ORDINANCE NO. 19

UNIVERSITY INSTITUTES

The Council of the University of Tasmania makes this Ordinance under the University of Tasmania Act 1992.

1 Commencement and replacement of earlier Ordinances 12, 15 and 17

1.1 This Ordinance takes effect on 9 February 2018 and replaces the previous Ordinance 15 – Australian Maritime College (AMC) made by Council on 12 October 2007 (as amended by Ordinance 137, made by Council on 6 June 2008), previous Ordinance 12 – Menzies Institute for Medical Research made by Council on 24 September 2004, and previous Ordinance 17 – Institute for Marine & Antarctic Studies (IMAS), made by Council on 18 May 2012.

1.2 The Council notes the Maritime Legislation Amendment Act 2007 and continues to recognise the Heads of Agreement dated 20 October 2006 (or as amended) in respect of the integration of the AMC and the University.

2 Continuation of Institutes

2.1 AMC (previously the Australian Maritime College established under the Maritime College Act 1978 of the Commonwealth) is the primary national institute for Australia focusing on the maritime sector and has national and international roles in training, education and research.

2.2 AMC is continued in existence as an institute of the University and will operate in a manner that is consistent with the pursuit of the mission and strategic plan of the University.

2.3 AMC has an Advisory Board (the Board) appointed by the Vice-Chancellor and a Chief Executive (the Principal) appointed by the University. The Chair of the Board is appointed by the Vice-Chancellor. The Board is accountable to the Vice-Chancellor.

2.4 The Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies (IMAS) is continued in existence as an institute of the University and will operate in a manner that is consistent with the pursuit of the mission and strategic plan of the University.

2.5 IMAS will be an internationally recognised research institute with a capability for delivering excellence in both pure and applied marine and Antarctic research, research training, and learning and teaching in the sciences and social sciences.

2.6 IMAS has an Advisory Board (the Board) appointed by the Vice-Chancellor and a Chief Executive (Executive Director) appointed by the University. The Chair of the Board is appointed by the Vice-Chancellor. The Board is accountable to the Vice-Chancellor.
2.7 The Menzies Institute for Medical Research (Menzies) is continued in existence as an institute of the University and will operate in a manner that is consistent with the pursuit of the mission and strategic plan of the University.

2.8 Menzies has an Advisory Board (the Board) appointed by the Vice-Chancellor and a Chief Executive (the Director) appointed by the University. The Chair of the Board is appointed by the Vice-Chancellor. The Board is accountable to the Vice-Chancellor.

3 Objectives of AMC, IMAS and Menzies

3.1 The objectives of AMC are to –
- provide maritime and related education and training suitable for seafarers and other participants in the maritime industry;
- conduct examinations and assessments for marine competency under the *Navigation Act 2012 (Cwth)*; and
- conduct research activities and programs relating to maritime and related education and training, including pure and applied research, consultancies for government and industry and research training.

3.2 The objectives of IMAS are to –
- enhance both the national and international profile of the University and the state of Tasmania through high quality outputs;
- enhance opportunities for local, national and international research collaborations and networks, enhance research funding and increase publications in international journals;
- enhance knowledge transfer and enterprise and confer increased benefits to the Tasmanian aquaculture and fisheries industries;
- contribute to the sustainable development, utilisation and management of marine resources;
- contribute to the development and application of policy in the marine and Antarctic environment;
- be responsive to the needs of stakeholders external to the University;
- undertake research training and learning and teaching activities and develop postgraduate coursework programs that are consistent with these objectives to meet the needs of society.

3.3 Menzies’ mission is to perform internationally significant medical research leading to healthier, longer and better lives for Tasmanians. The objectives of Menzies are to –
- conduct excellent research into the causes, prevention and treatment of the major diseases affecting the Tasmanian community;
- be recognised within the medical research community as a leading medical research institute conducting world-class local research of global significance and impact;
- train research students and researchers to such a level that they will have the capacity to participate meaningfully in national and international medical research programs and go on to outstanding careers; and
- build and maintain meaningful relationships with our communities and encourage them to give their time and resources to support Menzies.
4 Board membership and responsibilities

4.1 The membership, composition and procedures for meetings of the Boards of the Institutes will be addressed in a Board Charter, as amended from time to time.

4.2 Institute Boards are responsible for providing advice and recommendations to the Vice Chancellor, which are non-binding in nature, in relation to the objectives of each Institute.

4.3 The Institute Board members do not have decision making power, or the capacity to affect the financial standing or any governance responsibilities of the Institute in relation to which they are serving, or in regard to the University in general.