**PURPOSE**
This policy governs the admission requirements and procedures for students admitted to the accredited undergraduate and postgraduate programs of study (though not online) at Moore College.

**SCOPE**
This policy applies to domestic and international students. It also applies to cross-institutional and non-award study. It does not apply to students admitted to the Moore Distance programs.

**DEFINITIONS**
This section sets out definitions for key terms and acronyms referred to in the Policy.

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<td>Domestic student</td>
<td>A domestic student is a student who is an Australian citizen, a student who has Australian Permanent Resident status, or a student who is a New Zealand citizen</td>
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<td>International student</td>
<td>A student who holds a student visa. An international student is also known as an overseas student.</td>
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<td>MTh</td>
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POLICY STATEMENT

The College admits students to courses of study in line with its published vision, mission and values.

1. Policy Principles

1.1. Admission to the College is at the discretion of the Governing Board exercised through the Principal.

1.2. Admission to the courses of the College is based on three criteria:

   (1) Appropriate knowledge and skills to attempt to undertake the program of study successfully

   (2) Christian character consistent with the published values of the College and its Code of Conduct

   (3) A demonstrated commitment to pastoral ministry

1.3. These criteria are assessed by means of academic transcripts, references and an interview with the Principal or a member of the Faculty.

1.4. Admission to a program of study in the College normally includes admission to all required co-curricula activities such as Chapel, Chaplaincy Groups, meals and College Mission.

1.5. Admission requirements are appropriately designed and reviewed from time to time for relevance and validity.

1.6. Moore College ensures that all admitted students have appropriate prior knowledge and skills to attempt to undertake the program of study successfully.

1.7. Admission processes are fair and equitable.

1.8. Moore College ensures that the information about entry requirements to programs of study is accurate and readily available to applicants.

1.9. Moore College faculty and staff involved in the admissions process act in accordance with the College’s Privacy Policy in respect of any information contained in a student’s application for admission.

2. Undergraduate Admissions

In addition to the criteria mentioned in 1.2 above,

2.1 Applicants for admission to undergraduate programs of study will normally hold a degree from an Australian university or equivalent.

2.2 Mature age applicants may also satisfy the academic admission requirements by successful completion of an alternate entry qualification as approved by the Academic Board.

2.3 Admission to undergraduate programs in the first year may be on a full-time or part-time basis but beyond first year all undergraduate programs are offered in full-time mode only.
3. **Postgraduate Coursework Admissions**
   In addition to the criteria mentioned in 1.2 above,

3.1 Applicants for admission to postgraduate coursework programs of study will normally hold the Moore College BD or BTh or equivalent.

3.2 Applicants will also be required to satisfy any additional admission criteria for a particular program of study as approved by the Academic Board.

3.3 The Research and Centres Committee may decide that bridging studies (e.g. in biblical languages) are required as pre- or co- requisites for admission to a particular postgraduate program.

4. **Research Higher Degree Admissions**
   In addition to the criteria mentioned in 1.2 above,

4.1 Applicants for admission to research masters programs of study will normally hold a Moore College BD (Hons 1 or 2A) or an equivalent qualification.

4.2 Applicants for admission to doctoral programs of study will normally hold a Moore College BD (Hons 1), a Moore MTh, or an equivalent qualification.

4.3 Applicants will also be required to satisfy any additional admission criteria for a particular program of study as approved by the Academic Board.

4.4 The Research and Centres Committee may decide that bridging studies (e.g. in biblical languages) are required as pre- or co- requisites for admission to a research higher degree program.

4.5 Admission of students to research higher degree programs of study will also be based on the availability of appropriate supervision, and the necessary facilities and resources for the applicant to undertake the program of study.

5. **Cross-Institutional and Non-Award Study**
   Applicants for cross-institutional, or non-award study such as diocesan vocational requirements, will be required to meet the criteria for admission to the relevant program of study.

6. **English Language Proficiency**

   English language proficiency requirements are set out in the English Language Proficiency Procedures. All applicants must satisfy the English language proficiency requirements specified for the particular program of study.

   The English language proficiency requirements are set and approved by the Academic Board as part of the course development and approval processes.
7. Admission to the College
Admission to the College is approved by the Governing Board of the College on the recommendation of the relevant committee or authorised person.

8. Internal Course Transfers
Students seeking to transfer from their current program of study to another program of study of the College must satisfy the admission requirements for that program and be approved by the relevant committee or authorised person.

LEGAL AND POLICY FRAMEWORK
Educational Services for Overseas Students Act 2000 (ESOS)
Higher Education Standards Framework, December 2014
Higher Education Support Act 2003 (HESA)
Privacy Act (Cth)
Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (NSW)

IMPLEMENTATION
Responsibility for implementation of the policy lies with the Principal or his authorised delegate. The Registrar is responsible for implementing the policy.

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Admissions Policy. James Cook University. Version 14-2 25/05/2014
Selection and Admission Policy. RMIT University.

REVIEW AND HISTORY

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