

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

In this regulation:

“**Candidate**” means a person whose application to enrol in a Higher Doctorate is accepted by the Academic Board.

- ~~1. A higher doctorate may be awarded for a collection of work previously accepted for publication which in the unanimous opinion of a group of appointed, disinterested experts in the field represents such a substantial contribution to knowledge as to give the Candidate authoritative standing in that field.~~
- ~~2. The Academic Board may from time to time determine procedures for administering this regulation.~~
- ~~3. An applicant for candidature in a higher doctorate must:
 - ~~(a) be a graduate of not less than eight years standing of:
 - ~~(i) Deakin University; or~~
 - ~~(ii) another University if approved by the Academic Board;~~~~
 - ~~(b) submit to the designated committee of the Academic Board (“the Committee”) an outline of the contents of the proposed submission together with a complete list of the works to be included in the collection;~~
 - ~~(c) inform the Committee of the extent of the contributions by others where any of the works have been prepared or written in collaboration with another person or persons;~~
 - ~~(d) if accepted as a candidate, present to the Committee for examination four copies of the submission consisting of:
 - ~~(i) an introduction or exposition on the significance of the works that the candidate may choose to include;~~
 - ~~(ii) a signed statement describing the contributions of the candidate to works with more than one author; and~~
 - ~~(iii) the works previously accepted for publication.~~~~~~
- ~~4. The Committee will:
 - ~~(a) receive applications from potential Candidates;~~
 - ~~(b) determine whether candidature is to be granted. The Committee may seek advice from the appropriate faculty or faculties or any other advice as it considers necessary prior to doing so;~~
 - ~~(c) determine a due date for presentation of the submission by the Candidate;~~
 - ~~(d) appoint three external examiners to each examine the submission and prepare an independent report. The Committee may seek advice from the appropriate faculty or faculties or any other advice as it considers necessary prior to doing so;~~
 - ~~(e) advise the Academic Board to recommend to Council that the Candidate be admitted to the relevant degree, only if the Committee:
 - ~~(i) has received unanimous reports from the examiners certifying that the thesis meets the~~~~~~

~~requirements of the award; and~~

~~(ii) is satisfied that the Candidate merits the award.~~

~~5. If following a request from a Candidate, the Committee forms the opinion that the Candidate is adversely affected by a change in the regulation during candidature, the Committee may approve conditions of candidature the same or as nearly as practicable the same, as the conditions applicable at the time of the candidate's admission to candidature.~~

1. Council may confer a Higher Doctorate as listed in Regulation 5.2(1) – *Academic Awards* to a Candidate whose published works are assessed by the Academic Board as representing an internationally recognised original contribution to knowledge so as to give the Candidate authoritative standing in that field.

2. To be eligible for Candidature for a Higher Doctorate, an applicant must:

(a) be a graduate of at least eight years' standing; and

(b) be:

(i) a graduate, current or former staff member of Deakin University; or

(ii) a graduate or current staff member of an institution with which Deakin has an active partnership (as determined by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research)); and

(c) be invited by the University to apply for Candidature.

3. Candidature will only be offered where the Academic Board is satisfied that the Candidate is likely to be successful in the examination process.

4. The University may make policies, procedures and guidelines to give effect to this Regulation.