AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

UNIVERSITY OF CANBERRA ACT 1989

UNIVERSITY OF CANBERRA (COURSES AND AWARDS) AMENDMENT STATUTE 2004 (No 1)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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Section 40 of the University of Canberra Act 1989 gives the University Council the power to make Statutes. Section 42 of the Act requires that a Statute, once made by the Council, be submitted by the Chancellor to the ACT Government Executive for approval.

Under section 42(2) of the Act a Statute is a disallowable instrument which must be notified and presented to the Legislative Assembly under the Legislation Act 2001.

The University of Canberra (Courses and Awards) Amendment Statute 2004 (No 1) seeks to amend the Courses and Awards Statute 1995. This latter-mentioned statute, made pursuant to subsection 40 (2)(p) of the Act, establishes the legal basis for the academic program of the University, setting out the degrees, diplomas and certificates which the University can award to its students.

From time to time as necessary, Council seeks to amend the principal statute to add new awards reflecting new courses approved for accreditation by the University. The University of Canberra (Courses and Awards) Amendment Statute 2004 (No 1) adds new awards arising from the accreditation of new courses and the re-accreditation of existing courses in 2003.