

**AQF LEVEL** 

#### **AQF LEVEL 7 CRITERIA –**

#### **PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES**

The Bachelor Degree qualifies individuals who apply a broad and coherent body of knowledge in a range of contexts to undertake professional

## **BACHELOR DEGREE**

### **PURPOSE**

**KNOWLEDGE** 

Graduates of a Bachelor Degree will have a broad and coherent body of knowledge, with depth in the underlying principles and concepts in one or more disciplines as a

basis for independent lifelong learning.

work and as a pathway for further learning.

Graduates of the Bachelor of Cyber Security will have a broad and coherent body of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) knowledge, with depth in the underlying principles and concepts in the Cyber Security discipline as a basis for independent lifelong learning.

The categories of the ICT core body of knowledge (CBOK) (as defined by the Australian Computer Society) are:

- ICT problem solving. This is the knowledge of how to use modelling methods and processes to understand problems, handle abstraction and design solutions
- Professional knowledge. This includes ethics, professionalism, teamwork concepts and issues, interpersonal communication, societal issues/legal issues/privacy, history and status of discipline
- Technology building. This includes programming, human-computer interaction, systems development, and systems acquisition
- Technology resources. This includes hardware and software fundamentals, data and information management, and networking
- Services management. This includes service management, and security management
- Outcome management. This includes IT governance, IT project management, change management, and security policy.

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## **SKILLS**

Graduates of a Bachelor Degree will have:

- cognitive skills to review critically, analyse, consolidate and synthesise knowledge
- cognitive and technical skills to demonstrate a broad understanding of knowledge with depth in some areas
- cognitive and creative skills to exercise critical thinking and judgement in identifying and solving problems with intellectual independence
- communication skills to present a clear, coherent and independent exposition of knowledge and ideas

Graduates of the Bachelor of Information Technology will have:

- cognitive skills to review critically, analyse, consolidate and synthesise ICT CBOK
- cognitive and technical skills to demonstrate a broad understanding of knowledge of all areas of ICT, with depth in technical skill in one or more areas
- creative and problem solving skills to systematically investigate, define and resolve complex problems with intellectual independence
- cognitive, creative and management skills to plan and manage ICT projects and allocate resources
- critical thinking skills to analyse and makes decisions which influence the success of projects and team objectives
- communication skills in oral and written presentations, technical report writing, writing user documentation, to present a clear, coherent and independent exposition of knowledge and ideas
- professional skills to enable effective interpersonal communication and being able to work in groups.



# APPLICATION OF KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS

Graduates of a Bachelor Degree will demonstrate the application of knowledge and skills:

- with initiative and judgement in planning, problem solving and decision making in professional practice and/or scholarship
- to adapt knowledge and skills in diverse contexts
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Specific skills are defined in the Skills Framework for the Information Age (SFIA) and grouped in terms of autonomy, influence, complexity, and business skills as described below:

- Autonomy:
  - o Work as an ICT professional under general direction within a clear framework of accountability
  - o Exercises substantial personal responsibility and autonomy
  - o Plans own work to meet given objectives and processes.
- Influence:
  - o Influences team and specialist peers internally
  - o Influences customers at account level and suppliers
  - o Take some responsibility for the work of others and for the allocation of resources
  - o Participates in external activities related to own specialism
  - o Makes decisions which influence the success of projects and team objectives.
- Complexity:
  - o Performs a broad range of complex technical or professional work activities, in a variety of contexts
  - o Investigates, defines and resolves complex problems.
- Business/Professional skills:
  - o Selects appropriately from applicable standards, methods, tools and applications
  - o Demonstrates an analytical and systematic approach to problem solving
  - o Communicates fluently orally and in writing, and can present complex technical information



to both technical and non-technical audiences
o Facilitates collaboration between stakeholders who share common objectives
o Plans, schedules and monitors work to meet time and quality targets and in accordance with
relevant legislation and procedures
o Rapidly absorbs new technical information and applies it effectively
o Has a good appreciation of the wider field of information systems, their use in relevant
employment areas and how they relate to the business activities of the employer or client
o Maintains an awareness of developing tech