Terms of Reference for the Mater Research Institute - UQ Review

The terms of reference for reviews of University Institutes and Centres should be read in the context of the University’s mission, goals and objectives.

The terms of reference are as follows:

Term of Reference 1 – Purpose and Goals  
to review the purpose, goals and priorities of the Unit and to assess whether those goals are appropriate in relation to the University’s strategic aims

Term of Reference 2 – Assessment of Activities  
to review the scope, focus and balance of the Unit’s activities in the light of trends in the fields and the performance of comparable institutes/groups/individuals elsewhere

Term of Reference 3 – Role within the University  
to review the role of the Unit in the University

Term of Reference 4 – Governance and Management  
to review the appropriateness of the Unit’s governance and management

Term of Reference 5 – Discovery  
to evaluate the research performance of the Unit, including its success in attracting external funds, the extent, quality and impact of its publications, its external impact, success in attracting and training research students and success in attracting overseas researchers and visitors

Term of Reference 6 – Resources  
to consider the effective use of resources available to the Unit for implementation of current programs and proposed developments; to comment on the Unit’s accommodation and facilities; and to evaluate the potential of the Unit to attract additional external resources

Term of Reference 7 - Education  
to review the quality and extent of the Unit’s involvement in teaching at (including offerings undergraduate and postgraduate levels and shorter form credentials)

Term of Reference 8 – Links with other University Units  
to consider the present and future relationships of teaching and research programs between the Unit and other centres and schools in the University

Term of Reference 9 – Organisational Structure  
to review the organisational structure of the Unit in the context of its research and other functions and to consider whether its internal administration, support structures and staffing arrangements will serve the Unit and the University adequately in the future

Term of Reference 10 – Engagement  
to review the Unit’s academic collaborations and the role played by the Unit in relation to its partnerships with other UQ units, and with relevant stakeholders, industries, and in service to the profession and the community

Term of Reference 11 – Equity and Diversity  
to consider the performance of the Unit in equity and diversity issues and the procedures to maintain or enhance it