

1. Eligibility and selection

Applicants for Higher Degree programs must meet all eligibility requirements prior to being considered for selection. Successful completion of a Higher Degree Research program depends on a range of factors: a candidate's prior academic performance and research capability, the suitability of the research environment for the proposed research and a high-quality supervision team. Selection of candidates for admission to Higher Degree Research (HDR) programs will be based on the assessment of these factors and:

- meeting the eligibility criteria plus any additional requirements specified by the Faculty Higher Degree Committee (HDC), and •

1.2.4 Master of Philosophy

The minimum academic requirement for admission to the Master of Philosophy is one of the following:

- a. an appropriate Bachelor degree in the relevant discipline from the University of New South Wales; or
- b. a qualification from a tertiary institution at a level considered to be equivalent by the Faculty HDC to 1.2.4 (a). MCID 11 Bdf Tfo1.1 (.0012.3 (l)0 T)-11. 06g x1 10 (___ (al)-8.9 (i)3.1 (f)w 1.12 29)TjEMC

should provide a statutory declaration stating the qualification(s) and their inability to obtain documentation, for review by the Dean of Graduate Research.

2.1.2 Working away from the University

- a. Enrolled candidates are expected to undertake their research at a UNSW affiliated location such as a UNSW campus, teaching hospital, or other research facility of the University.
- b. Candidates must meet the minimum residency requirement of twelve months (full-time equivalent) at a UNSW affiliated institution to ensure they have access to the support, infrastructure, and experience to successfully complete their HDR program. Once enrolled, any requests to work away from a UNSW affiliated location are managed per the Variation to Candidature Procedure.
- c. If the research will require the candidate to spend time away from the University from the beginning of the program, approval must be sought from the Dean of Graduate Research prior to admission.
- d. Information must be provided by the applicant, the supervisor and the School outlining the arrangements for the following:
 - induction into research at UNSW (including the HDR Welcome and Orientation);
 - confirmation of candidature (PhD candidates only);
 - Research Progress Reviews;
 - UNSW supervision arrangements including how contact will be maintained;
 - confirmation of supervision arrangements where the candidate will be working externally;
 - provision of research resources; and
 - a plan for undertaking any compulsory coursework.

2.2 Suspension and/or exclusion

Applicants with a current or prior record of suspension or exclusion from UNSW or another higher education provider must disclose this at the time of application. Applicants who have been suspended or excluded from UNSW or another higher education provider are not permitted to commence study while the suspension or equivalent action remains in force.

2.3 Transferring from another Higher Education Provider

A transfer of candidature means the research conducted in an HDR program from another institution will be used towards a HDR program at UNSW. An applicant enrolled in an HDR program at another higher education provider who wishes to transfer to UNSW must submit an application, meet eligibility and selection criteria, and provide additional documentation about their current or most recent HDR enrolment.

2.3.1 Documentation

Candidates must provide at a minimum (but not limited to):

- a. documentation of the period of full-

Appendix A: Honours 2/1 equivalence

Qualification	Description of equivalence
Honours 2/1 Australian Qualification	3 year Bachelor degree from an Australian University followed by a discrete Honours year including an appropriate research component with an Honours 2/1 result.
	4 year (or more) Bachelor degree from an Australian University incorporating an Honours qualification including an appropriate research component with an Honours 2/1 result.

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Accountabilities	
Responsible Officer	Dean of Graduate Research
Contact Officer	Director, Graduate Research School
Supporting Information	

Legislative Compliance

This Procedure supports the University's compliance with the following legislation:

[Higher Education Support Act 2003](#) (Cth)

[Education Services for Overseas Students \(ESOS\) Act 2000](#) (Cth)

[Higher Education Standards Framework \(Threshold Standards\) 2015](#) (Cth)

[Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998](#) (NSW)

[National Code of Practice for Providers of Education and Training to Overseas Students 2018](#) (Cth)

[Disability Discrimination Act 1992](#) (Cth)

[Disability Standards for Education](#) (2005)

Revision History				
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2.2	President and Vice-Chancellor	5 November 2018	1 January 2019	Minor amendment to accommodate 3+ academic calendar

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