### Introduction

### UC is positioned well to expand both teaching and research Science and Technology and develop new approaches in the discipline of engineering. It is also an opportune time to build on the strengths of our foundation discipline of education.

### Last month, the University Council provided in-principle agreement to review the organisational structure of the Faculty of Education, Science, Technology and Mathematics (ESTeM). The proposal is for the creation of the:

### • Faculty of Education (working title).

### • Faculty of Science & Technology (working title).

### The Faculty of Education will consist of the existing Faculty Research Centres, other research centres and groups, and teaching disciplines of the current School of Education within the current Faculty of ESTeM.

### The Faculty of Science & Technology draws upon the remaining teaching disciplines in the current Faculty of ESTeM (Science and Information Technology, Maths & Statistics), Faculty Research Centre, and other research centres and group in the Faculty of ESTeM, including the Institute for Applied Ecology (IAE), and moves the Information Systems group from the Faculty of Business, Government and Law (BGL). The most appropriate locations of other programs and units will continue to be considered as part of the current curriculum review program.

### In the last 10 years, UC has built its research profile and performance through the formation and support of research institutes and centres. It is now critical to ensure that this research excellence in specific disciplines is maintained and leveraged to support teaching excellence and to develop stronger integration between teaching and research. Thus, it is proposed that the IAE become a core foundation entity within the new Faculty.

### It is also proposed that the Information Systems group from the Faculty of BGL become part of the new Faculty of Science & Technology where it will be more strategically aligned with information technology.

### Following the close of formal consultation on the proposed change, a second consultation document will be provided to announce the decision, including new structures and an implementation plan.

*The University Council will be asked to provide formal approval for the creation of the two new faculties in late October.*

### Impact on students

There will be no impact on students and their studies.

Courses and units will change faculty ownership, but will not otherwise change as part of this process.

Students will be reorganised within the new faculties automatically as course ownership is changed.

### Impact on staff

### There will be no changes or losses of staff as part of this proposal. The proposal is only for a change of reporting lines for academic and professional staff, to be deployed between the two new faculties.

### Staff locations

### In the short term, there is no proposal to relocate staff. In the medium-term, the most appropriate location of staff within the new faculties will form part of the University’s planning and resource allocation.

### Further information

*If you have any concerns or questions please email* *dvca@canberra.edu.au**.*