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# PROPOSED CHANGES TO PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCIES (TABLE 5) OF THE FRAMEWORK

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## **Graduate Attributes**

|     |                                       | WA Graduate (Professional) | SA Graduate<br>(Technologist) | DA Graduate<br>(Technician) |
|-----|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1.  | <b>Engineering Knowledge</b>          |                            |                               |                             |
| 2.  | Problem Analysis                      | Complex                    | Broadly defined               | Well defined                |
| 3.  | Design/ development of solutions      | Complex                    | Broadly defined               | Well defined                |
| 4.  | Investigation                         | Complex                    | Broadly defined               | Well defined                |
| 5.  | Modern Tool Usage                     | Complex                    | Broadly defined               | Well defined                |
| 6.  | The Engineer and Society              |                            |                               |                             |
| 7.  | <b>Environment and Sustainability</b> |                            |                               |                             |
| 8.  | Ethics                                |                            |                               |                             |
| 9.  | Individual and Team work              |                            |                               |                             |
| 10. | Communication                         | Complex                    | Broadly defined               | Well defined                |
| 11. | <b>Project Management and Finance</b> |                            |                               |                             |
| 12. | Life long learning                    |                            |                               |                             |
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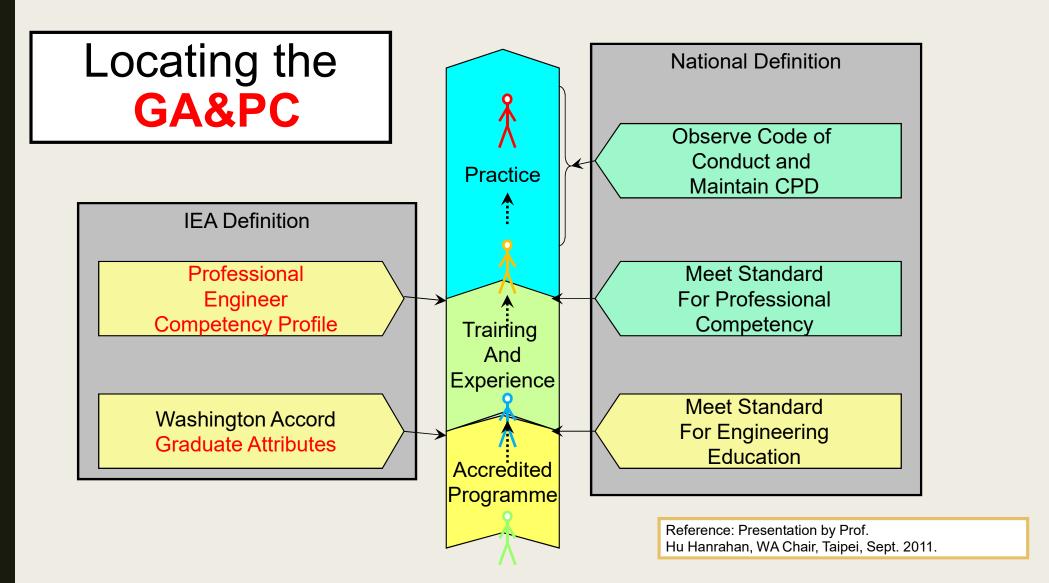
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## **Professional Competency Profiles**

|     | Element                                  | Professional<br>Engineer | Engineering<br>Technologist | Engineering<br>Technician |
|-----|--|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.  | Comprehend and apply universal knowledge | advanced                 | widely accepted applied     | standardised              |
| 2.  | Comprehend and apply local knowledge     | advanced                 | widely accepted applied     | standardised              |
| 3.  | Problem analysis                         | complex                  | broadly-defined             | well-defined              |
| 4.  | Design and development of solutions      | complex                  | broadly- defined            | well- defined             |
| 5.  | Evaluation                               | complex                  | broadly defined             | well-defined              |
| 6.  | Protection of society                    | complex                  | broadly-defined             | well-defined              |
| 7.  | Legal and regulatory                     | =                        | =                           | =                         |
| 8.  | Ethics                                   | =                        | =                           | =                         |
| 9.  | Manage engineering activities            | complex activities       | broadly- defined            | well- defined             |
| 10. | Communication                            | =                        | =                           | =                         |
| 11. | Lifelong learning                        | =                        | =                           | =                         |
| 12. | Judgment                                 | complex                  | broadly defined             | well-defined              |
| 13. | Responsibility for decisions             | complex                  | broadly defined             | well- defined             |

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#### **GAPC Version-3**

#### **Table 5 Professional Competency Profiles**

To meet the minimum standard of competence a person must demonstrate that he/she is able to practice competently in his/her practice area to the standard expected of a reasonable Professional Engineer/Engineering Technologist/Engineering Technologist.

The extent to which the person is able to perform each of the following elements in his/her practice area must be taken into account in assessing whether or not he/she meets the overall standard.

#### **Proposed changes**

To meet the minimum standard of competence a person must demonstrate the ability he/she is able to practice competently in his/her their practice area to the standard expected of a reasonable Professional Engineer/Engineering Technologist/Engineering Technician.

The extent to which the person is able to perform each of the following elements in their his/her practice area must be taken into account in assessing whether or not he/she meets the overall standard is met.

Reason for change: Gender neutral language used.

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic  | Professional Engineer  | Engineering Technologist | Engineering Technician   |
|--|--|--------------------------|--|
| Comprehend and apply universal knowledge: Breadth and depth of education and type of knowledge | <b>EC1</b> : Comprehend and apply advanced knowledge of the widely-applied principles underpinning good practice |                          | NC1: Comprehend and apply knowledge embodied in standardised practices |

No Changes proposed.

| Differentiating characteristic                                | Professional Engineer  | Engineering Technologist       | Engineering Technician   |
|---|--|--------------------------------|--|
| Comprehend and apply local knowledge: Type of local knowledge | <b>EC2</b> : Comprehend and apply advanced knowledge of the widely-applied principles underpinning good practice specific to the jurisdiction in which he/she practices. | knowledge embodied procedures, | NC2: Comprehend and apply knowledge embodied in standardised practices specific to the jurisdiction in which he/she practices. |

#### Proposed changes

| Differentiating characteristic | Professional Engineer                      | Engineering Technologist                    | Engineering Technician                      |
|--------------------------------|--|---|---|
| Comprehend and apply           | EC2: Comprehend and apply advanced         | TC2: Comprehend and apply the               | NC2: Comprehend and apply knowledge         |
| local knowledge: Type          | knowledge of the widely-applied principles | knowledge embodied procedures,              | embodied in standardised practices specific |
| of local knowledge             | underpinning good practice specific to the | processes, systems or methodologies that    | to the jurisdiction in which he/she of      |
|                                | jurisdiction of in which he/she practice   | is specific to the jurisdiction of in which | practice                                    |
|                                |  | he/she-practices.                           |   |
|                                |  |   |   |

Reason for change: Gender neutral language used.

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic           | Professional Engineer                                  | Engineering Technologist                                      | Engineering Technician                                  |
|---|--|---|---|
| Problem analysis:<br>Complexity of analysis | EC3: Define, investigate and analyse complex problems. | TC3: Identify, clarify, and analyse broadly-defined problems. | NC3: Identify, state and analyse well-defined problems. |

#### Proposed changes

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic           | Professional Engineer           | Engineering Technologist | Engineering Technician   |
|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Problem analysis:<br>Complexity of analysis | complex problems using data and |                          | NC3: Identify, state and analyse well-defined problems using the support of computing and information technologies |

Reason for change:

The use of computing and IT tools has been added.

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic   | Professional Engineer | Engineering Technologist | Engineering Technician                                    |
|---|-----------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Design and development of solutions: Nature of the problem and uniqueness of the solution |                       | ,                        | NC4: Design or develop solutions to well-defined problems |

#### Proposed changes

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic | Professional Engineer                                       | Engineering Technologist                   | Engineering Technician              |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|-------------------------------------|
|                                   | EC4: Design or develop inclusive                            | TC4: Design or develop inclusive solutions |                                     |
|                                   | solutions to complex problems with stakeholder consultation | to broadly- defined problems               | solutions to well- defined problems |
| problem and uniqueness            |   |  |                                     |
| of the solution                   |   |  |                                     |
|                                   |   |  |                                     |

#### Reason for change:

The importance of inclusive solutions and stakeholder consultation has been added.

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic    | Professional Engineer  | Engineering Technologist   | Engineering Technician  |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|---|
| <b>Evaluation</b> : Type of activity | EC5: Evaluate the outcomes and impacts of complex activities | TC4: Evaluate the outcomes and impacts of broadly defined activities | NC5: Evaluate the outcomes and impacts of well-defined activities |

#### Proposed changes

| Differentiating     | Professional Engineer                         | Engineering Technologist                      | Engineering Technician                 |
|---------------------|---|---|--|
| Characteristic      |   |   |  |
| Evaluation: Type of | EC5: Evaluate the outcomes and impacts        | TC4: Evaluate the outcomes and impacts of     | NC5: Evaluate the outcomes and impacts |
| activity            | of complex activities in the contexts of risk | broadly defined activities in the contexts of | of well-defined activities             |
|                     | and social, environmental, economic and       | risk and social, environmental, economic      |  |
|                     | resource impacts                              | and resource impacts                          |  |
|                     |   |   |  |

Reason for change:

The importance of evaluation and risk assessment in broad contexts has been added.

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| Differentiating            | Professional Engineer   | Engineering Technologist  | Engineering Technician  |
|----------------------------|---|---|---|
| Characteristic             |   |   |   |
| Protection of society:     | EC6: Recognise the reasonably   | TC6: Recognise the reasonably foreseeable                                       | NC6: Recognise the reasonably   |
| Types of activity and      | foreseeable social, cultural and  | social, cultural and environmental effects of                                   | foreseeable social, cultural and  |
| responsibility to consider | environmental effects of complex activities   | broadly-defined activities generally, and                                       | environmental effects of well-defined   |
| public.                    | generally, and have regard to the need for<br>sustainability; recognise that the protection<br>of society is the highest priority | take responsibility in all these activities to avoid putting the public at risk | activities generally, and have regard to the<br>need for sustainability; use engineering<br>technical expertise to prevent dangers to<br>the public |
|                            |   |   |   |

#### Proposed changes

| Protection of society: Types of activity and responsibility to consider advancement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals public  Development Goals; global quality of life for humans and the environment. ility; recognise that the protection of society is the highest priority  TC6: Recognise the reasonably foreseeable social, cultural and environmental effects of broadly-defined activities generally, and have regard to the need for sustainable outcomes that leave no one behind per the UN Sustain | Differentiating<br>Characteristic  | Professional Engineer   | Engineering Technologist  | Engineering Technician  |
|--|--|---|---|---|
|  | Types of activity and responsibility to consider advancement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals | foreseeable social, cultural and environmental effects of complex activities generally, and have regard to the need for sustainable outcomes that leave no one behind per the UN Sustainable Development Goals; global quality of life for humans and the environment. ility; recognise that the protection of society is | social, cultural and environmental effects of broadly-defined activities generally, and have regard to the need for sustainable outcomes that leave no one behind per the UN Sustainable Development Goals; global quality of life for humans and the environment. sustainability; take responsibility in all these activities to avoid | foreseeable social, cultural and environmental effects of well-defined activities generally, and have regard to the need for sustainable outcomes that leave no one behind per the UN Sustainable Development Goals; global quality of life for humans and the environment. sustainability; use engineering technical |

#### Reason for change:

The importance of consideration of the advancement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals where relevant has been added

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic                               | Professional Engineer   | Engineering Technologist  | Engineering Technician  |
|---|---|---|---|
| Legal and regulatory: No differentiation in this characteristic | EC7: Meet all legal and regulatory requirements and protect public health and safety in the course of his or her activities | TC7: Meet all legal and regulatory requirements and protect public health and safety in the course of his or her activities | NC7: Meet all legal and regulatory requirements and protect public health and safety in the course of his or her activities |

#### Proposed changes

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic  | Professional Engineer   | Engineering Technologist  | Engineering Technician  |
|--|---|---|---|
| Legal, environment, cultural and regulatory: No differentiation in this characteristic | <b>EC7</b> : Meet all legal and regulatory Requirements, protect public health and safety, environment and cultural heritage in the course of all his or her Activities | TC7: Meet all legal and regulatory requirements and protect public health and safety environment and cultural heritage in the course of all his or her activities | NC7: Meet all legal and regulatory requirements and protect public health and safety environment and cultural heritage in the course of all his or her activities |

#### Reason for change:

The importance of compliance with relevant laws and regulations including to protect the environment and cultural heritage and gender neutral language has been added.

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic                 | Professional Engineer                        | Engineering Technologist                     | Engineering Technician                       |
|---|--|--|--|
| Ethics: No differentiation in this characteristic | EC8: Conduct his or her activities ethically | TC8: Conduct his or her activities ethically | NC8: Conduct his or her activities ethically |

#### Proposed changes

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic | Professional Engineer  | Engineering Technologist | Engineering Technician   |
|-----------------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|
| Inclusion: No                     | EC8: Conduct his or her all activities ethically and inclusively, respecting cultural, ethnic, religious and all other differences |                          | NC8: Conduct his or her all activities ethically, in diverse teams Respect diversity and understand the need for inclusion |

#### Reason for change:

The ethics of equal opportunity for all through working effectively in diverse and inclusive teams and gender neutral language has been added.

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic                | Professional Engineer                                     | Engineering Technologist  | Engineering Technician   |
|--|---|---|--|
| Manage engineering activities: Types of activity | EC9: Manage part or all of one or more complex activities | TC9: Manage part or all of one or more broadly-defined activities | NC9: Manage part or all of one or more well-defined activities |

Reason for change: No proposed changes

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic                        | Professional Engineer | Engineering Technologist | Engineering Technician   |
|--|-----------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Communication: No differentiation in this characteristic | I                     | •                        | NC10: Communicate clearly with others in the course of his or her activities |

#### Proposed changes

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic | Professional Engineer                        | Engineering Technologist                  | Engineering Technician                    |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|---|
| Communication and                 | EC10: Communicate and collaborate            | TC10: Communicate and collaborate         | NC10: Communicate and collaborate         |
| Collaboration:                    | using multiple mediums clearly and           | using multiple mediums clearly and        | using multiple mediums clearly and        |
| Requirement for                   | inclusively with a broad range of            | inclusively with a broad range of         | inclusively with a broad range of         |
| inclusive                         | stakeholders in the course of his or her all | stakeholders with others in the course of | stakeholders with others in the course of |
| communications, No                | activities                                   | <del>his or her</del> all activities      | <del>his or her</del> all activities      |
| differentiation in this           |  |   |   |
| characteristic                    |  |   |   |

#### Reason for change:

The importance of inclusive communications and gender neutral language has been added.

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic                                    | Professional Engineer  | Engineering Technologist | Engineering Technician   |
|--|--|--------------------------|--|
| Lifelong learning: Preparation for and depth of continuing learning. | <b>EC11</b> : Undertake CPD activities sufficient to maintain and extend his or her competence |                          | NC11: Undertake CPD activities sufficient to maintain and extend his or her competence |

#### Proposed changes

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic | Professional Engineer                       | Engineering Technologist                    | Engineering Technician                    |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|---|
| Continuing                        | EC11: Undertake CPD activities sufficient   | TC11: Undertake CPD activities to adapt     | NC11: Undertake CPD activities to adapt   |
| <b>Professional</b>               | to maintain and extend technical            | to emerging technologies and the ever       | to emerging technologies sufficient to    |
| <b>Development (CPD)</b>          | competencies and enhance their ability to   | changing nature of work sufficient to       | maintain and extend <del>his or her</del> |
| Lifelong learning:                | adapt to emerging technologies and the      | maintain and extend <mark>his or her</mark> | competence                                |
| Preparation for and               | ever changing nature of work. sufficient to | competence                                  |   |
| depth of continuing               | maintain and extend his or her              |   |   |
| learning.                         | competencies                                |   |   |

#### Reason for change:

The importance of lifelong learning in a world of rapidly changing technologies and gender neutral language has been added.

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic        | Professional Engineer   | Engineering Technologist  | Engineering Technician              |
|--|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| and ability and judgement in relation to | EC11: Recognize complexity and assess alternatives in light of competing requirements and incomplete knowledge. Exercise sound judgement in the course of his or her complex activities | TC12: Choose appropriate technologies to deal with broadly defined problems.  Exercise sound judgement in the course of his or her broadly-defined activities | technical expertise. Exercise sound |

#### Proposed changes

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic   | Professional Engineer   | Engineering Technologist   | Engineering Technician  |
|---|---|--|---|
| developed knowledge,<br>and ability and<br>judgement in relation to<br>type of activity | EC11: Recognize complexity and assess alternatives in light of competing social, economic, environmental, cultural and other requirements and considering incomplete knowledge. Exercise sound judgement in the course of all his or her complex activities | TC12: Choose appropriate technologies to deal with broadly defined problems considering social, economic, environmental, cultural as needed. Exercise sound judgement in the course of his or her broadly-defined activities | technical expertise. Exercise sound judgement in the course of his or her well-defined activities |

#### Reason for change:

The need to exercise judgement and application of knowledge and ability in broad context and gender neutral language has been added.

| Differentiating<br>Characteristic  | Professional Engineer  | Engineering Technologist   | Engineering Technician  |
|--|--|--|---|
| Responsibility for decisions: Type of activity for which responsibility is taken | EC12: Be responsible for making decisions on part or all of complex activities | TC13: Be responsible for making decisions on part or all of one or more broadly defined activities | NC13: Be responsible for making decisions on part or all of all of one or more well- defined activities |

Reason for change: No proposed changes

### Thank For Your Attention

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