Agency details

Agency number: 745
Agency title: Optometry Section (c.1951 - c.1956) / Department of Optometry (c.1956 - 1976)
Start date: c. 1951
End date: 1976
Creation:
Abolition: 10 May 1976 Council meeting (resolution 76/67)

Administrative history note:
On 8 February 1951 the Department of Technical Education announced that from the beginning of the 1951 academic year, "the New South Wales University of Technology will be administering diploma courses on behalf of the Department in those fields in which the university is conducting degree courses". Optometry was included on the list of affected courses and thus the Optometry Section came into being within the Department of Applied Physics in the Faculty of Science. Mr Josef Lederer - initially as a Lecturer, but very shortly afterwards designated a Senior Lecturer - carried over his leadership role from the Optometry Department of the Sydney Technical College into the university (file 00018900, V20).

On 10 September 1951 Council changed the designation of all departments to schools and so the Optometry Section became part of the School of Applied Physics (resolution 153).

At some time around the 25 July 1956 meeting of the Optometry Advisory Panel, the Optometry Section appears to have started to become known as the Department of Optometry (CN913).

On 13 May 1968 Council approved the establishment of a new School of Applied Physics & Optometry, which contained the departments of Applied Physics and Optometry (resolution 68/72).

On 10 May 1976 Council approved the dissolution of the School of Applied Physics & Optometry effective from 1 January 1977 and the establishment of a School of Optometry from the same date (resolution 76/67). Thus, while the department of Applied Physics was returned to the School of Physics, the department of Optometry became its own school within the Faculty of Science.

Unregistered preceding agencies:

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252 Department (1949 - 51) / School of Applied Physics (1951 - 60) / Physics (1960 - 1968) 1951 - 1968
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Subordinate agencies:

Period of relationship
586 Cornea & Contact Lens Research Unit (CCLRU) 1976 - 1976

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