

Appendix 1: Academic Standards and Quality Processes

Academic Standard	Quality Process/es	Responsible officer/s	Key academic indicator/s	HESF and ESOS Cross-Reference	Academic Policies & Procedures
1. Admission					
1.1 Charles Sturt accepts students who demonstrate the capacity to be successful in their study	Course and Subject Approval (including approval of admission criteria and publication of information to students)	Academic Senate and its subcommittees	Admissions outcomes (eg conversion rates, ATAR and early entry programs)	HESF 1.1 Admission	Admissions Policy
	Course and Subject Design (including Curriculum Model)	Provost & DVC-A	Student Performance Benchmarking Targets (including commencing progress rates, first year attrition)	HESF 4.2 Research Training	Admissions Procedure
	Admission and Enrolment	DVC-Research	VCLT Operational Performance Metrics	ESOS Standard 1 - Marketing information and practices	Admissions - Entry Requirements (Coursework) Procedure
	Credit Recognition Student Performance Monitoring	Executive Deans Director, Student	VCLT Operational Performance Metrics	ESOS Standard 2 - Recruitment of an overseas student	Admissions - Entry Requirements (Higher Degrees by Research) Procedure Enrolment Policy
	(including analysis by cohort, demographics, entry pathway etc)	Administration			Enrolment Policy
	Orientation & Induction	PVC (L&T)			Enrolment Procedure
		Chief Development Officer, Global			Credit Policy
					Credit Procedure
1.2 Prospective Charles Sturt students are provided with a range of entry pathways recognising the diversity of educational and life experiences	Student recruitment and outreach			HESF 1.1 Admission HESF 1.2 Credit and Recognition of Prior Learning ESOS Standard 1 - Marketing information and practices ESOS Standard 2 - Recruitment of an overseas student	Course and Subject Policy

1.3 Charles Sturt provides sufficient, accurate and timely information to allow prospective and current students to make informed education choices			HESF 1.1 Admission ESOS Standard 1 - Marketing information and Practices ESOS Standard 2 - Recruitment of an overseas student ESOS Standard 3 - Formalisation of enrolment and written agreement HESF 7.1 Representation	Course and Subject Design (Coursework) Procedure Course and Subject Quality
			HESF 7.2 Information for Prospective and Current Students	Assurance and Review Procedure Course and Subject Information Procedure
1.4 Charles Sturt supports students in their transition into and progression through their course of study, irrespective of their educational background, entry pathway, mode or place of study	Executive Director,Student Experience andEngagement		HESF 1.3 Orientation and ProgressionESOS Standard 5.2 Younger overseas studentsESOS Standard 6 Overseas student support services HESF 4.2 Research Training HESF 3.1 Course Design	Assessment - Academic Progress Procedure Academic Integrity Policy Research Policy
1.5 Charles Sturt encourages lifelong learning, including formal, informal and non-formal learning, and provides the opportunity for students to have previous learning recognised for credit in their courses			HESF 1.1 Admission HESF 1.2 Credit Recognition and Prior Learning ESOS Standard 2.3-2.5 Recruitment of an overseas student	Indigenous Australian Content in Courses and Subject Policy Assessment Flexibility Procedure
1.6 Charles Sturt encourages and supports recruitment and admission of a diverse student population; including specific consideration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples	Director, Student Safety and Wellbeing	Diversity of student cohorts	HESF 2.2 Diversity and Equity	



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2. Courses					
2.1 Charles Sturt courses are consistent with the strategic direction of the University	University Strategy - planning and implementation	Academic Senate and its sub committees (including faculty boards)	TEQSA Re-registration		Organisational Assurance Policy
2.2 Charles Sturt courses meet relevant regulatory and professional accreditation requirements	Course and Subject Approval (including optimisation framework, business cases and academic approval)	Provost & DVC-A	Professional accreditation	HESF 1.4 Learning Outcomes and Assessment ESOS Standard 1.2 Marketing information and practices ESOS Standard 2.1 Recruitment of an overseas student	Course and Subject Policy
	External Advisory Committees & Industry Co-Creation	DVC-R & OGEP	Faculties implement course plan that aligns with strategy	HESF 1.5 Qualifications and Certification	Course and Subject Quality Assurance and Review Procedure
	Course and Subject Design (including Curriculum Model)	Executive Deans	Reputation with industry and the professions	HESF 3.1 Course Design	
	Course Accreditation and Review (including CCR / ACHC)	Associate Deans (Academic)	Graduate satisfaction	HESF 4.2 Research Training	Course and Subject Policy
	Subject Review (QUASAR)		QILT Metrics	HESF 5.1 Course Approval and Accreditation	Academic Integrity Policy
	Professional Accreditation		Academic progress - monitoring success (or otherwise) of interventions	HESF 5.3 Monitoring Review and Improvement	
	Student Performance Reporting			HESF 6.3 Academic Governance	Research Policy
	Internal and External Student surveys (including SUES,CEQ,GOS,PREQ)				
2.3 Charles Sturt specifies the lesign for each course of study and ensures that learning outcomes can be achieved hroughout the course					



 2.4 Charles Sturt courses are designed to ensure that graduates embrace the University ethos 'yindymarra winhanganha' and are consistent with the University's Indigenous Education Strategy 2.5 Charles Sturt works with the 	Indigenous Board of Studies	Chair, Indigenous Board of Studies			Indigenous Australian Content in Courses and Subjects Policy; Indigenous Education Strategy
needs of industry and the professions in the development of courses					
2.6 Charles Sturt undertakes regular monitoring and periodic comprehensive reviews of all accredited courses of study				ESOS Standard 3.3.1 Formalisation of enrolment and written agreements	Course and Subject Life Cycle Procedure
2.7 Charles Sturt students have the opportunity to complement their learning with academic and personal support and development programs, including specific programs for students at academic risk	Academic Progress Monitoring and Support	Executive Director, Student Experience and Engagement		HESF 1.3 Orientation and Progression ESOS Standard 6.1-6.4 Overseas student support services ESOS Standard 8.22 Overseas student visa requirements HESF 3.3 Learning Resources and Educational Support HESF 5.3 Monitoring, Review and Improvement	Assessment - Academic Progress Procedure Course and Subject Policy
				ESOS Standard 8.1-8.5, 8.8 Overseas student visa requirements	
2.8 Charles Sturt research students are each supported with a plan that reflects their academic and professional experiences and goals	Individual Development Plan			HESF 4.2 Research Training	Research Policy Higher Degree by Research Policy
2.9 Charles Sturt staff have, and maintain, the necessary disciplinary and pedagogical expertise to effectively deliver courses that are informed by scholarly activity	Charles Sturt Scholarly Environment Model		Scholarly Environment Model Outcomes	HESF 3.1 Course Design HESF 3.2 Staffing ESOS Standard 11.2.5 Additional registration requirements	Course and Subject Policy



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3. Assessment					
3.1 Where relevant, Charles Sturt subjects include early assessment or review to guide student support	Course and Subject Design (including Curriculum Model)	Executive Director, Student Experience and Engagement		HESF 1.3 Orientation and Progression ESOS Standard 8 Overseas student visa requirements	
3.2 Assessment at Charles Sturt is equitable and timely, and students are provided with	Subject Outline Quality Assurance	Academic Senate and its committees (including Faculty Boards)	Progress and Attrition	HESF 1.3 Orientation and Progression	Assessment Policy
avenues to provide feedback and resolve questions and issues	Assessment Moderation	Provost & DVC-Academic	Assessment turnaround time monitoring (QUASAR)	HESF 1.4 Learning Outcomes and Assessment	Assessment - Conduct of Coursework Assessment and Examinations Procedure
	External Assessment Benchmarking	Director, Student Administration	Student satisfaction with subjects and courses		Course & Subject Policy & Procedures
	Student education on academic integrity	Executive Deans, Associate Deans (Academic)	Grade Distribution and Grade Assurance Reports		Academic Integrity Policy
3.3 Assessment at Charles Sturt is criterion-referenced, with methods of assessment that are appropriate to the graduate attributes, course learning outcomes, and subjects learning outcomes	Academic Misconduct Procedures	Subject coordinators, markers and moderators	Student misconduct	HESF 1.3 Orientation and Progression ESOS Standard 9 Deferring, suspending or cancelling the overseas student's enrolment ESOS Standard 10 Complaints and appeals	Student Misconduct Rule 2020
		School and Faculty Assessment Committees		HESF 1.4 Learning Outcomes and Assessment, HESF 3.1 Course Design	University Appeals Policy
3.4 Charles Sturt provides timely feedback on assessment to assist students in their achievement of learning outcomes				HESF 1.3 Orientation and Progression	Assessment Policy



3.5 Charles Sturt undertakes moderation of assessment to assure the quality of assessment and the validity and reliability of grading		HESF 1.4 Learning Outcomes and Assessment	
3.6 Assessment of major assessable research outputs for higher degrees by research at Charles Sturt is undertaken by appropriately qualified independent assessors	Dean of Graduate Studies	HESF 1.4 Learning Outcomes and Assessment	Higher Degree by Research Policy Higher Degree by Research Procedure

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4. Research & Resea	. Research & Research Training								
4.1 Charles Sturt research is consistent with the strategic direction and values of the University	Research Strategy Planning and implementation.	Academic Senate and its committees (including Faculty Boards)	Each faculty and research centre has implemented a research plan that aligns to Charles Sturt Research strategy		Research Policy				
		Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research)	Facilities utilisation						
		PVC Research and Innovation	Impact metrics for faculty, research strength and university		Higher Degree by Research Policy				
		Director, Research Office	Research productivity index		Higher Degree by Research Procedure				
		Executive Deans, Associate Deans (Research) and institute and centre directors	ERA Outcomes		Research Data Management Policy				
			Number of weighted publications (total and per full- time equivalent (FTE) academic staff) Total research income from all Higher Education Research Data Collection (HERDC) reported categories		Admissions - Entry Requirements (Higher Degrees by Research) Procedure Higher Degree by Research Scholarships Procedure - Australian Government Research Training Program Funded Scholarships				



4.2 Charles Sturt seeks external research collaboration, including working with industry and the professions in research development	Research facilities management	ESOS Stand requirement with Other P	dard 11.2.3 Additional registration A s; HESF 5.4 Delivery C	Research Authorship Procedure Assessment - Research Components of Coursework Courses Procedure
4.3 Charles Sturt staff have, and maintain, the necessary qualifications and disciplinary and research methodologies to effectively conduct and/or oversee research	Development and supervision of doctoral study plans	HESF 4.1 R HESF 4.2 R	dard 11.2.5 Additional registration F s	Research Misconduct Procedure
4.4 Charles Sturt research staff and students engage in research training activities to meet the expected standards required for research activities and expectations.		HESF 4.1 R HESF 4.2 R	esearch Training F	Higher Degree by Research Policy Research Policy

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5. Learning Environm	5. Learning Environment							
5.1 Charles Sturt students' learning is supported by appropriate resources, learning spaces, technologies and other facilities that support	Campus Futures Strategy & Capital Planning	Council and its committees	Facilities utilisation audits	HESF 2.1 Facilities and Infrastructure ESOS Standard 11.2.5 Additional registration requirements	Space Management Policy			
achievement of the required learning outcomes	Space Utilisation Audits	Division of Facilities Management	Internal and External Student Surveys (SuES, NPS, QILT)	HESF 3.3 Learning Resources and Educational Support	Course and Subject Policy			
	Course and Subject Approval (including resource needs eg: library)	Academic Senate and its committees		HESF 4.2 Research Training				



		Provost & DVC-A			
5.2 Charles Sturt students have equity of academic opportunity regardless of place of study or mode of delivery	Student performance reporting	Executive Director, Student Experience and Engagement			
5.3 Charles Sturt students have the opportunity to engage with the university, community and industry throughout their study	Course and Subject Design (including Curriculum Model)	DVC-R	QILT scores (including Graduate employments rates)	HESF 1.3 Orientation and Progression, HESF 1.4: Learning outcomes and Assessments, HESF 2.1 Facilities and Infrastructure, HESF 3.1: Course Design, HESF 5.4: Delivery with other parties ESOS Standard 3.3.1 Formalisation of enrolment and written agreement ESOS Standard 6.1, 6.3 Overseas student support services	Assessment Policy
	Professional experience and work integrated learning	Provost & DVC-A		ESOS Standard 11.2.3 Additional registration requirements	Assessment - Academic Progress Procedure
	Internal and External Student feedback surveys	Executive Deans PVC (L&T) Director of External Engagement Associate Deans (Academic)			Academic Staff Qualifications and Expectations Procedure Course and Subject Policy Course and Subject Policy Space Management Policy
5.4 Charles Sturt staff are accessible to students	Course and Subject Design (including Curriculum Model)				



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6. Academic Quality	6. Academic Quality Assurance								
6.1 Charles Sturt courses are regularly reviewed against regulatory, academic discipline,	Course and Subject Quality assurance and review (including CCR & ACHC)	Academic Senate and its committees	Professional accreditation outcomes	HESF 1.4 Learning Outcome and Assessment	Course and Subject Policy				
and industry standards, as well as student experience of courses		Provost & DVC-A	Reputation with industry and the professions	HESF 5.1 Course Approval and Accreditation	Assessment Policy				
	Student performance reporting	Executive Deans, Associate Deans (Academic)	QILT outcomes	HESF 5.3 Monitoring, Review and Improvement	Course and Subject Quality Assurance and Review Procedure				
	External advisory committees and industry co-creation				Course and Subject Quality Assurance and Review Procedure				
6.2 Charles Sturt student outcomes are regularly reviewed and quality is assessed against institutional benchmarks with the	Internal and External Student			HESF 1.3 Orientation and Progression HESF 2.2 Diversity and Equality					
results used to inform improvement	surveys			HESF 5.3 Monitoring, Review and Improvement					
	QUASAR actions			HESF 6.2 Corporate Monitoring and Accountability					
				HESF 6.3 Academic Governance					



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7. Academic Gove	ernance				
Charles Sturt academic standards is assured by Charles Sturt academic governance processes, including risk management Governanc including r	Committee structure and meetings	Council and its committees	Compliance with internal processes (elections, course accreditation, course and subject performance review)	HESF 6.1 Corporate Governance	Committee Memberships and Terms of Reference
	Governance instruments including relevant Legislation, Rules, Delegations and policies	Academic Senate and its sub committees (including faculty boards)	Compliance with external accreditation processes	HESF 6.2 Corporate Monitoring and Accountability	Policy Framework Policy
		University Secretary and Director, Governance	Compliance with internal processes for stakeholder feedback and student participation	HESF 6.3 Academic Governance	Organisational Assurance Policy
		Director, Risk and Compliance	Outcomes of external reviews		Risk Management Policy & Procedure
7.2 Charles Sturt students have the opportunity to participate in the academic governance of Charles Sturt	Induction/ Education Programs	Executive Director of Student Success DVC-R, Provost and DVC-A		HESF 6.3 Academic Governance	Committee Memberships and Terms of Reference
	Charles Sturt Risk Management Policy and Procedures	Director, Risk and Compliance		HESF 5.2 Academic and Research Integrity	Organisational Assurance Policy
7.3 Charles Sturt		PVC International		ESOS Standard 11.2.5 Additional registration requirements	Course and Subject Policy
academic standards apply to activities undertaken with other parties.	Faculty and Divisional risk assurance plans	Executive Deans, and institute and centre directors		HESF 5.4 Delivery with Other Parties	Assessment Policy
		Chief Development Officer, Global		HESF 6.1 Corporate Governance	Assessment - Academic Progress Procedure
					Academic Integrity Policy
					Research Policy



					Risk Management Policy
7.4 Charles Sturt staff, students and researchers appropriately protect Charles Sturt intellectual property	Research Management	Academic Senate and its sub committees	Compliance with internal policy on intellectual property	HESF 4.1 Research	Research Policy
		Provost & DVC-A	Compliance with Charles Sturt Principles of Academic Freedom and Freedom of Speech	HESF 5.2 Academic and Research Integrity	Academic Integrity Policy
7.5 Charles Sturt protects and promotes academic freedom		DVC-R			Intellectual Property Policy Statement on Academic Freedom and Freedom of Speech
7.6 Charles Sturt staff and students are expected to maintain a high level of academic and research integrity	Student education on academic and research integrity — online modules and workshops		Compliance with academic integrity policy and procedure	HESF 4.1 Research	Academic Integrity Policy
	Academic Misconduct Procedures		Misconduct reporting	HESF 5.2 Academic and Research Integrity	Research Policy
7.7 Mechanisms exist for students to make complaints or appeals on Charles Sturt academic matters.	Appeals and complaints policies and procedures	ТВА	Compliance with internal processes for student complaints and appeals	HESF 2.4 Student Grievances and Complaints ESOS Standard 10 Complaints and appeals	University Student Appeals Policy and Procedure
			Time to resolution for formal complaints and appeals	HESF 6.3 Academic Governance	Assessment - Academic Progress Procedure
	Guidelines for Research Integrity Breaches			HESF 7.2 Information for Prospective and Current Students	Academic Integrity Policy



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