

Schedule 2: Higher degree research delegations

General conditions of exercising these delegations

Delegates must comply with requirements for exercising all delegations stated in the Delegations Procedure above.

Related delegations

For delegations that apply to all students (including HDR candidates) in relation to medical leave, withdrawing access to university premises or ICT systems, and scholarships and prizes, see [schedule 1: Academic and student administration delegations](#).

For the delegation to decide the outcome of internal review of the investigation of a complaint, see delegation 10.30 in [schedule 10: Administrative, legal and general delegations](#).

No.	Delegation	Delegate	Conditions of exercise	Relevant legislation, policy documents
2.1	Approve admission of a person to a HDR program.	Dean of Graduate Research Deputy Dean of Graduate Research Director Graduate Research Manager Admissions and Scholarships Graduate Research School	The Dean of Graduate Research will establish processes for escalation of admission decisions to the more senior delegates as needed.	Admission to Higher Degree Research Programs Procedure
2.2	Approve a HDR candidate's request to defer their initial enrolment to a later teaching period.	Dean of Graduate Research Deputy Dean of Graduate Research Director Graduate Research Manager Admissions and Scholarships Graduate Research School	The Dean of Graduate Research will establish processes for escalation of deferment decisions to the more senior delegates as needed.	Admission to Higher Degree Research Programs Procedure
2.3	Approve the topic of a HDR candidate's research.	Dean of Graduate Research		Admission to Higher Degree Research Programs Procedure
2.4	Appoint supervisors and decide supervision arrangements for a HDR candidate.	Dean of Graduate Research		Higher Degree Research Supervision Procedure
2.5	Approve a change to a HDR candidate's enrolment.	Dean of Graduate Research		Variation of Candidature Procedure
2.6	Approve leave of absence for a HDR candidate other than standard recreation leave, sick leave or medical leave.	Dean of Graduate Research		Variation of Candidature Procedure
2.7	Permit a HDR candidate to undertake a period of fieldwork away from the University.	Dean of Graduate Research Deputy Dean of Graduate Research Director Graduate Research Manager Candidature, Graduate Research School	The Dean of Graduate Research will establish processes for escalation of fieldwork approval decisions to the more senior delegates as needed.	Variation of Candidature Procedure
2.8	Decide whether a HDR candidate's progress is satisfactory.	Dean of Graduate Research		Research Progress Review and Confirmation of Candidature Procedure

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2.9	Approve a HDR candidate's transfer to a different HDR program.	Dean of Graduate Research		Research Progress Review and Confirmation of Candidature Procedure
2.10	Discontinue a HDR candidate's candidature for unsatisfactory progress or where the candidate has failed to re-enrol or is absent without approved leave.	Dean of Graduate Research		Research Progress Review and Confirmation of Candidature Procedure
2.11	<p>Make a determination of breaches of the Code of Conduct & Values, apply penalties^ to a HDR candidate for breaches of the Code of Conduct and Values, set conditions a HDR candidate must meet where it is found that they have breaches the Code of Conduct and Values, and/or apply penalties where a HDR candidate has failed to meet such a condition where the breach is a:</p> <p>a. minor breach b. serious breach.</p> <p>^ Other than:</p> <p>i. revoking the award of a degree – delegation 1.21 authorises delegates to make that decision. ii. suspending or excluding a research student for serious breach or misconduct – delegation 1.28 authorises delegates to make that decision</p>	<p>a. DVC Research and Enterprise Pro-Vice-Chancellor Research Training Pro-Vice-Chancellor Research Pro-Vice-Chancellor Research Infrastructure Dean of Graduate Research Director Conduct and Integrity Director, Research Ethics & Compliance Deputy Director Conduct and Integrity Manager Research Integrity Senior Case Manager in Conduct and Integrity Case Manager in Conduct and Integrity</p> <p>b. DVC Research and Enterprise Director Conduct and Integrity Deputy Director Conduct and Integrity</p>	The delegates will exercise this delegation in accordance with processes for escalation of decisions to apply certain penalties that the Director Conduct and Integrity maintains	
2.12	Decide whether a HDR candidate has satisfied the requirements to be awarded a degree.	<p>a. Dean of Graduate Research</p> <p>b. Manager Candidature, Graduate Research School</p>	<p>a. Where not all examiners' recommendations are "a) Award".</p> <p>b. Where all examiners' recommendations are "a) Award".</p>	Conditions for Award of Doctor of Philosophy Policy Conditions for Award of Master of Philosophy Policy Conditions for Award of Master by Research Policy Conditions for Award of Professional Doctorates Policy
2.13	Approve an embargo on a thesis of more than two years.	Dean of Graduate Research		Thesis Examination Procedure

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2.14	Decide to enter an agreement with another educational institution for the purpose of establishing a joint PhD program.	Dean of Graduate Research	The delegate must ensure the requirements of clause 1.18 of the Delegations Procedure are satisfied prior to the exercise of this delegation.	