UNIVERSITY OF CANBERRA (ACADEMIC BOARD) AMENDMENT STATUTE 2007 (No 1) DI2007/218

Explanatory Statement

Section 19 of the University of Canberra Act 1989 (ACT) (the Act) establishes an Academic Board. The Academic Board Statute 1990 contains additional details of the membership of the Board. The University of Canberra (Academic Board) Amendment Statute 2007 (No 1) seeks to amend the Academic Board Statute 1990 to modify those provisions relating to membership to reflect amendments made to the Act in 2005 and 2006.

The amendments also seek to resolve ambiguities regarding some categories of members to allow the continued appointment of some members whose change in status threatens their continued membership and their contribution to the Board. For example, staff who may have initially been appointed as academic staff of the University but who are currently filling an administrative position.

The amendments also seek to clarify the provisions to enable the member of the general staff elected to be a member of Council to also be member of Academic Board and to reintroduce the provision for a student to be separately elected to both Council and Academic Board if that is the wish of the students.