

Jury Report: Aviation 29 August 2007

No. of JURORS: 5. FACILITATOR: Joel Levin. SCRIBE: Sally Lynch
The Aviation course structure and content has Improved dramatically since 06.

<i>What are the issues that have emerged relating to the AVIATION Course and its implementation?</i>	<i>What recommendations does this jury make to address the issues identified?</i>	Please identify timeframe: (see below)	Possible Actions
<p>1. <i>There are currently no outcome weightings. This creates an imbalance in the assessment and focus of study.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the overall assessment for each unit outcomes 1, 2, 3 will comprise 30% of the final grade. Outcome four will make up the remaining 10% • This would tighten the scope of the subject and align more closely with industry 	<p>Short term (for start of 2008)</p>	<p>The weightings aligned with the various assessment types (which in turn reflect the outcomes) will be adjusted to reflect the jury request The time allocation (as a percentage) for Outcome 4 will written into the assessment advice</p>
<p>2. <i>A spiral curriculum design does not suit all areas of aviation, eg meteorology and navigation.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The major topics of study presently spread over 2 stages be spread over 1 stage. 	<p>Short term</p>	<p>This will require reallocating content (particularly that pertaining to navigation) from Stage 2 to Stage 3 and some other rebalancing to occur. If this does not conflict with teaching-learning programs that are in process, it will be done</p> <p>The course will stay as it is for students in Year 12 in 2008. However, the TDC for the course will redraft elements of the course to reallocate content as requested and these changes will apply for Stage 2 in 2008 and Stage 3 in 2009.</p> <p>This will be discussed at the scheduled PD day, October 15.</p>

<p>3. <i>Confusion to levels will continue if they remain in the course document. Eg page 23 of 2008 document under sub heading course unit.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remove all references to levels from the document, with exception to the outcomes progressions in the course documents. 	<p>Short term</p>	<p>References to levels have been removed with exception of the outcomes progressions in the course documents</p>
<p>4. <i>Insufficient gap between moderation and when students sit their external exams.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moderation needs to be done at least 1 month before external assessment begins as students need their work to study. 	<p>This is urgent for current year 12 students. Medium term</p>	<p>Moderation was completed in September; further moderation will take place at the 15 October meeting</p>
<p>5. <i>Currently there is difficulty in mapping marks and grades accurately to grade related descriptors as currently expressed.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> % based Grade related descriptors be developed for each individual unit rather than each stage. 	<p>Short term</p>	<p>GDs have been written and are set for Stages but in principle these descriptors can inform judgements with respect to student performance in a unit. Kevin Bennet and Nigel Bednall will be contracted to provide exemplars</p>
<p>6. <i>The high frequency of Moderation meetings are creating increased work load on teachers, and cost on schools.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No more than 1 moderation meeting per year. Eg 1 meeting for year 12, and 1 meeting for yr 11 each year. 	<p>Medium term</p>	<p>There are usually no more than two meetings a year (year 11 and year 12)</p>
<p>7. <i>Huge burden for country students to have to fly into Perth for practical exams.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regionally based practical exams be available. 	<p>Medium term</p>	<p>Regionally-based practical examinations are available. In 2007 only rural three students were enrolled for the examination and these students opted to come to the Perth venue and the CC paid for their travel.</p>

<p>8. <i>There is limited information to guide examination preparation.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sample exam (written and practical) based on 2007 course to be provided to all teachers prior to 2007 exams. • Examination report be provided to all teachers early term 1 to allow time to adjust studies. • Provide Teachers with a cover page of this years WACE exam ASAP. • Provide guidance and content that will be used in this years TEE exam. • At next weeks moderation meeting include discussion on the practical exam. 	<p>Urgent, Short term</p> <p>Short term</p> <p>Urgent</p> <p>Urgent</p> <p>Urgent</p>	<p>Sample examinations are being written for 2A/2B and 3A/3B for 2008. The 2006 WACE will provide a suitable model for the 2007 examination</p> <p>The exam report is published after Council endorsement—by the end of February</p> <p>Sent Friday 21 September</p> <p>The examination will examine the syllabus</p> <p>Done</p>
<p>9. <i>Students with high educational support needs are not catered for in the current course.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-examine stage 1 units to extend the number of units offered. 	<p>Medium term</p>	<p>Working party/ARM panel to consider the number of units. This panel will meet after the 15 October meeting</p>
<p>10. <i>Years 8-10 aviation outcomes not aligned to 11-12 outcomes.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CC to determine the feasibility of extending outcomes of yr 11 and 12 into lower school eg reporting and reporting software. 	<p>Short term</p>	<p>Stage 1 can be made available at Year 10 level.</p>
<p>11. <i>Lack of accountability and Responsiveness within CC for this course.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appoint a liaison officer that has some background in aviation. ASAP 	<p>Short term</p>	<p>Kevin Bennet has been offered 0.2 for 2008. This will enable a sufficient moderation role to apply</p>

Submission authors called: No Submissions received for AVIATION.

Curriculum writer called: Yes – The Manager attended.

Time Frames: Short term = before end of 2007, **Medium term** = prior to June PD day 2008, **Longer term** = past June 1 PD day 2009