THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE
MBA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

PREAMBLE

MBA graduates, Faculty and current students of the University of Adelaide’s Adelaide Graduate School of Business (AGSB) have identified the need for an association for the purposes of promoting mutually beneficial development activities. The Association will be known as ‘The University of Adelaide MBA Alumni Association’.

The University of Adelaide MBA Alumni Association is a Chapter of The University of Adelaide Alumni Association. The MBA Alumni Association is an integral part of the Alumni Association, and membership of the Alumni Association is a pre-requisite of membership of the University of Adelaide MBA Alumni Association.

The Association will provide a mechanism for past MBA students to maintain contact with each other, be a gateway for the AGSB to liaise with current and past students, and promote the activities of the AGSB within the business and university communities.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The University of Adelaide MBA Alumni Association will conduct and promote activities that meet the professional development needs of members and promote the AGSB globally as a pre-eminent post-graduate business school.

OBJECTIVES OF THE ASSOCIATION

The objectives of the Association are:

• To foster the ongoing professional development of graduates through the provision of activities of interest to members;

• To provide a mutually beneficial link between the business community, MBA graduates and students;

• To encourage and promote the AGSB as a source of relevant and challenging post-graduate business education;

• To encourage achievement of the highest academic standards by supporting students throughout their studies; and

• To be a source of support to the Faculty of the AGSB.
PROPOSED ACTIVITIES

In pursuit of these objectives the Association will engage in, but not be limited to, the following activities:

- Conduct professional development activities designed to update graduates on current management theory and practice;

- Arrange functions that encourage fellowship and networking between members, the Faculty and the business community;

- To provide members with regular information on scheduled events, relevant AGSB matters and updates in management education;

- Participate in activities that maintain and enhance the standard of management education presented by the AGSB;

- Provide a point of contact for graduates and members of the Faculty who are overseas or interstate, or have returned to Australia;

- Assist the AGSB in the provision of support for overseas students;

- Provide a system by which MBA students receive support throughout their studies;

- Promote the establishment of awards and scholarships for excellence or achievement in management education;

- Provide an instrument through which industry and student groups can make contact for the purpose of project work;

- Assist the AGSB to liaise with the business community; and

- Co-operate with the University of Adelaide Alumni Association and other professional, business or management associations in investigating and pursuing matters of mutual interest.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership of the Association is available to:

- Masters and Doctorate graduates of the AGSB;

- current MBA and doctoral students of the AGSB;

- members of the Faculty of the AGSB; and

- other persons who in the opinion of the Committee should be accepted as a member of the Association on the basis of relevant or equivalent qualifications.
MANAGEMENT

The affairs of the Association shall be administered by the Committee.

The Committee shall comprise:

- up to ten members elected by the members present at the Annual General Meeting; and
- Minimum of one and a maximum of two senior member of staff from the AGSB, nominated by
  the Head of the AGSB.

Members of the Committee shall hold office for up to two years, with half the members of the Committee
being elected at each Annual General Meeting.

Following the Annual General Meeting, the Committee shall elect the following office bearers from
amongst Committee members:

- President;
- Vice President;
- Secretary;
- Treasurer.

A person shall not occupy the office of President for more than two consecutive terms.

The Committee may elect any member of the Chapter to fill any casual vacancy in the Committee
occurring between annual general meetings.

The affairs of the Committee shall be arranged on an annual basis from 1 January to 31 December in each
year.

The Committee may determine its own procedure.

The Committee may co-opt any member of the Association to serve on the Committee, for such time not
extending beyond the next Annual General Meeting.
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Association shall hold an Annual General Meeting in either February or March of each year.

In addition to any item of business properly brought before the Annual General Meeting, the business of the Annual General Meeting will include:

• A report of the President;
• A report of the Treasurer;
• The election of members to the Committee; and
• The appointment of an auditor.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS

A Special General Meeting shall be called if the Secretary is so directed by the Committee, or is requested in writing to do so by no less 30 current members.

PROCEDURE FOR GENERAL MEETINGS

General Meetings, which expression includes the Annual General Meeting or any Special General Meetings, shall be chaired by the President, or in the absence of the President by such other person as may be elected to chair the meeting by the members present.

The procedure to be followed for the convening and giving notice of any General Meeting, and for any other matter preliminary to any General Meeting will be as laid down by the Committee.

BOOKS AND RECORDS

The Secretary will be responsible for the books and records other than the financial accounts and records of the Association.

The Treasurer will be responsible for the financial accounts and records of the Association.

WINDING UP

If the Association is wound up, payment of any liabilities and distribution of any remaining assets will be the responsibility of the University of Adelaide Alumni Association.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER

This Charter may be amended from time to time and at any time, in accordance with such procedures as may be laid down by the Committee, either generally or in any particular instance.