

# **Professional Development Centres Policy**

### **Section 1 - Purpose**

(1) This document sets out Charles Sturt University's policy on the Professional Development Centres.

### **Section 2 - Glossary**

(2) Nil.

# **Section 3 - Policy**

- (3) The Council, acting on the advice of the Vice-Chancellor, approves on an individual basis, the establishment of professional development centres.
- (4) A professional development centre that is recommended for approval must have the following characteristics:
  - a. a clearly identified industry focus and should include among its objectives the provision of continuing education of a professional kind, consultancy work, adaptive research and publication;
  - b. be managed by a board, chaired by a nominee of the Vice-Chancellor and comprising representatives of Charles Sturt University (the University) and of the industry(ies) to be served by the professional development centre;
  - c. operate independently of Faculties of the University or of any individual employers, though each professional development centre will be encouraged to form close and appropriate relationships with the Faculties or Divisions of the University as well as with the principal employer groups;
  - d. the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Learning and Student Support) or nominee be an ex-officio member of the board of the professional development centre and the Continuing Professional Education Centre be responsible for the marketing of the services to be provided by the professional development centre and for its financial management;
  - e. the board, with the concurrence of the Vice-Chancellor, shall appoint a director for a fixed-term, to be responsible to the board for the professional leadership and development of the professional development centre. That officer shall be ex-officio a member of one or more Faculties of the University as determined by the Vice-Chancellor; and
  - f. be established for three years in the first instance with objectives, a management structure (including provision for a board and a director) and funding arrangements approved of by the Vice-Chancellor in accordance with the existing policies of the University.

### **Section 4 - Procedures**

(5) Nil.

# **Section 5 - Guidelines** (6) Nil.

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