



# BRIEFING PAPER

**TITLE** Overview of curriculum approval authorities &  
Streamlined approval of amendments to academic plans

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## Overview of curriculum approval authorities

Proposal type	Approval authority
New courses	College Education Committee
New Awards, Augmentations and Non-Award programs with study requirements	Academic Board
New majors, minors and specialisations	Academic Quality Assurance Committee
Amendments to courses	College Education Committee
Amendments to academic plans (Awards, Augmentations, Non-Award with study requirements)	Academic Board or College Education Committee (see 'Streamlined approval of amendments to academic plans' below)
Amendments to majors, minors and specialisations	College Education Committee <b>Except</b> amendments to admission requirements on Honours specialisations are approved by Academic Board
Disestablishment of courses	College Education Committee
Disestablishment of Awards, Augmentations and Non-Award programs with study requirements	Academic Board
Disestablishment of majors, minors and specialisations	Academic Quality Assurance Committee

## Streamlined approval of amendments to academic plans

<p><b>Amendments to Awards, Augmentations and Non-Award programs with study requirements requiring the approval of Academic Board</b></p>	<p><b>Amendments to Academic Plan requiring the approval of Colleges</b></p>
<p><b>External compliance (AQF, ESOS/CRICOS)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Change of qualification name (New plan required)</li> <li>• Change of qualification level or type (New plan required)</li> <li>• Change of duration (New Plan required)</li> <li>• Change of admission requirements</li> <li>• Change to the offering of ISF places</li> <li>• Change to Learning Outcomes</li> <li>• Change to program mode of delivery (eg 'In person' to 'Online')</li> <li>• Introduction of fully online or distance compulsory courses</li> <li>• Introduction or removal of a compulsory work-based component</li> </ul> <p><b>Internal and External partners</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Changes to responsible ANU College(s)</li> <li>• Establishment or disestablishment of agreement with external partner</li> <li>• Introduction or removal of course(s) delivered by external partner</li> <li>• Changes affecting the operations or enrolments in another ANU College (contact ASQO)</li> <li>• Changes to professional accreditation requirements</li> </ul> <p><b>Structure/Orders</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Addition or removal of a major, minor or specialisation</li> <li>• Addition or removal of a requirement (except hurdle requirements)</li> <li>• Changing a major, minor or specialisation from compulsory or non-compulsory.</li> <li>• Change to the unit value of a requirement (eg "12 units from" to "6 units from")</li> <li>• Addition or removal of a compulsory course (excluding substitutions)</li> <li>• Addition or removal from Double Degree Requirement</li> </ul>	<p><b>Informal content – College-Determined Processes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Change to published description</li> <li>• Change to contact information</li> <li>• Change to typical study pattern</li> <li>• Update to amended course codes or titles</li> </ul> <p><b>Structure/Orders – College Education Committee approval required</b> <i>To be noted at University Education Committee</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Addition or removal of non-compulsory courses</li> <li>• Addition or removal of internal progression requirements</li> <li>• Change to internal progression requirements</li> <li>• Substitution of compulsory courses</li> </ul> <p><b>Other amendments to Academic Plans that can be requested by Colleges and checked by ASQO for immediate action</b></p> <p>Other information to be published on program and courses website</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update convener contact details</li> <li>• Change to advice for students</li> <li>• Change to ATAR, IB or QLD band as advised by Admissions</li> </ul>

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