

GAZETTE

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Note: The University Offices will be closed for the Easter break from Friday 15 April to Tuesday 19 April 2022. The office will reopen on Wednesday 20 April 2022.

Summary of key activities

- A.** The University's Annual Report for 2021, incorporating the audited financial statements for 2021, was approved by Council on 9 March 2022 for submission to the Parliament of Victoria. The report will be available from the University website after it has been tabled in Parliament on 3 May 2022.
- B.** Professor Albert Haddad has been appointed as Dean of Academic Programs and Professor of Higher Education. He will commence in this role on 28 March 2022.
- C.** In February, Dr Graeme Blackman AO marked 10 years as Chancellor of the University of Divinity. In honour of this occasion, Council has moved to name the St Paschal Estate boardroom the Dr Graeme L Blackman AO Room.
- D.** The University will hold a graduation ceremony at 7.30pm on Friday 25 March, at St Paul's Anglican Cathedral, Melbourne.

1. Regulations and Schedules

Regulations are available on the University website at

<http://www.divinity.edu.au/university-of-divinity/governance/the-act-and-regulations/>

- 1.1** On 18 February 2022 the Academic Board approved the following Schedules to Regulations

- 1.1.1** Schedule to *Regulation 81 Graduate Diploma in Divinity*: Section 81.1 removed to avoid confusion around entry requirements.

- 1.1.2** Schedule to *Regulation 2 Academic Board*: Section 7.1.1 amended to replace Dean of Academic Programs with Student Services Manager as the University officer on the Student Services Committee.

2. Policies and Procedures

Policies and Procedures are available on the University website at

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- 2.1** On 9 March 2022 the Council approved the following Policies and Procedures:

2.1.1 *Investment Policy*: Schedule A (Ethical Investment Statement) approved.

2.1.2 *Administrative Governance Policy*: Revised for greater clarity around policy review process.

3. Academic Appointments and Accreditations

3.1 Dr Carolyn Elizabeth Alsen has been accredited through St Athanasius College to be appointed as supervisor of higher degree by research theses.

3.2 Rev Carolyn Francis has been accredited through Whitley College to deliver the units CH3004W Baptist Identity; CH1011W/CH8011W The Story of Christianity (Part 1) and CH1012W/CH8012W The Story of Christianity (Part 2).

3.3 Mrs Susan Gesell has been accredited through Yarra Theological Union to deliver the units DD8705Y/DD8715Y Spiritual Direction Practicum I and DD8706Y/DD8716Y Spiritual Direction Practicum II.

3.4 Mr Peter Hay has been accredited through Yarra Theological Union to deliver units in Spiritual Direction (DD) at foundational level and to deliver the units DP2101Y/DS2101Y Spiritual Leaders.

3.5 Ms Katherin Papadopoulos has been accredited through St Athanasius College to deliver units in History (AH) and Church History (CH) at all levels and is classified as Lecturer Level A.

3.6 Fr Wayne Stanhope has been accredited through Yarra Theological Union to deliver the units DD8705Y/DD8715Y Spiritual Direction Practicum I and DD8706Y/DD8716Y Spiritual Direction Practicum II.

3.7 Dr Audrey Statham has been accredited through Yarra Theological Union to deliver units in Religious Education (DR) and Education Studies (DE) at all levels.

3.8 Dr Arthur Wouters has been accredited through Stirling College to deliver units in Professional Counselling (DZ) at all levels.

4. Governance and Other Appointments

4.1 Ms Maria Cassera was appointed as Governance Officer and Executive Assistant to the Chief of Staff in the University's Governance Team, commencing 22 February 2022.

4.2 Rev Dr Ross Fishburn was appointed as Deputy Chair of the Academic Board for a term of two years, commencing 19 February 2022 and concluding on 31 December 2023, in accordance with Regulation 2.3.2.

4.3 Mr Terry McCredden was reappointed as a member and as the Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee in accordance with Regulation 1, Schedule 1.1.2 and 1.2, for a term of two years, commencing 1 January 2022 and concluding 31 December 2023.

4.4 Rev Aunty Janet Turpie-Johnstone was appointed as a member of the Council in accordance with section 7 (1) (d) of the *University of Divinity Act 1910* for a term commencing 10 March 2022 and concluding 31 December 2024.

5. Other Matters

- 5.1 Ms Thara Shimoga concluded her employment as Governance Officer on 26 January 2022.
- 5.2 The next edition of the Gazette will be published within six weeks of the Academic Board meeting on 22 April 2022.