

AQF LEVEL

# **AQF LEVEL 8 CRITERIA –**

#### PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

## **GRADUATE DIPLOMA**

### **PURPOSE**

The Graduate Diploma qualifies individuals who apply a body of knowledge in a range of contexts to undertake professional/highly skilled work and as a pathway for further learning

### **KNOWLEDGE**

Graduates of a Graduate Diploma will have advanced knowledge within a systematic and coherent body of knowledge that may include the acquisition and application of knowledge and skills in a new or existing discipline or professional area

Graduates of the Graduate Diploma of Professional Accounting will have advanced theoretical and technical accounting knowledge which includes a coherent body of knowledge of auditing and assurance, finance, economics, quantitative methods, information systems, commercial law, corporation law and taxation law.

### **SKILLS**

Graduates of a Graduate Diploma will have:

- cognitive skills to review, analyse, consolidate and synthesise knowledge and identify and provide solutions to complex problems
- cognitive skills to think critically and to generate and evaluate complex ideas
- specialised technical and creative skills in a field of highly skilled and/or professional practice
- communication skills to demonstrate an understanding of theoretical concepts
- communication skills to transfer complex knowledge and ideas to a variety of audiences

Graduates of the Graduate Diploma of Professional Accounting will have:

- cognitive skills to exercise judgement to solve emerging and/or advanced accounting problems in complex contexts using social, ethical, economic, regulatory and global perspectives
- cognitive and technical skills in professional practice including auditing and assurance, finance, economics, quantitative methods, information systems, commercial law, corporation law and taxation law
- communication skills to provide accounting advice and present ideas in complex collaborative contexts involving both accountants and non-accountants.



APPLICATION OF KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS

Graduates of a Graduate Diploma will demonstrate the application of knowledge and skills:

- to make high level, independent judgements in a range of technical or management functions in varied specialised contexts
- to initiate, plan, implement and evaluate broad functions within varied specialised technical and/or creative contexts
- with responsibility and accountability for personal outputs and all aspects of the work or function of others within broad parameters

Graduates of the Graduate Diploma of Professional Accounting will demonstrate the application of knowledge and skills:

- to exercise judgement under supervision to solve emerging and/or advanced accounting problems in complex contexts using social, ethical, economic, regulatory and global perspectives
- to initiate, plan, implement and evaluate a selection of auditing and assurance, finance, economics, quantitative methods, information systems, commercial law, corporation law and taxation law
- to responsibly solve emerging and/or advanced accounting problems
- to seek and reflect on performance feedback to identify learning opportunities and selfimprovements.

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