



## Faculty of Arts Research Committee

### **HDR Student Fee Waiver Guidelines**

In certain circumstances, the Dean may recommend to waive fees for international HDR students for a single session or for the duration of the candidature.

#### **Single session fee waiver**

A fee waiver for a single session may be approved in exceptional circumstances when illness or other hardship has prevented the student from completing the degree within normal time limits. An application should be made in writing by the student, endorsed by the principal supervisor and include medical or other documentation supporting the application. Consideration will be given to the student's progress: the application should include strong evidence that the student is nearing completion and that the thesis will be submitted in the near future. This type of waiver will normally not be granted for more than one session.

#### **Fee waiver for a full candidature**

A fee waiver for the duration of an HDR candidature will be considered in the following cases:

- When the student has been offered a postgraduate scholarship by the University of Wollongong and her/his research project is in line with a University Research Strength or Faculty Research Priority; or
- When the student will work in collaboration with academic staff in a University Research Strength or a Faculty Research Priority, or with a researcher or research group who have recently been awarded a major external research grant. In this case the application will be made by the researcher/s with whom the student will be associated, or by the proposed supervisor, and will need to offer strong evidence that the student will make a major contribution to the success of their research project.

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