall be a Director of the Plant Breeding Institute appointed under normal University procedures for appointing a Head of Department/School.
- 4.2 The Director shall have functions and duties set out in the relevant position statement, and any other functions or duties delegated from time to time.
- 5. The Director shall report to the Dean. In addition, the Director shall present to the Council an Annual Report that includes an overview of the financial situation.

# The Institute of Advanced Studies within the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources

- 1. The name of the Institute shall be the Institute of Advanced Studies within the Faculty.
- 2.1 The Institute shall advise the Senate regarding the funds of the Joane Josephine Harris Bequest, the Thomas Lawrance Pawlett Bequest, the Mrs Christian Rowe Thornett Bequest, the Alexander Hugh Thurburn Fund, the Turland Endowment and the portion of the funds of the FH Loxton Bequest which has been allocated to the Faculty.
- 2.2 The Institute shall promote the attraction of additional income.
- 3.1 The Institute shall further the development of postgraduate studies and research in the Faculty.
- 3.2 The Institute shall be responsible for the administration of the scholarship program in the Faculty.
- 4. The names of the donors shall be perpetuated by their association with the various projects that the Institute initiates.
- 5. The Directors of the Institute will be:
- 5.1 Ex officio
- 5.2 Dean (Chair)
- 5.3 Pro-Dean
- 5.4 Associate Dean (Postgraduate)
- 5.5 Discipline Leaders, Director of the Plant Breeding Institute
   5.6 Two academic staff representatives, elected biennially at the
- final Faculty meeting of a year in which a term ends; a casual vacancy shall be filled on nomination by the Dean.
  6 The directors shall submit recommendations for postgraduate
- The directors shall submit recommendations for postgraduate activities to the Faculty for consideration and recommendation to Senate for approval.

# EJ Holtsbaum University of Sydney Agricultural Research Institute

The EJ Holtsbaum University of Sydney Agricultural Research Institute (HARI) has been established in conjunction with the gift by Mr EJ Holtsbaum to the University of his property "Nowley". Mr Holtsbaum, whose family had owned Nowley since 1964, made the gift with the view that the farm would continue to prosper under the University's stewardship, and serve as a centre on the Liverpool Plains for the creation and dissemination of innovative technology for agricultural production and natural resource management.

Nowley is located in the Spring Ridge district on the central/north west slopes of NSW, in a versatile and reliable dryland cropping region. The property of 2083 ha supports a successful mixed farming enterprise centred on crops of wheat, barley and canola in winter, sorghum and sunflower in summer, and a Shorthorn cattle herd of breeders, replacement heifers and bulls.

Nowley has mostly fertile basaltic soils, an average annual rainfall of about 600 mm with a relatively even summer and winter distribution. The extreme variation in soil types and parent materials, and the proximity of a large, natural water body (Lake Goran), means that the property offers unique opportunities to study the impacts of parent material and topography on soil type, and consequently on agricultural opportunities. Stands of remnant native forest on sections of the property provide invaluable undisturbed reference sites for comparative studies of agricultural and native ecosytems, and the influence of human impacts.

Nowley will considerably enhance the Faculty's academic programs by giving students a strong sense of the interaction of landscape and agriculture. While continuing to operate as a fully commercial enterprise, Nowley will provide an excellent field site for undergraduate and postgraduate students to learn and research about crop and livestock management in mixed farming systems, plant improvement, and natural resource management.

# Objectives of the Holtsbaum Agricultural Research Institute (HARI)

The objectives of the HARI are aligned with a Statement of Intention made by Mr Holtsbaum in conjunction with his gift.

"Nowley is to be used for the purposes of the Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources (hereafter referred to as 'the Faculty') including in particular but not limited to:

- research for the benefit of primary producers, researchers, students and other parties interested in agriculture
- provision of funds for scholarships to the Faculty.

A wide range of enterprises should be trialled and evaluated as the need or otherwise arises in conjunction with the 'bread and butter' activities of the day.

The results of these activities to be carried out at 'Nowley' to be available to farmers, faculty students, research workers and other parties with an interest in agriculture. The future mix of enterprises on the property will be determined to produce a viable income. After retention of profits or part thereof to provide working capital, any surplus is to be directed into a scholarship fund for the Faculty or for the benefit of teaching and research in agriculture as determined by the Dean in consultation with the Management Advisory Board. The property's well-being is of paramount importance and number one priority."

# Management of the Holtsbaum Agricultural Research Institute

The purchase of plant and equipment, working capital and additional land by the University was financed by the creation of an internal Property Trust known as the "Nowley Property Pool". In recognition of the gift by Mr Holtsbaum, and additional funds invested in the Nowley Property Pool by the Faculty, the latter will be allocated approximately 74 per cent of the units in the Pool, with Livingston Farm to purchase the remaining 26 per cent of the units in the Pool.

Net operating surpluses will be distributed proportionately to unit holders in the Nowley Property Pool. The Properties and Investments Office will be responsible to the Management Advisory Committee for the day to day operation of the property, which will be managed as part of the rural property portfolio. Research and innovative trials by the Faculty will be oversighted by the Management Advisory Board.

In the event a situation arises where the Advisory Board recommends that the property be disposed of, it will be done so in a manner that will realise the Faculty the highest sum of money attainable on the day. The proceeds may be invested in a similar venture or one suitable to the Faculty and Management of the day. Whatever the new venture, the name "EJ Holtsbaum" is to be preserved.

### Holtsbaum Agricultural Research Institute Management Advisory Board: Terms of Reference

To oversight the management of the Holtsbaum Agricultural Research Institute in order to ensure that it:

- operates as a financially viable enterprise
  - facilitates research for the benefit of primary producers, researchers, students and other parties interested in Agriculture provides funds for the provision of scholarships and other activities for the benefit of teaching and research in the Faculty.

The Management Advisory Board will:

- receive financial statements relating to the property
- receive reports from the Dean of the Faculty relating to the use of the property for teaching, research and outreach activities.
- receive reports from the Properties and Investments Office relating to operational and financial aspects of the enterprise.
- advise the Dean of the Faculty on the distribution of the EJ Holtsbaum Trust's share of the profits from the Nowley Property Pool for scholarships and other activities for the benefit of teaching and research programs.

The Management Advisory Board will meet at least twice per year.

The HARI Management Advisory Board will consist of:

- The Dean of the Faculty
- A representative of the Faculty
- The working Manager
- Two practising agriculturists within reasonable proximity of "Nowley"
- The Director, University Properties and Investments

According to Mr Holtsbaum's Statement of Intention, "practising agriculturists" are to provide local knowledge. Their term of appointment should be at least three years, and they should be "quiet

achievers" in their own right, demonstrating an ability to run a sound and profitable enterprise or having exceptional expertise in a field or fields relevant to the prevailing pursuit/s on Nowley. The initial appointments have been made by Mr Holtsbaum, and will be made subsequently by the Advisory Board. They shall not be nominated by farmer bodies, Boards or vested interests or politicians. The positions are honorary, apart from reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses.

### Scholarships

Should the Management Advisory Board determine there is sufficient money available for scholarship allocation Mr Holtsbaum made the following suggestions, in addition to conditions that normally apply in the University for the award of scholarships. The recipient shall be of high academic merit and show the intention to establish a career in agriculture (in whatever form). The Scholarship would be known as "The EJ Holtsbaum University of Sydney Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Scholarship".

The intention of the scholarships is to help students fund their studies, and to encourage in recipients a sense of giving something back to the land through their degree, should they have the opportunity to do so. Allocation of money for scholarships will be determined by the Faculty, in consultation with the Management Advisory Board.

# The Sydney Summer and Winter Schools

2008	Dates
Summer School	December 2007-February 2008
Winter School	July 2008

### The Summer School

The Summer School is a full fee-paying, intensive program offering high quality undergraduate and postgraduate subjects from ten faculties. These subjects are the same as those offered in Semesters One and Two, but are taught as an intensive program over summer. Some classes commence in December, others commence in the first week of January, others in the third week and continue into February (including the exam week). Some subjects run for six weeks others are shorter. Students can take a maximum of two subjects.

#### The Winter School

The Winter School is a smaller, more intensive program that runs for four weeks, including the exam week, in July.

# **Advantages**

Attending classes at Sydney University during Summer and Winter School offers many advantages. You can:

- accelerate your academic career and to finish your degree sooner
- devote your full attention to a single area of study
- take subjects that are outside your normal degree
- reduce your workload throughout the rest of the year
- repeat subjects in which you may have been unsuccessful
- combine study with a field trip in Australia or a tour overseas.

For high school graduates, you can:

- sample a university subject
- get an early start on your degree.

# How to apply

Applications will only be accepted online. Our website is www.summer.usvd.edu.au

Most subjects have limited places and fill very quickly. All places are filled strictly on a first in first served basis so it is recommended that you apply early.

Applications open on 26 September 2007.	
Applications close on:	
30 November, 2007 (Session 1 Summer December)	
14 December, 2007 (Session 2 Summer Main)	
5 January, 2008 (Session 3 Summer Late)	

Late application fees may apply after these dates.

# Census dates – Summer School 2008

Students can withdraw from their subject without academic penalty and receive a full refund until the census date. However, a late withdrawal fee may apply. As classes start throughout December to February there are three census dates for the Summer School. These are based on when the class commences.

ID	Session name	Classes begin	Census date
42*	Summer Dec	10 December	2 January
43	Summer Main	4 January	11 January
44**	Summer Late	14 January	6 February

\*42 Summer Dec: Allows for a unit to run for 3-9 weeks, provided that the 20 per cent criterion is met.

\*\*44 Summer Late: Last exam must be held by 1 March.

# Withdrawal and Refund policy

- For classes commencing in December 2007, students withdrawing from a Summer School subject from 28 November 2007 to 11 January 2008, will receive a refund of tuition fees but will be liable for a \$250 late withdrawal fee.
- For classes commencing after 4 January 2008, students withdrawing from a Summer School subject from 16 December 2007 to 11 January 2008, will receive a refund of tuition fees but will be liable for a \$250 late withdrawal fee.
- For classes commencing after **14 January 2008**, students withdrawing from a Summer School subject from 16 December 2007 to 6 February 2008, will receive a refund of tuition fees but will be liable for a \$250 late withdrawal fee.
- Students may withdraw from their Summer School subject(s) up until 4pm on the last day of the Teaching Period for that particular subject. However, there may be an academic penalty (please refer to our website). The Teaching Period for purposes of this policy is defined in hours of published classes from the first day through to the last day of classes, excluding any final examination or assessment.
- Students withdrawing from a Summer School subject after 4pm on the relevant census date will receive no refund of their tuition fee.

# Transferring between Summer School subjects

Students on a waitlist can transfer subjects at any time prior to the commencement of class. For all other students transfers between subjects should be completed a week before classes commence. Late transfers will attract a withdrawal fee of \$250. NO transfers will be allowed after the commencement of the class.

# Summer School scholarships

### Merit scholarships

Three undergraduate merit scholarships and one postgraduate merit scholarship are available and are automatically awarded to the top four students who achieve the highest results in their respective faculty (Arts, Science or Economics and Business) for their Summer School subject.

### Educational/Financial Disadvantage scholarships

Full Summer School scholarships are available to local undergraduate students who have a good academic record. To be eligible for consideration you will need to provide evidence of long-term and serious educational disadvantage based on two or more criteria, one of which must be financial hardship. Please check our website for further details. Applications close on 26 October 2007.

# For more information

Web: www.summer.usyd.edu.au Email: info@summer.usyd.edu.au Phone: +61 2 9351 5542 Fax: +61 2 9351 5888

# General University information

For further information or advice, please feel free to call our Helpline on **1300 362 006**.

This section includes information on the following:

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# Accommodation Service

The Accommodation Service helps students find off-campus accommodation. The service maintains extensive databases of share accommodation, rental properties, and full board accommodation. Currently enrolled students can access the database online through the MyUni student portal (http://myuni.usyd.edu.au), or the accommodation website via your MyUni student portal or the Services for Students website: www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv.

Level 7, Education Building A35 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 3312 Fax: +61 2 9351 8262 Email: accomm@stuserv.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/accom

# Admissions Office

The Admissions Office, located in the Student Centre, is responsible for overseeing the distribution of offers to undergraduate applicants through the Universities Admission Centre (UAC). They can advise prospective local undergraduate students on admission requirements. Postgraduate students should contact the appropriate faculty. If you are an Australian citizen or a permanent resident but have qualifications from a non-Australian institution phone +61 2 9351 4118 for more information. For enquiries regarding special admissions (including mature-age entry) phone +61 2 9351 3615. Applicants without Australian citizenship or permanent residency should contact the International Office.

Student Centre Ground Floor, Carslaw Building F07 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 4117 or +61 2 9351 4118 Fax: +61 2 9351 4869 Email: admissions@records.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/studentcentre

# Applying for a course

# Domestic applicants for undergraduate courses and programs of study

For the purpose of admission and enrolment, 'domestic applicant' refers to citizens and permanent residents of Australia and citizens of New Zealand. If you are in this group and wish to apply for admission into an undergraduate course, you would generally apply through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC). The deadline for application is the last working day in September in the year before enrolment. Go to the UAC website (www.uac.edu.au) for more information.

Note that some faculties, such as Pharmacy, the Sydney Conservatorium of Music and Sydney College of the Arts, have additional application procedures.

# Domestic applicants for postgraduate courses and programs of study

For the purpose of admission and enrolment, 'domestic applicant' refers to citizens and permanent residents of Australia and citizens of New Zealand. Application is direct to the faculty which offers the



course that you are interested in. Application forms for postgraduate coursework, postgraduate research and the master's qualifying or preliminary program and for non-award postgraduate study can be found at www.usyd.edu.au/studentcentre.

Please note that some faculties use their own specially tailored application forms for admission into their courses. Please contact the relevant faculty.

# International applicants for all course types (undergraduate and postgraduate)

'International applicants' refers to all applicants other than Australian citizens, Australian permanent residents and citizens of New Zealand. In the majority of cases international applicants apply for admission through the University's International Office (IO). All the information international applicants need, including application forms, is available from the IO website (www.usyd.edu.au/internationaloffice).

# Assessment

For assessment matters refer to the relevant department or school.

# Attendance

In cases of illness or misadventure you should complete an Application for Special Consideration form, accompanied by relevant documentation such as medical certificates, and submit it to your faculty office. The forms are available on the web at

www.usyd.edu.au/studentcentre/forms.shtml, and at faculty offices and the Student Centre.

# Exemption from re-attendance

Although you may have attended certain lectures or practical classes before, exemption from re-attendance at these is granted only in exceptional circumstances. In any case, you are required to enrol in all units of study in which you propose taking examinations, whether or not you've been granted leave of absence – or exemption – from re-attendance at lectures and/or practical work.

To obtain exemption from re-attendance, you must apply at your faculty office.

# **Bus service**

A free bus service operates to, from and around Camperdown and Darlington campuses each weekday that Fisher Library is open (except for public holidays). The service commences at 4.15pm and concludes at Fisher Library closing time.

Two buses operate along the route, which commences at Fisher Library and terminates at Redfern station. The buses cycle through the route at approximately ten minute intervals, both during semester and in the breaks.

The bus timetable/route guide can be collected from Security Administration or Campus Infrastructure Services reception.

2nd floor Corner of Codrington and Abercrombie Streets Darlington Campus G12 - Services Building University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: (02) 9351 4753 Fax: (02) 9351 5699 Web: www.security.usyd.edu.au

# Campuses

The University has seven different teaching campuses spread throughout the Sydney area.

For information on each of the campuses, including maps, contact details and parking information, please see www.usyd.edu.au/about/campus/pub/campus.shtml.

Campus	Faculties
Camperdown and Darlington campuses	Faculty of Arts Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Faculty of Economics and Business Faculty of Education and Social Work Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies Faculty of Medicine Faculty of Medicine Faculty of Pharmacy Faculty of Veterinary Science The Sydney Summer School
Cumberland Campus	Faculty of Health Sciences
St James Campus	Faculty of Law
Mallett Street Campus	Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery The Centre for English Teaching The NHMRC Clinical Trials Centre
Sydney Conservatorium of Music Campus	The Sydney Conservatorium of Music
Sydney College of the Arts campus	Sydney College of the Arts (SCA)
Camden Campus	Faculty of Veterinary Science Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources
Surry Hills Campus	Faculty of Dentistry
Burren Street Campus	Institute of Transport and Logistics

# **Careers Centre**

The Careers Centre will help you with careers preparation and graduate recruitment.

### Careers Centre

Ground Floor, Mackie Building K01 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 3481 Fax: +61 2 9351 5134 Email: info@usyd.edu.au Web: www.careers.usyd.edu.au

# Casual Employment Service

The Casual Employment Service helps students find casual and part-time work during their studies and during University vacations. The service maintains a database of casual employment vacancies. Currently enrolled students can access the database online through the MyUni student portal, or the casual employment website via your MyUni student portal, or the Services for Students website (www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv).

Level 7, Education Building A35 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 8714 Fax: +61 2 9351 8717 Email: ces@stuserv.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/cas\_emp

# Centre for Continuing Education (CCE)

The Centre for Continuing Education offers a wide range of short courses for special interest, university preparation and professional development.

Centre for Continuing Education 160 Missenden Rd Newtown NSW 2042

Postal address: Locked Bag 2020 Glebe NSW 2037

Ph: +61 2 9036 4789 Fax: +61 2 9036 4799 Email: info@cce.usyd.edu.au Web: www.cce.usyd.edu.au

Subject areas include: history and culture, creative arts, social sciences, languages, IT, business and overseas study tours. Courses are open to everyone.

# Centre for English Teaching (CET)

The Centre for English Teaching (CET) offers English language and academic study skills programs to students from overseas and Australian residents from non-English speaking backgrounds who need to develop their English language skills to meet academic entry requirements.

Camperdown Campus G01 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9036 7900 Fax: +61 2 9036 7910 Email: info@cet.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/cet

# Child Care Information Office

Contact the Child Care Information Office for information about child care for students and staff of the University who are parents. For details of centres, vacation and occasional care see the child care website via your MyUni student portal or the Services for Students website (www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv)

Child Care Information Office Level 7, Education Building A35 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 5667 Fax: +61 2 9351 7055 Email: childc@stuserv.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/childcare

# Client Services, Information and Communications Technology (ICT)

Client Services are responsible for the delivery of many of the computing services provided to students. Students can contact Client Services by phoning the ICT Helpdesk on 9351 6000, through the IT Assist website (www.itassist.usyd.edu.au) or by visiting the staff at one of the University Access Labs.

The access labs on the Camperdown and Darlington campuses are located in:

- Fisher Library (Level 2)
- Carslaw Building (Room 201)
- Education Building (Room 232)
- Christopher Brennan Building (Room 232)
- Engineering Link Building (Room 222); and
- Pharmacy and Bank Building (Room 510).

Other labs are available at the Law, Westmead Hospital and Cumberland campuses.

The labs provide students free access to computers including office productivity and desktop publishing software.

Services are available on a fee for service basis which include Internet access, printing facilities and the opportunity to host their own non-commercial website.

Each student is supplied with an account, called a 'Unikey' account, which allows access to a number of services including:

- free email (www-mail.usyd.edu.au)
- access to the internet from home or residential colleges (www.itassist.usyd.edu.au/services.html)
- student facilities via the MyUni student portal
- (http://myuni.usyd.edu.au), including exam results, enrolment variations and timetabling; and
- free courses in basic computing (such as MS Office; basic html and excel) that are run by Access Lab staff in the week following orientation week. To register contact the Access Lab Supervisor on +61 2 9351 6870.

Client Services, Helpdesk University Computer Centre, H08 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 6000 Fax: +61 2 9351 6004 Email: support@usyd.edu.au Web: www.itassist.usyd.edu.au

# The Co-op Bookshop

The Co-op Bookshop is a one-stop bookshop for:

- textbooks
- general books
- reference books
- DVDs
   floop driv
- flash drives; andsoftware at academic prices.

Lifetime membership costs \$20 and gives great discounts on purchases (conditions apply).

Sports and Aquatic Centre Building G09

Phone: +61 2 9351 3705 Fax: +61 2 9660 5256 Email: sydu@coop-bookshop.com.au Web: www.coop-bookshop.com.au

# **Counselling Service**

The Counselling Service aims to help students fulfil their academic, individual and social goals through professional counselling. The Service provides short-term, problem-focused counselling to promote psychological wellbeing and to help students develop effective and realistic coping strategies. International students can access counselling assistance through the International Student Support Unit (ISSU).

Each semester the Counselling Service runs a program of workshops designed to assist students master essential study and life management skills. Workshops are available to all local and international students. For details of workshops, activities and online resources provided by the service, see the Counselling Service website via your MyUni student portal or the Services for Students website (www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv). Phone to make an appointment. Daily walk-in appointments are also available between 11am and 3pm.

# Camperdown and Darlington campuses

Level 7, Education Building A35 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 2228 Fax: +61 2 9351 7055 Email: counsell@stuserv.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/counsel

# **Cumberland Campus**

Ground Floor, A Block, Cumberland Campus C42 University of Sydney East Street Lidcombe NSW 2141 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 9638 Fax: +61 2 9351 9635 Email: CS.Cumberland@stuserv.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/counsel

# **Disability Services**

Disability Services is the principal point of contact for advice on assistance available for students with disabilities. Students with a disability need to register with Disability Services to receive support and assistance. Disability Services works closely with academic and administrative staff to ensure that students receive reasonable accommodations in their areas of study.

Assistance available includes the provision of note taking, interpreters and negotiation with academic staff regarding assessment and course requirement modifications where appropriate. For details on registering with the Service, including documentation required and online resources see the Disability Services website via your MyUni student portal or the Services for Students website: www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv.

# Camperdown and Darlington campuses

Level 7, Education Building A35 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 7040 Fax: +61 2 9351 3320 TTY: +61 2 9351 3412 Email: disserv@stuserv.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/disability

# **Cumberland Campus**

Ground Floor, A Block, Cumberland Campus C42 University of Sydney East Street Lidcombe NSW 2141 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 9638 Fax: +61 2 9351 9635 Email: DS.Cumberland@stuserv.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/disability

# Email

See Client Services, Information and Communications Technology

# Employment opportunities for students

See Sydney Student Development

# Enrolment

# Domestic and international students entering first year via UAC

Details of enrolment procedures will be sent to you with your UAC offer of enrolment. Enrolment takes place during the last week of January.

# Domestic and international students entering first year via a direct offer from the University

Details of the enrolment procedures will be sent to you with your university offer of enrolment. Enrolment takes place during the first two weeks of February.

## All continuing domestic and international students

A pre-enrolment package is sent to all enrolled students in late September and contains instructions on the procedure for web-based pre-enrolment.

# **Environmental Policy**

The University of Sydney's Environmental Policy promotes sustainable resource and product use and encourages the practice of environmental stewardship by staff and students. The policy is supported by the University wide Sustainable Campus Program.

Enquiries can be directed to the Manager, Environmental Strategies Phone: +61 2 93512063

Email: sustainable@usyd.edu.au

or go to www.usyd.edu.au/sustainable where you can find out what the University is doing and how you can get involved, make suggestions or receive the Sustainable Campus Newsletter.

# **Equity Support Services**

Equity Support Services, located within Student Services, brings together a number of student support services that produce practical assistance and information to support students in meeting their academic and personal goals while at University. Services include the Accommodation Service, Casual Employment Service, Childcare Information Office, Disability Services and the Financial Assistance Office. For details of these services and online resources provided see their individual entry in this Handbook or go to the MyUni student portal or the Services for Students website www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv.

Examinations

The Examinations and Exclusions Office looks after the majority of examination arrangements and student progression. Some faculties, such as the Sydney Conservatorium of Music, make all examination arrangements for the units of study that they offer.

Examinations and Exclusions Office Student Centre Level 1, Carslaw Building F07 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 4005 or +61 2 9351 4006 Fax: +61 2 9351 7330 Email: exams.office@exams.usyd.edu.au

# Fees

The Fees Office provides information on how to pay fees, where to pay fees and if payments have been received. The office can also provide information on obtaining a refund for fee payments. Further details may be accessed online through our website at www.finance.usyd.edu.au/revenue\_income/fees.shtml Fees Office Margaret Telfer Building K07 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 5222 Fax: +61 2 9351 4202 Email: feespay@usyd.edu.au Office hours: 9am-4.30pm, Mon-Fri

# Financial Assistance Office

The University of Sydney has a number of loan and bursary funds to assist students experiencing financial difficulties. Loan assistance is available for undergraduate and postgraduate students enrolled in degree and diploma courses at the University.

The assistance is not intended to provide the principle means of support but to help enrolled students in financial need with expenses such as housing bonds and rent, phone and electricity bills, medical expenses, buying textbooks and course equipment.

Loans are interest free and are repayable usually within one year. Bursaries may be awarded depending on financial need and academic merit and are usually only available to local full-time undergraduate students. Advertised bursaries, including First Year Bursaries, are advertised through the MyUni student portal in January each year.

For details of types of assistance and online resources provided by the service see the Financial Assistance website via your MyUni student portal or the Services for Students website (www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv).

Level 7, Education Building A35 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 2416 Fax: +61 2 9351 7055 Email: fao@stuserv.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/fin\_assist

# Freedom of Information

The University of Sydney falls within the jurisdiction of the *NSW Freedom of Information Act, 1989.* The act:

- requires information concerning documents held by the University to be made available to the public
- enables a member of the public to obtain access to documents held by the University; and
- enables a member of the public to ensure that records held by the University concerning his or her personal affairs are not incomplete, incorrect, out of date or misleading.

(Note that a 'member of the public' includes staff and students of the University.)

It is a requirement of the act that applications be processed and a determination made within a specified time period, generally 21 days. Determinations are made by the University's Registrar.

While application may be made to access University documents, some may not be released in accordance with particular exemptions provided by the act. There are review and appeal mechanisms which apply when access has been refused.

The University is required to report to the public on its freedom of information (FOI) activities on a regular basis and to produce two documents: a *Statement of Affairs* (annually) and a *Summary of Affairs* (every six months). The *Statement of Affairs* contains information about the University, its structure, function and the kinds of documents held. The *Summary of Affairs* identifies the University's policy documents and provides information on how to make an application for access to University documents.

Further information and copies of the current Statement and Summary may be found at www.usyd.edu.au/arms/foi

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Further information and copies of the current Statement and Summary may be found at www.usyd.edu.au/arms/foi

# **Graduations Office**

The Graduations Office is responsible for organising graduation ceremonies and informing students of their graduation arrangements.

Student Centre Carslaw Building F07 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 3199, +61 2 9351 4009 Protocol: +61 2 9351 4612 Fax: +61 2 9351 5072

# (Grievances) Appeals

You may consider that a decision affecting your candidature for a degree or other activities at the University has not taken into account all relevant matters.

In some cases the by-laws or resolutions of the Senate (see the University Calendar: www.usyd.edu.au/calendar) provide for a right of appeal against particular decisions. For example, there is provision for appeal against academic decisions, disciplinary decisions and exclusion after failure.

A document outlining the current procedures for appeals against academic decisions is available at the Student Centre, at the SRC, and on the University's policy online website:

www.usyd.edu.au/policy (click on 'Study at the University', then click on 'Appeals' – see the Academic Board and Senate resolutions).

For assistance or advice regarding an appeal contact:

### Undergraduates

Students' Representative Council Level 1, Wentworth Building G01 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9660 5222

### Postgraduates

Sydney University Postgraduate Representative Association (SUPRA) Corner of Raglan and Abercrombie Streets University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 3115

# **HECS and Fees Office**

Student Centre Ground Floor, Carslaw Building F07 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 5659 Fax: +61 2 9036 6111

# HELP

See HECS and Fees Office

# Information and Communications Technology

See Client Services, Information and Communications Technology

# International Office

The International Office provides advice and assistance with application, admission and enrolment procedures for international students. The International Office also includes units responsible for international marketing, government and student relations, international scholarships, including AusAID scholarships and administrative support for international financial aid programs, and compliance with government regulations related to international students.

The Study Abroad and Exchange unit assists both domestic and international students who wish to enrol for study abroad or exchange programs.

## **International Office**

Services Building G12 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 4079 Fax: +61 2 9351 4013 Email: info@io.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/internationaloffice

## Study Abroad

Phone: +61 2 9351 3699 Fax: +61 2 9351 2795 Email: studyabroad@io.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/studyabroad

# Student Exchange

Phone: +61 2 9351 3699 Fax: +61 2 9351 2795 Email: exchange@io.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/studentexchange

# International Student Support Unit (ISSU)

The International Student Support Unit assists international students through the provision of orientation, counselling and welfare services to both students and their families. ISSU aims to help international students cope successfully with the challenges of living and studying in a unfamiliar culture, to achieve success in their studies and to make the experience of being an international student rewarding and enjoyable.

For details of orientation activities, counselling and welfare services provided to both students and their families and online resources, see the MyUni student portal or the Services for Students website www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv. International students also have access to all University student support services.

### **Camperdown and Darlington campuses**

Ground Floor, Services Building G12 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 4749 Fax: +61 2 9351 6818 Email: info@issu.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/issu

### **Cumberland Campus**

Ground Floor, A Block, Cumberland Campus C42 University of Sydney East Street, Lidcombe NSW 2141 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 9638 Fax: +61 2 9351 9635 Email: ISSU.Cumberland@stuserv.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/issu

# Koori Centre and Yooroang Garang

The Koori Centre and Yooroang Garang support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in all aspects of tertiary education at the University of Sydney. The Cadigal Special Entry Program assists Indigenous Australians to enter undergraduate study across all areas of the University.

As well as delivering block-mode courses for Indigenous Australian students, the Koori Centre teaches Indigenous Australian Studies in various faculties across mainstream courses. The Centre also provides tutorial assistance, and student facilities such as: computer lab, Indigenous research library and study rooms for Indigenous Australian students at the University.

In particular, the Koori Centre aims to increase the successful participation of Indigenous Australians in undergraduate and postgraduate degrees, develop the teaching of Aboriginal Studies, conduct research in the field of Aboriginal education, and establish working ties with schools and communities.

The Koori Centre works in close collaboration with Yooroang Garang, School of Indigenous Health Studies in the Faculty of Health Sciences at the University's Cumberland Campus. Yooroang Garang provides advice, assistance and academic support for Indigenous students in the faculty, as well as preparatory undergraduate and postgraduate courses.

## Koori Centre

Ground Floor, Old Teachers College A22 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 2046 (general enquiries) Toll Free: 1800 622 742 Community Liaison Officer: +61 2 9351 7003 Fax: +61 2 9351 6923 Email: koori@koori.usyd.edu.au Web: www.koori.usyd.edu.au

### **Yooroang Garang**

T Block, Level 4, Cumberland Campus C42 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 9393 Toll Free: 1800 000 418 Fax: +61 2 9351 9400 Email: yginfo@fhs.usyd.edu.au Web: www.yg.fhs.usyd.edu.au

# Learning Centre

The Learning Centre helps students develop the generic learning and communication skills that are necessary for university study and beyond. The centre is committed to helping students achieve their academic potential throughout their undergraduate and postgraduate studies. Operating across the Camperdown and Cumberland campuses, the Centre's program includes a wide range of workshops

on study skills, academic reading and writing, oral communication skills and postgraduate writing and research skills. Other services include an individual learning program, a faculty-based program and access to online and print-based learning resources. For details of programs, activities and online resources provided by the Centre see the website via your MyUni student portal or the Services for Students website: (www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv).

### **Camperdown and Darlington campuses**

Level 7, Education Building A35 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 3853 Fax: +61 2 9351 4865 Email: lc@stuserv.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/lc

### **Cumberland Campus**

Ground Floor, A Block, Cumberland Campus C42 University of Sydney East Street Lidcombe NSW 2141 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 9638 Fax: +61 2 9351 9635 Email: LC.Cumberland@stuserv.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/lc

# Library

The University of Sydney Library is a network of 17 libraries located on nine campuses. The Library website

(www.library.usyd.edu.au) provides access to services and resources, anywhere at anytime. The locations, opening hours and subject specialities of the libraries are listed on the website.

Over five million items are available via the Library catalogue, including more than 68,000 electronic journals and 281,000 electronic books. Past exam papers are also available online. Enrolled students are entitled to borrow from any of the University Libraries. More information is available at www.library.usyd.edu.au/borrowing.

Reading list items are available via the reserve service. Increasingly, reading list material is becoming available in electronic form. For details see the reserve service website: http://opac.library.usyd.edu.au/screens/reserve.html.

Library staff are always available to support students in their studies.

'Ask a Librarian' in person, by email, or by using an online chat service (www.library.usyd.edu.au/contacts/index.html).

A specialist librarian is available for all discipline areas and will provide training in finding high quality information. Courses cover a range of skills including research methodology, database searching, effective use of the Internet and the use of reference management software. See the subject contact page:

www.library.usyd.edu.au/contacts/subjectcontacts.html.

Library facilities include individual and group study spaces, computers, printers, multimedia equipment, photocopiers and adaptive technologies. Check the 'Libraries' link on the home page (www.library.usyd.edu.au) to find out about services and facilities in specific libraries.

The *Client Service Charter* describes the Library's commitment to supporting students' learning, including those with special needs. See the *Client Service Charter* online: www.library.usyd.edu.au/about/policies/clientcharter.html.

Your comments and suggestions are always welcome.

University of Sydney Library F03 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 2993 (general enquiries) Fax: +61 2 9351 2890 (administration) +61 2 9351 7278 (renewals) Email: loanenq@library.usyd.edu.au (loan enquiries), udd@library.usyd.edu.au (document delivery enquiries) Web: www.library.usyd.edu.au

# Mathematics Learning Centre

The Mathematics Learning Centre assists undergraduate students to develop the mathematical knowledge, skills and confidence that are needed for studying first level mathematics or statistics units at university. The Centre runs bridging courses in mathematics at the beginning of the academic year (fees apply). The centre also provides ongoing support to eligible students during the year through individual assistance and small group tutorials. For details of activities and online resources provided by the centre see the website via your MyUni student portal or the Services for Students website: www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv.

Level 4, Carslaw Building F07 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 4061 Fax: +61 2 9351 5797 Email: mlc@stuserv.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/mlc

# Multimedia and Educational Technologies in Arts (META) Resource Centre (Languages and E-Learning)

The centre provides access to recorded lectures, classwork and interactive self-paced learning materials for students of languages other than English (LOTE) and English as a second language (ESL).

The self study room provides interactive computer assisted learning and access to live multilingual satellite television broadcasts. Computer access labs provide Internet, email and word processing access. The centre also provides teaching rooms with state-of-the-art multimedia equipment, language laboratories and video conferencing facilities for Faculty of Arts courses.

Level 2, Brennan Building (opposite Manning House) University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: Library enquiries +61 2 9351 2683 For all other enquiries +61 2 9351 6781 Fax: +61 2 9351 3626 Email: For Library enquiries meta.library@arts.usyd.edu.au For all other enquiries meta@arts.usyd.edu Web: www.arts.usyd.edu.au/centres/meta

# **Museums and Galleries**

The University of Sydney has one of the largest and finest university collections of antiquities, art, ethnography and natural history in Australia. While these collections are used for teaching, they also provide an opportunity for the University to contribute to the cultural life of the country.

### University Art Collection and University Art Gallery

Founded in the 1860s, the University of Sydney Art Collection now holds more than 2,500 paintings, sculptures and works on paper by Australian, Asian and European artists. The University Art Gallery showcases changing exhibitions of works from the collection as well as high quality exhibitions of both contemporary and historical works.

War Memorial Arch Quadrangle Phone: (02) 9351 6883 Fax: (02) 9351 7785 Gallery: (02) 9351 6883 Website: www.usyd.edu.au/museums

#### Macleay Museum

The Macleay Museum had its origins in the collection of insects begun by Alexander Macleay in the late eighteenth century. It has developed into an extraordinary collection of natural history specimens, ethnographic artifacts, scientific instruments and historic photographs. A regular changing schedule of exhibitions highlights various aspects of the collection.

Macleay Building A12 Gosper Lane (off Science Road) Phone: (02) 9036 5253 Fax: (02) 9351 5646 Email: macleaymuseum@usyd.edu.au Website: www.usyd.edu.au/museums

#### Nicholson Museum

The Nicholson Museum contains the largest and most prestigious collection of antiquities in Australia. It is also the country's oldest university museum, and features works of ancient art and objects of daily life from Greece, Italy, Egypt, Cyprus the Near and Middle East, as well as Northern Europe. A regular changing schedule of exhibitions highlights various parts of the collection.

Quadrangle (southern end) Phone: (02) 9351 2812 Fax: (02) 9351 7305 Email: nicholsonmuseum@usyd.edu.au Website: www.usyd.edu.au/museums

#### The Tin Sheds Gallery

The Tin Sheds Gallery is part of the Art Workshop complex within the University of Sydney's Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning. The gallery hosts exhibitions across a wide variety of contemporary visual arts practices from individuals and groups, as well as community projects and curated exhibitions.

Tin Sheds Gallery and Art Workshops 148 City Road Wilkinson Building Faculty of Architecture Phone: (02) 9351 3115 Fax: (02) 9351 4184 Email: tinsheds@arch.usyd.edu.au Website: www.arch.usyd.edu.au/art\_workshop

# MyUni Student Portal

The MyUni student portal (http://myuni.usyd.edu.au) is the starting point and 'one-stop' environment for students to access all their web-based University information and services.

MyUni automatically tailors what a student sees based on their login and offers students the option of further personalising content. Most importantly, MyUni allows students to complete tasks online that would previously have required attendance in person. The following are examples of MyUni services and information:

- support services for students in health, counselling, child care, accommodation, employment and wellbeing
- student administration systems for obtaining exam results, enrolment and variations, timetabling, email services and links to courses and units of study information
- links to the University's e-learning systems
- library services
- important messages and student alerts
- information technology and support services
- information for local, indigenous and international students; and
  campus maps, with descriptions of cultural, sporting and campus facilities.

Website: http://myuni.usyd.edu.au

# Orientation and O-Week

# Orientation

Transition to University involves both opportunities and challenges. A successful transition is important in developing a sense of belonging and better academic adjustment and success. The University seeks to facilitate students' successful transition through a wide range of programs and activities. Orientation activities for both undergraduate and postgraduate students are scheduled at the beginning of each semester. Transition support continues throughout the Academic Year within faculties while student support services are available to assist students for the duration of their study.

For more information, visit www.usyd.edu.au/orientation

#### Undergraduate students

Sydney Welcome Orientation and Transition (SWOT) Program

In the week prior to Semester One, the SWOT program offers all commencing undergraduate students an opportunity to learn more about the University of Sydney. During this week you can get to know the University, develop key skills for success, discover other key resources for getting the most out of university life and develop a sense of belonging. All students are welcome to attend activities which are based at the Camperdown and Darlington campuses. Faculties based on other campuses also provide orientation activities and programs.

SWOT 2008: 27-29 February 2008. Details of SWOT activities and online resources are available at www.swot.usyd.edu.au

#### Postgraduate students

The University of Sydney Postgraduate Induction Program is a specialised program for postgraduate students organised by the Dean of Graduate Studies.

For more information, visit www.dogs.usyd.edu.au

## USU O-Week

O-Week is the orientation event at the beginning of Semester One. Organised by the University of Sydney Union and other student organisations, it runs in parallel with the SWOT program. O-Week provides an opportunity to find out about and participate in the many clubs and societies available at the University and the services and activities of the student organisations.

It's packed with fun activities and events along with information to help you become acquainted with the University and, importantly, to help you grab hold of all of the opportunities this campus has in store for you. Rock, jazz, orchestral and choral concerts, plays, demonstrations, symposia on current affairs, reviews, competitions, sports, bus tours, games, special-interest meetings, guest speakers, debates, films, food and freebies are all organised for commencing students' participation and enjoyment. You need to know what's on and what's available in order to make the most out of your time here.

**O-Week 2008: 27-29 February 2008.** Programs will be available at www.usuonline.com

# Part-time, full-time attendance

#### Undergraduate students

Undergraduate students are usually considered full-time if they have a student load of at least 0.375 each semester. Anything under this amount is considered a part-time study load.

Note that some faculties have minimum study load requirements for satisfactory progress.

## Postgraduate students (Coursework)

For postgraduate coursework students part-time or full-time status is determined by credit-point load. Enrolment in units of study which total at least 18 credit points in a semester is classed as full-time. Anything under this amount is a part-time study load.

Please note that classes for some coursework programs are held in the evenings (usually 6-9pm).

## Postgraduate students (Research)

Full-time candidates for research degrees do not keep to the normal semester schedule, instead they work continuously throughout the year with a period of four weeks recreation leave. There is no strict definition of what constitutes full-time candidature but if you have employment or other commitments that would prevent you from devoting at least the equivalent of a 35-hour working week to your candidature (including attendance at the University for lectures, seminars, practical work and consultation with your supervisor) you should enrol as a part-time candidate. If in doubt you should consult your faculty or supervisor.

## International students

Student visa regulations require international students to undertake full-time study. International students on visas other than student visas may be permitted to study part-time.

# Policy online

In addition to the resolutions covering specific courses there are a number of University policies that apply to students. These include:

- The code of conduct for students
- Academic honesty in coursework
- Student plagiarism: Coursework assessment and examination of coursework
- Identifying and Supporting Students at Risk

All of these policies can be accessed from the University's Policy website online (www.usyd.edu.au/policy).

# Printing Service (UPS)

The University Printing Service provides printing and binding services including: high volume printing and copying, short run (low volume), four-colour process printing, finished artwork and design, including website design, document scanning, file conversion, and CD burning.

Typical UPS products range from stationery, books, brochures, handbooks, graduation certificates and examination papers through to invitations, flyers and banners.

UPS also offers a variety of finishing options plus collating, addressing and filling of envelopes, mail merge options and print-broking services.

Room 314, top floor, Services Building, Codrington Street, G12. Phone: (02) 9351 2004 Fax: (02) 9351 7757 Email: ups@ups.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/ups/

# Privacy

The University is subject to the NSW Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 and the NSW Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002. Central to both acts are the sets of information protection principles (IPPs) and health privacy principles which regulate the collection, management, use and disclosure of personal and health information. In compliance with the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act the University developed a Privacy Management Plan which includes the University Privacy Policy. The Privacy Management Plan sets out the IPPs and how they apply to functions and activities carried out by the University. Both the plan and the University Privacy Policy were endorsed by the Vice-Chancellor on 28 June 2000.

Further information and a copy of the plan may be found at www.usyd.edu.au/arms/privacy.

Any questions regarding the *Freedom of Information Act*, the *Privacy* and *Personal Information Protection Act*, the *Health Records and Information Privacy Act* or the *Privacy Management Plan* should be directed to:

Tim Robinson: +61 2 9351 4263, or Anne Picot: +61 2 9351 7262 Email: foi@mail.usyd.edu.au

# **Research Office**

The Research Office administers the major government funded research awards. Details of these awards and many others may be obtained from the Research Office web site at: www.usyd.edu.au/ro/training. The closing date for Australian Postgraduate Awards (APA) and University of Sydney Postgraduate Awards (UPA) is October every year; National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) Postgraduate Research Scholarships usually close in mid-July. It is wise to confirm in advance the exact closing date.

Quadrangle Building, A14 Phone: +61 2 9351 3250 Email: research.training@usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/ro/training

# Scholarships for undergraduates

Scholarships and Prizes Office Room 140, Ground Floor, Mackie Building KO1 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 2717 Fax: +61 2 9036 7879 Email: scholarships.reception@usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/scholarships

# Security Service

Security staff patrol the University's Camperdown and Darlington campuses 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and are easily identified by their blue uniforms and distinguishing badges.

# Security Escort Service

The University's Security Escort Service may be booked by telephoning (02) 9351 3487. This service provides transportation around the Camperdown and Darlington campuses as well as to the nearest transport point at its edge (it generally operates after the Security Bus has ceased). The service is for security situations and not designed for convenience use. Requests for this service will be prioritised against other security demands.

### **Emergency contact**

Phone: (02) 9351 3333

### Enquiries

Phone: (02) 9351 3487 or 1800 063 487 Fax: (02) 9351 4555 Email: security.admin@mail.usyd.edu.au Website: www.security.usyd.edu.au

# Traffic

Phone: (02) 9351 3336

Lost Property Phone: (02) 9351 5325

# Services for Students

See Student Services

# Staff and Student Equal Opportunity Unit (SSEOU)

The Staff and Student Equal Opportunity Unit works with the University community to promote equal opportunity in education and employment, to create opportunities for staff and students who have traditionally been disadvantaged by mainstream practices and policies, and to create an environment that is free from discrimination and harassment.

The Staff and Student Equal Opportunity Unit is responsible for:

- providing policy advice to staff on harassment and discrimination
  providing equal opportunity policy development, promotion and
- training for staff and studentscoordinating and monitoring equity programs and initiatives
- providing information and advice to staff and students on equal opportunity matters
- resolving individual staff and student concerns about harassment and discrimination
- overseeing the University's Harassment and Discrimination Resolution procedure
- monitoring and reporting to external bodies on the University's progress in the equal opportunity area.

Every student and employee at the University of Sydney has the right to expect from their fellow students and colleagues behaviour that reflects these key values, irrespective of background, beliefs or culture. In addition, every student and employee has a right to expect from the University equitable practices that preserve and promote equal opportunity to access, participate, and excel in their chosen field.

Second Floor Margaret Telfer Building K07 Phone: (02) 9351 2212 Fax: (02) 9351 3195 Email: admin@eeo.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/eeo

# Student Centre

Ground Floor, Carslaw Building F07 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Phone: +61 2 9351 3023 (general enquiries) Academic records: +61 2 9351 4109 Discontinuation of enrolment: +61 2 9351 3023 Handbooks: +61 2 9351 5057 Prizes: +61 2 9351 5060 Fax: +61 2 9351 5081, +61 2 9351 5350 (academic records) Web: www.usyd.edu.au/studentcentre

# Student Identity Cards

The student identity card functions as a library borrowing card, a transport concession card (when suitably endorsed) and a general identity card. The card must be carried at all times on the grounds of the University and must be shown on demand. Details for obtaining a student card can be found at:

www.usyd.edu.au/cstudent/student\_cards.shtml

# **Student Services**

The University provides personal, welfare, administrative and academic support services to facilitate your success at University. Many factors can have an impact on your wellbeing while studying at university and Student Services can assist you in managing and handling these more effectively. For details of services and online resources provided see your MyUni student portal or the Services for Students website: www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv.

# Sydney Student Development

Sydney Student Development offers paid course-related employment to students with the purpose of increasing their employment prospects upon graduation. During semester, students work part-time to accommodate their study commitments and, potentially, full-time during the semester break. To learn more, please visit our website.

Sydney Student Development University of Sydney

Web: www.usyd.edu.au/student\_employment

# The Sydney Summer School

Ten faculties at the University offer subjects from undergraduate and postgraduate degree programs during summer. As the University uses its entire quota of Commonwealth supported places in first and second semester, these units are full fee-paying for both local and international students and enrolment is entirely voluntary. However, Summer School subjects enable students to accelerate their degree progress, make up for a failed subject or fit in a subject which otherwise would not suit their timetables. New students may also gain an early start by completing subjects before they commence their degrees. Three Summer Sessions are offered, commencing in mid December, the first week of January and the third week of January and run for up to six weeks (followed by an examination week). Notice of the subjects available is on the Summer School website and is usually circulated to students with their results notices. A smaller Winter School is also run from the Summer School office. It commences on 3 July and runs for three weeks (followed by an examination week). It offers both postgraduate and undergraduate subjects.

To find out information about subjects offered and to enrol online visit the Summer School website: www.summer.usyd.edu.au.

# Sydney Welcome Orientation and Transition Program (SWOT)

The Sydney Welcome Orientation and Transition program (SWOT) offers a head start to commencing undergraduate students at the University, helping you to become familiar with the University and its student support services. The Library and central student support services work together with faculties to provide the SWOT program.

**SWOT 2008: 27-29 February 2008.** Details of SWOT activities and online resources are available at www.swot.usyd.edu.au.

# The University of Sydney Foundation Program (USFP)

The University of Sydney offers its foundation program to international students as a preparation for undergraduate degrees at several Australian universities.

The Foundation Program is conducted by Taylors College on behalf of Study Group Australia and the University of Sydney. The Foundation Program allows both first and second semester entry to undergraduate courses at the University of Sydney and other universities within Australia.

Phone: +61 2 8263 1888 Fax: +61 2 9267 0531 Email: info@taylorscollege.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/foundationprogram

College Address The University of Sydney Foundation Program Taylors College 965 Bourke St Waterloo NSW 2017

Phone: +61 2 8303 9700 Fax: +61 2 8303 9777

# **Timetabling Unit**

The Timetabling Unit in the Student Centre is responsible for producing students' class and tutorial timetables. Semester One timetables are available from the Wednesday of O Week through the MyUni website (http://myuni.usyd.edu.au).

# University Health Service

The University Health Service provides a full experienced general practitioner service and emergency medical care to all members of the University community. You can consult a doctor either by appointment or on a walk-in basis (for more urgent matters only). The Health Service bills Medicare or your overseas student health care provider (Worldcare or Medibank Private) directly for the full cost of most consultations.

Email: i.marshall@unihealth.usyd.edu.au Web: www.unihealth.usyd.edu.au Phone: +61 2 9351 3484 Fax: +61 2 9351 4110

# **University Health Service (Wentworth)**

Level 3, Wentworth Building G01 University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Opening hours: 8.30am–5.30pm, Mon–Fri Phone: +61 2 9351 3484

# **University Health Service (Holme)**

University Health Service (Holme) Holme Building A09 Entry level, Science Rd University of Sydney NSW 2006 Australia

Opening hours: 8.30am-5.30pm, Mon-Fri Phone: +61 2 9351 4095

See also the Glossary for administrative information relating to particular terms.

# Student organisations

# Students' Representative Council (SRC)

The Students' Representative Council (SRC) represents undergraduate students on all campuses through campaigns on issues affecting students, such as fee increases, course cuts and the cost of readers.

The SRC is a space where student voices can be heard. It is run by students, for students, using its resources to defend and extend students' rights. The SRC represents and advocates on students' behalf, both individually and collectively, to the University, government and the wider community. It hosts a number of collectives and runs campaigns on many issues that are important to students.

The SRC has many publications including *Honi Soit*, the *Counter Course Handbook*, *Growing Strong* and the *O-Week Handbook*. All students are invited to contribute to these publications.

Caseworkers provide students with confidential advice and advocacy. They can help with problems and questions regarding the University, government agencies, Centrelink, employers and service and accommodation providers.

A solicitor who runs the SRC branch office of Redfern Legal Centre provides free legal advice and court representation.

Emergency loans can be provided to students in need of financial assistance.

#### Main Office

Level 1 (underneath the Wentworth Footbridge) Wentworth Building, City Road Phone: (02) 9660 5222; Fax: (02) 9660 4260 Email: help@src.usyd.edu.au Website: www.src.usyd.edu.au

#### Other campuses

Contact main office for details

### Honi Soit

The Editors, Honi Soit SRC Office, Wentworth Building Phone: (02) 9660 5222; Fax: (02) 9660 4260 Email: editors@src.usyd.edu.au

### The SRC Secondhand Bookshop

Level 3, Wentworth Building Phone: (02) 9660 4756; Fax: (02) 9660 4260 Email: books@src.usyd.edu.au Website: www.src.usyd.edu.au

# Sydney University Postgraduate Representative Association (SUPRA)

SUPRA is an independent representative association providing advice, advocacy and support services for the postgraduate student community.

SUPRA represents the interests of postgraduate students at the University of Sydney by:

- Ensuring the representation of postgraduate views within the University and wider community
- Providing free, confidential assistance and advocacy for postgraduates through the employment of Student Advice and Advocacy Officers (SAAOs)

- Directly representing postgraduates on University policy-making bodies such as the Academic Board, its committees and working parties
- Meeting with members of the Senate on the Senate/SUPRA Liaison Committee
- Regularly consulting with the Vice-Chancellor, Registrar and other senior University officers
- Seeking to draw postgraduates together at all levels of University life.

SUPRA is both a voice and a safety net for postgraduate students at the University of Sydney.

# SUPRA Council, committees and networks

The SUPRA Council is elected annually by and from the postgraduate student community. Council meetings are held monthly and postgraduate students are encouraged to attend. SUPRA committees and networks help to coordinate activities and run campaigns, and are a great way to get involved. All postgraduates can stand for SUPRA council or attend any of SUPRA's events provided you are a SUPRA subscriber. It's free to subscribe and you can sign up on the SUPRA website or by coming into the office and filling out a form. See www.supra.usyd.edu.au for more information.

### Advice and advocacy

SUPRA employs professional Student Advice and Advocacy Officers (SAAOs) to assist postgraduate students with any academic or personal problems that may be affecting their study, including (but not limited to):

- fee paying and administrative issues
- academic appeals and exclusions
- supervision problems
- tenancy issues
- Centrelink and financial assistance concerns; and
- harassment and discrimination.

This is a free and confidential service for all postgraduates at the University of Sydney. To access the SAAO service, you must be a SUPRA subscriber. It's free to subscribe and you can do it online, when you make an appointment or when you see a SAAO. To contact a SAAO email help@supra.usyd.edu.au, call 9351 3715 or come in to the office.

### **Publications**

SUPRA places the highest priority upon communication, being responsive to postgraduates and encouraging maximum participation in SUPRA through the following publications:

- eXpress, a magazine-style publication
- eGrad, a regular email bulletin
- Survive! Postgraduate Survival Manual
- Thesis Guide
- a range of factsheets and brochures.

Electronic versions of these publications are available at www.supra.usyd.edu.au.

All of SUPRA's services, activities and publications are FREE, but please remember that to access them, you must be a SUPRA subscriber. By subcribing you also show your support for all the work that SUPRA does on your behalf. It's free to subscribe and you can either sign up online or drop into the SUPRA offices and fill out the form. SUPRA Office Raglan St Building (G10) Corner Raglan and Abercrombie Streets University of Sydney NSW 2006 Phone: (02) 9351 3715, 1800 249 950 Fax: (02) 9351 6400 Email: admin@supra.usyd.edu.au Website: www.supra.usyd.edu.au

# University of Sydney Union (USU)

USU is the organisation on campus that coordinates a range of activities, programs and events, and operates services and facilities to make life on campus more enjoyable and enriching for students. USU looks after on-campus catering, recreational buildings, clubs and societies, entertainment and other social and cultural programs.

For further information on USU, please visit www.usuonline.com.

# Access Card

Access is a savings and benefits program offered by USU when you become a member. The Access card offers great savings that students can take advantage of whilst on campus and boasts a range of impressive benefits off campus. The Access card offers significant savings, with a minimum 15%\* discount on purchases at catering and retail outlets across the University campus.

As part of the off campus benefits, students with an Access card will have access to the Where to Enjoy program and an array of fantastic Access Partners. Access card holders enjoy great discounts on a range of products and services, including gifts, clothing, family entertainment and food. The 5 percent off groceries, petrol and homewares with Coles and Woolworths gift cards can be enjoyed by the whole family.

The card is only **\$99 (inc. GST)**. For more information, go to www.accessbenefits.com.au.

\*Excludes tobacco products, public transport tickets, newspapers, academic dress hire and magazines. Does not apply on already discounted products. Does not apply to games hire.

# Clubs and Societies

USU funds, accommodates, trains and supports over 250 clubs and societies – groups that students can join (or create!) and operate to pursue their own interests. Clubs and societies organise their own activities and events and are funded by USU. Being a part of a club or society is a great way to get involved in campus life, to meet people who share interests, to network and to gain valuable organisational skills, training and experience.

There are clubs and societies focused on politics, culture, the arts, the environment, religion, volunteering, skills, hobbies, departments and faculties. If there isn't a club or society catering to your interests, look into creating your own! If you have a new concept, contact the C&S Office to find out about the registration process and the benefits of affiliation.

USU provides all clubs and societies with support through grants, venues, training and advice for a range of events and projects including barbeques, dinners, annual balls, dance parties, cocktail parties, video nights, camps, conferences, excursions, trivia nights, fundraisers, merchandise and t-shirt production, postage and printing. Registered clubs and societies are offered free use of USU meeting rooms during normal working hours (as available) and free photocopying. Registered clubs can also utilise letterbox hire and USU equipment hire.

C&S Office Level 1, Manning House Manning Road University of Sydney Union, 2006. Phone: (02) 9563 6161 Email: clubsandsocs@usu.usyd.edu.au

# Sydney University Sport

Sydney University Sport manages and administers 45 sport and recreation clubs, organises sporting and recreation events, and offers student and non-student members a comprehensive range of sporting opportunities and facilities.

All student and non-student members are entitled to take part in any activities arranged, join any of the constituent clubs and use the facilities provided.

Sydney University Sport University Sports and Aquatic Centre Phone: (02) 9351 4960 Fax: (02) 9351 4962 Email: admin@susport.usyd.edu.au Website: www.susport.com

# Facilities

There are three main fitness centres on campus, which offer the following facilities:

### University Sports and Aquatic Centre

- 50-metre heated Olympic swimming pool
- cardio/weights room
- multipurpose sports hall
- aerobics/group fitness room
- four squash courts
- six tennis courtscvcle studio
- cycle studio
   shops and a café
- swim coaching
- tennis coaching, and
- health assessments and personalised fitness programs.

Corner Codrington and Darlington Streets Darlington Phone: (02) 9351 4978 Email: nmrc@susport.usyd.edu.au Website: www.susport.com

#### The Arena

- Weight training facility
- Cardio room
- Multipurpose sports hall
  The Ledge Climbing Centre
- The Ledge Climbing Centre
- Squash courtsSports clinic
- Ralph's Café.
- Raipiro Galo

Western Avenue Phone: (02) 9351 8111 Email: arena@susport.usyd.edu.au Website: www.susport.com

#### **HK Ward Gymnasium**

- Multipurpose sports hall
- Martial arts room
- Boxing arena
- Group fitness studio
- Sports science lab.

Between Ovals 1 and 2 Phone: (02) 9351 4988 Email: hk@susport.usyd.edu.au Website: www.susport.com

# International students

The following information is for international students studying onshore on an Australian Student Visa.

# Completion within the expected duration

Education Providers are required to ensure that international students complete their studies within the duration specified on the electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCoE). Extensions to a student's course duration are allowed only in limited circumstances. For example, for compassionate or compelling reasons, where an intervention strategy has been implemented or where there has been an approved leave of absence or suspension.

It is important for students to ensure they are on track to complete their studies within the expected duration, or that they have permission from their faculty to extend their duration.

# Satisfactory academic progress

Maintaining satisfactory course progress is a mandatory Student Visa condition. Education providers are required to monitor course progress, intervene where students are at risk of failing to achieve satisfactory course progress, notify students who fail to achieve satisfactory course progress and report students who fail to achieve satisfactory course progress.

It is important that every student is aware of the course progress rules for their course and participates in the intervention strategies implemented by their faculty. Exclusion from a course due to unsatisfactory progress can have serious implications for Student Visa holders including visa cancellation and restrictions on returning to Australia.

The University provides many avenues of support for students who are struggling academically. International students who are experiencing any difficulties with their academic progress should consult their faculty, the International Student Advisers in the International Office or the counsellors in the ISSU.

# Distance/web-based study

International students may undertake no more than 25 percent of their total course by distance and/or online learning. Students must not enrol in exclusively distance or online study in any compulsory study period.

# Work permits

International students with a work permit are permitted to work for up to 20 hours during semester and full-time during the University's official vacation periods. Contact the International Student Advisers in the International Office for more information.

# Change of address

International students must notify the University of their residential address within seven days of arrival and notify any change of address within seven days. This should be done online via the University's MyUni Web portal.

# Sponsored students

Sponsored students will need permission from their sponsors before transferring courses, suspending their studies or varying their study load. Australian Government sponsored students (AusAID, Endeavour) and Asia Development Bank (ADB) sponsored students should contact the International Office in the early stages of considering a change to their program.

# Suspension/discontinuation

The University is required to report to DIAC (Department of Immigration and Citizenship) international students who discontinue or suspend their studies. Students who suspend their studies for medical or compassionate reasons should contact the International Student Advisers in the International Office urgently.

# Overseas student health cover

Australian Student Visa holders must maintain overseas health cover for the duration of their stay. The International Office arranges program length health cover.

# International Office

The International Office (IO) provides advice and assistance relating to academic programs for international students, as well as administrative services including application, admission, fee payment and enrolment services.

The International Office also coordinates student exchange and study abroad programs and other inter-institutional links.

# Mailing address:

International Office Services Building G12 The University of Sydney NSW 2006, Australia

# Street address:

Ground Floor Services Building G12 Corner of Abercrombie and Codrington Streets The University of Sydney

International Telephone: +61 2 9351 4079 Future student enquiries: 1800 899 376 (domestic free call) Fax: +61 2 9351 4013 Email: info@io.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/internationaloffice/



# ISSU (International Student Support Unit)

The International Student Support Unit (ISSU) provides support to International students through the provision of information, orientation programs, welfare advice and counselling.

The ISSU provides advice to international students on:

- preparations before leaving their home country
- what to expect upon arrival in Sydney
- emotional changes that can take place when moving to a different country
- academic concerns, including understanding the University system and liaising with staff members
- preparing family visit letters
- preparing to return to their home country.

The ISSU has two offices:

### Main campus

Level 1, Services Building G12 Codrington Street, Darlington Phone: 9351 4749 Email: info@issu.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv/issu/

## **Cumberland campus**

Ground Floor, A Block C42, Cumberland Campus 75 East St Lidcombe NSW 2141 Phone: 9351 9638 Email: ISSU.Cumberland@stuserv.usyd.edu.au Web: www.usyd.edu.au/stuserv/issu/

# Additional information

For more information related to international students, please see the Glossary in this handbook.

# Essential information for students

# Calendar

The annual University of Sydney Calendar and its online updates are the University of Sydney's central source of official information.

The Calendar provides general and historical information about the University of Sydney, the statutes and regulations under which it operates and the Resolutions of the Senate relating to constitutions of and courses in each faculty. The statutes and regulations, as well as some Resolutions of the Senate, also appear in Policy Online (www.usyd.edu.au/policy).

Along with the University of Sydney Handbooks, the Calendar forms the official legal source of information relating to study at the University of Sydney.

The Calendar 2007 is available in hard copy from the Student Centre. It is also available online, at www.usyd.edu.au/calendar. The PDF and Word document files can be downloaded and printed if required.

# **Coursework Rule**

It is very important that students are aware of the *University of Sydney* (*Coursework*) *Rule 2000*, which governs all coursework award courses in the University.

The Coursework Rule relates to:

- award course requirements
- credit points and assessment
- enrolment
- credit
- cross-institutional study and its upper limits
- progression
- discontinuation of enrolment and suspension of candidature
- unsatisfactory progress and exclusion
- exceptional circumstances
- award of degrees
- diplomas and certificates
- transitional provisions.

It is to be read in conjunction with two other documents:

- University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999; and
- Resolutions of the Senate and the faculty resolutions relating to each award course. These are found in the relevant faculty handbook.

The Coursework Rule can be found in the following locations:

- University Calendar (print or online version, found at www.usyd.edu.au/calendar)
- Policy Online (www.usyd.edu.au/policy)
- Handbooks website: www.usyd.edu.au/handbooks/university\_information/ 01\_uni\_coursework\_rule.shtml

# PhD Rule

The University of Sydney (Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)) Rule 2004 deals with matters relating to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, including admission, probation, supervision and submission of theses.

It is to be read in conjunction with two other documents:

- University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999; and
- Resolutions of the Senate and the faculty resolutions relating to each award course. These are found in the relevant faculty handbook.

The PhD Rule can be found in the following locations:

- Calendar 2007 (print or online version, found at www.usyd.edu.au/calendar)
- Policy Online (www.usyd.edu.au/policy).
- Handbooks website: www.usyd.edu.au/handbooks/phd\_rule.shtml

# Plagiarism

The University of Sydney is opposed to and will not tolerate plagiarism. It is the responsibility of all students to:

- ensure that they do not commit or collude with another person to commit plagiarism
- report possible instances of plagiarism; and
- comply with the University's policy and procedure on plagiarism.

The policy and procedure on plagiarism can be found at www.usyd.edu.au/policy.

The Policy Online website (www.usyd.edu.au/policy) also lists related policies and procedures, including:

- Academic Honesty in Coursework (plagiarism) policy; and
- Code of Conduct for Responsible Research Practice and Guidelines for Dealing with Allegations of Research Misconduct.

The University will treat all identified cases of student plagiarism seriously, in accordance with this policy and procedure, and with Chapter 8 of the *University of Sydney By-Law 1999 (as amended)*, which deals with Student Discipline.

# Students At Risk

The Students at Risk Policy enables early detection of students who are making poor or unsatisfactory progress and are therefore at risk of exclusion from their degree.

The policy outlines procedures and processes to support students in their ongoing studies, including:

- timely intervention and the provision of advice and assistance
- regularly and effectively advising students of Progress Requirements
- identifying students at risk
- alerting students that they are at risk
- · providing assistance to address the risk; and
- tracking the progress of students after they are identified as being at risk.

For more information on this policy, please see the Secretariat website at www.usyd.edu.au/secretariat/students/riskstudents.shtml.

# Grievance procedure

The University's policy and procedures document on student grievances, appeals and applications for review is available on the Policy Online website, at www.usyd.edu.au/policy.

The Grievance Procedure document is a statement of the University's processes for handling student grievances, appeals and applications for review regarding academic and non-academic matters.

Study at the University presents opportunities for interacting with other members of the University community. The University recognises and values the diversity of student experiences and expectations, and is committed to treating Students, both academically and administratively, in a fair and transparent manner.



# Abbreviations

For a glossary of terms, describing the terminology in use at the University of Sydney, please see the glossary section.

С

Listed below are the more commonly used acronyms that appear in University documents and publications.

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

Α	
AARNet	Australian Academic Research Network
AAUT	Australian Awards for University Teaching
AAM	Annual Average Mark
ABC	Activity Based Costing
ABSTUDY	Aboriginal Study Assistance Scheme
ACER	Australian Council for Educational Research
AGSM	Australian Graduate School of Management
ANZAAS	Australian and New Zealand Association for the Advancement of Science
APA	Australian Postgraduate Awards
APAC	Australian Partnership for Advanced Computing
APAI	Australian Postgraduate Awards (Industry)
APA-IT	Australian Postgraduate Awards in Information Technology
APDI	Australian Postdoctoral Fellowships Industry
APEC	Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation
APF	Australian Postdoctoral Fellowship
AQF	Australian Qualifications Framework
ARC	Australian Research Council
ARTS	Automated Results Transfer System
ASDOT	Assessment Fee Subsidy for Disadvantaged Overseas Students
ATN	Australian Technology Network
ATP	Australian Technology Park
ATPL	Australian Technology Park Limited
AUQA	Australian Universities Quality Agency
AusAID	Australian Agency for International Development
AUTC	Australian Universities Teaching Committee
AVCC	Australian Vice-Chancellors Committee

В	
BAA	Backing Australia's Ability
BAC	Budget Advisory Committee
BITLab	Business Intelligence Lab
BLO	Business Liaison Office
BOTPLS	Bridging for Overseas Trained Professionals Loans Scheme

С	
CAF	Cost Adjustment Factor
CPS	Campus Property Services
CAUT	Committee for Advancement of University Teaching
CDP	Capital Development Program
CEP	Country Education Profile
CEQ	Course Experience Questionnaire
CES	Casual Employment Service
CFO	Chief Financial Officer
CHASS	College of Humanities and Social Sciences
CHESSN	Commonwealth Higher Education System Student Number
CHS	College of Health Sciences
CIO	Chief Information Officer
COE	Confirmation of Enrolment

CPSU	Community and Public Sector Union
CRC	Cooperative Research Centre
CREO	Centre for Regional Education, Orange
CRICOS	Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students
CRRI	Centre for Rural and Regional Innovation
CSIRO	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation
CST	College of Sciences and Technology
CULT	Combined Universities Language Test
CUTSD	Committee for University Teaching and Staff Development
D	
DAC	Data Audit Committee
DEST	Commonwealth Department of Education, Science and Training
DET	NSW Department of Education and Training
DIMA	Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs
D-IRD	Discovery-Indigenous Researchers Development Program
DVC	Deputy Vice-Chancellor
E	
EB	Enterprise Bargaining
EFTSU	Equivalent Full-Time Student Unit
EFTSL	Equivalent Full-Time Student Load
EIP	Evaluations and Investigations Program
ELICOS	English Language Intensive Course of Study
EMU	Electron Microscope Unit

ESOS Act	Education Services for Overseas Student Act
F	
FFT	Fractional Full-Time (Equivalent Staff)
FlexSIS	Flexible Student Information System
FHS	Faculty of Health Sciences
FOS	Field of Study
FTE	Full-Time Equivalent (Staff)
FRM	Faculty of Rural Management

Electron Microscope Unit

G	
GATS	General Agreement on Trade in Services
GCCA	Graduate Careers Council of Australia
GDS	Graduate Destination Survey
GPOF	General Purpose Operating Funds
GSA	Graduate Skills Assessment
GSG	Graduate School of Government
GWSLN	Greater Western Sydney Learning Network
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HDR	Higher Degree Research
HECS	Higher Education Contribution Scheme
HEEP	Higher Education Equity Program



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HEFA	Higher Education Funding Act 1988
HEIMS	Higher Education Information Management System
HEIP	Higher Education Innovation Program (DEST)
HELP	Higher Education Loan Program
HEO	Higher Education Officer
HEP	Higher Education Provider
HERDC	Higher Education Research Data Collection
HESA	Higher Education Support Act
HOD	Head of Department

I	
IAF	Institutional Assessment Framework (This is a new name for what was previously the DEST Profile process.)
IAS	Institute of Advanced Studies
ICT	Information and Communication Technology
ICTR	Information and Communication Technology Resources
IELTS	International English Language Testing Scheme
IGS	Institutional Grants Scheme (DEST)
IO	International Office
IP	Intellectual Property
IPRS	International Postgraduate Research Scholarships
IREX	International Researcher Exchange Scheme
ISFP	Indigenous Support Funding Program
ISIG	Innovation Summit Implementation Group
ISSU	International Student Services Unit
ITC	Information Technology Committee
ITL	Institute for Teaching and Learning
ITS	Information Technology Services

J		
JASON	Joint Academic Scholarships Online Network	
L		
LBOTE	Language Background Other Than English	
м		
MISG	Management Information Steering Group	
MNRF	Major National Research Facilities Scheme	
моц	Memorandum of Understanding	

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MRB	Medical Rural Bonded Scholarship Scheme

Ν	
NBCOTP	National Bridging Courses for Overseas Trained Program
NCG	National Competitive Grant
NESB	Non-English-Speaking Background
NHMRC	National Health and Medical Research Council
NOIE	National Office for the Information Economy
NOOSR	National Office for Overseas Skill Recognition
NRSL	Non-Recent School Leaver
NSW VCC	New South Wales Vice-Chancellors' Conference
NTEU	National Tertiary Education Industry Union

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OECD	Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
OLA	Open Learning Australia
OLDPS	Open Learning Deferred Payment Scheme
OPRS	Overseas Postgraduate Research Scholarships



Р	
PVC	Pro-Vice-Chancellor
Q	
QA	Quality Assurance
QACG	Quality Advisory and Coordination Group
R	
	Deceases and Development
ROD	Research and Development
PC	
REC	Responsibility Centre Response and Earmarked Grants
DED	Research Education Program
	Research Education Program
	Research Infrastructure Block Grant (DEST)
	Research Infrastructure Equipment and Equilities Scheme
	Research minastructure Equipment and Facilities Scheme
PMO	Pick Management Office
	Record of Achievement
PO	Record of Achievement
ROLL	Recognition Quality Unit (Higher Education Division – DEST)
DDTMD	Recognition Quarty Onit (higher Education Division – DEST)
	Research and Research Haining Management Reports
DTC	Recent School Leave
KI3	Research maining Scheme (DEST)
S	
SCA	Sydney College of the Arts
SCEQ	Sydney Course Experience Questionnaire
SCM	Sydney Conservatorium of Music
SCR	Science Capability Review
SDF	Strategic Development Fund
SEG	Senior Executive Group
SES	Socioeconomic Status
SI	Scholarship Index
SLE	Student Learning Entitlement
SNA	Safety Net Adjustment
SPIRT	Strategic Partnerships with Industry – Research and Training
SPR	Student Progress Rate
SRC	Students' Representative Council
SSR	Student/Staff Ratio
STABEX	Study Abroad Exchange (database)
SUPRA	Sydney University Postgraduate Students' Representative
	Association
SUSport	Sydney University Sport
Т	
TAFE	Technical and Further Education
TOEFL	Test of English as a foreign language
TPI	Teaching Performance Indicator
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U	
UAC	Universities Admissions Centre
UMAP	University Mobility in Asia and the Pacific
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation

V VCAC Vice-Chancellor's Advisory Committee

University Postgraduate Awards

UPA

V	
VET	Vocational Education and Training
w	
WAM	Weighted Average Mark
WRP	Workplace Reform Program
WTO	World Trade Organization
Y	
YFE	Year of First Enrolment

Abbreviations

# Glossary

For a table of the more commonly used acronyms and abbreviations that appear in University documents and publications please see the abbreviations section.

This glossary describes terminology in use at the University of Sydney.

#### ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

#### 1:5:40

The University's aspiration to achieve:

- clear leadership as Australia's premier university in research, teaching and learning and the student experience
- acknowledgement and ranking as one of the top five universities in the region
- recognition and ranking in the top 40 universities around the world.

(See University Strategic Directions.)

## A

#### Academic Board

The senior academic body within the University. In conjunction with faculties, the Academic Board has responsibility for approving new or amended courses and endorsing faculty development of units of study. The Board is also responsible for the formulation and review of policies, guidelines and procedures in relation to academic matters. (For further information, see the *University of Sydney (Academic Governance) Rule 2003 (as amended).*)

#### Academic Consortium 21 (AC21)

An international network, of which the University is a member, compromising educational, research and industrial organisations throughout the world with the objective of encouraging the further advancement of global cooperation to the benefit of higher education and to contribute to world and regional society.

#### Academic cycle

The program of teaching sessions offered over a year. Currently the cycle runs from the enrolment period for Semester One through to the completion of the processing of results at the end of Semester Two.

(See also Academic year, Stage.)

#### Academic dishonesty

Academic dishonesty occurs when a student presents another person's ideas, findings or written work as his or her own by copying or reproducing them without due acknowledgement of the source and with intent to deceive the examiner. Academic dishonesty also covers recycling, fabrication of data, engaging another person to complete an assessment or cheating in exams. (See also Plagiarism.)

#### Academic record

The complete academic history of a student at the University. It includes, among other things: personal details; all units of study and courses taken; assessment results (marks and grades); awards and prizes obtained; infringements of progression rules; approvals for variation in course requirements and course leave; thesis and supervision details.

Access to a student's academic record is restricted to authorised University staff and is not released to a third party without the written authorisation of the student. (See also Academic transcript.)

#### Academic transcript

A printed statement setting out a student's academic record at the University. There are two forms of academic transcript: external and internal.

(See also Academic record, External transcript, Internal transcript.)

#### Academic year

The current calendar year in which a student is enrolled. (See also Academic cycle, Stage.)

#### ad eundem gradum

Long-standing full-time members of the University's academic and general staff who are not graduates of the University may be considered by Senate, upon their retirement, for admission *ad eundem gradum* ('to the same degree'), to an appropriate degree of the University.

#### Admission

Governed by the University's admission policy, this is the process for identifying applicants eligible to receive an initial offer of enrolment in a course at the University. Admission to most courses is based on performance in the HSC, with applicants ranked on the basis of their UAI. Other criteria such as a portfolio, interview, audition, or results in standard tests may also be taken into account for certain courses.

#### Admission basis

The main criterion used by a faculty in assessing an application for admission to a course. The criteria used include, among other things, previous secondary, TAFE or tertiary studies; work experience; special admission; and the Universities Admission Index (UAI).

#### Admission (Deferment)

An applicant who receives an offer of admission to a course may apply to defer enrolment in that course for one semester or one academic cycle.

### Admission mode

A classification based on how a student was admitted to a course, for example 'UAC' or 'direct'.

#### Admission period

The period during which applications for admission to courses are considered.

#### Admission year

The year the student expects to begin the course. (See also Commencement date.)

### Advanced diplomas

(See Award course.)

# Advanced standing

(See Credit.)

### Advisor

A member of academic staff appointed in an advisory role for some postgraduate coursework students.

(See also Associate supervisor, Instrumental supervisor/teacher, Research supervisor, Supervision.)

#### Aegrotat

In exceptional circumstances involving serious illness or death of a student prior to completion of their course, the award of aegrotat and posthumous degrees and diplomas may be conferred.



# Alumni

(See Graduate.)

#### Alumni sidneiensis

A searchable database of graduates of the University from 1857 to 30 years prior to the current year.

### Annual average mark (AAM)

The average mark over all units of study attempted in a given academic year (equivalent to the calendar year). The formula for this calculation is:

$$AAM = \frac{\sum (marks \times credit \ point \ value)}{\sum (credit \ point \ value)}$$

(sums over all units of study completed in the selected period)

Where the mark is the actual mark obtained by the student for the unit of study, or in the case of a failing grade with no mark - 0. Pass/fail assessed subjects and credit transfer subjects (from another institution) are excluded from these calculations; however, the marks from all attempts at a unit of study are included.

### Annual progress report

A form which is used to monitor a research student's progress each year. The form provides for comments by the student, the supervisor, the head of the department and the dean (or their nominee). The completed form is attached to the student's official file.

### Annual Report

The University's yearly financial and audit report, submitted to the NSW Parliament. It also includes a broad range of the University's activities and the strength of their performance in relation to the University's stated roles, values and goals.

#### Appeals

Students may lodge an appeal against academic or disciplinary decisions.

### Appeals against an academic decision

A student may appeal to the Student Appeals Body against a decision by the University that affects the academic assessment or progress of a student within his or her award course, including a decision:

(a) to exclude a student in accordance with the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000 (as amended)

(b) not to readmit or re-enrol a student following exclusion in accordance with the *University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000* (as amended)

(c) to terminate a student's candidature for a postgraduate award. (See also Student Appeals Body.)

#### Appeal against a disciplinary decision

A student may appeal to the Student Disciplinary Appeals Committee against a determination being:

(a) a finding by the Vice-Chancellor or the student Proctorial Board that the student is guilty of misconduct

(b) the imposition of a penalty upon the student by the Vice-Chancellor or the Student Proctorial Board

(c) an order made by the Vice-Chancellor or the Student Proctorial Board.

(See also Student Disciplinary Appeals Committee.)

### Assessment

The process of measuring the performance of students in units of study and courses. Performance may be assessed by examinations, essays, laboratory projects, assignments, theses, treatises or dissertations.

(See also Result processing, Result processing schedule.)

#### Formative assessment

Used principally to provide students with feedback on their progress in learning. It reinforces successful learning, and is an opportunity for

students to expose the limitations in their knowledge and understanding.

#### Summative assessment

Used to certify competence, or to arrange students in a rank order of merit. It certifies the attainment of a standard, and is used as the basis for progression to the next part of a program, or to graduation.

### Associate supervisor

A person who is appointed in addition to the supervisor of a research student, who can provide the day-to-day contact with the candidate or provide particular expertise or additional experience in supervision. (See also Advisor, Instrumental supervisor/teacher, Research supervisor, Supervision.)

### Association of Pacific Rim Universities (APRU)

A consortium of leading research universities in the Pacific Rim, of which the University is a member, which aims to foster education, research and enterprise thereby contributing to the economic, scientific and cultural advancement in the Pacific Rim.

#### Assumed knowledge

For some units of study, a student is assumed to have passed a relevant subject in the HSC and this is called assumed knowledge. While students are generally advised against taking a unit of study for which they do not have the assumed knowledge, they are not prevented from enrolling in the unit of study. (See also Prerequisite.)

#### Attendance pattern

Attendance pattern is classified as full-time, part-time or external. This is dependant on the student's mode of attendance and the student load.

### Attendance mode

A Department of Education, Science and Training (DEST) classification defining the manner in which a student is undertaking a course, i.e. internal, external, mixed or offshore.

### Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF)

The framework for recognition and endorsement of qualifications established by the Ministerial Council on Education, Employment, Training and Youth Affairs (MCEETYA).

### AUSTUDY

Provides financial help to students who are 25 years old or over who meet the required criteria, and are undertaking an approved full-time course at an approved institution. (See also Youth Allowance.)

### Automated Results Transfer System (ARTS)

This system was developed by the Australasian Conference of Tertiary Admissions Centres (ACTAC) to allow the electronic academic record of a student to be accessed, via an admission centre, by tertiary institutions.

### Award course

(See Course.)

# В

#### **Bachelor's degree**

The highest undergraduate award offered at the University. A bachelor's degree course normally requires three or four years of full-time study or the part-time equivalent. (See also Award course.)

See also Award co

## Barrier

An instruction placed on a student's record that prevents the student from re-enrolling or graduating.

(See also Deadlines (fees), Suppression of results.)

## **Board of Studies**

An academic body which supervises a course or courses, and which is similar to a faculty except that it is headed by a chair rather than a dean and does not supervise PhD candidates.

#### Bursaries

Financial award made to a student, based primarily on need. (See also Scholarships.)

# С

#### Calendar

(See University Calendar.)

#### **Cadigal program**

A program, named in recognition of the Aboriginal people of the land on which the University is located, designed to increase the successful participation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in degree courses in all faculties at the University of Sydney.

#### Campus

The grounds on which the University is situated. There are ten campuses of the University of Sydney:

- Burren Street (Institute of Transport Studies)
- Camperdown
- Darlington
- Camden (Agriculture and Veterinary Science)
- Conservatorium (Sydney Conservatorium of Music)
- Cumberland (Health Sciences)
- Mallett Street (Nursing)Rozelle (Sydney College of the Arts)
- St James (Law)
- Surry Hills (Dentistry)

#### Cancellation

Where enrolment is cancelled for non-payment of fees.

#### Candidature

Candidature commences when a student is admitted to a course of study leading to the award of a degree, diploma or certificate. There are maximum periods and in some cases minimum periods of candidature depending on the award course and whether the candidate is a full-time or part-time student.

(See Course Enrolment status.)

#### Census date

The date at which a student's enrolment, load and HECS liability are finalised before this information is reported to DEST. (See also HECS-HELP.)

#### Ceremony

(See Graduation ceremony.)

#### Chancellor

The non-executive head of the University. An honorary position, the Chancellor presides over meetings of the University's governing body, the Senate, and important ceremonial occasions such as graduations.

#### **Clinical experience**

Students undertake clinical placements in a professional environment as part of their course requirements. Many require University approved supervision. In order to undertake clinical placements a student may be required to fulfil additional requirements.

#### **Combined course**

A course which leads to two awards. For example the Arts/Law course leads to the separate awards of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws.

### **Combined degree**

A single program with a single set of course resolutions leading to the award of two degrees (unless otherwise specified in the resolutions). (See also Combined course.)

#### Commencement date

The date a student commences candidature.

### **Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP)**

(Previously known as a HECS Place). A student in a Commonwealth Supported Place makes a contribution towards the cost of their education (known as the student contribution) while the Australian Government contributes the majority of the cost.

#### Confirmation of Enrolment form (COE)

This form is issued to each student after enrolment, showing the course and the units of study in which the student is enrolled, together with the credit point value of the units of study and the HECS weights. Until all fees are paid, it is issued provisionally. A new confirmation of enrolment form is produced every time a student's enrolment is varied.

### **Conjoint ventures**

Two or more institutions cooperate to provide a unit or course of study to postgraduate coursework students. Arrangements exist between individual departments at the University of Sydney and individual departments at the University of New South Wales (UNSW) and the University of Technology Sydney (UTS). In these arrangements, students enrolled for a degree at one institution complete one or more units of study at the other institution to count towards the award program at their 'home' institution.

#### **Continuing professional education**

A process which provides a number of programs of continuing education courses for professionals as they move through their career. These programs are presently administered by the Centre for Continuing Education (CCE) and a number of departments and foundations across the University. This process supports the whole of life learning concept and involves the maintenance of a long term relationship between the student and the University.

#### Convocation

The body compromising the Fellows and former Fellows of the Senate of the University of Sydney; members of the former governing bodies of the institutions with which the University has amalgamated or their predecessors; the graduates of the University of Sydney, which include graduates of the institutions with which the University has amalgamated or their predecessors; professors and other full-time members of the academic staff of the University; and principals of the incorporated colleges. This is as per clause 14 of the University of Sydney Act 1989.

#### Core unit of study

A unit of study that is compulsory for a particular course or subject area.

(See also Unit of study.)

#### Corequisite

A unit of study which must be taken in the same semester or year as a given unit of study (unless it has already been completed). These are determined by the faculty or board of studies concerned, published in the faculty handbook and shown in FlexSIS. (See also Prerequisite, Waiver.)

#### **Cotutelle Scheme**

Agreement between the University and any overseas university for joint supervision and examination of a PhD student as part of an ongoing cooperative research collaboration. If successful, the student receives a doctorate from both universities with each testamur acknowledging the circumstances under which the award was made.

#### Course

An undertaking of study at the University of Sydney.

#### Award course

A formal course of study that will see attainment of a recognised award. Award courses are approved by Academic Board and endorsed by Senate. The University broadly classifies courses as undergraduate, postgraduate coursework or postgraduate research. (See also Bachelor's degree, Course rules, Diploma, Doctorate, Major, Master's degree, Minor, PhD, Stream.)

Non-award course

Studies undertaken by students who are not seeking an award from the University.

(See also Cross-institutional enrolment.)

### Coursework

An award course not designated as a research award course. While the program of study in a coursework award course may include a component of original work, other forms of instruction and learning normally will be dominant.

### Research

A course in which at least 66 per cent of the overall course requirements involve students in undertaking supervised research, leading to the production of a thesis or other piece of written or creative work, over a prescribed period of time.

### Course alias

A unique five character alpha-numeric code which identifies a University course.

## Board of Studies

An academic body which supervises a course or courses, and which is similar to a faculty except that it is headed by a chair rather than a dean and does not supervise PhD candidates.

### Bursaries

Financial award made to a student, based primarily on need. (See also Scholarships.)

## Course code

(See Course alias.)

### Course enrolment status

A student's enrolment status in a course is either 'enrolled' or 'not enrolled'. 'Not enrolled' reasons include: cancelled; suspended; under examination; or terminated.

(See also Cancellation, Candidature, Course leave, Enrolment, Enrolment variation, Terminated, Under examination.)

### Course leave

Students are permitted to apply for a period away from their course without losing their place. Course leave is formally approved by the supervising faculty for a minimum of one semester. Students on leave are regarded as having an active candidature, but they are not entitled to a student card. At undergraduate level, leave is not counted towards the total length of the course. Students who are absent from study without approved leave may be discontinued and may be required to formally reapply for admission.

(See also Progression.)

### Course rules

Rules which govern the allowable enrolment of a student in a course. Course rules may be expressed in terms of types of units of study taken, length of study, and credit points accumulated. For example, a candidate may not enrol in units of study having a total value of more than 32 credit points per semester. Course rules also govern the requirements for the award of the course, e.g. a candidate must have completed a minimum of 144 credit points.

(See also Award course, Corequisite, Prerequisite.)

### Course suspension

(See Course leave.)

### Course transfer

A transfer occurs when a student changes from one course in the University to another course in the University without the requirement for an application and selection process (e.g. from a PhD to a master's program in the same faculty).

### Credit

The recognition of previous studies successfully completed at this University, or another university or tertiary institution recognised by the University of Sydney, as contributing to the requirements of the course to which the applicant requesting such recognition has been admitted. It may be granted as specified credit or non-specified credit.

### Specified credit

The recognition of previously completed studies as directly equivalent to units of study.

## Non-specified credit

A 'block credit' for a specified number of credit points at a particular level. These credit points may be in a particular subject area but are not linked to a specific unit of study.

(See also Annual average mark (AAM), Waiver, Weighted average mark (WAM).)

### **Credit points**

The value of the contribution each unit of study provides towards meeting course completion requirements. Each unit of study normally has a 6 credit point value assigned to it. The total number of credit points required for completion of award courses will be specified in the Senate Resolutions relevant to the award course.

### **Cross-institutional enrolment**

An enrolment in units of study at one university to count towards an award course at another university. Cross-institutional enrolments incur a student-contribution liability (see Commonwealth-supported student) or tuition fee charge at the institution at which the unit of study is being undertaken.

(See also Non-award course).

# D

# Data Audit Committee (DAC)

The Data Audit Committee's role is to oversee the integrity and accuracy of the course and unit of study data as strategic University data. It also advises the Academic Board on suggested policy changes related to course and unit of study data. A subcommittee of the VCAC Enrolment Working Party, it is chaired by the Registrar, with membership including the deans, the Student Centre, FlexSIS and Planning and Statistics.

### **Deadlines (Enrolment variations)**

(See Enrolment variation.)

### **Deadlines (Fees)**

The University has deadlines for the payment of fees (e.g. HECS, compulsory subscriptions, course fees). Students who do not pay fees by these deadlines may have their enrolment cancelled or they may have a barrier placed on the release of their record. (See also Barrier, Cancellation.)

### Dean

The head of a faculty, or the principal or director of a college (such as the Sydney Conservatorium of Music or the Sydney College of Arts).

## **Dean's Certificate**

A statement from the Dean certifying that all requirements, including fieldwork and practical work, have been met and that the student is eligible to graduate. Not all faculties use Dean's Certificates. In faculties that do, qualified students have 'Dean's Certificate' noted on their academic record.

# Deferment (Deferral)

(See also Admission (deferment), Course leave.)

### Degree

(See also Award course, Bachelor's degree.)

#### **Delivery mode**

Indicates how students receive the instruction for a unit of study. The delivery mode must be recorded for each unit as distinct from the attendance mode of the student, i.e. an internal student may take one or more units by distance mode and an external student may attend campus for one or more units.

#### Distance education

Where subject matter is delivered in a more flexible manner, such as correspondence notes, and student may only attend campus if required.

(See also Extended semester, Distance education, International – off shore.)

#### Intensive on campus

Core content is delivered with support learning in an intensive (one or more days) format on campus. Participation is usually compulsory. Previously this may have been called residential, block mode, or weekend workshop.

#### On campus (normal)

Attendance of scheduled lectures, tutorials etc at a campus of the University.

#### Department

(See School.)

#### Department of Education, Science and Training (DEST)

The Commonwealth Government department responsible for higher education.

#### Diploma

The award granted following successful completion of diploma course requirements. A diploma course usually requires less study than a degree course.

(See also Award course.)

#### **Direct admissions**

For some courses, applications may be made directly to the University. Applications are received by faculties or the International Office, and considered by the relevant department or faculty body. Decisions are recorded and letters are forwarded to applicants advising them of the outcome.

(See also Admission, UAC.)

#### **Disability information**

Students may inform the University of any temporary or permanent disability which affects their life as a student. Disability information is recorded but it is only available to particular authorised users because of its sensitive nature and students will be informed of its use.

#### **Disciplinary action**

Undertaken as the result of academic or other misconduct, e.g. plagiarism, cheating, security infringement, criminal activity.

#### Discipline

A defined area of study, for example, chemistry, physics, economics.

#### **Discipline group**

A DEST code used to classify units of study in terms of the subject matter being taught or being researched.

#### **Discontinuation (course)**

(See Enrolment variation.)

#### Discontinuation (unit of study)

(See Enrolment variation.)

#### Dissertation

A written exposition of a topic which may include original argument substantiated by reference to acknowledged authorities. It is a required unit of study for some postgraduate award courses in the faculties of Architecture and Law.

#### **Distance education**

Where a student does not attend campus on a daily basis for a given course or unit of study.

(See also Delivery mode, Extended semester.)

#### Doctorate

A high-level postgraduate award. A doctorate course normally involves research and coursework; the candidate submits a thesis that is an original contribution to the field of study. Entry to a doctorate course often requires completion of a master's degree course. Note that the doctorate course is not available in all departments at the University. (See also Award course, PhD.)

#### **Domestic Student**

A student who is not an international student. (See also Local student.)

#### **Double degree**

A double degree is a program where students are permitted by participating faculties (and/or by specific resolutions within a single award) to transfer between courses in order to complete two awards.

#### Downgrade

Where a student enrolled in a PhD reverts to a master's by research, either on the recommendation of the University on the basis that the research they are undertaking is not at an appropriate level for a PhD; or at the student's own request, for personal or academic reasons.

### Е

#### Equivalent full-time student unit (EFTSU)

The equivalent full-time student unit (EFTSU) is a measure of student load based on the workload for a student undertaking a full year of study in a particular course. A student is then recorded as having generated one EFTSU.

(See also Load, Stage.)

### Equivalent full-time student load (EFTSL)

The equivalent full-time student load (EFTSL) for a year. It is a measure, in respect of a course of study, of the study load for a year of a student undertaking that course of study on a full-time basis.

#### Embedded courses

Award courses in the graduate certificate, graduate diploma and master's degree by coursework sequence which allow unit of study credit points to count in more than one of the awards, e.g. the Graduate Certificate in Information Technology, Graduate Diploma in Information Technology and Master of Information Technology.

#### Enrolment

A student enrols in a course by registering with the supervising faculty in the units of study to be taken in the coming year, semester or session.

#### Commencing

An enrolment is classified as commencing if a student has enrolled in a particular degree or diploma for the first time.

#### Continuing

Students already in a course at the University re-enrol each year or semester. Most continuing students are required to pre-enrol. (See also Pre-enrolment.)

#### Enrolment list

A list of all currently enrolled students in a particular unit of study. (See also Unit of study.)

#### **Enrolment status**

(See Course enrolment status.)

#### **Enrolment Variation**

Students may vary their enrolment at the beginning of each semester. Each faculty determines its deadlines for variations, but student-contribution liability depends on the Commonwealth census date. (See also Commonwealth Supported Place.)

#### Examination

A set of questions or exercises evaluating on a given subject given by a department or faculty.

(See also Examination period, Assessment.)

#### Examination period

The time set each semester for the conduct of formal examinations.

# Examiner (Coursework)

The person assessing either the written/oral examination, coursework assignments, presentations, etc of a student or group of students.

#### Exchange student

Either a student of the University of Sydney who is participating in a formally agreed program involving study at an overseas university or an overseas student who is studying here on the same basis. The International Office provides administrative support for some exchanges.

#### Exclusion

A faculty may ask a student whose academic progress is considered to be unsatisfactory to 'show good cause' why the student should be allowed to re-enrol. If the faculty deems the student's explanation unsatisfactory, or if the student does not provide an explanation, the student may be excluded either from a unit of study or from a course or faculty. An excluded student may apply to the faculty for permission to re-enrol. Normally, at least two years must have elapsed before such an application would be considered.

University policy relating to exclusion is set out in the University Calendar.

(See also Progression, Senate appeals.)

#### Exemption

A decision made at a sub-unit of study level to allow a student to complete a unit of study without also completing all the prescribed components of coursework and/or assessment. (See also Credit, Waiver.)

#### Expulsion

The ultimate penalty of disciplinary action is to expel the student from the University. The effect of expulsion is:

- the student is not allowed to be admitted or to re-enrol in any course at the University;
- the student does not receive their results;
- the student is not allowed to graduate; and
- the student does not receive a transcript or testamur.

#### Extended semester

A distance-learning student may be allowed more time to complete a module or program if circumstances beyond the student's control, e.g. drought, flood or illness, affect the student's ability to complete the module or program in the specified time. (See also Distance education.)

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External (See Attendance mode, Distance education.)

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# External transcript

A certified statement of a student's academic record printed on official University security paper. It includes the student's name, any credit granted, all courses the student was enrolled in and the final course result and all units of study attempted within each course together with the result. It also acknowledges prizes the student has received. Marks can be included or omitted, as required. (See also Academic transcript, Internal transcript.)

F

### Faculty

A formal part of the University's academic governance structure, consisting mainly of academic staff members and headed by a dean,

which is responsible for all matters concerning the award courses that it supervises. Usually, a faculty office administers the faculty and student or staff inquiries related to its courses. The University Calendar sets out the constitution of each of the University's faculties. (See also Board of Studies, Supervising faculty.)

#### Faculty handbook

The annual University publication for each faculty which provides detailed information about the faculty, its courses and resolutions.

#### FEE-HELP

An eligible student in a postgraduate course or in a bridging study course (for overseas-trained professionals) can apply for assistance (in the form of a loan) in paying all or some of their tuition fees.

### Fee-paying students

Students who pay tuition fees to the University and are not liable for student contributions to a Commonwealth Supported Place. The Commonwealth does not contribute towards the cost of the education of fee-paying students. Annual fees vary between the faculties. Students pay a per semester fee.

### Fellows of Senate

Members of the governing body of the University who are either elected, appointed or ex-officio.

### Flexible learning

(See Delivery mode, Distance education.)

#### Flexible start date

Full fee-paying distance students are not restricted to the same enrolment time frames as campus-based or Commonwealth-supported students.

#### Flexible Student Information System (FlexSIS)

The computer-based Flexible Student Information System at the University of Sydney.

FlexSIS holds details of courses and units of study being offered by the University and the complete academic records of all students enrolled at the University.

### Formative assessment

(See also Assessment.)

#### Full-time student

(See Attendance pattern, EFTSU.)

# G

Grade

The outcome for a unit of study linked with a mark range. For example, a mark in the range 85–100 attracts the grade 'high distinction' ('HD'). (See also Mark.)

# Graduand

A student who has completed all the requirements for an award course but has not yet graduated.

(See also Graduation, Potential graduand.)

#### Graduate

A person who holds an award from a recognised tertiary institution. (See also Graduand, Graduation.)

#### **Graduate Certificate**

(See Award course.)

#### Graduate Diploma

(See Award course.)

#### Graduate entry degree

A bachelor's, or undergraduate degree, that requires another undergraduate degree as a prerequisite of entry. Examples of graduate

entry degrees at the University of Sydney include: the Medical Program; Graduate Law and the Bachelor of Dentistry.

#### Graduation

The formal conferring of awards either at a ceremony or in absentia. (See also In absentia, Potential graduand.)

#### **Graduation ceremony**

A ceremony where the Chancellor confers awards upon graduands.

#### Group of Eight (G08)

The Group of Eight represents Australia's major research intensive universities and membership comprises the vice-chancellors (presidents) of: The Australian National University, Monash University, The University of Adelaide, The University of Melbourne, The University of New South Wales, The University of Queensland, The University of Sydney and The University of Western Australia. It works to ensure a consistent and sustainable policy environment which maximises the wide-ranging economic, social and cultural benefits to the Australian community of higher education and which ensures Australian universities are recognised as among the best in the world.

#### Group work

Means a formally established project to be conducted by a number of students in common, resulting in a single piece of assessment or a number of associated pieces of assessment. (See also Legitimate cooperation.)

### Н

#### Handbook

(See Faculty handbook.)

### Head of department/Head of school (HOD/HOS)

The head of the academic unit which has responsibility for the relevant unit of study, or equivalent program leader.

#### **Higher Education Contribution Scheme (HECS)**

The Higher Education Contribution Scheme (HECS) was the previous Commonwealth Government student loan scheme. It ceased to operate on 1 January 2005 and was replaced by HECS-HELP (see below).

#### **HECS-HELP**

An eligible student in a Commonwealth Supported Place can apply for assistance in paying their student contribution. This may take the form of a HECS-HELP loan to pay all or some of the student contribution, or a HECS-HELP discount if all (or at least \$500) of the student contribution is paid by the census date.

#### Honorary degrees

A degree *honoris causa* (translated from the Latin as 'for the purpose of honouring') is conferred on a person whom the University wishes to honour.

### Honours

Some degrees may be completed 'with Honours'. This may involve either the completion of a separate honours year or additional work in the later years of the course or meritorious achievement over all years of the course. Honours are awarded in a class (Class I, Class II – which may have two divisions or, Class III).

### **NSW Higher School Certificate (HSC)**

The NSW Higher School Certificate (HSC), which is normally completed at the end of year 12 of secondary school. The UAI (Universities Admission Index) is a rank out of 100 that is computed from a student's performance in the HSC.

### L

#### In absentia

Latin for 'in the absence of'. Awards are conferred *in absentia* when graduands do not, or cannot, attend the graduation ceremony scheduled for them. Those who have graduated *in absentia* may later

request that they be presented to the Chancellor at a graduation ceremony.

(See also Graduation.)

#### Instrumental supervisor/teacher

All students at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music have an instrumental teacher appointed.

(See also Advisor, Associate supervisor, Research supervisor, Supervision.)

#### Internal mode

(See Attendance mode.)

#### Internal transcript

A record of a student's academic record for the University's own internal use. It includes the student's name, student identifier (SID), address, all courses in which the student was enrolled and the final course result, and all units of study attempted within each course together with the unit of study result.

(See also Academic transcript, External transcript.)

#### International student

Any student who is not an Australian or New Zealand citizen or a permanent resident of Australia is an international student. An international student is required to hold a visa that allows study in Australia and may be liable for international tuition fees.

#### Fee-paying

A private international student who is liable to pay tuition fees for their studies with the University.

#### Fee-paying – Outgoing exchange

An international fee-paying student undertaking short term study at a recognised overseas institution with which the University has a student exchange agreement. Exchange study counts towards the student's University of Sydney award and students remain enrolled in their University of Sydney course during the period of exchange.

#### International – cross-institutional

An international fee paying student undertaking non-award study at the University on a cross-institutional basis. They are liable to pay fees for the study they undertake at the University, but there is no compliance reporting requirement, which rests with their 'home' institution.

#### International - Sponsored

A private international student who is fully sponsored for his/her tuition; his/her sponsorship may also cover Overseas Health Cover and Compulsory Subscriptions.

#### Offshore studies

International offshore students undertake their program of study at one of the University's offshore campuses and hence do not enter Australia; therefore they do not require a visa. They are distinct from international students who are on outbound exchange programs as they never enter Australia during their program of study.

#### Short course

An international fee-paying student undertaking a short course with the University of Sydney comprising such programs as international development programs, executive training or study visits. The study undertaken by these students is non-award and generally a student visa is not required.

#### Sponsored award

An international student sponsored by the Australian government, undertaking a program of study at the University. Currently Australian Development Scholarships holders, funded by AusAID, are the only students in this category. These students are fully sponsored for their tuition and other costs such as travel and health cover, and are paid a stipend.

#### Study Abroad

An international student who is undertaking short-term study at the University under the Study Abroad scheme. Study Abroad students must have completed at least one year of study towards a degree at a recognised institution in their home country and are continuing towards the degree of their home institution. (See also Local student, Student type.)

# L

#### Learning Entitlement

Each student has a seven year full-time period during which they can remain Commonwealth supported. This seven year period is called their 'learning entitlement'.

#### Leave

(See Course leave.)

#### Legitimate cooperation

Any constructive educational and intellectual practice that aims to facilitate optimal learning outcomes through interaction between students.

(See also Group work.)

#### Life membership

Life membership is no longer offered by the University of Sydney Union (USU). However, existing Life Members continue to enjoy the right to vote in USU elections and at USU General Meetings. Like all members, Life Members are encouraged to stand for election to the USU Board. Similarly, Life Members, once they have paid the appropriate annual fees, are able to enjoy the benefits of the Access Benefits program.

#### Load

The sum of the weights of all the units of study in which a student is enrolled. The weight is determined by the proportion of a full year's work represented by the unit of study in the degree or diploma for which the student is a candidate. Student load is measured in terms of Equivalent full-time student units (EFTSU).

(See also Equivalent full-time student units (EFTSU).)

#### Local Student

Either an Australian or New Zealand citizen or Australian permanent resident. New Zealand citizens are required to pay their Higher Education Contribution Scheme (HECS) fees upfront. (See also Domestic student, International student.)

### Μ

#### Major

A field of study, chosen by a student, to represent their principal interest. This would consist of specified units of study from later stages of the award course. Students select and transfer between majors by virtue of their selection of units of study. One or more majors may be awarded upon the graduand's assessment of study. (See also Award course, Minor, Stream.)

#### Major timetable clash

The term used when a student attempts to enrol in units of study which have so much overlap in the teaching times that it has been decided that students must not enrol in the units simultaneously.

#### Mark

An integer (rounded if necessary) from 0 to 100 indicating a student's performance in a unit of study. (See also Grade.)

# Master's degree

A postgraduate award. Master's degree courses may be offered by coursework, research only or a combination of coursework and research. Entry to the course often requires completion of an honours year at an undergraduate level. (See also Award course.)

#### Method of candidature

A course is either a research course or a coursework course and so the methods of candidature are 'research' and 'coursework'. (See also Course – Coursework, Course – Research.)

#### **Mid-Year intake**

Admission to degree programs for Semester Two.

#### Minor

Studies undertaken to support a Major. Requiring a smaller number of credit points than a major students select and transfer between minors (and majors) by virtue of their selection of units of study. One or more minors may be awarded upon the graduand's assessment of study.

(See also Award course, Major, Stream.)

#### Mixed mode

(See Attendance mode.)

#### MPhil

The Master of Philosophy (MPhil) is a master's by research degree offered by some (but not all) of the University's faculties. (See also Award course, Master's degree.)

#### Mutually exclusive units of study

(See Prohibited combinations of units of study.)

#### MyUni

The University of Sydney's student portal system. It provides students with access to information about the University and its courses, including access to email, library services, student support services, student self-administration and e-learning software such as Blackboard and WebCT.

#### Ν

#### Non-award course

(See Course.)

#### Non-standard session

A teaching session other than the standard February and August sessions – e.g. Sydney Summer School or Winter School, in which units of study are delivered and assessed in an intensive mode during January or July respectively.

(See also Semester, Session.)

# 0

### **Orientation Week**

Orientation or 'O Week', takes place in the week before lectures begin in Semester One. During O Week, students can join various clubs, societies and organisations, register for courses with departments and take part in activities provided by the University of Sydney Union.

### Ρ

### Part-time student

(See also Attendance mode, Attendance pattern, Equivalent full-time student units (EFTSU).)

#### Permanent home address

The address used for all official University correspondence with a student, both inside and outside of semester time (e.g. during semester breaks), unless the student provides a different overridden by semester address for use during the semester. (See also Semester address.)

#### PhD

The Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) and other doctorate awards are the highest awards available at the University. A PhD course is normally purely research-based; the candidate submits a thesis that is an original contribution to the field of study. (See also Award course, Doctorate.)

### Plagiarism

Presenting another person's ideas, findings or work as one's own by copying or reproducing them without the acknowledgement of the source.

(See also Academic dishonesty.)

### **Policy Online**

The website which provides access to the University's current policies, procedures and guidelines.

#### Postgraduate

A term used to describe a course leading to an award such as graduate diploma, a master's degree or PhD which usually requires prior completion of a relevant undergraduate degree (or diploma) course. A 'postgraduate' is a student enrolled in such a course. (See also Course - Coursework, Course - Research.)

#### Postgraduate Education Loans Scheme (PELS)

An interest-free loans facility for eligible students who are enrolled in fee-paying, postgraduate non-research courses. It is similar to the deferred payment arrangements available under the Higher Education Contribution Scheme (HECS). This scheme was replaced by the FEE-HELP scheme on 1 January 2005. (See also FEE-HELP Loan.)

**Potential graduand** 

A student who has been identified as being eligible to graduate on the satisfactory completion of their current studies. (See also Graduand, Graduation.)

Pre-enrolment

Pre-enrolment - also known as provisional re-enrolment - takes place in October, when students indicate their choice of unit of study enrolment for the following year. After results are approved, pre-enrolment students are regarded as enrolled in those units of study for which they are qualified. Their status is 'enrolled' and remains so provided they pay any money owing and comply with other requirements by the due date. Students who do not successfully pre-enrol in their units of study for the next regular session are required to attend the University on set dates during the January/February enrolment period.

(See also Enrolment.)

#### Prerequisite

A unit of study that is required to be successfully completed before another unit of study can be attempted. Prerequisites can be mandatory (compulsory) or advisory.

(See also Assumed knowledge, Corequisite, Waiver, Qualifier.)

#### Prizes

Awarded in recognition of outstanding performance, academic achievement or service to the community or University.

#### **Probationary candidature**

A student who is enrolled in a postgraduate course on probation for a period of time up to one year. The head of department/school is required to consider the candidate's progress during the period of probation and make a recommendation for normal candidature or otherwise to the faculty.

#### **Professional practice**

Students undertake placement in a professional practice as a part of their course requirements. May require University approved supervision. Professional placements are located in a wide range of professional practices environments, and may not require additional criteria to be fulfilled.

#### Progression

Satisfactory progression is satisfying all course and faculty rules (normally assessed on an annual basis) to enable the completion of the chosen award within the (maximum) completion time allowed. (See also Exclusion.)

#### Prohibited combinations of units of study

When two or more units of study contain a sufficient overlap of content, enrolment in any one such unit prohibits enrolment in any other identified unit.

(See also unit of study.)

#### **Provisional re-enrolment**

(See Pre-enrolment.)

## Q

#### Qualification

An academic attainment recognised by the University.

### Qualifier

A mandatory (compulsory) prerequisite unit of study which must have a grade of pass or better.

(See also Assumed knowledge, Corequisite, Prerequisite, Waiver.)

## R

#### Recycling

The submission for assessment of one's own work, or of work which substantially the same, which has previously been counted towards the satisfactory completion of another unit of study, and credited towards a university degree, and where the examiner has not been informed that the student has already received credit for that work.

#### Registration

In addition to enrolling with the faculty in units of study, students must register with the department responsible for teaching each unit. This is normally done during Orientation Week. Note that unlike enrolment, registration is not a formal record of units attempted by the student.

#### **Research course**

(See Course - Research.)

#### **Research supervisor**

A supervisor is appointed to each student undertaking a research postgraduate degree. The supervisor will be a full-time member of the academic staff or a person external to the University recognised for their association with the clinical teaching or the research work of the University. A research supervisor is commonly referred to as a supervisor.

(See also Advisor, Associate supervisor, Instrumental supervisor/teacher, Supervision.)

### Result processing

Refers to the processing of assessment results for units of study. For each unit of study, departments/schools tabulate results for all assessment activities and assign preliminary results.

(See also Assessment, Formative assessment, Examination period, Summative assessment.)

#### Result processing schedule

The result processing schedule will be determined for each academic cycle. All schools and faculties are expected to comply with this schedule.

(See also Assessment, Examination period, Result processing.)

#### Result

The official statement of a student's performance in each unit of study attempted as recorded on the academic transcript, usually expressed as a mark and grade. (See also Grade, Mark.)

#### **Research Training Scheme (RTS)**

The RTS provides Commonwealth-funded higher degree by research (HDR) students with an 'entitlement' to a HECS exemption for the duration of an accredited HDR course, up to a maximum period of four years full-time equivalent study for a doctorate by research and two years full-time equivalent study for a master's by research.

# S

#### Scholarships

Financial or other form of support made available to enable students to further their studies. (See also Bursaries.)

#### School

A school or academic unit shall encourage and facilitate teaching, scholarship and research and coordinate the teaching and examining duties of members of staff in the subjects or courses of study with which it is concerned.

#### Semester

A half-yearly teaching session, the dates for which are determined by the Academic Board. Normally all undergraduate sessions will conform to the semesters approved by the Academic Board. Any offering of an undergraduate unit not conforming to the semester dates (non-standard session) must be given special permission by the Academic Board.

(See also Session, Non-standard session.)

#### Semester address

The address to which all official University correspondence is sent during semester time, if it is different to the permanent address.

#### Senate

The governing body of the University.

(See the University Calendar for more details of its charter and powers.)

#### Session

Any period of time during which a unit of study is taught. A session differs from a semester in that it need not be a six-month teaching period, but it cannot be longer than six months. Each session maps to either Semester One or Two for DEST reporting purposes. Session offerings are approved by the relevant dean, taking into account all the necessary resources, including teaching space and staffing. The Academic Board must approve variation to the normal session pattern. (See also Semester, Non-standard teaching period.)

#### Session address (See Semester address.)

#### Short course

A fee paying student undertaking a short course with the University of Sydney comprising professional development, executive training etc. The study undertaken by these students is a non-award course.

#### Show cause

(See Progression, Exclusion.)

### Special consideration

Candidates who suffer serious illness or misadventure which may affect performance in any assessment, may request that they be given special consideration in relation to the determination of their results.

### Special Studies Program (SSP)

A period of release from normal duties to allow academic staff to undertake a planned program of academic activity and development.

#### Sponsorship

Financial support of a student by a company or government body.

#### Stage

A normal full-time course of study taken in a year. (See also Course rules, EFTSU, Progression.)

#### Strategic Directions

(See also University Strategic Directions.)

#### Stream

A defined award course, which requires the completion of set units of study as specified by the course rules for the particular stream, in addition to the core program specified by the course rules. A stream will appear with the award course name on testamurs, e.g. Bachelor of Engineering in Civil Engineering (Construction Management). (See also Award course, Major, Minor.)

#### Student

Student means a person enrolled as a candidate for an award course or unit of study.

#### Student Appeals Body

Any student may appeal to the Student Appeals Body against an academic decision on the ground that due academic process has not been observed by the relevant Faculty in relation to the academic decision.

(See also Appeals, University of Sydney (Student Appeals against Academic Decisions) Rule 2006.)

#### Student Disciplinary Appeals Committee

Any student may appeal to the Student Disciplinary Appeals Committee against a misconduct determination by the Vice-Chancellor or a Student Proctorial Board. (See also Appeals.)

#### Student identifier (SID)

A nine-digit number which uniquely identifies a student at the University.

## Student ID Card

All students who enrol are issued with an identification card. The card includes the student's name. SID, the course code, a library borrower's bar code and a passport-style photo. The card identifies the student as eligible to attend classes and must be displayed at formal examinations. It must be presented to secure student concessions and to borrow books from all sections of the University Library.

#### Student progress rate (SPR)

A calculation which measures the rate at which load undertaken is passed annually in each award program.

#### Student type

Student type identifies whether a student is local or international and the type of study the student is undertaking.

(See also International student, Domestic student, Exchange student.)

#### Study Abroad program

A scheme administered by the International Office which allows international students who are not part of an exchange program to take units of study at the University of Sydney, but not towards an award program. In most cases the units of study taken here are credited towards an award at their home institution. (See also Exchange student.)

### Subject area

A unit of study may be associated with one or more subject areas. The subject area can be used to define prerequisite and course rules, e.g. the unit of study 'History of Momoyama and Edo Art' may count towards the requirements for the subject areas 'Art History and Theory' and 'Asian Studies'.

#### Summative assessment

(See Assessment.)

#### Summer School

(See Sydney Summer School.)

### Supervising faculty

The faculty that has the responsibility for managing the academic administration of a particular course, i.e. the interpretation and administration of course rules, approving students' enrolments and variations to enrolments. Normally the supervising faculty is the faculty offering the course.
However, in the case of combined courses, one of the two faculties involved will usually be designated the supervising faculty. Further, in the case where one course is jointly offered by two or more faculties (e.g. the Liberal Studies course), a joint committee may make academic decisions about candidature and the student may be assigned a supervising faculty for administration.

#### Supervision

Refers to a one-to-one relationship between a student and a nominated member of the academic staff or a person specifically appointed to the role.

(See also Advisor, Associate supervisor, Instrumental supervisor/teacher, Research supervisor.)

#### Suppression of results

Results for a particular student can be suppressed by the University when the student has an outstanding debt to the University; or the student is facing disciplinary action. A student may also request a suppression for personal reasons.

#### Suspension

(See also Course leave.)

#### Sydney Summer School

A program of accelerated, intensive study running for approximately six weeks during January and February each year. Both undergraduate and postgraduate units are offered. Summer School provides an opportunity for students at Sydney and other universities to catch up on needed units of study, to accelerate completion of a course or to undertake a unit that is outside their award course.

All units attract full fees and enrolled students are also liable for compulsory subscriptions. Some fee-waiver scholarships are available.

#### Sydney Winter School

An intensive session offered by the University in July during the mid-year break.

#### Т

#### **Teaching department**

(See School.)

#### **Teaching end date**

Official finish date of formal timetabled classes.

#### Teaching start date

Official commencement date of formal timetabled classes.

#### Terminated

Term used when a student's candidature has been officially closed because they are not able to complete the Course requirements. (See also Candidature.)

#### Testamur

A certificate of award provided to a graduand, usually at a graduation ceremony. The Award conferred will be displayed along with other appropriate detail.

#### Thesis

A major work that is the product of an extended period of supervised independent research.

(See also Course - Research.)

#### Timetable

The schedule of lectures, tutorials, laboratories and other academic activities that a student must attend.

#### Transcript

(See Academic transcript.)

#### Transfer

(See Course transfer.)

#### **Tuition fees**

Tuition fees may be charged to students in designated tuition fee-paying courses. Students who pay fees are not liable for HECS.

#### U

#### **Universities Admissions Centre (UAC)**

The UAC receives and processes applications for admission to undergraduate courses at recognised universities in NSW and the ACT. Most commencing, local undergraduate students at the University apply through the UAC.

#### **Universities Admission Index (UAI)**

A measure of overall academic achievement in the HSC that assists universities in ranking applicants for university selection. The UAI is based on the aggregate of scaled marks in ten units of the HSC, and is a number between 0.00 and 100.00 with increments of 0.05.

#### **Under examination**

Indicates that a research student has submitted their written work (thesis) for assessment, and is awaiting the finalisation of the examiners' outcome and recommendation.

#### Undergraduate

A term used to describe both a course leading to a diploma or bachelor's degree and a student enrolled in such a course.

#### Unit of study

Unit of study or unit means a stand-alone component of an award course. Each unit of study is the responsibility of a department. (See also Prohibited combinations of unit of study.)

#### Unit of study enrolment status

The enrolment status indicates whether the student is still actively attending the unit of study (i.e. currently enrolled) or is no longer enrolled.

(See also Discontinuation or Cancellation.)

#### Unit of study level

Units of study are divided into Junior, Intermediate, Senior, Honours, Year 5, and Year 6. Most majors consist of 32 Senior credit points in a subject area (either 3000 level units of study or a mix of 2000 and 3000 level units of study).

#### University

Unless otherwise indicated, University in this document refers to the University of Sydney.

#### **University Calendar**

The annual University publication, also available online, which provides general and historical information about the University of Sydney, the statutes and regulations under which it operates and the Senate resolutions relating to constitutions and courses in each faculty.

#### **University Medal**

A faculty may recommend the award of a University Medal to a student qualified for the award of an undergraduate honours degree (or some master's degrees), whose academic performance is judged to be outstanding.

#### **University Strategic Directions**

The University of Sydney Strategic Plan 2006-2010

#### Upgrade

Where a student enrolled in a master's by research course is undertaking research at such a standard that either the University recommends that the student upgrade their degree to a PhD, or the student seeks to upgrade to a PhD and this is supported by the University.

#### V

Variation of enrolment (See Enrolment variation.)

#### Vice-Chancellor and Principal

The chief executive officer of the University, responsible for its leadership and management. The Vice-Chancellor and Principal is head of both academic and administrative divisions.

#### W

#### Waiver

In a prescribed course, a faculty may waive the prerequisite or corequisite requirement for a unit of study or the course rules for a particular student. Unlike credit, waivers do not involve a reduction in the number of credit points required for a course. (See also Credit, Exemption.)

#### Winter School

(See Sydney Winter School.)

#### Weighted average mark (WAM)

This mark uses the unit of study credit point value in conjunction with an agreed 'weight'. The formula for this calculation is:

$$WAM = \frac{\sum (W_c \times M_c)}{\sum (W_c)}$$

Where Wc is the weighted credit point value -i.e. the product of the credit point value and the level of weighting of 1, 2, 3, or 4 for a first, second, third or fourth year unit of study respectively; and where Mc is the greater of 45 or the mark out of 100 for the unit of study.

The mark is the actual mark obtained by the student for the unit of study, or in the case of a failing grade with no mark - 0. Pass/fail assessed subjects and credit transfer subjects (from another institution) are excluded from these calculations; however, the marks from all attempts at a unit of study are included. (Effective from January 1 2004.)

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## Alumni Relations Office ΕĤ

**Centre for Continuing Education** 

Chancellor

**Computing Centre** 

Executive Offices HZ

Information Centre Information and Communications Technology ы 10

International Office ഖ

University Sports & Aquatic Centre University Co-op Bookshop Valentine Charlton Cat Centre Veterinary Hospital & Clinic

**Computer Access Centres** 

Wentworth Building

University Copy Centre University Health Service

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Sydney University Village Wesley College Women's College

Manning House The Arena Sports Centre

Australia Post Office

Retail

Mandelbaum House Sancta Sophia College St Andrew's College

St John's College St Michael's College St Paul's College Selle House

Darlington Centre Holme Building

Schaeffer Fine Arts

Mathematics Engineering

Fisher

**Colleges & Residential** 

Accommodation

Medical Madsen

Music

Darlington House Darlington Road Terraces

International House

Office of Development Office of University Relations (OUR) K8 M10

Personne G1 M10 H2

Printing Services (UPS) Publications Office

Room Bookings & Venue Management **Research Office** H3 M10

Scholarships Unit

**Sports & Recreational Venues** 

M10 Emergency Services M10 Lost Property M10 Traffic & Parking

Security

Link McGrath (Carslaw) Pharmacy

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HK Ward Gymnasium Lawn Tennis Courts Manning Squash Courts

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**Cultural Venues** 

**Fisher Tennis Courts** 

The Arena Sports Centre

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University Relations (Vice Principal) Ξ

The Square University Oval No. 1 University Oval No. 2 University Sports & Aquatic Centre

Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources

Architecture

Arts

Faculties (offices)

Economics & Business Education and Social Work

Engineering

Pharmacy Medicine Science

Veterinary Science

J.D. Stewart Building John Woolley Building

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Veterinary Hospital & Clinic Vice-Chancellor ΰĘ

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## **University Buildings**

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Poultry Research

Group C, No1 & 2 (C05HC1-2) Group C, No3 & 4 (C05HC3-4) Group C, No5 & 6 (C05HC5-6) Group C, No7 & 8 (C05HC7-8)

E1 E12

New Block - Dormitory B (C05B) Old Block - Dormitory A (C05A)

D10 D10 D10 E10

Nepean Hall

E12 E12

Dining Room (C05C)

Flat (C05D)

Squash Court & Gym (C05F) Office & Laundry (C05E)

- Small Animal House (C01B)
- E3
- Caretaker's Cottage (C01C)
- Large Animal House (C01D)
- General Teaching Building (C01E) E3 E3
- Wildlife Health & Conservation Centre (C01F)

## and Cat facility Dog

- Residence (C55A) Cat House (C55B) **D**8
- Dog House (C55D) 50

## Agronomy

- Machinery Shed (C02B) H11
- Glasshouses & Boiler Room (C02C) Deer Research Unit (C02D) G10 K11

- Laboratory (C04B) **M.C. Franklin** B11
- Abattoir (C04C) B11
- Director's Cottage (C11) B10
- Nepean Lodge D12
- Group A, No1 to No 9 (C05HA1-9)
  - Group B, No1 (C05HB1) Group B, No2 (C05HB2) D12 D12

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# **Residential accomodation**

Unions & Associations (offices) **Sports & Recreational Venues** New Block Dormitory B Old Block Dormitory A Nepean lodge Squash & Gym Library Libraries D11 D12 D10 D10 D11 Livestock Veterinary Services (C08Q) **University Veterinary Centre** Treadmill Seminar Rooms (C08L) Broiler Shed 2 to 4 (C08N-O-P) Small Animal House (C08A) Senior Att. Cottage (C08C) Interlock Stable (C08I) Isolation Block (C08F) Cannon Cottage (C25) Main Building (C08B) Cottage No.1 (C08K) Cattle Unit (C08D) Incinerator (C08G) Cottage 1 (C08K) Piggery A (C16A) Piggery B (C16B) Store (C08H) G6 G5 Control Environment Compl. (C06L) Feeding Stalls & Office (C07BB) Calf Research Unit (C07BC) Generator Building (C06E) Main Work Shed (C07BE) Machinery Shed (C07BF) Cage Layer Shed (C06C) Stock Sick Bay (C07BH) Brooder House (C06D) Deep Lit. Shed (C06B) Office & Store (C06A) Calf Sick Bay (C07BD) **Corstorphine Farm** Metal Shed (C07BG) Storage Shed (C06F)

## **Campus Facilities**

Students' Association (C01A)

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Venues E3 62 Computer Laboratories (C01E) Seminar Rooms (C01E) Auditorium (C01E) 8 88

Dairy Research & Learning (C07BP)

Corstorphine Annexe (C07BL)

Hay Shed (C07BI)

**Dairy Research Unit** 

Library (C15) Store (C05G)

D11 E10 D11

Laboratory (C07AA) Feed Stalls (C07AB)

Cottage No. 2 (C07BM) Cottage No. 3 (C07BK)

Research Dairy (C07AE)

Animal Room (C07AD)

Animal House (C07AH)

Hay Shed (C07AG) Store (C07AF)

Demo Room (C07AJ)

Cottage No. 1 (C07BN)

Treadmill Seminar Rooms

J.L. Shute Building



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ors	se Unit	Plant Breeding Institute
ŝ	Cottage 2 (C30A)	G2 Administration & Lab A1 (C44)
<b>B</b> 2	Cottage 1 (C30B)	G2 Administration & Lab A2 (C45)
B1	G.I. Shed (C30C)	G2 Green House (C47)
B1	Hay Shed (C30D)	G2 Head House (C48)
B1	Brick Dairy (C30E)	F2 Workshop and Thresh (C49)
B1	Brick Shed (C30F)	H3 House (C54)
Anin	mal Reproduction Unit	<b>College Facilities</b>
EZ	Horse Breeding (C30G)	
E	Hay Shed (C30H)	G2 Lecture Theatre (C44)
E2	Brick Veterinary Laboratory (C30J)	
F2	G.I. Woolshed (C30K)	
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# **University Buildings**

## Lansdowne Farm

- Plant Handling Lab. (C19) Cottage 1 (C19A) D5 D5

  - Cottage 2 (C19B) Flat (C19C) E4 D5
- Machinery Shed (C19D)

## Lansdowne Turf Farm

- Machinery Shed (C36A) Cottage 1 (C36B) ES
  - E4 E4
    - Garage (C36C)
- Carport (C36D)

Brick Laboratory (C30L) Brick Veterinary Laboratory (C30M) r r



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mith Annexe, G'House (E12A)	C4	Glasshouse 5 (E12P)	D2 Student administration (E12B)
inistration Building (E12B)	U	Grain Chem. Lab (E12Q)	
Waterhouse Building (E12C)	D4	Seed Store 3 (E12R)	Library
. Freeman Building (E12D)	G	Seminar complex (E12S)	•
onomy Building (E12E)	9	Pulse Production Shed (E12T)	D2 Library (E12B)
iges (E12F)	C4	Seed Production Shed (E12U)	
hinery Store 3 (E12G)	D3	Controlled Enviroment (E12V)	College Facilities
hinery Store 2 (E12H)	D5	Feed Grains Shed (E12W)	3
hinery Store 4 (E12I)	D4	Residence No 1 (E12Z1)	C1 Seminar Complex (E12S)
kshop Office (E12J)	C4	Residence No 2 (E12Z2)	E3 Workshop (E12J)
n Shed (E12K)	C4	Bird Proof Enclosures (E12U1-E12U2)	~ ~ ~
d Grading Shed (E12L)	U	Greenhouse 1 (E12Y1)	Parking
shouse 3 (E12M)	C4	Greenhouse 2 (E12Y2)	5
shouse 4 (E12N)			D1 Northern car park
shouse 2 (E12O)			D2 Southern car park

# Directory

#### Course planner

Year	Semester	Unit of study 1 & credit points	Unit of study 2 & credit points	Unit of study 3 & credit points	Unit of study 4 & credit points	Total credit points
1	1					
	2					
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4	winter					
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5	summer					
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	winter					
	2					
Total credit points						