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Senate

Subject: Final Stage of Proposals for Changes to the Ordinances and Regulations required under the New University Structure

**Origin:** Structure Implementation Project Management Board and Academic Governance Working Group

**Executive Summary:**

This paper summarises the proposals of the Academic Governance Working Group for changes to a final tranche of Ordinances and Regulations required under the new Structure.

**Action Required:**

Senate is asked to recommend to Council/approve the specific recommendations.

**Background**

The Academic Governance Working Group has undertaken a review of the University’s Ordinances and Regulations in light of the changes to the University structure. Many areas are unaffected by the structure changes but a significant number of Ordinances and Regulations require amendment. The majority of changes relate to academic matters and the review has been conducted in partnership with the Learning and Teaching Working Group and the Research and Enterprise Working Group.

All of the changes to Ordinances and Regulations are intended to be effective from 1 August 2011.

**Action Required**

Senate is asked to:

1. Recommend to Council revisions to the following Ordinances (ANNEX A):

1. III Substantive Awards and Honorary Degrees
2. XXXV Tribunals for hearing Charges under Statute XXI Part III (Discipline, Dismissal and Removal from Office)
3. XXXVI Provisions concerning Procedures and Power under Statute XXI Part V (Appeals)
4. XXXVII Procedure for the Consideration and Determination of matters raised under Statute XXI Part VI (Grievance Procedures)
5. XXXVIII Student Complaints Procedures

The revisions to Ordinances XXXV, XXXVI, XXXVII are intended to be temporary as these Ordinances will require further consideration by HRC in due course in relation to changes to Statute XXI.

The proposed revisions to Ordinance XVIII have also been approved by L&TC.

2. Recommend to Council the repeal of Ordinance XII Age of Retirement of Staff (ANNEX B).

3. Approve revisions to the following Regulations (ANNEX C):

1. III The Proceedings of Senate
2. VII Conduct of Examinations and other Assessments
3. IX Registration, Attendance, Leave of Absence, Withdrawal and Transfer
4. XI Diplomas in Industrial Studies, Professional Studies, International Studies and Professional Development (Graduate Professional Development Award)
5. XIV Student Appeals against Programme Board or Review Board Decisions
6. XVI Tuition Fees and Payments for Other University Services
7. XVII Impaired Performance and Project Extensions
8. XVIII Academic Misconduct
9. XX Undergraduate Awards
10. XXI Postgraduate Awards
11. XXII Taught Programme Internal and External Examiners and Review and Programme Boards
12. XXV General Regulations for Introductory Studies / Assessment Regulations for Introductory Studies
13. XXVI Regulations for Higher Degrees by Research and associated Code of Practice

The proposed revisions to Regulations VII, IX, XI, XIV, XVII, XX, XXI, XXII have also been approved by L&TC.

4. Approve revisions to the appendices concerning admissions of Regulations XX Undergraduate Awards and XXI Postgradate Awards, which have been approved by the PVC(T) on behalf of LTC (ANNEX D).