

## Part 3 Qualifications and Awards

### Section 1 List of Qualifications

- 1.1 The qualifications granted by the University are:
  - doctoral degrees
  - master's degrees
  - postgraduate diplomas
  - postgraduate certificates
  - bachelor's degrees with honours
  - bachelor's degrees
  - graduate diplomas
  - graduate certificates
  - diplomas
  - certificates
  - certificates of proficiency
- 1.2 Qualifications may be granted on the successful completion of an approved programme determined by the accumulation of a required number of points at a defined level and the fulfilment of specific requirements as described in each programme regulation.
- 1.3 Honorary qualifications shall be granted in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 below
- 1.4 The University shall publish annually a list of the University's current qualifications in the Calendar.

### Section 2 Granting of Qualifications

- 2.1 The Academic Board shall establish regulations for the granting of the qualifications of the University
- 2.2 The Director, Student Administration shall establish procedures for the granting of the qualifications of the University.
- 2.3 Subject to Clauses 2.1 and 2.2 above, qualifications shall be granted to a student in pursuance of a resolution of Council.
- 2.4 The Director, Student Administration shall organise graduation ceremonies for the ceremonial granting and presentation of qualifications to students by Council.
- 2.5 Notwithstanding Clause 2.4 above, qualifications may be granted and presented to students at such other times as may be deemed appropriate by the Director, Student Administration.
- 2.6 Each student who has been granted a qualification shall receive, subject to Clauses 2.2 and 2.3 above, a parchment certifying that the requirements for the qualification have been met.
- 2.7 The Academic Board shall determine the appropriate form of the parchment for each qualification.

- 2.8 The Council may withdraw or refuse to grant any qualification if satisfied that the student made any untrue or misleading statement(s), or was guilty of dishonest practice or of a breach of University academic regulation(s) in relation to the qualification.
- 2.9 The Council may grant a qualification to a student who has not fully satisfied the provisions of Clause 1.2 above where:
- (i) the student died prior to their completion of the qualification
  - (ii) the student is diagnosed with a terminal illness prior to their completion of the qualification

### **Section 3 Academic Dress**

- 3.1 Staff and graduands of the University shall appear for University graduation ceremonies in the academic dress appropriate to their qualification.
- 3.2 Staff and graduates of the University attending or taking part in public ceremonies for which academic dress is prescribed are entitled to wear the academic dress appropriate to their qualification.
- 3.3 Recipients of a University honorary award attending or taking part in public ceremonies for which academic dress is prescribed are entitled to wear the academic dress appropriate to their qualification.
- 3.4 The Academic Board shall establish regulations regarding the determination and wearing of academic dress.

### **Section 4 Honorary Qualifications and Awards**

- 4.1 Each honorary qualification or award shall be conferred by Council.
- 4.2 The Honours Committee may, subject to Clauses 4.3 to 4.8 below, recommend to Council any person(s) for the honorary qualifications or awards specified in Clause 4.3, Section 4, Part 2 of this Statute.
- 4.3 Nominations for the granting of an honorary qualification or award may be made by any two persons, one of whom shall be a member of Council or Academic Board, and shall be made in confidence to the Chancellor or Vice-Chancellor, who shall, upon consideration, bring the nomination to the Honours Committee.
- 4.4 Each nomination shall be accompanied by a statement of the nominee's background in relation to the stated criteria for the qualification or award.
- 4.5 An honorary certificate, diploma or degree may be granted in special circumstances or posthumously to any student who died before completing their qualification at the University. Such a qualification may be granted at the time the student would normally have completed their course of study.
- 4.6 An honorary doctoral degree may be granted to any person who:
- is academically distinguished, or
  - has made an outstanding contribution to society, or
  - is of international repute and is visiting, or has visited, the University in an official capacity, or
  - has been approved by Council for some other reason.

- 4.7 The award of Seddon Honorary Fellow of the Auckland University of Technology may be granted to any person who:
- is not a current or former University employee or University Council member, and
  - has undertaken nationally or internationally respected quality teaching or research or
  - has demonstrated innovative and strategically important leadership or
  - has been a major benefactor to the University, or
  - has made a distinguished contribution to the University as a distinguished visitor or
  - has been approved by Council for some other reason.
- 4.8 The Reeves Honorary Fellow of the Auckland University of Technology may only be granted to any former employee or University Council member who:
- has made an outstanding contribution to the leadership of the University through Council, one of the University committees, or a section of the University, and
  - is no longer an employee of the University
  - has undertaken nationally or internationally respected quality teaching or research, or
  - has demonstrated innovative and strategically important leadership, or
  - has made an outstanding contribution to the life and wellbeing of the University over and above normal duties, or
  - has developed a dimension of the University in a new way, or
  - has been approved by Council for some other reason.
- 4.9 The honorary title of Emeritus Professor of the Auckland University of Technology may be granted to any person who has been an academic member of staff and has given long and distinguished leadership to the University through either teaching or research and who is now no longer employed by the University.

### Section 5 Other Awards

- 5.1 The University may offer attendance awards and certificates of personal interest.
- 5.2 Each faculty may grant attendance awards and certificates of personal interest.
- 5.3 All students shall complete the minimum number of hours approved by the faculty in order to gain an attendance award.
- 5.4 Each student who has been granted an attendance award shall receive a parchment certifying that the requirements for the award have been met.
- 5.5 Each student who has been granted a certificate of personal interest shall receive a statement certifying that the requirements for the award have been met.
- 5.6 The Academic Board shall determine the appropriate form of the statement for a certificate of personal interest.