

## **Course and Tuition Fee Assurance**

### ***Statement of Course and Tuition Assurance for Domestic students enrolled in the Higher Education Award Programs - Diploma in Business and Diploma in Information Technology.***

Under Australian law there are provisions to protect students in the unlikely event that Wollongong College Australia (the College) ceases to provide a course of study. The College has appointed the Council of the Private Higher Education Inc (COPHE) as Course and Tuition Fee Administrator, and the University of Wollongong has guaranteed to provide Course Assurance and Tuition Fee Assurance.

This means that if the College ceases to provide the course for which the student has paid fees, they will be offered the choice of either:

1. Transfer to an equivalent course offered by the University of Wollongong (UOW), leading to an equivalent award of the University, instead of an award of Wollongong College Australia; students will receive credit for all subjects successfully completed in the Wollongong College Australia course, and the UOW course will allow equivalent progression to other courses at UOW, e.g. from Diploma to Bachelor degree programs.

This is a Course Assurance.

Or

2. A refund of payments for any unit of study that the student does not complete because the College ceases to provide the course of study, and a re-crediting of any SLE or FEE-HELP balance relating to the unit.

This is a Tuition Fee Assurance.

The student may choose either Course Assurance or Tuition Fee Assurance, not both. Note that in the case of Course Assurance:

> UOW may charge different fees for the remainder of the UOW course; these fees will be published at the time the student makes the choice.

> if the student chooses to transfer to another provider (other than UOW) there may not be any guarantee that the new provider will offer full credit transfer for units completed at Wollongong College Australia.

These assurance arrangements are required by law, it is extremely unlikely that the College would cease to provide a course of study once a students commenced.

**These Course and Tuition Fee assurance arrangements apply only to domestic (Australian) students enrolled in higher education award courses of Wollongong College Australia.**

There are different assurance arrangements for international students.

The arrangements do not apply to students enrolled in non-award enabling courses of UOW delivered through Wollongong College Australia, such as the Foundation Studies program and the University Access Program.