

Initial Issue

4.12 PROTOCOL FOR MANAGING JOINTLY BADGED AWARDS

A jointly badged award is an award offered by the University of Southern Queensland and one or more other institutions. A student graduating from a jointly badged award program graduates from each and every institution accredited to offer the award. This Protocol describes the arrangements to be followed for managing such jointly badged awards where similar arrangements are not specifically dealt with in the accreditation process and documentation, or in written understandings among the participating institutions.

1. A jointly badged award must be accredited by each and every institution offering the award according to each institutions' standard practice.
2. There will be a 'management committee' comprising at least one member of each institution.
3. For each student, there will be a 'home institution' - normally the institution initially admitting the student into the program.
4. Communication regarding the jointly badged award 'as a whole' (such as finalisation of graduation) will be managed by the home institution.
5. With respect to courses in which a student is enrolled, unless otherwise specified in the accreditation documentation, a student shall be bound by the rules and regulations of the institution offering the course .
6. A student's eligibility to be admitted to a jointly badged program must be confirmed by each and every institution offering the jointly badged award.
7. A student's eligibility to graduate must be confirmed by each and every institution offering the jointly badged award.
8. Graduating students may choose which institution's graduation ceremony they wish to attend.
9. A graduating student will be considered a graduate of USQ regardless of the institution holding the ceremony attended by the student.
10. The testamur will have the logos and seals of each and every institution offering the jointly badged award, and will be signed by an authority nominated by the Vice-Chancellor of each institution.
11. Where the courses studied at another institution are also shown on the USQ transcript, the results of failed courses will be shown as well as courses that have been passed.