

SUPERVISOR ACCREDITATION SCHEME

The QUT Research Training Quality Assurance System, approved by UAB in March 2000, requires "the maintenance of a Supervisor Register, which involves accreditation for five years on the basis of content expertise, supervision track record, recent and current research and publication activity, and professional development activities related to supervision."

For this reason, the Faculty has introduced a **Supervisor Accreditation Scheme**, as a quality assurance measure for research training, and a requirement that Principle Supervisors of research higher degree students be Registered Supervisors through the Accreditation Scheme.

Supervisor accreditation is based on four criteria:

- 1) Practice: i.e. experience in research degree supervision as a supervisor and/or associate supervisor
- 2) Continued research activity
- 3) Ongoing commitment to supervisor training and
- 4) Overall level of relevant activity

The first three criteria are met by accruing points towards initial and ongoing registration. The Faculty will ensure that there are plenty of opportunities for supervisors to gain accreditation either through Faculty-based workshops or University-based workshops. The fourth criterion is achieved by overall accumulation of points above a minimum.

This system is similar to many professional accreditation schemes in industry. The rationale of the Supervisor Accreditation Scheme is that outstanding performance in any one area is not enough - a breadth of experience and knowledge, is essential.

The implementation of the scheme is through the Head of School, as the supervisor of Academic Staff in each School, and it is envisaged that this may become a regular part of the PPR-AS process for research active staff. There is no requirement for staff to be accredited for research higher degree supervision, unless they currently supervise or intend to supervise research students. Whenever an application for PhD or Masters admission is received, the proposed supervisor will have to be on the Faculty's list of accredited supervisors.

Table 27
Faculty Accredited Supervisors as of July 2002

Civil Engineering	Dr A Goonetilleke Dr N Gurung Assoc Prof M Mahendran Dr M Murray Dr A Nata-Atmadja Prof D Thambiratnam
Construction Management and Property	Dr J Yang Dr K Manley
Design and Built Environment	Assoc Prof J Allison Prof H Armstrong Assoc Prof J Franz Dr J Hayes Prof J Hockings Assoc Prof V Popovic Dr D Smith
Electrical and Electronic Systems Engineering	Dr V Chandran Prof G Ledwich Prof A Maeder
Mechanical, Manufacturing & Medical Engineering	Assoc Prof J Bell Prof J Evans Prof M Percy Prof J. Mathew Dr Jun Wang Dr K. Oloyede

Table 28
Faculty Academic Staff with Provisional Accreditation until the end of 2002

Civil Engineering	Prof R Troutbeck Prof L Ferreira
Construction Management and Property	Prof RM Skitmore Prof A Sidwell
Design and Built Environment	Adjunct Prof J Taylor Dr J Minnery Dr B Bajracharya Adjunct Prof B Lim
Electrical and Electronic Systems Engineering	Prof S Sridharan Dr B Senadji Dr E Palmer Prof M Moody Dr M Mesbah Dr J Lyall Dr K Hoffman Dr Y Feng Assoc Prof M Deriche Dr W Boles Prof B Boashash Assoc Prof D Birtwhistle
Mechanical, Manufacturing & Medical Engineering	Dr P Yarlagadda Dr P Ridley Dr K Oloyede Assoc Prof D Hargreaves Dr R Clegg

	Dr G Chattopadhyay Dr R Brown Dr T Barker Dr C Adam
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