

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. Council may confer a Higher Doctorate as listed in Regulation 5.2(2) - *Higher Education Award Courses - General* to a Candidate whose published works are assessed by the Academic Board as representing an internationally recognised, significant and sustained original contribution to knowledge, above the requirements of a doctoral degree, 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.

Approved by Council on 10 April 2008 and came into effect on 16 January 2009 and includes all amendments to 3 December 2015.