## How to apply for a deferred examination

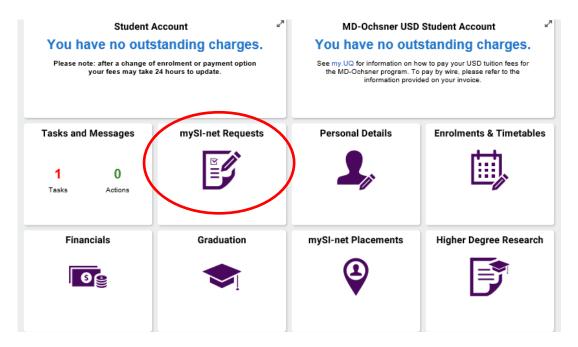
All applications for deferred examinations, both for mid-semester examinations and end of semester examinations, must be submitted online via **mySI-net > myRequests.** Hard copy application forms or requests received via email will not be considered.

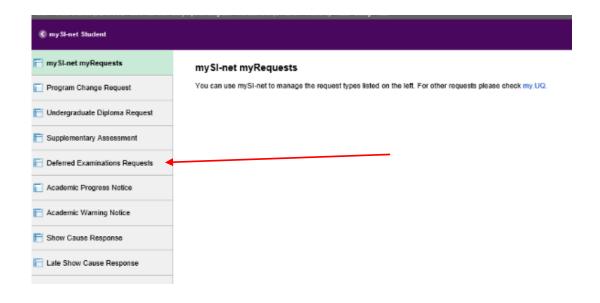
**Note:** The online deferred examination request should NOT be used to apply for an extension to the due date for submission of assignments.

Applications must be **submitted no later than five (5) calendar days** after the date of the original examination.

### **Procedures**

STEP 1: Log in to mySI-net to access the Deferred Examinations Requests via the mySI-net Requests tile.





STEP 2: Under the relevant Semester and Deferred Examination Type (ie. **Mid-semester** or **End of Semester**), click on 'Submit New Request'. Please ensure you <u>select the appropriate link</u>, relevant to both the **semester** and **examination period**, as more than one may be available at any point in time.

**Mid-semester** – those held during scheduled classes within the teaching weeks, or at any other than the end of semester exam block periods.

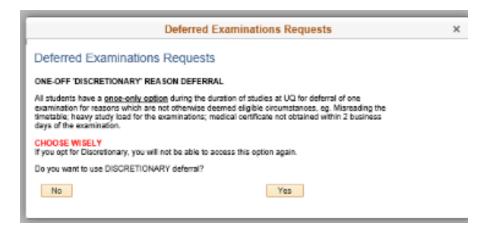
**End of semester** – those held during the University's designated end of semester exam periods (February, June, and November)

From this page, you can view the details of previous requests or submit a new request.



STEP 3: If you have available to you a **discretionary** deferred examination, the following window will appear.

[If you have previously used your one-off discretionary deferred examination, this window will not appear, and you will be taken immediately to Step 4 below.]



The discretionary deferred examination is only available to you once throughout the duration of your studies at UQ. Should you wish to use your discretionary deferred examination, refer to instructions below under Discretionary Deferred Exam Request.

If you click 'No', you will proceed to Step 4 below.

If you select 'Yes', please continue with the steps under Discretionary Deferred Exam Request provided below.

STEP 4: Read and accept the instructions on the **Introductory Page**. You should ensure you are familiar with the information on my.UQ relating to eligibility and supporting documentation for deferred examinations.

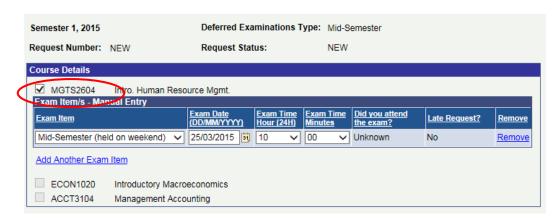
All courses for which you are enrolled in that semester will appear.

# STEP 5: A – Mid-Semester Requests (held during teaching weeks, or at any time outside the University's end of semester exam block periods)

Select the relevant course and, from the drop down list, select the examination item, date and time and whether you attended the examination.

For mid-semester requests, you can **only select one course**, however you can submit multiple examination items for the same course (eg. a practical and a written examination for ENGG1000). If you wish to defer another examination for that **same course**, click on the 'Add Another Exam Item' link.

#### **Deferred Examinations Requests**



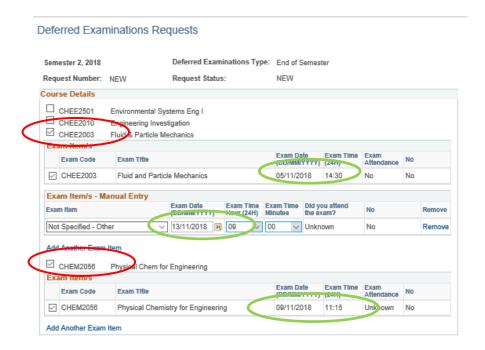
#### STEP 5: **B – End of Semester Requests**

#### (held during the end of semester exam block periods in February, June and November)

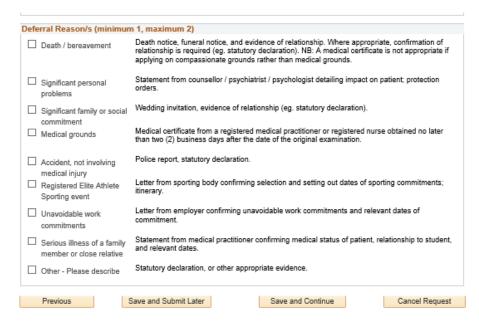
Select the relevant course. The details of the examination for the course selected, and your attendance status if known, will be auto-populated. If the examination item does not appear, click on 'Add another exam item' link under that course and enter in the relevant examination details.

For end of semester requests, you can **select one or more courses**, and include **multiple examination items within the one request**, or you may submit separate requests. Each exam item will be assessed separately.

In the example below, the student is requesting deferral of 3 exam items – two exams for CHEE2003, and one exam for CHEM2056.



STEP 6: Select the **Reason** for requesting a deferred examination. Up to two (2) different reasons may be selected within the one request. If 'Other' is selected, you must provide further information. Examples are shown of the types of supporting documentation you will need.

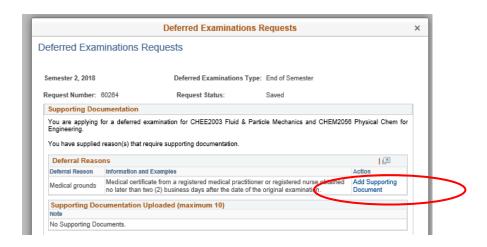


STEP 7: At this point you can 'Save and Submit Later' or 'Save and Continue' with your request. On 'Save and Continue', you will be **taken to Page 2** of your request – continue with Step 8 below.

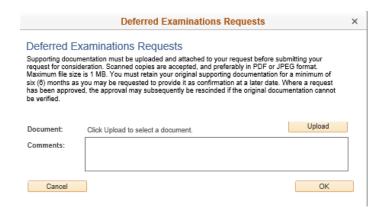
#### Note:

- 'Saved' requests will NOT be considered.
- Your request must be fully completed and 'submitted' within the specified timeframe for it to be considered for approval.
- You can view, edit or cancel a saved request prior to it being submitted.

STEP 8: To upload an electronic copy of your **supporting documentation**, click the 'Add Supporting Document' link beside the deferral reason.

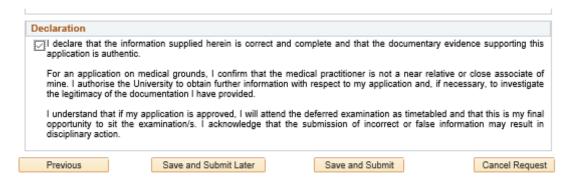


Click on 'Upload', use 'Browse' to find the document, then click on 'Upload' again. Wait a few seconds while the document uploads. Once completed, the name of the document will appear. You can add any additional information in the 'Comments' field. Click on 'OK'. **Note:** Documents should preferably be in PDF, GIF or JPEG format.



Up to ten (10) documents may be uploaded with each request. The maximum file size of each document is 1 MB. [If the document file size exceeds capacity, a message will display. Please see below for a guide to uploading supporting documentation where the file size is exceeded].

STEP 9: Read the **Declaration** and tick to confirm. Once completed, click 'Save and Submit'.



Note: Your request will not submit if there are no supporting documents successfully uploaded. A warning message will display to indicate that your request has not been submitted.

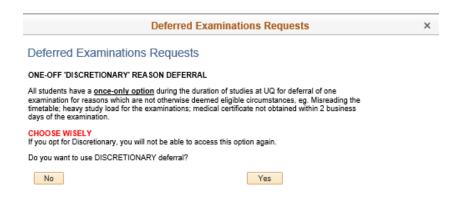
### Discretionary deferred exam request

To utilise your one-off discretionary deferred exam:

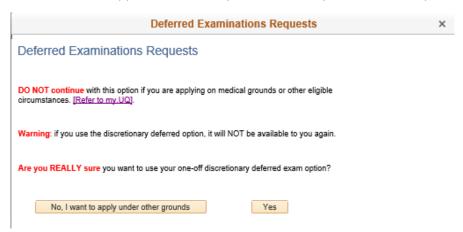
Following on from Step 2 above -

#### STEP 3: Click on 'Yes'.

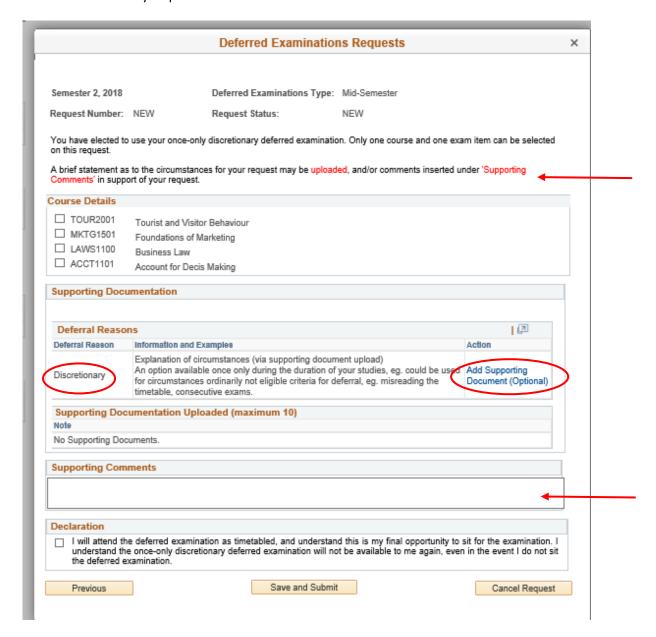
NB: This window will only appear if you have not previously used your one-off discretionary deferred exam.



A second window will appear, to confirm you wish to use your discretionary deferred.



STEP 4: Select your course, and exam. Only one course and one exam item can be selected on a discretionary request.

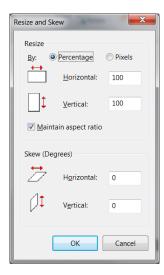


- STEP 5: Supporting documentation is NOT required. You do have the options, should you wish, to upload a document, and/or entering a Comment to provide a brief statement explaining the circumstances for using your discretionary deferred. To upload an electronic document, click the 'Add Supporting Document" link beside the Discretionary deferral reason. Refer to Step 9 above.
- STEP 6: Read the **Declaration** and tick to confirm. Once completed, click 'Save and Submit'.

### Guide to uploading supporting documentation

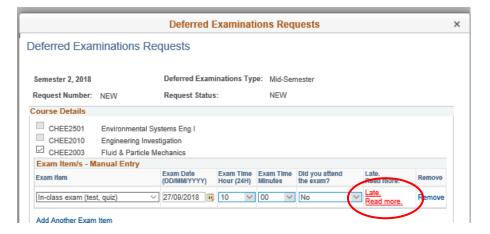
The file size of each document for upload is restricted. Should your documentation exceed the capacity, your file will not upload and you will receive a pop-up message. To reduce the file size, please follow these simple steps –

- 1. If the single document contains multiple pages, save page sections into multiple documents and upload each document.
- 2. If a single page document, it may generally be due to it being a JPEG image at 100% resolution. Open the JPEG file and then click on Open in Paint. Under Resize, reduce the percentage from 100 to say 50 or 30. Then Save.

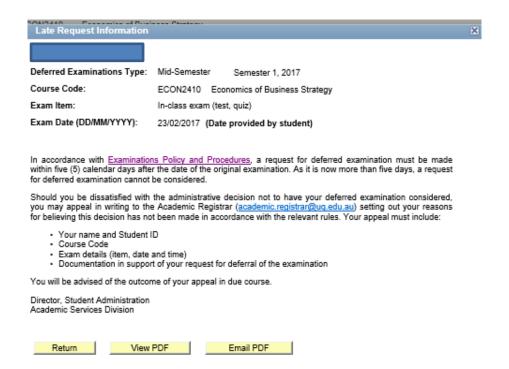


### **Late Requests**

If more than five (5) calendar days has passed since the date of the original examination, you will not be able to proceed with submitting your request. A Late Notice link will appear. Click on the link.



The Late Notice provides details of the examination and information on the steps to take should you believe there are justifiable reasons for your late request to be considered. You are able to print or email this notice to yourself. An example is shown below.

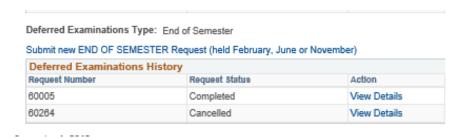


### View the status of your request

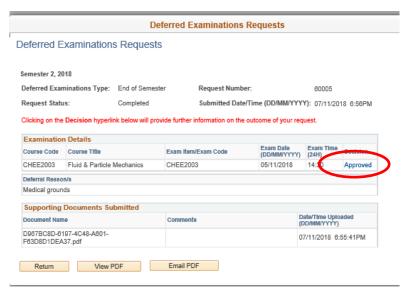
You will receive an email notification to your student email address once your request has been actioned. To view the status of your request:

- 1. Log in to mySI-net to access the Deferred Examination Requests under the mySI-net Requests tile.
- 2. Your requests will display with the Request Status noted for each. The status may be
  - Saved (yet to be completed and submitted for consideration)
  - Submitted (being considered, awaiting decision)
  - In Progress (being considered, awaiting decision)
  - Cancelled
  - Completed

Click on the 'View Details' link to view the decision.



 You will now be on the Request Details page which lists each examination item under that request, and the status of each. The status may be – Approved, Denied or Pending.



- 4. Click the 'Decision Status' link ['Approved' or 'Denied'] to view the examination item details, the decision, and decision reason if denied, and any other comments provided to you in relation to your request.
- 5. You can print or email a PDF to your student email address.

### Assessing submitted requests

As stated, a request must have a status of 'Submitted' for it to be considered and assessed.

All applications for deferral of mid-semester examinations will be assessed by the relevant school.

All applications for deferral of end of semester examinations made on medical grounds will be assessed by Academic Services Division.