

# **Awards Regulations - Victoria University Extra Transcript Procedure**

# **Section 1 - Summary**

(1) This Procedure provides the criteria and processes for approving and issuing Victoria University (VU) Extra Transcripts to eligible students.

# **Section 2 - Accountability**

Accountable / Responsible Officer	Role
Accountable Officer	Vice President, Students, Infrastructure and Digital Technologies
Responsible Officer	Director, Student Administration

# **Section 3 - Scope**

(2) All students.

## **Section 4 - Definitions**

- (3) VU Extra Transcript
- (4) Program Sponsor The manager or business owner of a program approved for inclusion by the VU Extra Committee.

# **Section 5 - Policy**

(5) Refer to Awards Regulations 2017.

## **Section 6 - Procedures**

### Part A - Program Eligibility

- (6) The VU Extra Committee will determine if programs meet the criteria for inclusion on the VU Extra Transcript according to the following criteria:
  - a. Programs must require a significant level of involvement by students (usually a minimum of 20 hours);

- b. Programs must assist students in developing skills associated with VU's graduate capabilities, such as:
  - i. Effective communication,
  - ii. Responsible and ethical citizenship,
  - iii. Intercultural-understanding and;
  - iv. Creative life-long learning.
- c. Programs will ideally be those which prepare students for employment or other entrepreneurial endeavours;
- d. A student's attendance/participation must be recorded and verifiable by the Program Sponsor;
- (7) Activities which form part of the student's course requirements or contribute to formal assessment must not be included.
- (8) Only University programs and TNE partner programs meeting the criteria and approved by the VU Extra Committee can be included on the VU Extra Transcript.
- (9) VU Extra Transcripts will include information about participation in programs from July 2017 onwards and are not retrospective.
- (10) Program sponsors wishing to be considered for inclusion on the VU Extra Transcript must provide all information required by the Committee using the official nomination form. Nominations must be received by the specified deadline.
- (11) The VU Extra Committee will set the meeting frequency.

#### Part B - Content of VU Extra Transcript

- (12) The VU Extra Transcript provides evidence of involvement in approved extra-curricular programs contributing to University life, the personal and professional development of the student and attaining the VU Graduate Capabilities.
- (13) The VU Extra Transcript differs from the Academic Transcript, which contains results and marks achieved in the student's unit of study, and the Australian Higher Education Graduation Statement (AHEGS), which contains information about the student's academic results, the course, the institution and the Australian higher education sector.
- (14) Eligible programs will only appear on an individual student's VU Transcript if the Program Sponsor confirms to Student Services the student's completion of the requirements of that program.
- (15) The VU Extra Transcript design will include the following information in relation to each approved program:
  - a. Program title;
  - b. Program description;
  - c. Student's year or years of participation and/or completion.
- (16) The transcript will be printed on secure stock as approved by the Director, Student Administration. The stationery will be stored in a secure location and accessed by authorised staff only.
- (17) The design/format of the Transcript will be approved by Committee members.
- (18) The reverse side of the transcript will include any explanatory information deemed necessary by the Director, Student Administration.

#### **Part C - Provision to Students**

- (19) Eligible students will have access to an official VU Extra Transcript free of charge upon graduation.
- (20) Students may request an official VU Extra Transcript at any other time upon payment of the approved fee as deemed necessary by the VU Extra Committee.
- (21) Students can print an unofficial copy of their VU Extra Transcript at any time, free of charge.
- (22) Students with outstanding debts or other encumbrances may not receive a VU Extra Transcript.

#### **Part D - Summary of Roles and Responsibilities**

Roles	Responsibilities
Student Services (Assessments and Completions)	Generates and issues VU Extra Transcripts to eligible students.  Maintains a register of programs approved for inclusion by the VU Extra Committee.  Maintains register of VU Extra Transcripts and awarded students for audit and verification purposes.
VU Extra Committee	Assesses whether nominated programs meet the criteria for inclusion on the VU Extra Transcript.  The Committee is comprised of:  Director, Student Administration or nominee (Chair)  Director, Student Services, or nominee  Student representative, nominated by Director, Student Services  Two academic staff representatives, nominated by the Dean of Students  A representative of Victoria Polytechnic, nominated by the Dean of Students.  A representative of VU International nominated by Director, Student Services
Program Sponsor	Nominates their program for inclusion on the VU Extra Transcript, providing all required information about the program within required deadlines.  Maintains accurate records on student involvement in approved programs in a secure repository.

## **Section 7 - Guidelines**

- (23) Assessment for Learning Policy
- (24) VU Extra Transcript Nomination Form

#### **Status and Details**

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#### **Glossary Terms and Definitions**

**"VU Extra Transcript"** - A certificate issued by Victoria University (VU) which provides evidence of involvement in approved extra-curricular programs run by VU.