Higher Degree Research (HDR) Appeals Committee
TERMS OF REFERENCE

The terms of reference are derived from the Code of Practice – Supervision and Course Rules and described in the HDR Student Academic Grievance Policy.

1. Preamble

In recognition of the diverse nature of the HDR degree and the complex relationship with supervisors and examiners of research degrees, the University has an Academic Grievance Policy specific to HDR students. The Higher Degree Research (HDR) Academic Grievance policy supports the University's aims of providing a fair, equitable and productive learning environment for all its students. The policy provides a transparent and consistent process for resolving HDR student academic grievances.

The HDR Appeals Committee considers formal appeals at Stage 4 of the HDR Student Academic Grievance Policy. The process for appeals is provided in sections 6-9 of this policy.

2. Membership

The HDR Appeals Committee shall consist of:

- the Chair of Academic Senate
- the President of the Wollongong University Postgraduate Association (WUPA) or nominee; and
- a member of the University Research Committee as nominated by the Chair of Academic Senate..

Where both genders are not represented on the Committee the Chair of Academic Senate shall appoint a member of the appropriate group to redress this situation.

No members of this committee shall be from the Faculty in which the candidate is enrolled, nor shall any person on the committee have been involved in any previous proceedings relating to the matter before the committee.

3. Terms of Reference

The HDR Appeals Committee shall follow the Stage 4 appeals process as described in the HDR Students Academic Grievance Policy.

4. HDR Student Academic Grievance Policy

The HDR Student Academic Grievance Policy can be found at:
http://www.uow.edu.au/about/policy/UOW058652.html