This policy outlines our approach to the management and quality assurance of professional experience placements undertaken by students as part of their course enrolment, be they: mandatory professional practicums or clinical placements; internships; service learning; applied research projects; or field placements.

1 Professional experience placement

1.1 The University will embed professional learning experiences in curriculum to support graduate employability and/or to meet course professional accreditation requirements. 

1.2 The expectations of students and supervisors will be clear and explicit, and students will be supported and given feedback prior to, during and following their placement.

1.3 Placement experiences will be developed in collaboration with industry partners in keeping with the University’s quality assurance, and safety requirements.

1.4 Placement curriculum will be co-developed by appropriately qualified University and industry staff, and with reference to current scholarship and professional accreditation requirements.

1.5 Placement curriculum will incorporate accessible experiences and will be developed with appropriate regard to equity, inclusivity and cultural awareness.

1.6 The University will review placement arrangements and agreements to ensure performance against agreed indicators, external benchmarks, and suitably balanced student workload.

Definitions and acronyms: placement (applied research project), placement (field), internship, mandatory professional practicum/clinical, service learning

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