

## Doctor of Medical Leadership

### 1 Definitions

In these rules—

*dean* means the dean of the graduate school;

*associate dean (research)* means the associate dean (research) for the Faculty of Medicine and the academic staff member responsible for disciplinary endorsement and monitoring of the program;

*FTE* means full time equivalent.

### 2 Minimum requirements for consideration for entry

To be admitted as a candidate, the applicant must—

- (a) hold an approved degree in medicine; and
- (b) have completed 2 years of graduate clinical experience; and
- (c) satisfy the associate dean (research) and the dean that the applicant is qualified for admission; and
- (d) hold current registration with the Medical Board of Australia; and
- (e) hold and maintain a current clinical appointment.

### 3 Candidature, enrolment and progression

- (1) To complete the program, a candidate must complete 48 units comprising—
  - (a) RSCH8000 each research quarter; or
  - (b) RSCH8001 each research quarter.
- (2) For subrule (1) a candidate may undertake additional coursework on approval of the dean.
- (3) A candidate must complete additional concurrent leadership development requirements as approved by the dean.
- (4) Enrolment is in research quarters and commencement in a research quarter is fixed to a specific period.
- (5) Unless otherwise approved by the dean, a candidate must pursue the program without interruption from the first enrolment date to the completion of all program requirements.
- (6) A candidate may undertake the program on a full-time or part-time basis, as approved by the dean.
- (7) Progress will be monitored by the following:
  - (a) 3 months (early checkpoint with the associate dean (research) and advisors).
  - (b) the following 3 milestones: 12 months FTE (confirmation); 24 months FTE (mid-candidature review) and 32 months FTE (thesis review).
  - (c) Submission of the final written work and the ePortfolio of their leadership development should take place within 3 months of the thesis review milestone.
  - (d) The program requirements will be met by successful examination of the final written work, the ePortfolio, and an oral examination (i.e. seminar-based presentation to a review panel), due in the final research quarter of enrolment.
  - (e) The final written work can comprise a standard thesis of 40,000 words or an alternative format (e.g., a document based around one or more publications with additional background, methods and discussion).
- (8) Candidates are eligible to apply for up to two extensions of 3 months (FTE) each during the program.

#### **4 Termination of enrolment**

The dean may terminate a candidate's enrolment in accordance with PPL 4.60.11 *Higher Degree by Research Candidature*.