



Student Assistance (Education Institutions and Courses) Determination 2008 (No. 1)

Student Assistance Act 1973

I, JULIA EILEEN GILLARD, Minister for Education, acting under subsections 3 (1) and 5D (1) of the *Student Assistance Act 1973*, make this Determination.

Dated 30 October 2008

JULIA EILEEN GILLARD
Minister for Education

1 Name of Determination

This Determination is the *Student Assistance (Education Institutions and Courses) Determination 2008 (No. 1)*.

2 Commencement

This Determination commences on the day after it is registered.

3 Revocation

Determination No. 2007/1 – Determination of Education Institutions and Courses under subsections 3(1) and 5D(1) of the Student Assistance Act 1973 is revoked.

Definitions

In this Determination:

accredited higher education course means a course that is:

- (a) accredited as a higher education course by an authority responsible for the accreditation of higher education courses in a State or Territory; or
- (b) if a higher education institution is authorised by a law of the Commonwealth or a law of the State or Territory in which the institution is located to accredit its own higher education courses — a course conducted and accredited as a higher education course by that institution.

accredited secondary course means a course accredited as a secondary course by the State or Territory authority responsible for the accreditation of secondary courses in the State or Territory in which the course is conducted.

accredited vocational education and training course means a course accredited as a vocational education and training course by:

- (a) the authority responsible for the accreditation of vocational education and training courses in the State or Territory in which the course is conducted; or
- (b) if the State or Territory in which the course is conducted recognises the accreditation of vocational education and training courses in another State or Territory — the authority responsible for the accreditation of vocational education and training courses in that other State or Territory.

Act means the *Student Assistance Act 1973*.

AQF means the Australian Qualifications Framework guidelines.

AQTF means the Australian Quality Training Framework.

Australian Apprenticeships Access Programme means the program of that name funded by the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

bridging study for overseas-trained professionals means the occupation-related subjects, course, tuition or training program that:

- (a) is necessary for an overseas-trained professional to complete in order to meet the requirements for entry into their profession in Australia; and
- (b) is provided by an educational institution that has been approved as a higher education provider under the *Higher Education Support Act 2003*.

course of combined studies means a vocational education and training course that:

- (a) consists of modules from two or more separate vocational education and training programs; and
- (b) leads to an award of an AQF qualification or a Statement of Attainment.

endorsed training package means a training package listed on the National Training Information Service website of the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

Note The website is www.ntis.gov.au.

ESL course means a course of instruction in English as a second language.

integrated undergraduate or postgraduate course means a course leading to a Masters degree accreditation where:

- (a) an accredited tertiary qualification other than a Masters degree or PhD must be an available outcome for students undertaking the course; and
- (b) the course is not described as a Masters course but it may be converted into a Masters course.

Masters qualifying course means a bridging course that gives participants the qualifications necessary for entry into a Masters degree course, but does not include any course which forms part of a Masters degree course.

Open Learning means a program of assessment based on study provided through Open Universities Australia Pty Ltd (ACN 053 431 888) trading as Open Universities Australia.

preparatory course means:

- (a) an accredited vocational education and training course that provides remedial education or involves preparatory activities to enable participation in subsequent education or social settings, and is of a type that aims to achieve basic skills and standards or to prepare students for further education; or
- (b) a course offered by a higher education institution that is designed to assist people to gain entry to higher education level courses (including enabling and bridging courses).

pre-vocational course means a course designed to assist people to gain entry to a specific related accredited vocational education and training program or an Australian Apprenticeship, and includes an Australian Apprenticeships Access Programme.

registered training organisation means an organisation that is registered by the relevant State or Territory training recognition authority in accordance with the Australian Quality Training Framework to provide one or more vocational education and training programs.

special school means an institution located in Australia that is conducted primarily for students with a disability and is:

- (a) a government school; or
- (b) a non-government institution that is recognised as a school under the law of a State or Territory in which the institution is located.

vocational education and training program means:

- (a) an accredited vocational education and training course; or
- (b) a sequence of training consisting of one or more subjects or modules where each subject or module is from an accredited vocational education and training course; or
- (c) a structured approach to the development and attainment of competencies for a particular AQF qualification specified in an endorsed training package.

5 Higher education institutions

For the definition of *higher education institution* in subsection 3 (1) of the Act, the following are to be regarded as higher education institutions for the purposes of the Act:

- (a) an institution that is established by a law of the Commonwealth, a State or a Territory as a higher education institution;
- (b) an institution registered by the relevant State or Territory higher education recognition authority as a higher education institution.

6 Secondary schools

For the definition of *secondary school* in subsection 3 (1) of the Act, the following are to be regarded as secondary schools for the purposes of the Act:

- (a) an institution located in Australia that is a government secondary school;
- (b) an institution located in Australia that is recognised as a secondary school under the law of the State or Territory in which the institution is located.

7 Technical and further education institutions

For the definition of *technical and further education institution* in subsection 3 (1) of the Act, registered training organisations are to be regarded as technical and further education institutions for the purposes of the Act.

8 Other education institutions

For paragraph (d) of the definition of *education institution* in subsection 3 (1) of the Act, special schools are to be regarded as education institutions for the purposes of the Act.

9 Secondary courses

For paragraph 5D (1) (a) of the Act, a secondary course is a course:

- (a) specified in Column 1 of the table in Schedule 1 to this instrument that is provided by an education institution specified for that course in Column 2 of that table; or
- (b) provided by a secondary school, a registered training organisation or a higher education institution that leads to an accredited secondary course qualification involving:
 - (i) accredited secondary course subjects; and
 - (ii) accredited vocational education and training course subjects.

10 Tertiary courses

- (1) For paragraph 5D (1) (a) of the Act, a tertiary course is a course specified in Column 1 of the table in Schedule 2 to this instrument that is provided by an education institution specified for that course in Column 2 of that table.

- (2) However, a course accredited at Masters or Doctorate level offered by a higher education institution, whether it forms a part or the whole of an integrated undergraduate or postgraduate course, is not a tertiary course unless the course is specified in Schedule 3.

Schedule 1 Secondary courses

(section 9)

Column 1 – Course	Column 2 – Education institution
Accredited secondary course	Secondary school Registered training organisation Higher education institution Special school
ESL Course	Secondary school Special school
Preparatory course	Secondary school Registered training organisation Higher education institution Special school
School-based apprenticeship or traineeship	Secondary school
International Baccalaureate	Secondary school

Schedule 2 Tertiary courses

(section 10)

Column 1 – Course	Column 2 – Education institution
Pre-vocational course	Registered training organisation
ESL course	Registered training organisation Higher education institution Any other body approved by the relevant State or Territory to conduct the course
A vocational education and training program that is not a secondary course specified in Schedule 1	Higher education institution Registered training organisation
Course of combined studies	Registered training organisation
Undergraduate or postgraduate accredited higher education course which is at the level of:	Higher education institution Registered training organisation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) associate degree; (b) associate diploma; (c) diploma; (d) advanced diploma; (e) Bachelor degree; (f) bridging study for overseas-trained professionals; (g) graduate entry Bachelor degree; (h) graduate certificate; (i) graduate diploma; (j) Masters qualifying course; or (k) a course that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) leads to two of the above qualifications; and (ii) is identified as a combined course in the institution's handbooks; and (iii) is not a secondary course specified in Schedule 1; and (iv) is not a course accredited at Masters or Doctorate level (other than a course specified in Schedule 3). 	
Open Learning	Higher education institution participating in the Open Learning program Registered training organisation participating in the Open Learning program
Integrated undergraduate/postgraduate course	Higher education institution

Column 1 – Course**Column 2 – Education institution**

A course consisting of concurrent study in an accredited higher education course and a vocational education and training program that:

- (a) leads to the award of a separate qualification at each institution; and
 - (b) is classified in each institution's handbook as a combined course.
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Higher education institution

Registered training organisation

Schedule 3 **Approved tertiary courses at Masters level**

(subsection 10 (2))

Higher education institution	Name of course	
Australian Catholic University	Master of Business Administration (Accounting)	
	Master of Psychology	
	Master of Teaching (Primary)	
Australian College of Theology Council Limited	Master of Divinity	
Australian National University	Juris Doctor	
	Master of Actuarial Studies	
	Master of Applied Statistics	
	Master of Clinical Psychology	
	Master of Forestry	
	Master of Professional Accounting	
	Master of Business Information Systems	
	Master of Information Technology Studies	
	Master of Environmental Management and Development	
	Bond University	Juris Doctor
		Master of Accounting
Master of Property Valuation		
Master of Psychology (Clinical)		
Master of Psychology (Forensic)		
Master of Urban Development & Sustainability (Construction & Quantity Surveying)		
Master of Information Technology (Professional)		
Master of Information Technology		
Cairnmillar Institute School of Counselling & Psychotherapy	Master of Psychotherapy	
Central Queensland University	Master of Information Systems	
	Master of Information Technology	
	Master of Professional Accounting (CG27)	
	Master of Professional Accounting (CG28)	

Higher education institution	Name of course
Charles Darwin University	Master of Accounting
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Professional Accounting/Master of Business Administration
Charles Sturt University	Master of Applied Science (Library and Information Management)
	Master of Applied Science (Teacher Librarianship)
	Master of Arts (Journalism)
	Master of Education (Teacher Librarianship)
	Master of Environmental Management
	Master of Psychology
	Master of Social Work
	Master of Teaching (Primary)
Master of Exercise Science (Rehabilitation)	
Curtin University of Technology	Master of Accounting
	Master of Architecture
	Master of Engineering Science and Renewable Energy Electrical Power Systems
	Master of Engineering Science in Electrical Utility Engineering
	Master of Environmental Health
	Master of Financial Planning
	Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner)
	Master of Nursing Practice
	Master of Occupational Therapy
	Master of Physiotherapy
	Master of Psychology
	Master of Public Relations
	Master of Urban and Regional Planning
	Master of Medical Imaging Science
Master of Medical Sonography	
Master of Petroleum Engineering	
Deakin University	Master of Architecture
	Master of Architecture (Design)
	Master of Dietetics

Higher education institution	Name of course
	Master of Education (Special Education Needs)
	Master of Psychology (Clinical)
	Master of Psychology (Industrial and Organisational)
	Master of Nursing Practice (Nurse Practitioner)
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Commerce
	Master of Professional Accounting/Master of Commerce
Edith Cowan University	Master of Psychology
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Management Information Systems
	Master of Professional Finance and Banking
Flinders University of South Australia	Master of Audiology
	Master of Information Technology (Computing)
	Master of Nutrition and Dietetics
	Master of Psychology (Clinical)
	Master of Social Work
	Master of Speech Pathology
	Master of Accounting
	Master of Archaeology
	Master of Cultural Heritage Management
	Master of Nursing (Nursing Practitioner)
	Master of Teaching (Early Childhood)
	Master of Teaching (Junior Primary/Primary)
	Master of Teaching (Secondary)
	Master of Teaching (Special Education)
	Master of Theological Studies
Griffith University	Master of Adult and Vocational Education
	Master of Clinical Psychology
	Master of Commerce (Financial Planning)
	Master of Commerce (Professional Accounting)
	Master of Dental Technology in Prosthetics
	Master of Human Services (Childhood Studies)
	Master of Human Services (Orientation & Mobility)

Higher education institution	Name of course
	Master of Human Services (Rehabilitation Counselling)
	Master of Midwifery
	Master of Nutrition & Dietetics
	Master of Organisational Psychology
	Master of Pharmacy
	Master of Physiotherapy
	Master of Science in Genetic Counselling
	Master of Social Work, Logan Campus
	Master of Special Education
	Master of Urban and Environmental Planning
	Master of Advanced Practice (Mental Health Nursing)
	Master of Social Work, Gold Coast Campus
	Master of Social Work, Open Universities Australia
James Cook University	Master of Guidance and Counselling
	Master of Psychology (Clinical)
	Master of Psychology (Forensic)
	Master of Professional Accounting
La Trobe University	Master of Art Therapy
	Master of Child, Family and Community Nursing Science
	Master of Clinical Neuropsychology
	Master of Clinical Psychology
	Master of Counselling Psychology
	Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner)
	Master of Nursing Science in Child, Family and Community
	Master of Occupational Therapy Practice
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Public Health
	Master of Special Education
	Master of Speech Pathology
	Master of Information Technology (Computer Networks)
	Master of Information Technology

Higher education institution	Name of course
	Master of Teaching English as a Second or Other Language (TESOL)
	Master of Biomedical Engineering
Macquarie University	Master of Actuarial Practice
	Master of Chiropractic
	Master of Clinical Audiology
	Master of Clinical Neuropsychology
	Master of Clinical Psychology
	Master of Environmental Planning
	Master of Organisational Psychology
	Master of Podiatry
	Master of Speech and Language Pathology
	Master of Surgery
	Master of Teaching (Birth to Five Years)
Melbourne College of Divinity	Master of Divinity
	Master of Theological Studies
Melbourne Institute of Technology	Master of Professional Accounting
Monash University	Master of Applied Information Technology
	Master of Business Systems (2398)
	Master of Business Systems (2400)
	Master of Information Management and Systems
	Master of Laws (Juris Doctor)
	Master of Laws (Legal Practice Skills and Ethics)
	Master of Organisational Psychology
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Psychology (Counselling)
	Master of Psychology (Educational and Developmental)
	Master of Business Information Systems
Murdoch University	Master of Applied Psychology (Clinical)
	Master of Applied Psychology (Organisational)
	Master of Pharmacy
	Master of Professional Accounting
Queensland University of Technology	Master of Applied Science (Medical Physics)
	Master of Architecture

Higher education institution	Name of course
	Master of Business (Professional Accounting)
	Master of Business (Professional Accounting) Advanced
	Master of Information Management
	Master of Psychology (Educational and Developmental)
	Master of Clinical Psychology
	Master of Learning and Innovation (Teacher-Librarianship)
RMIT University	Juris Doctor
	Master of Architecture
	Master of Clinical Chiropractic
	Master of Osteopathy
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Psychology
	Master of Social Work
	Master of Landscape Architecture
	Master of Social Science (Environment and Planning)
	Master of Business (Logistics Management)
	Master of Applied Science (Acupuncture)
Southern Cross University	Master of Forest Management
	Master of Midwifery
	Master of Osteopathy
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Mental Health
Swinburne University of Technology	Master of Accounting
	Master of Technology (Information Technology)
University of Adelaide	Master of Architecture
	Master of Commerce (Accounting)
	Master of Information Technology
	Master of Landscape Architecture
	Master of Occupational Health and Safety
	Master of Psychology (Clinical)
	Master of Psychology (Health)
	Master of Psychology (Organisational and Human

Higher education institution	Name of course
University of Ballarat	Factors)
	Master of Arts (Curatorial and Museum Studies)
	Master of Arts (Studies in Art History)
	Master of Business Information Systems
	Master of Commerce (Professional Accounting)
	Master of Engineering Technology
	Master of Information Systems
	Master of Information Systems (e-Commerce Security)
	Master of Information Technology
	Master of Information Technology Studies
University of Canberra	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Psychology
	Juris Doctor
	Master of Architecture
	Master of Clinical Psychology
	Master of Landscape Architecture
	Master of Nutrition and Dietetics
	Master of Pharmacy
	Master of Physiotherapy
	Master of Exercise Science
University of Melbourne	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Business Informatics
	Juris Doctor
	Master of Applied Commerce (Accounting)
	Master of Architecture
	Master of Arts (Cultural Material Conservation)/Master of Cultural Material Conservation
	Master of Clinical Audiology
	Master of Construction Management
	Master of Food Science
	Master of Forest Ecosystem Science
Master of Genetic Counselling	
Master of Landscape Architecture	

Higher education institution	Name of course
	Master of Music Therapy (by course-work)
	Master of Nursing Science
	Master of Property
	Master of Psychology
	Master of Social Work
	Master of Teaching
	Master of Urban Horticulture
	Master of Urban Planning
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Management (Accounting)
	Master of Educational Psychology
	Master of Education (Special Education, Inclusion and Early Intervention)
	Master of Education (Language Intervention and Hearing Impairment)
	Master of Education (Specific Learning Difficulties)
	Master of Public Health
	Master of Science (Biotechnology)
	Master of Science (Environmental Science)
	Master of Science (Management Science)
	Master of Science (Nanotechnology)
	Master of Information Systems
University of New England	Juris Doctor
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Psychology (Clinical)
	Master of Special Education
University of New South Wales	Master of Actuarial Studies
	Master of Architecture
	Master of Arts in Interpreting and Translation Studies (MAITS)/ Master of Arts in Chinese-English Translating and Interpreting
	Master of Biomedical Engineering
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Psychology (Clinical)
	Master of Psychology (Forensic)

Higher education institution	Name of course
University of Newcastle	Master of Psychology (Organisational)
	Master of Architecture
	Master of Clinical Psychology
	Master of Pharmacy
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Special Education
	Master of Teaching (Primary)
University of Notre Dame	Master of Teaching (Secondary)
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Teaching (K-7), Broome Campus
University of Queensland	Master of Teaching Conversion (K-7), Broome Campus
	Juris Doctor
	Master of Applied Science – Clinical Exercise Science
	Master of Architecture
	Master of Arts in Chinese Translation and Interpreting
	Master of Audiology Studies
	Master of Clinical Psychology
	Master of Commerce - Professional Accounting
	Master of Counselling
	Master of Educational Studies (Guidance and Counselling)
	Master of Exercise Science
	Master of International Public Health (#16)
	Master of International Public Health (#24)
	Master of Japanese Interpreting and Translation
	Master of Music Therapy
	Master of Occupational Therapy Studies
	Master of Organisational Psychology
	Master of Physiotherapy Studies
	Master of Public Health #16
	Master of Public Health #24
Master of Speech Pathology Studies	
Master of Sport and Exercise Psychology	
Master of Urban and Regional Planning	

Higher education institution	Name of course
University of South Australia	Master of Applied Psychology
	Master of Social Work Studies
	Master of Nursing
	Master of Architecture
	Master of Occupational Therapy (Graduate Entry)
	Master of Pharmacy (Graduate Entry)
	Master of Physiotherapy (Graduate Entry)
	Master of Psychology (Clinical)
	Master of Psychology (Forensic)
	Master of Psychology (Work and Organisational)
University of Southern Queensland	Master of Business (Professional Accounting)
	Master of Education (Guidance and Counselling)
	Master of Engineering Practice
	Master of Informational Technology (Professional) (MITP)
	Master of Informational Technology (Professional) (MT16)
	Master of Professional Accounting (MP12)
	Master of Professional Accounting (MP16)
	Master of Psychology (Clinical)
	Master of Business (Personal Financial Planning)
	Master of Business (Applied Finance)
University of Sydney	Master of Architecture
	Master of Dental Science (Oral Medicine and Oral Pathology)
	Master of Dental Science (Orthodontics)
	Master of Dental Science (Paediatric Dentistry)
	Master of Dental Science (Periodontics)
	Master of Dental Science (Prosthodontics)
	Master of Diagnostic Radiography
	Master of Health Informatics
	Master of Nuclear Medicine
	Master of Nursing
Master of Nursing (combined degree)	
Master of Nutrition and Dietetics	

Higher education institution	Name of course
	Master of Occupational Therapy
	Master of Orthoptics
	Master of Pharmacy
	Master of Physiotherapy
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Radiation Therapy
	Master of Rehabilitation Counselling
	Master of Speech Language Pathology
	Master of Urban and Regional Planning
	Master of Public Health
	Master of International Public Health
	Master of Health Science (Behavioural Science)
	Master of Health Science (Child and Adolescent Health)
University of Tasmania	Master of Applied Science (Living Marine Resources)
	Master of Architecture
	Master of Architecture (Hons)
	Master of Business Administration (Professional Accounting)
	Master of Counselling
	Master of Economic Geology
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Professional Accounting (Specialisation)
	Master of Psychology (Clinical)
	Master of Antarctic Science
	Master of Forestry
	Master of Rehabilitation Counselling
University of Technology, Sydney	Juris Doctor
	Master of Architecture
	Master of Arts in Music Therapy
	Master of Industrial Property
	Master of Planning
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Science in Internetworking (MIT)
	Master of Arts in Teaching English to Speakers of

Higher education institution	Name of course
	Other Languages (TESOL)
	Master of Information Technology (MIT)
University of the Sunshine Coast	Master of Financial Planning
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Psychology (Clinical)
	Master of Midwifery
	Master of Mental Health Nursing
University of Western Australia	Master of Architecture (coursework)
	Master of Clinical Audiology
	Master of Pharmacy
	Master of Psychology (Clinical Psychology); (Educational and Developmental); (Industrial and Organisational Psychology)
	Master of Dental Science
	Master of Manual Therapy
	Master of Nursing
	Master of Social Work (By Coursework)
	Master of Teaching (Primary)
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Psychology and Graduate Diploma in Education
University of Western Sydney	Master of Accountancy
	Master of Art Therapy
	Master of Creative Music Therapy
	Master of Interpreting and Translation
	Master of Osteopathy
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Psychology (Clinical Psychology)
	Master of Psychology (Educational and Developmental)
	Master of Psychology (Forensic Psychology)
	Master of Teaching (Early Childhood)
	Master of Teaching (Primary)
	Master of Teaching (Primary) - Advanced
	Master of Teaching (Secondary)

Higher education institution	Name of course
University of Wollongong	Master of Teaching (Secondary) - Advanced
	Master of Teaching (Special Education)
	Master of Applied Finance (Banking/Investing/Managing)
	Master of Computer Studies
	Master of Finance
	Master of Medical Radiation Physics
	Master of Professional Accounting
	Master of Psychology (Clinical)
	Master of Science (Exercise Rehabilitation)
	Master of Science (Midwifery)
	Master of Science (Nutrition and Dietetics)
	Master of Science (Nutrition, Dietetics and Exercise Rehabilitation)
	Victoria University
Master of Applied Science - Clinical Exercise Practice	
Master of Applied Science – Exercise Rehabilitation	
Master of Business (Professional Accounting)	
Master of Clinical Psychology	
Master of Counselling	
Wesley Institute	Master of Health Science (Osteopathy)
	Master of Applied Psychology in Sports Psychology
	Master of Counselling
	Master of Theological Studies