

## FACULTY OF THE PROFESSIONS GRADUATE ATTRIBUTES 2007

### *Master of Commerce (Accounting)*

- 1) The ability to identify and analyse contemporary thinking and developments within the fields of accounting, auditing, business law and business systems, which are set in the context of the management and governance of organisations that interface with securities markets, governments and societies
- 2) An understanding of the application of accounting methods and techniques and their contribution to financial planning, control, performance measurement and decision-making by management and investors
- 3) Advanced critical and strategic thinking skills, capabilities and competencies in relation to accounting and business analysis issues and problems
- 4) Ability to apply technical and analytical skills, using relevant decision frameworks and empirical research evidence, to address specific accounting and business system problems
- 5) The ability to think creatively and generate innovative solutions by developing a capability in the accounting discipline that can record, analyze, report and interpret complex financial and other corporate information
- 6) Skills in identifying and solving accounting and business analysis problems emerging from strategic developments in practice and regulation
- 7) The ability to adopt multiple perspectives in applying planning, control and evaluation techniques to the operational, financial, and environmental dimensions of an organization and its sub-units
- 8) Ability to communicate ideas effectively in both informal group discussions and formal presentations.
- 9) Ability to produce both complex research reports intended for review by academics and/or experts, and management reports intended for decision-making by general managers
- 10) Sound written and oral communication skills, particularly in relation to presenting articulate analyses and arguments
- 11) Proficiency the use of electronic databases, web searching, ethnographical investigative methods, and the preparation of multimedia presentations
- 12) A deep appreciation of continuous change and improvement in organisations and societies
- 13) An understanding of the importance of lifelong learning in fields of accounting, regulatory frameworks, business systems and management
- 14) An awareness of their potential responsibilities as practicing members of a professional accounting body
- 15) Ability to take a leadership role in their profession and the wider business community
- 16) A heightened understanding of ethical issues and dilemmas that will be faced as accounting professionals who advise and provide services to clients or managements
- 17) A sensitivity to cultural and social issues, particularly concerned with organisations that operate internationally