Supervision of Higher Degree by Research (HDR) Students Policy

1. PURPOSE
To ensure that supervisors provide a role model to Higher Degree by Research (HDR) students that is positive and conducive to a research culture of excellence, integrity, professionalism and mutual respect.

2. POLICY STATEMENT
2.1. Each HDR student will have an appropriately qualified and trained supervisory team comprised of a supervisor and one or more co-supervisors or associate supervisors.
2.2. The number of HDR students a supervisor has will be commensurate with the provision of effective intellectual interaction.
2.3. The Graduate Research School will maintain a register of appropriately qualified and trained supervisors (the Register of Supervisors of Higher Degree by Research Students).
2.4. It is mandatory that Curtin staff have current registration on the Register of Supervisors in order to be appointed as chairpersons, supervisors, co-supervisors or associate supervisors of HDR students. For External Associates, Emeritus and Adjunct staff, registration on the Register of Supervisors is voluntary.

3. RESPONSIBILITY FOR IMPLEMENTATION, COMPLIANCE MONITORING, MEASURING AND CONTINUAL IMPROVEMENT
These management positions are responsible for implementation and compliance monitoring of the policy in their work areas:
3.1. Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Research
3.2. Associate Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Research Training

4. SCOPE OF POLICY
This policy applies to all academic staff and HDR students.

5. DEFINITIONS
(Note: Commonly defined terms are located in the Curtin Common Definitions. Any defined terms below are specific to this document)
Register of Supervisors of Higher Degree by Research Students
The database that lists academic staff members eligible to act in a supervisory role on a higher degree by research student’s thesis committee.
Thesis Committee
The thesis committee or interim thesis committee of any higher degree by research student includes the positions of chairperson, supervisor, co-supervisor and associate supervisor.

6. SUPPORTING PROCEDURES
Supervision of Higher Degree by Research (HDR) Students Procedures

7. RELATED DOCUMENTS/LINKS
External
Australian Code for the Conduct of Responsible Research

Internal
Authorship, Peer Review and Publication of Research Findings Policy
Register of Supervisors of Higher Degree by Research Students
Research Data and Primary Materials Policy
Research Management Policy
Guidelines for Supervisor Load Limits
Rule No. 10 Made Pursuant to Statute No. 12 – Enrolment: Degree of Doctor by Research
Rule No. 11 Made Pursuant to Statute No. 12 – Enrolment: Degree of Master by Research
Research Integrity Training (through iPerform in OASIS)

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