

Guidelines for the Interpretation of Resolutions on Selection

1.1 Standard terminology for degrees

Terms such as "undergraduate degree", "graduate diploma" etc. are interpreted in terms of current Australian usage consistent with the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF). The Selection Committee is entitled to determine whether or not other qualifications (degrees from international institutions or non-AQF-compliant Australian degrees) are of at least equivalent standard.

1.2 Performance levels for previous qualifications

Where a performance level is specified (for example, "at least H2B (70%)"), the standard refers to an appropriately weighted average mark (WAM) in the previous qualification, unless otherwise stated. The [Assessment and Results Policy \(MPF1326\)](#) provides advice on the calculation of WAM. Where the grade structure of the previous qualification does not correspond to University of Melbourne grade structures, the Selection Committee will determine a level of performance deemed equivalent to the specified level.

1.3 Work or professional experience

Where a period of work or professional experience is listed in the [Courses, Subjects, Awards and Programs Policy \(MPF1327\)](#), the stated period refers to full-time work or professional experience. Applicants whose work or professional experience is part-time will require an appropriately lengthened period to ensure equivalence to the stated period of full-time experience. Unless otherwise explicitly stated, prescribed work experience must be completed before applicants can commence studies in the course for which they are applying.

1.4 Additional information and use of selection instruments

The [Selection and Admission Policy \(MPF1295\)](#) empowers the Selection Committee to seek further information if it is required only for the criteria for eligibility listed in clause one of the Resolution of Selection. This is a discretionary power, and applicants have no entitlement to have additional information of this type used when the Selection Committee has not elected to seek it.

1.5 Access Programs and Guaranteed or Minimum Scores

The selection from among those applicants eligible for consideration under the appropriate Resolution on Selection will be made by the Selection Committee with due regard to the directions of the Board concerning the Access Melbourne or Graduate Access Melbourne programs, and any minimum or guaranteed scores for entry to the course approved by the Board.

1.6 Exemption from usual entry requirements

The selection of applicants who do not meet criteria stated in the appropriate Resolution on Selection is only possible with the permission of the Board. The right to seek such permission from the President of the Board rests with the selection committee, not with the applicant, and permission cannot be granted unless a convincing argued case appropriate to the individual applicant is presented.