Deakin University

Regulation 5.2(3) – Conferring of Academic Awards



This regulation is made pursuant to Statute 5.2 – Academic Awards.

In this regulation:

"Candidate" means a person who applies to graduate on the basis of having satisfied all the prescribed requirements;

"Graduate" means to be admitted to a degree or to be granted a diploma or certificate; and

"Graduand" means a person whose entitlement to graduate is recommended to the Council by the Academic Board.

- 1. Candidates wishing to Graduate must:
 - (a) meet all prescribed academic and other requirements;
 - (b) apply to graduate by the date and in the manner prescribed;
 - (c) indicate whether they wish to graduate:
 - (i) at the next appropriate conferring ceremony;
 - (ii) at a future appropriate conferring ceremony nominated by them; or
 - (iii) in absentia.
- 2. Prior to each conferring ceremony the Vice-Chancellor or nominee will:
 - (a) determine if each Candidate has satisfied all financial or other obligations to the University;
 - (b) provide to the relevant faculty boards a list of:
 - (i) the names of the prospective Graduands;
 - (ii) their identification numbers;
 - (iii) their academic records;
 - (iv) the academic award for which application is made; and
 - (v) if relevant, the title of any thesis; and
 - (c) forward lists of Graduands to the Council for endorsement.
- 3. The Academic Board, or faculty board of the relevant faculty or faculties as the case requires, shall:
 - (a) assess the academic record of each candidate to ascertain whether or not the academic requirements of the award or awards for which application is made have been completed; and
 - (b) provide the Vice-Chancellor or nominee with certification of such completion.
- 4. The Vice-Chancellor or nominee may direct any Graduand who fails to apply to graduate in accordance with section 3, to graduate in absentia at an appropriate conferring ceremony.

- 5. A Graduand will be ineligible to graduate if:
 - (a) he/she has not satisfied all financial or other obligations to the University, unless the Vice-Chancellor or nominee on written application from the student detailing the extenuating circumstances, deems the student eligible to graduate; and
 - (b) disciplinary proceedings against that student have not been determined unless the Vice-Chancellor or nominee otherwise directs.

Made by Council on 10 April 2008 and incorporates all amendments to 2 July 2013.