Non-Award Pathways Schedule

1 Purpose

To outline the process to approve and monitor Non-Award pathway offerings.

2 Scope

This Schedule applies to the Non-Award pathways offered by the University that do not result in an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) award. For programs that result in an AQF award qualification, refer to the Program Accreditation Procedure.

3 Schedule

3.1 Design and development

All Non-Award pathway offerings:

- are planned with advice from relevant internal and external experts
- demonstrate a sound educational rationale for their content and structure
- comply with University Policies and Procedures, external standards and requirements
- draw on curriculum resources already available within the University, where applicable
- take account of current best practice in the area and are aligned to the needs of industry, community, Students and the professions
- equip Students with knowledge and skills that will be of value to the community and which promote lifelong learning.

3.2 Approval

Proposals for new, changed and discontinued Non-Award pathway offerings require the following approval process:

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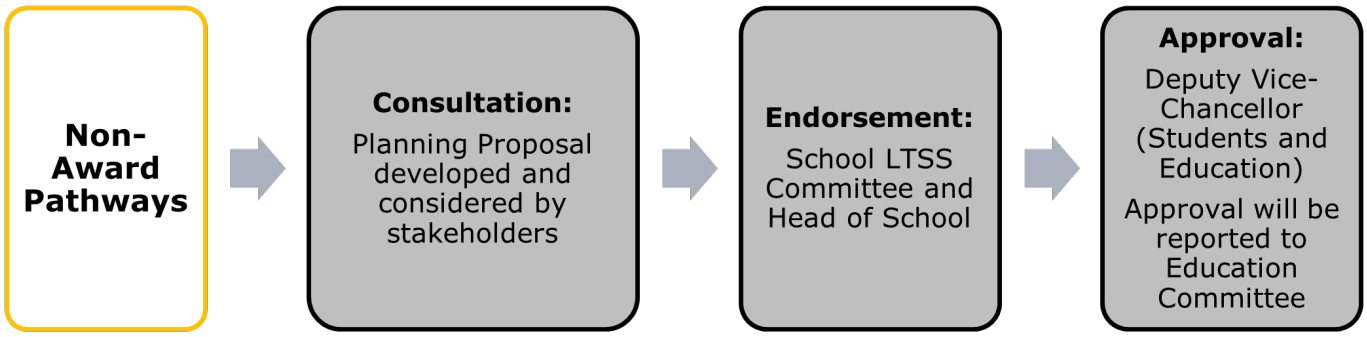

3.3 Quality Assurance and Review

The process for monitoring the quality of Non-Award pathway offerings is detailed in the Coursework Program Quality Assurance and Review Procedure.

4 References

Nil.

5 Schedule Information

Accountable Officer	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Students and Education)
Responsible Officer	Dean (Curriculum and Quality)
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Relevant Legislation	Higher Education Standards Framework (Threshold Standards) 2021
Policy Exceptions	Policy Exceptions Register
Related Policies	Admissions, Enrolment and Graduations Policy
Related Procedures	Program Accreditation Procedure
Related forms, publications and websites	
Definitions	**Terms defined in the Definitions Dictionary**

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	Award The qualification conferred upon a Student following the successful completion of an Academic Program. The categories of Award are listed in the Program Nomenclature Schedule . Award Program A sequence of study which leads to an academic qualification granted by the University and conferred by Council. Non-Award Program A sequence of study which does not lead to an Award. Policy A high level strategic directive that establishes a principle based approach on a subject. Policy is operationalised through Procedures that give instructions and set out processes to implement a Policy. Procedure An operational instruction that sets out the process to operationalise a Policy. Student A person who is enrolled in a UniSQ Upskill Course or who is admitted to an Award Program or Non-Award Program offered by the University and is: currently enrolled in one or more Courses or study units; or not currently enrolled but is on an approved Leave of Absence or whose admission has not been cancelled. University The term 'University' or 'UniSQ' means the University of Southern Queensland.
	Definitions that relate to this schedule only
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