



**Explore
possibility.
Embrace
opportunity.**



ACU

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY

**Postgraduate
Course Guide 2022**





Acknowledgement of Country

In recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' deep spiritual connection to Country, and in continuing the university's commitment to reconciliation, it is customary to acknowledge Country as we pass through it. We acknowledge and pay our respects to the First Peoples, the Traditional Custodians of the lands and waterways where Australian Catholic University campuses are located, and we thank them for their continued custodianship.





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Think you know ACU?

You're just getting started. It's education, but not as you know it.



Meaningful education, not mass production

We're a university committed to standing up for people in need and causes that matter. If you've got the desire to make an impact, we'll give you the skills to change the world. And if you want to start making an impact now – you can. Research within our faculties and institutes tackles enduring and pressing issues in society, in Australia, and around the world.



The world is your campus

We're young, but we are making our mark. We're ranked in the top 20 of Generation Y universities worldwide* and in the top 10 Catholic universities** – alongside Georgetown University and Boston College in the US. We've got more than 200 partners on six continents, community engagement opportunities around the globe, and a campus in Rome, Italy.

*Times Higher Education Young University Rankings 2021. Generation Y universities are universities established between 1986 and 1999.

**Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2021, IFCU members



Flexible study

Study needs to be flexible. We get that life changes fast, and you need to find the right balance of family, work and study. Many of our courses offer part-time options, as well as online learning, travel opportunities, intensive units, and flexible start dates.



We've got your back

Whether it's figuring out how to enrol or finding the best coffee on campus, we'll help you out in person, online, by phone, or even SMS. And if you need support with your studies, or counselling services, we've got that covered too.

acu.edu.au/askacu



We care about you

Everyone is welcome at ACU. We're inclusive and supportive of everyone, every day, and our students feel it – giving us five stars for learner engagement and skills development*.

Your wellbeing is our focus. So we have a huge range of support services to help you thrive while on campus. See page 8.

**Good Universities Guide 2021*



Connections that count

Our partnerships around Australia and overseas provide rich learning experiences for our students. These relationships enhance student learning and provide opportunities for practical work experience and collaborative research.



Scholarships

We know that balancing the cost of living and study can be tricky. So we offer nearly 400 scholarship opportunities for current and future students which recognise academic achievement, community participation, and help out students from a range of backgrounds.

acu.edu.au/scholarships



More than a career

What you learn at ACU won't just benefit your career, but also your community.

We make sure you graduate with insight, empathy, imagination and impact. This means you will have developed a capacity for lifelong learning; the ability to make meaningful connections; the habit of thinking critically and creatively; and a readiness to contribute to social justice and sustainability both locally and globally.

Our campuses

We've got seven campuses around Australia, and a campus in Rome, Italy. Each one is unique, but they're all dynamic, inviting and great places to learn.

Head to acu.edu.au/tour to take a tour of your campus.



BALLARAT

Our Ballarat Campus is located in the centre of the city. Situated amid historical gardens, beautiful old buildings, and a block from Lake Wendouree, it has a lot to offer. Explore the grounds, enjoy a home-cooked meal at the canteen, and soak up the community vibe.

- Central location
- Free parking
- State-of-the-art physiotherapy building with labs and simulation rooms



BLACKTOWN

We've partnered with Blacktown City Council to open our newest campus located opposite the Blacktown train station in Western Sydney.

- Opportunities with local partners such as CathWest, Blacktown International Sports Park and the International Centre for Training Excellence
- Breakout and study areas, collaboration spaces, library, chapel, lounge area and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' culturally safe space
- Purpose-built teaching and learning facilities including nursing labs, bed simulation wards, moot court and science lab (from 2022)



BRISBANE

Whether you want to get involved in campus life, create a professional network or just find a quiet place to study — our Brisbane Campus has you covered. Set on 40 hectares of parklands, the campus has ample parking, state-of-the-art learning facilities, and places to hang out like cafes and a swimming pool.

- Free parking and shuttle bus
- Excellent health labs and health clinic
- Newly renovated library



CANBERRA

Just five kilometres from the city centre, our Canberra Campus has plenty to offer. With a campus lounge, swimming pool and beautiful landscaped gardens, you'll have a lot to keep you busy between classes.

- Modern nursing, paramedicine, social work and health sciences labs
- Free parking and accessible by light rail and bus
- Library and 300-seat lecture theatre



MELBOURNE

Our Melbourne Campus is right next to the cafes, art galleries and live music venues of Brunswick Street. Kick back with a coffee on our rooftop garden or hang out with friends in one of our cafes.

- Close to six tram routes, bus routes and Parliament Railway Station
- Award-winning library
- Art gallery and media production studios



NORTH SYDNEY

Just across the Harbour Bridge from the city centre, our North Sydney Campus is a great place to study and relax.

- High-tech nursing simulation, speech pathology, physiotherapy and occupational therapy labs
- Moot court, for simulating real-life law court proceedings
- Short walk from the train station



STRATHFIELD

Our Strathfield Campus is set amid beautiful landscaped grounds and historical buildings, with excellent transport links. Whether you want to have a friendly match on our rugby and soccer ovals or take in a show at our art gallery, there's always something going on.

- Onsite, undercover parking and shuttle bus
- Art gallery
- High-tech biomechanics lab and FIFA-accredited sports pitch



ROME, ITALY

Our Rome Campus is located near Trastevere, Rome's medieval quarter with narrow cobblestone streets and wide piazzas. The property has extensive terraces to enjoy beautiful views of the city.

- Close to the Vatican and popular tourist sites
- Contemporary, onsite residential accommodation
- Community engagement opportunities



IN AUSTRALIA

No. 1

GRADUATE EMPLOYMENT

Graduate Outcomes Survey – Longitudinal 2020, full-time employment



Top 2

GRADUATE EMPLOYER SATISFACTION

Employer Satisfaction Survey, 2018 – 2020 aggregated



No. 1

ENERGY EFFICIENT UNIVERSITY

Tertiary Education Facilities Management Association Annual Survey 2019



5 stars

EMPLOYABILITY, INTERNATIONALISATION AND FACILITIES

QS Stars 2019



5 stars

FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT, LEARNER ENGAGEMENT AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

Good Universities Guide 2021



Why choose ACU?



IN THE WORLD

Top 2%

UNIVERSITIES

*Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2021**



Top 10

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITIES

Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2021, ranked IFCU members



Top 20

GENERATION Y UNIVERSITIES

Times Higher Education Young University Rankings 2021



Top 25

SPORTS SCIENCE

(#22 Shanghai Ranking 2021)

NURSING

(#18 Shanghai Ranking 2021)



Top 50

EDUCATION

(#46 Shanghai Ranking 2021)



Top 80

UNIVERSITIES IN ASIA-PACIFIC

Times Higher Education Asia-Pacific University Rankings 2020



RESEARCH

1st or equal 1st in Australia

CARDIORESPIRATORY MEDICINE AND
HAEMATOLOGY

CLINICAL SCIENCES

COGNITIVE SCIENCES

HUMAN MOVEMENT AND SPORTS SCIENCE

NURSING

NUTRITION AND DIETETICS

PSYCHOLOGY

PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES

RELIGION AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

SPECIALIST STUDIES IN EDUCATION

Four-digit FoRs, Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) 2018

*Percentage calculated as ACU's world rank as a proportion of the total number of universities in the world: *International Handbook of Universities 2019*, Palgrave MacMillan.



Life at ACU

Find your place in a place that cares.

Your wellbeing is our biggest priority. And we know the support of a caring community will help you achieve your best. At ACU, you'll join a vibrant community and have the support you need to thrive during, and after, your studies.

JOIN A CLUB

Whatever your interest – there's a club or society for you. You can play sport competitively or just for fun, improve your photography, learn a language, or join the performing arts set.

You can also join one of our campus choirs, a key component of which is performing for the local campus and community. Sitting alongside our Campus Ministry team, we have choirs in Brisbane, Melbourne, North Sydney and Strathfield.

acu.edu.au/campus-life

Be supported

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER STUDENT HUBS

Our Indigenous Higher Education Units on each campus offer academic, personal and cultural support in a welcoming and culturally safe space. For more information see page 11.

acu.edu.au/indigenoussupport

ACADEMIC SKILLS SUPPORT

Set yourself up for academic success with help from our academic skills development team. Take part in workshops, explore online resources or have an in-person consultation.

acu.edu.au/academic-skills-development

CAREER ADVICE

Speak with a professional careers advisor, access our professional development programs, connect with employers, seek a student job on campus or get help with your resume. We provide tailored and flexible options to assist you in your career. No matter where you are in your journey, our career development service is here to help you navigate what comes next.

acu.edu.au/careersupport

COUNSELLING

Our counsellors are committed to supporting you in your postgraduate studies and personal life. You can book an appointment with a counsellor online. You can also sign up to our free online modules dedicated to postgraduate students, which are designed to assist you with your successful thesis completion. Or you can complete the My Academic and Personal Plan tool to help you identify areas where you may benefit from further support.

acu.edu.au/counselling-services

SAFETY

We want you to flourish on campus. That's why we're committed to making our university a place of safety and respect for all students and staff.

acu.edu.au/student-safety



DISABILITY SUPPORT

If you are a student with a temporary or ongoing diagnosed health condition, disability, mental health issue or learning disability, or if you have significant carer responsibilities, our disability advisors can help you put together a plan to manage your study. We provide information and advice on reasonable adjustments, such as the types of accessibility software and hardware that can assist you in your postgraduate studies.

acu.edu.au/disability-support

STUDENT ADVOCACY

We offer information, advice and a referral service to help you navigate university policies and procedures. The service is confidential, free and available to all current ACU students.

acu.edu.au/student-advocacy

MEDICAL SERVICES

ACU has medical centres on our Brisbane and Melbourne campuses. They offer comprehensive, high-quality health care services to students, staff and the local community. Bulk billing is available.

acu.edu.au/medical-centres

Get involved

POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

The ACU Postgraduate Students Association regularly runs networking events, seminars, and professional development activities to enhance the research and writing skills of postgraduate students.

Membership is free and is open to all ACU postgraduate students.

acu.edu.au/campus-life

SPORT AND FITNESS

Enjoy the many opportunities available on your campus. Play sport competitively or just for fun, join a campus gym or take part in regular fitness classes.

acu.edu.au/sports-and-fitness

STUDENT LIFE

We're dedicated to creating an enjoyable and diverse culture that engages students, staff and the wider community in a vibrant and dynamic campus life. We run a range of programs, activities, events and services throughout the year to make you feel at home and welcome at ACU. You'll also be able to meet new people, make new friends and learn new skills by joining clubs and societies, leadership programs, art and culture competitions, performing arts programs, and so much more.

acu.edu.au/student-life

GET AHEAD BY GIVING BACK

At ACU we're all about making an impact. And you don't need to wait until you've finished your degree. We offer a huge range of community engagement and volunteering opportunities, both in Australia and overseas.

acu.edu.au/acuengagement

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Our Campus Ministry teams work to bring the distinctive Catholic identity and mission of ACU to life. Offering a range of activities and services, our teams work to build an inclusive student community, care for your pastoral needs and spiritual wellbeing, and encourage you to see the world in new and different ways.

acu.edu.au/campusministry

SPACE FOR ALL FAITHS

You don't need to be Catholic to study with us. Across our university, staff and students of all faiths – or none – find their place at ACU. Our chapels and multifaith prayer rooms are for students and staff of all faiths and offer a welcoming and quiet space to pray and reflect.

acu.edu.au/all-faiths



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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student support

Strong way, ACU way.

If you're an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student we've got a range of services to support you through your university journey – all the way from application to graduation. Tutorial assistance, cultural activities, scholarships, networking and professional development opportunities are just some of the services available to our students.

INDIGENOUS HIGHER EDUCATION UNITS

The Indigenous Higher Education Units (IHEU) on each of our campuses offer social, cultural, personal and academic assistance to all Indigenous students.

The units provide an environment that promotes a positive Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander identity. They have an open-door policy and encourage students to drop in and yarn with them. Students can access a common room, computers, photocopiers, printers and dedicated study areas.

If you are interested in studying with us, please contact staff at one of our IHEUs and they will help you with information on our courses and the multiple pathways to becoming an ACU student.

AWAY FROM BASE

The Away From Base (AFB) program is a practical option for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. It enables you to live and work in your local community while studying online, combined with intensive residential blocks twice a semester. During residential blocks your travel and accommodation will be fully covered, and you'll receive meal allowances.

Postgraduate course available in Away From Base mode:

- Master of Educational Leadership (Indigenous Leadership) (see page 46)

acu.edu.au/afb



IHEUS ACROSS OUR CAMPUSES

Dhara Daramoolen
Earth, Spirit
Canberra Campus

Yalbalinga
Place of Learning
North Sydney, Strathfield
and Blacktown campuses

Weemala
Distant View
Brisbane Campus

Jim-baa-yer
To Learn – To Teach
Ballarat and Melbourne
campuses

Learn more
acu.edu.au/indigenoussupport

Our people

Our academics are experts in their fields. They achieve research excellence, are engaged with industry, and are committed teachers and mentors.



PROFESSOR SUSAN DANN AM

Professor Susan Dann is the National Head of the Peter Faber Business School. Previously, Professor Dann held academic appointments at Queensland University of Technology, Griffith University and the University of Queensland.

As a former State President and National Deputy President of the Australian Marketing Institute, Professor Dann's expertise and research interest is in the strategic application of marketing to non-commercial organisations, with a specific interest in social marketing. Using this expertise, Professor Dann has spanned the boundaries of academia and industry through consultancies and external appointments. She has served as a director on a variety of governance boards, as well as being a member of two key government tribunals. Professor Dann has more than 60 academic publications, including eight books, two of which have been shortlisted for awards.

Professor Dann is a Principal Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (HEA) and was awarded member of the Order of Australia in 2018 for contributions to business education.



ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR MICHAEL LONGO

Dr Michael Longo is Associate Professor of Law in the Thomas More Law School. His current research interests include comparative constitutional systems, international law, human rights law and European Union (EU) law. Dr Longo engages in conceptual research that responds to global challenges and advances knowledge of the increasing intersections between international and domestic law. His work typically employs interdisciplinary methodologies and comparative techniques to understand phenomena such as globalism and the complex challenges and dilemmas of EU law and integration.

Dr Longo has published in leading Australian and international journals such as the *Federal Law Review*, the *University of New South Wales Law Journal* and the *Journal of Common Market Studies*. His prize-winning research book, *Constitutionalising Europe: Processes and Practices* (Ashgate Publishing, 2006) examines the constitutional development of the EU and the pivotal roles of law and judicial politics in establishing the EU constitutional order. Dr Longo's book (with Philomena Murray), *Europe's Legitimacy Crisis: From Causes to Solutions* (Palgrave, 2015) examines the complex and interwoven issues raised by the EU's ongoing crisis of legitimacy as well as suggestions for their solution. Dr Longo has undertaken fellowships and visiting scholarships in Australian and European universities.



ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR STUART CORMACK

Associate Professor Stuart Cormack from ACU's School of Behavioural and Health Sciences has spent 15 years working in the Australian Football League, including eight years as the fitness coach at the West Coast Eagles, highlighted by two grand final appearances and winning the 2006 AFL Premiership. He also spent four years as a strength and conditioning coach at the Australian Institute of Sport, where he worked with elite athletes in a variety of team and individual sports in preparation for the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games.

Associate Professor Cormack is also a Level 3 Strength and Conditioning Coach and a Life Member of the Australian Strength and Conditioning Association. He has published numerous papers in scientific journals and co-authored several book chapters, including *Physiological tests for elite athletes (2nd edition)*, *High performance training for sports*, and *Strength and conditioning - biological principles and practical applications*. Associate Professor Cormack regularly presents at sports science and coaching conferences in addition to providing consultancy support to various organisations, including the International Cricket Council and Australian Institute of Sport Combat Centre. He has an interest in all areas of athletic preparation, with a particular focus on monitoring training load and fatigue in elite athletes, and its impact on performance.



DR IZELLE LABUSCHAGNE

Dr Izelle Labuschagne is a clinical neuroscientist and a research fellow in psychology at ACU in Melbourne. Her research strives to understand the neurobiological mechanisms that are associated with dysfunctional social cognitive processes in humans, with an aim to improve quality of life and treatment options for mental health disorders.

Dr Labuschagne's research incorporates a variety of brain technologies (such as fMRI, DTI, EEG, EMG, and tDCS), cognitive assessments, and neuropsychopharmacological manipulations. She has conducted controlled trials in humans investigating the effects of antidepressants such as SSRIs, serotonergic precursors such as tryptophan, and more recently, neuropeptides such as oxytocin. Her research uses both healthy and clinical samples, with a particular focus on aging, social anxiety disorder and body dysmorphic disorder. Dr Labuschagne collaborates with leading researchers at Cambridge University, University of Birmingham, University of Chicago, and University College London.



ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR MIRIAM TANTI

Associate Professor Miriam Tanti is Campus Dean at ACU's Strathfield Campus. Since joining ACU in 2008, Associate Professor Tanti has prepared both undergraduate and postgraduate students to teach in contemporary learning environments through the meaningful integration of digital technologies. She has also worked with schools and school leaders to develop effective science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) problem- and project-based learning frameworks and action research.

Prior to ACU, Associate Professor Tanti taught in secondary schools, specifically in technological and applied studies. Associate Professor Tanti completed her PhD through the University of Sydney. Her PhD and subsequent research have emphasised developing a slow ontological and philosophical framework that presents a vision for sustainable learning, and she is currently writing a book on this topic.

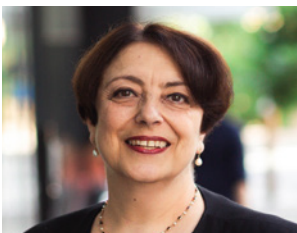


DR GERARD EFFENY

Dr Gerard Effeny is the State Head (Queensland) in the National School of Education. He joined ACU in 2011 after a 20-year career as a high school physics/science teacher and outdoor education instructor. Gerard is passionate about equipping new teachers with the skills and dispositions necessary to establish effective and productive learning environments.

Gerard completed his PhD in Educational Psychology through the University of Queensland. His multidisciplinary thesis investigated how the emerging neurobiological models of adolescent development relate to maturational changes in self-regulated learning skills. Gerard also holds a degree in physics (UCQ), a Master of Education (ACU) and a Master of Tertiary Education Management (UM).

Gerard's research interests include the development of academic self-identity, executive function, self-regulated learning motivation and engagement during adolescence along with risk (perceptions and management in schools and universities).



PROFESSOR DIANA GLENN

Professor Diana Glenn is the National Head, School of Arts. She joined ACU in 2020.

Prior to joining ACU, Professor Glenn held a number of leadership roles including Dean of the School of Humanities and Creative Arts within the Faculty of Education, Humanities and Law at Flinders University, Adelaide. Following the restructure of the university from a faculty to college structure, Professor Glenn held the position of Foundation Dean, People and Resources within the College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences.

Professor Glenn has a strong and distinctive profile as a researcher of national and international standing. She also has a strong reputation for fostering strong relationships through mentoring, collaborations and partnerships. Her work with the School of Humanities and Creative Arts and the Flinders Research Institute for the Humanities resulted in growing their research profile and research funding. Additionally, by leading a culture of innovation within the College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences, Dr Glenn brought about significant improvements to the learning outcomes for students and improved staff satisfaction.



DR EMMANUEL NATHAN

Dr Emmanuel Nathan is a Senior Lecturer in Biblical Studies and Comparative Theology and the Director of the newly established Research Centre for Studies of the Second Vatican Council. Originally specialising in New Testament studies and early Christian origins, his current research interests are in the hermeneutics and comparative study of sacred texts and traditions in the Abrahamic faiths.

His publications include: *Provoked to Speech: Biblical Hermeneutics as Conversation* (Peeters, 2014), *Is there a Judeo-Christian Tradition: A European Perspective* (De Gruyter, 2016) and *Re-memembering the New Covenant at Corinth* (Mohr Siebeck, 2020). In 2020 he was named the inaugural Monsignor Professor Denis Edwards Visiting Scholar to the *Laudato Si' Research Institute* at Campion Hall, University of Oxford.

Our institutes and centres

Our research institutes and centres are aligned with our priority areas of education, health, theology and philosophy and other liberal arts, which are underpinned by our commitment to the common good.

INSTITUTE FOR POSITIVE PSYCHOLOGY AND EDUCATION

The Institute for Positive Psychology and Education (IPPE) undertakes research in education, Indigenous education, human motivation and behaviour. We conduct multi-disciplinary research to address critical educational and psychosocial issues and translate theory to inform effective policy and practice. Our work demonstrates how individuals, communities and organisations cannot just succeed but flourish and thrive.

acu.edu.au/ippe

INSTITUTE FOR RELIGION AND CRITICAL INQUIRY

The Institute for Religion and Critical Inquiry (IRCI) comprises three interdisciplinary research programs: Biblical and Early Christian Studies; Medieval and Early Modern Studies; Religion and Theology; and a node of the Australian Research Centre of Excellence for the History of Emotions. Within these research programs, we bring together scholars who have established international research track records in New Testament studies, early Christian studies, medieval and early modern studies, historical and constructive theology, and religious studies.

acu.edu.au/irci

INSTITUTE FOR LEARNING SCIENCES AND TEACHER EDUCATION

The Institute for Learning Sciences and Teacher Education (ILSTE) undertakes studies in partnership to improve educational outcomes and life chances for all children and young people. Our areas of expertise include assessment and learning; critical and creative thinking in STEM; English and literacy education, multimodalities, literacy and gender; teacher education and professional practice; and early childhood futures and digital play.

Institute centre: Research Centre for Digital Data and Assessment in Education

acu.edu.au/ilste

MARY MACKILLOP INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH RESEARCH

The Mary MacKillop Institute for Health Research (MMIHR) works towards better health outcomes in Australia and around the world. The institute comprises three key research programs: Exercise and Nutrition; Behaviour, Environment and Cognition; and Bone Health and Fractures. In the most recent Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) rankings, we achieved well above world standard for our research in the areas of cardiorespiratory medicine and haematology, clinical sciences, human movement and sports science, and nutrition and dietetics.

acu.edu.au/mmihhr

DIANOIA INSTITUTE OF PHILOSOPHY

Dianoia is dedicated to ground-breaking research in the central areas of analytic philosophy, including metaphysics, epistemology, logic, ethics and metaethics, aesthetics, social and political philosophy, and the philosophy of mind, language, religion, and science.

acu.edu.au/dianoia

INSTITUTE FOR HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

The newly opened Institute for Humanities and Social Sciences continues our growth in the liberal arts. Spanning history, politics, sociology, and literature, the institute has expertise in histories of displacement from early modern times to the present day; gender and women's history; social and political change in Australia and internationally; British empire; Atlantic world history, Australian colonialism and Indigenous history; political economy; and literary studies.

Institute centres include:

- Gender and Women's History Research Centre
- Research Centre for Refugees, Migration, and Humanitarian Studies
- Research Centre for Social and Political Change

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OTHER ACU RESEARCH CENTRES

- Healthy Brain and Mind Research Centre
- Sports Performance, Recovery, Injury and New Technologies (SPRINT) Research Centre
- Research Centre for Studies of the Second Vatican Council

Learn more
acu.edu.au/research

Postgraduate study pathways

In general, postgraduate study falls into two main categories: coursework and research.

COURSEWORK

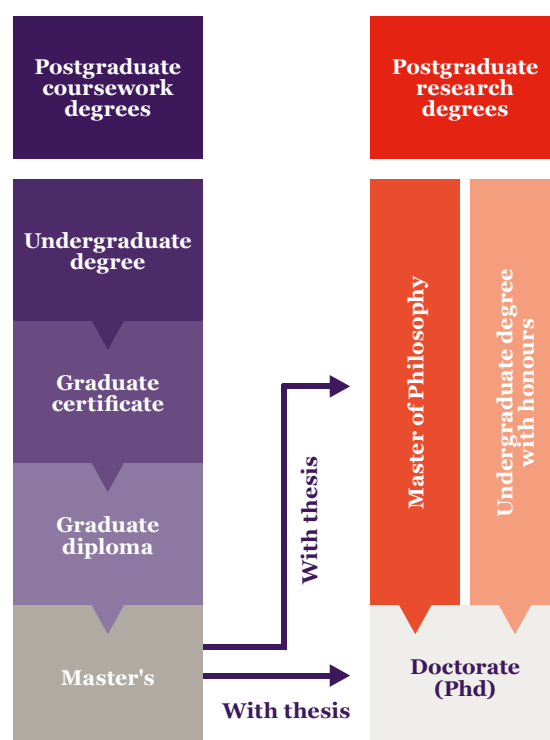
- Programs are generally six months to two years full-time (or equivalent part-time).
- You can expect classes (including online classes), units, and set assessments, similar to an undergraduate degree.
- To apply you usually need to have completed an undergraduate degree first. However, professional experience can also be taken into account.
- The graduate certificate, graduate diploma and master's degree are connected and can build on each other.
- If you're considering a master's degree but don't initially qualify, you may be accepted into the graduate certificate or diploma in the same area of study.
- If you choose to study a master's degree but your circumstances change, you may be able to exit the degree early with the relevant graduate certificate or graduate diploma.
- Coursework programs are ideal for gaining new skills and getting ahead in your career.

RESEARCH

- Programs are generally two to three years full-time (or equivalent part-time).
- You can expect independent research and exploration of original ideas under the guidance of a supervisor.
- To apply you usually need to have completed an undergraduate degree with honours, or a master's (with thesis).
- ACU offers supervised research at either master's or doctoral level.
- Research programs are ideal for making a new contribution to an academic field. They can be a pathway to research or an academic career, or help you get ahead at work.

Honours degrees are also available. They are a one-year degree for high-achieving students who have already completed a bachelor's degree, and allow you to build upon your knowledge, develop research skills, and work closely with an academic expert. The main focus of the degree is to produce a research thesis under supervision from experienced academic staff. Some four-year bachelor's degrees have honours embedded into the third and fourth years.

EXAMPLE PATHWAYS THROUGH POSTGRADUATE STUDY



If you're studying at another university and would like to switch to ACU, or you have relevant knowledge and skills acquired in the workplace, you may be able to get credit towards your coursework degree.

acu.edu.au/priorlearning

Fees and scholarships

There are many options to help you manage the cost of study. Tuition fees depend on the course you enrol in, and there are two placement offer types: fee-paying place, and Commonwealth supported place (CSP).



FEE-PAYING PLACE

A fee-paying place is not subsidised by the government, so you pay the full cost of the course. As a domestic fee-paying student, you may be eligible to defer payment of your fees through the FEE-HELP government loan scheme. Repayment of the loan occurs through the tax system once your income exceeds the minimum threshold. Your employer may also consider assisting with the cost of study if the course is related to your current position.

studyassist.gov.au



COMMONWEALTH SUPPORTED PLACE (CSP)

A small number of postgraduate courses at ACU offer CSPs, where the government pays a proportion of tuition costs. The remainder of the fees are paid by the student, but eligible students can defer their payment through the HECS-HELP government loan scheme. Repayment of the loan occurs through the tax system once your income exceeds the minimum threshold.

studyassist.gov.au



RESEARCH TRAINING PROGRAM FEES OFFSET SCHOLARSHIPS

If you are enrolling in a Higher Degree Research program at ACU, you may be exempt from paying tuition fees. Our Research Training Program Fees Offset Scholarships are offered to high-achieving domestic students whose proposed research aligns with ACU's core research priorities.

acu.edu.au/research-scholarships



FACULTY ALUMNI REBATE

If you're an ACU graduate, you may be eligible for a 10 per cent rebate on postgraduate fees.

acu.edu.au/alumni-rebate



POSTGRADUATE COURSEWORK SCHOLARSHIPS

We offer scholarships to help support you financially during your studies. Use our online scholarships portal to find the ones that are right for you.

acu.edu.au/scholarships



RESEARCH TRAINING PROGRAM STIPEND SCHOLARSHIPS

We offer competitive stipend scholarships to outstanding academic applicants whose proposed research aligns with ACU's core research priorities. Recipients of a stipend scholarship are also awarded a Research Training Program Fees Offset Scholarship (domestic) or a tuition fee waiver and an Overseas Health Care Policy (international).

acu.edu.au/research-scholarships

Got questions? We're waiting with the answers.

acu.edu.au/askacu

Applying to ACU

Postgraduate coursework degrees

- 1 Choose the course you would like to study by browsing this guide and visiting acu.edu.au/courses for more details.
- 2 Check important dates and application requirements carefully – some courses also require supporting documentation.
- 3 Check out the postgraduate scholarships available at acu.edu.au/scholarships
- 4 Apply online direct to ACU at acu.edu.au/courses
- 5 Accept your offer and enrol.

Postgraduate research degrees (higher degrees by research)

Application to ACU higher degrees by research (HDR), including the Master of Philosophy and Doctor of Philosophy, is by direct application to Candidature Services at ACU via res.cand@acu.edu.au

- 1 Explore HDR courses and eligibility criteria acu.edu.au/research/become-a-research-candidate
- 2 View HDR scholarships and application closing dates acu.edu.au/research-scholarships
- 3 Gather all your documentation.
- 4 Organise your referee reports.
- 5 Complete and submit your application.

With a research strategy focused on areas of specialisation related to our mission and identity, ACU has achieved research excellence in our priority areas of education, health, and theology and philosophy and other liberal arts. Our research institutes and centres bring together eminent scholars, who are world leaders in their field, with early career researchers and higher degree research candidates, and foster international collaboration in a rich research environment.



For more information on how to apply for postgraduate coursework degrees, visit acu.edu.au/apply

If you still have questions or need help with your application, visit acu.edu.au/askacu



For more information and to apply for postgraduate research degrees, visit acu.edu.au/research/become-a-research-candidate

If you still have questions or need help with your postgraduate research application, contact res.cand@acu.edu.au

Allied health

**A world of wellbeing
is a world of well beings.**

Allied health practitioners help us live life to the fullest. You can diagnose, treat, and rehabilitate patients, and help improve their quality of life.



MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

Our suite of mental health programs has been developed specifically for allied health professionals in regular contact with people facing mental health issues. Our programs develop graduates with knowledge and skills at a specialist and advanced level in mental health. The programs offer:

- opportunities for allied health professionals who work with clients experiencing mental health issues, but have no formal postgraduate mental health qualification
- a shift in focus from acute inpatient treatment to that of recovery-orientated, trauma-informed care philosophy and content
- a specified unit in cognitive behavioural therapy
- professional development opportunities to keep pace with changes to mental health legislation, policy and service delivery

- articulation between the graduate certificate, graduate diploma and master's programs
- opportunities to build the required knowledge, skills, and competencies for the workforce
- preparation to respond to the needs of consumers and carers.

Career paths: Clinician; case manager/worker; team leader; service manager; triage manager.

ACU also offers postgraduate mental health nursing programs for registered nurses, see page 41 for details.

Master of **Mental Health**

🕒 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Diploma in **Mental Health**

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Certificate in **Mental Health**

🕒 1 yr PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information



ACU North Sydney

PHYSIOTHERAPY PROGRAMS

Master of Sports and Exercise Physiotherapy*

Ⓢ 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) [Visit acu.edu.au/courses](https://acu.edu.au/courses) for detailed course information

The Master of Sports and Exercise Physiotherapy is aimed at providing a career option for graduate physiotherapists to become sports and exercise physiotherapists. It offers the opportunity to acquire advanced theoretical, scientific and clinical knowledge of normal and pathological human movement as it relates to sports, exercise, performance, injuries, pathology and disease. Graduates will develop an understanding of how wellbeing relates to performance and be able to critically analyse, synthesise and apply knowledge, using an evidence-informed person-centred approach, for the physiotherapy management of sports injuries or other health conditions and to enhance sports or exercise performance and wellbeing in athletes and people of all ages, abilities and cultural contexts within the relevant ethical and legal frameworks.

There will be options to exit at two different points, with a Graduate Certificate in Sports and Exercise Physiotherapy awarded when exiting after completion of 40 credit points from specified units, the Graduate Diploma in Sports

and Exercise Physiotherapy awarded when exiting after completion of 80 credit points from specified units.

Professional recognition: This course will provide the foundation for specialty recognition for physiotherapists to apply for APA Titled Membership in Sports and Exercise Physiotherapy and become members of the Australian College of Physiotherapists.

Practical experience: The course includes a minimum 190 hours of clinical practice, including supervised practice, mentoring, case reflections, and self-directed field-of-play and side-line practice. The course also includes a program of independent research.

Career paths: Sports and exercise physiotherapist for a club, a team or a sports event at national or international level for visiting or host nation programs. The course will also enable opportunities to work at management or coordination level in sports and exercise medicine settings.

**Subject to final approval*



Master of Sports and Exercise Physiotherapy/ Master of High Performance Sport*

🕒 2 yrs FT (or 4 yrs PT blended) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Master of Sports and Exercise Physiotherapy/Master of High Performance Sport double degree is aimed at providing a career option for graduate physiotherapists to become sports and exercise physiotherapists and to work in high performance sports. As a graduate, you will have the knowledge and skills to work with athletes and people of all ages, abilities and cultural contexts, in community, elite or high performance sport and exercise settings, in the private and public sectors. This double degree also emphasises the application and integration of specialised knowledge and technical skills for enhancing the conditioning of high performance athletes, with the aim of optimising individual and team performance, in an ethical manner that promotes the dignity of the individual, athlete or performer.

Professional recognition: This course will provide the foundation for specialty recognition for physiotherapists to apply for APA Titled Membership in Sports and Exercise

Physiotherapy and become members of the Australian College of Physiotherapists.

Practical experience: The course includes a minimum 190 hours of clinical practice, including supervised practice, mentoring, case reflections, and self-directed field-of-play and side-line practice. The course also includes a program of supervised research and an opportunity for an industry-based internship in high performance sport.

Career paths: Sports and exercise physiotherapist for a club, a team or a sports event at national or international levels for visiting or host nation programs. For example, sports medicine manager for a team; venue medical manager; performance analyst; high performance manager; sports medical services manager; government advisor on exercise; sports science manager.

**Subject to final approval*



REHABILITATION PROGRAMS

Master of **Rehabilitation**

🕒 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Master of Rehabilitation suite comprises four discipline and one non-discipline nested programs with three exit points. The non-discipline program is available to clinicians of any discipline.

The four discipline programs (listed on pages 23 – 25) are:

- occupational therapy
- speech pathology
- gerontological physiotherapy
- neurological physiotherapy.

The Graduate Certificate in Rehabilitation prepares the clinician to be an enhanced evidence-based clinician within an interprofessional team. The course has four units: two units focus on enhancing rehabilitation knowledge and skills within an interprofessional team and two elective units enable students to customise their learning to their relevant context and learning needs.

The non-discipline Graduate Diploma in Rehabilitation builds on the previous learning with advanced knowledge and skills in relevant practice areas. Clinical leadership is

further developed and clinical research is introduced.

The Master of Rehabilitation brings the clinical expert, clinical leadership and clinical research components together. Further clinical specialist skills and knowledge are developed and a workplace-based clinical research project is implemented.

Career paths: This course is for health professionals who want to extend their knowledge and skills in specific fields, receive a promotion or professional recognition, or return to the workforce. Graduates will work in a range of health provider settings including but not limited to: public or private health care provider in acute wards and rehabilitation settings; private practice in the field of rehabilitation; aged care health services; transition care community rehabilitation and long-term care settings; state, federal and local government in policy development or implementation; health carer groups; health care based research. Roles may include clinician; case worker; team leader; consultant; researcher.

Graduate Diploma in **Rehabilitation**

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Certificate in **Rehabilitation**

🕒 1 yr PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information



“At ACU, I have developed personal and professional relationships with my lecturers whose approach to teaching is that of care as well as excellence. This has allowed me to feel comfortable and provided a great environment for me to learn.”

Shea
Rehabilitation student

Master of Rehabilitation (Occupational Therapy)

🕒 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Master of Rehabilitation (Occupational Therapy) consists of coursework units with discipline-specific streams. You will undertake advanced occupational therapy practicums related to home, work and leisure participation, upper limb management of older adults/acquired brain injury (ABI), and cognitive rehabilitation related to age and neurological disorders. The program concludes with a clinical research project related to aged or neurological disorders designed to impact on patient care.

Practical experience: This program involves interprofessional learning with residential intensives and webinars, in conjunction with case-based online units and evidence-based applications. Discipline-specific workshops, workplace practicums and clinical research will foster advanced knowledge, skills, and applications for optimal management of older adults, people ageing with a disability, and those with neurological disorders/ABI.

Career paths: This course is for health professionals who want to extend their knowledge and skills in specific fields, receive a promotion or professional recognition, or return to the workforce. Graduates will work in a range of health provider settings including but not limited to: public or private health care provider in acute wards and rehabilitation settings; private practice in the field of rehabilitation; aged care health services; transition care community rehabilitation and long-term care settings; state, federal and local government in policy development or implementation; health carer groups; health care based research. Roles may include clinician; case worker; team leader; consultant; researcher.

Graduate Diploma in Rehabilitation

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Certificate in Rehabilitation (Occupational Therapy)

🕒 1 yr PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information



Master of Rehabilitation (Speech Pathology)

🕒 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Master of Rehabilitation (Speech Pathology) is made up of coursework units with discipline-specific streams. You will undertake advanced speech pathology practicums related to swallowing function, motor speech and voice, and communication participation through rehabilitation.

Practical experience: This program involves interprofessional learning with residential intensives and webinars, in conjunction with case-based online units and evidence-based applications.

Discipline-specific workshops, workplace practicums and clinical research will foster advanced knowledge, skills, and applications for optimal management of older adults, people ageing with a disability and those with neurological disorders/acquired brain injury (ABI).

Career paths: This course is for health professionals who want to extend their knowledge and skills in specific fields, receive a promotion or professional recognition, or return to the workforce. Graduates will work in a range of health provider settings including but not limited to: public or private health care provider in acute wards and rehabilitation settings; private practice in the field of rehabilitation; aged care health services; transition care community rehabilitation and long-term care settings; state, federal and local government in policy development or implementation; health carer groups; health care based research. Roles may include clinician; case worker; team leader; consultant; researcher.

Graduate Diploma in Rehabilitation

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Certificate in Rehabilitation (Speech Pathology)

🕒 1 yr PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Master of Rehabilitation (Gerontological Physiotherapy)

🕒 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Master of Rehabilitation (Gerontological Physiotherapy) is made up of coursework units with discipline-specific streams. You will undertake advanced physiotherapy practicums related to balance, mobility and gait disorders, upper limb problems related to ageing, pain and neurological disorders, and vestibular rehabilitation for older adults and those with specific vestibular impairments from peripheral and CNS dysfunction. The program concludes with a clinical research project related to rehabilitation of older adults that is designed to impact on patient care.

Practical experience: This program involves interprofessional learning with residential intensives and webinars, in conjunction with case-based online units and evidence-based applications. Discipline-specific workshops, workplace practicums and clinical research will foster advanced knowledge, skills, and applications for optimal management of older adults, people ageing with a disability and those with neurological disorders.

Career paths: This course is for health professionals who want to extend their knowledge and skills in specific fields, receive a promotion or professional recognition, or return to the workforce. Graduates will work in a range of health provider settings including but not limited to: public or private health care provider in acute wards and rehabilitation settings; private practice in the field of rehabilitation; aged care health services; transition care community rehabilitation and long-term care settings; state, federal and local government in policy development or implementation; health carer groups; health care based research. Roles may include clinician; case worker; team leader; consultant; researcher.

Master of Rehabilitation (Neurological Physiotherapy)

🕒 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Master of Rehabilitation (Neurological Physiotherapy) is made up of coursework units with discipline-specific streams. You will undertake advanced physiotherapy practicums related to balance, mobility and gait disorders associated with acquired brain injuries (ABI), upper limb management of aged and neurological disorders, and vestibular rehabilitation for older adults and those with specific vestibular impairments from peripheral and CNS dysfunction. The program concludes with a clinical research project related to rehabilitation of people with ABI that is designed to impact on patient care.

Accreditation/professional recognition: Graduates of the Master of Rehabilitation (Neurological Physiotherapy) will be eligible for the Title of APA Neurological Physiotherapist.

Practical experience: This program involves interprofessional learning with residential intensives and webinars, in conjunction with case-based online units and

evidence-based applications. Discipline-specific workshops, workplace practicums and clinical research will foster advanced knowledge, skills, and applications for optimal management of people ageing with a disability and those with neurological disorders/ABI.

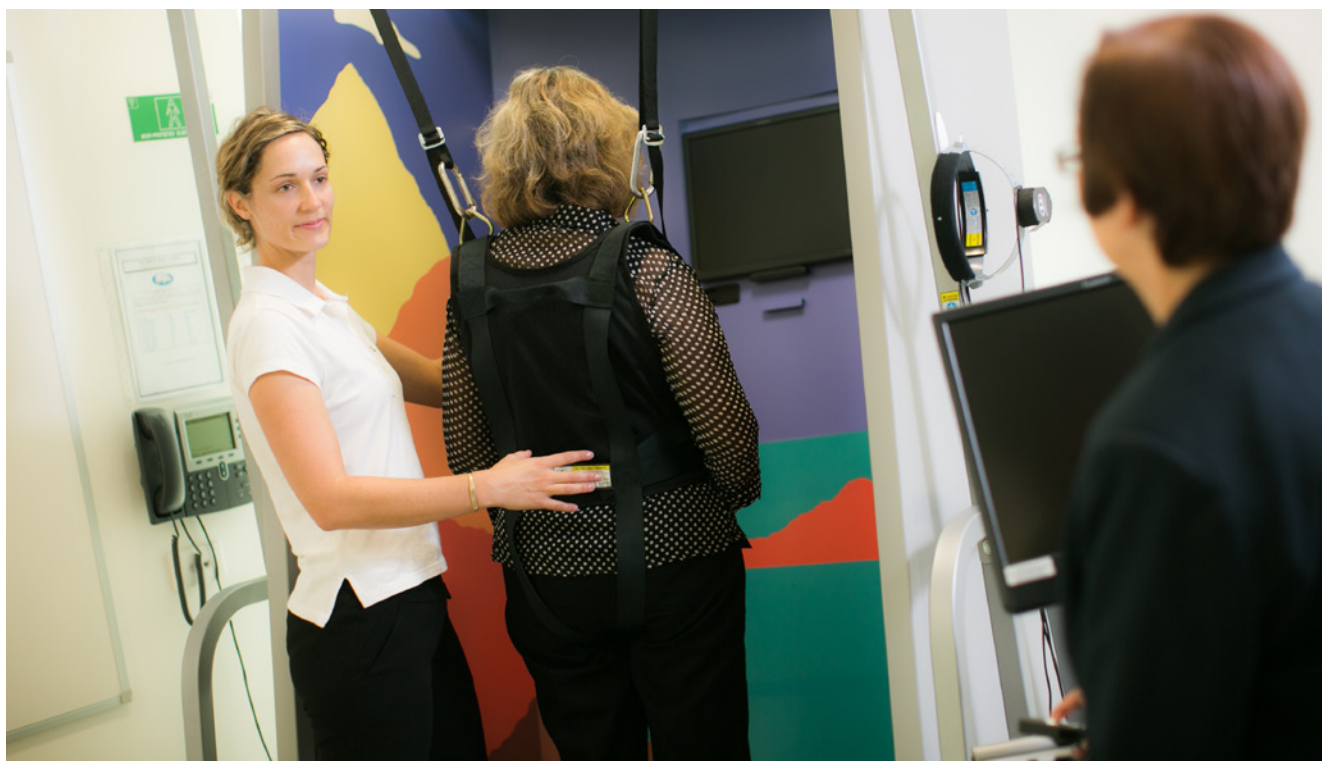
Career paths: This course is for health professionals who want to extend their knowledge and skills in specific fields, receive a promotion or professional recognition, or return to the workforce. Graduates will work in a range of health provider settings including but not limited to: public or private health care provider in acute wards and rehabilitation settings; private practice in the field of rehabilitation; aged care health services; transition care community rehabilitation and long-term care settings; state, federal and local government in policy development or implementation; health carer groups; health care based research. Roles may include clinician; case worker; team leader; consultant; researcher.

Graduate Diploma in Rehabilitation

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Certificate in Rehabilitation (Physiotherapy)

🕒 1 yr PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information



SOCIAL WORK PROGRAMS

Master of Social Work (Qualifying)

🕒 2 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Master of Social Work is a vibrant and challenging program for those with a bachelor's degree from any discipline. It will provide you with the knowledge to become a social worker. You will be encouraged to build on your existing knowledge and experience, and gain a sound understanding of social work values and practice approaches. The course emphasises social justice, human rights, and achieving the best possible outcomes for the most marginalised and disadvantaged members of our community. You will be taught by leading social work practitioners and academics, with a strong focus on experiential learning.

Accreditation: This is an Australian Association of Social Workers (AASW) accredited qualification. It is an entry qualification into the social work profession and meets the Australian Social Work Education and Accreditation Standards (ASWEAS).

Professional experience: Field education is a core element

of the program and a major part of your professional identity development. It provides an opportunity for you to observe, question and model social work behaviours, translate social work theory into practice, and apply knowledge drawn from other units of study. The course includes a total of 1,000 hours of supervised field education and training over two years. ACU will arrange your placements for you.

Career paths: Our social work graduates are highly regarded by employers. You will be prepared for work in a variety of areas, such as community development, group work, family work, case-management, policy analysis and development, research, social action, and program planning.

Social workers may also work in different areas of practice, including: family work, youth and child, welfare services, medical and health services, disability services, psychiatric and general mental health, community services, aged care, income support, mediation and research.

Master of Family and Systemic Therapy

🕒 3 yrs PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/executiveeducation for more information

The program has developed expert practitioners who can work with families, teams and wider systems; who stay in touch with the leading edge of research on effective and enduring interventions and treatments, and who are able to directly help and/or provide leadership in teams that work with families and other relational systems.

It provides you with advanced family therapy skills training, theoretical knowledge in families and relational systems, and builds on your existing experience and training. During the course, you will reflect on and target your own learning as a therapist or family worker. When you complete the program you will have satisfied the training requirements of membership to the Australian Association of Family Therapy, and are well on your way to being a Clinical Family Therapist.

Accreditation: The Master of Family and Systemic Therapy is accredited by the Australian Association of Family Therapy (AAFT).

You can exit the master's program early with a Graduate Certificate in Family and Systemic Therapy or a Graduate Diploma in Family and Systemic Therapy.





Business

Business. But not as usual.

A career in business means opportunities. With us, you will get more than your usual business degree. You'll learn how to lead in business to create positive and sustainable change.

Master of Business Administration

⌚ 1–2 years FT depending on credit granted for prior learning, or equivalent PT.
 Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

ACU offers three distinct MBAs to meet your needs wherever you are in your career journey. Our courses provide analytical tools for decision-making and will enhance your leadership skills to further careers in commerce, government, and a wide range of not-for-profit organisations.

Our two-year, face-to-face MBA is designed for aspiring leaders new to the workforce. Our online MBA is for busy emerging leaders who need the flexibility to study when and where they desire. And our Executive MBA (EMBA) is designed for senior managers (learn more at acu.edu.au/emba).

Our unique structure with four open electives allows you to create your own specialist MBA in an industry or professional area of your choice.

And if life circumstances mean you can't finish the full program, all MBA options allow an early exit with a graduate certificate or graduate diploma.

The MBA on campus includes 12 specified units, and a further four units from a business specialisation or from other ACU postgraduate disciplines. Credit may also be granted for graduate certificates undertaken at another university.

The online MBA includes eight specified units and a further four elective units.

Entry pathways: Applicants for a master's degree who hold an Australian bachelor's degree or equivalent in a business-related (cognate) discipline may be eligible to apply for advanced standing for up to four foundation units (40 credit points) of the course. Applicants who hold a specialist graduate certificate (completed within the last 10 years) can receive recognition for their prior learning.

Career paths: Manager; consultant; CEO; managing director; senior executive; general manager.

You can choose four specialist units from any area for this qualification.

BUILDING YOUR MBA			
	BUSINESS FOUNDATION UNITS	BUSINESS SPECIFIED UNITS	SPECIALISATIONS
		ALL UNITS	ANY FOUR UNITS OF POSTGRADUATE STUDY
On campus 160 credit points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accounting for decision making Or Money management And Business communication for the 21st century Managing market environments Organisational dynamics and behaviour 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corporate finance Corporate governance and risk management Entrepreneurship Strategic management for sustainability Research methods Ethical leadership Managerial marketing Data analysis and interpretation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General management Or ACU specialisations including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accounting Finance (North Sydney) Information technology (North Sydney and Melbourne) Occupational health, safety and environmental management Or Any other ACU graduate certificate* such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health administration Educational leadership Clinical nursing All IT graduate certificates Or Any 4 approved postgraduate units from any university
Online through Open Universities Australia (OUA) 120 credit points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accounting for decision making Or Money management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corporate finance International business environment Entrepreneurship Strategic management for sustainability Ethical leadership Managerial marketing Organisational dynamics and behaviour 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General management Or Any four postgraduate single subjects offered through OUA

*Students must meet the eligibility requirements for the graduate certificate.

Executive Master of **Business Administration**


🕒 2 yrs PT* [🖱️ Visit \[acu.edu.au/executiveeducation\]\(https://www.acu.edu.au/executiveeducation\)](https://www.acu.edu.au/executiveeducation) for more information

Our Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA) challenges participants to consider how contemporary business models can embrace ethical values and sustainable profit growth, and how these two apparently competing ambitions are, in fact, intertwined and interdependent.

This executive-level program is ideal for experienced managers, leaders, decision-makers and those aspiring to

advance their careers. We understand you're busy, so we aim for efficiency and flexibility. We offer an accelerated study model and units are delivered in seminar-style intensives across two weekends.

**Subject to approval*



"I chose to do my master's degree at ACU because it is one of the best universities in Australia. I have learnt so much. My MBA has given me new insights into business, people and the way things run."

Juan
Master of Business
Administration student

Graduate Diploma in Financial Planning

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Graduate Diploma in Financial Planning allows you to specialise in personal financial planning. You will be able to advance your career through a postgraduate qualification that leads to professional recognition and marketability.

Up to four units from the graduate diploma may be utilised as specialist units in the Master of Business Administration. You can choose to study online from anywhere in Australia or face-to-face at our North Sydney Campus.

Professional recognition: The Graduate Diploma in Financial Planning is accredited by the Financial Adviser Standards and Ethics Authority (FASEA). This award meets the education requirements of FASEA for financial planners.

Career paths: Financial adviser; financial planner; investment consultant; wealth manager.

ACU has an articulation agreement with the Financial Planning Association of Australia (FPA) for Certified Financial Planners (CFPs). CFPs may get the maximum credit of four subjects, equivalent to 40 credit points.

Graduate Certificate in Finance

🕒 6 mths FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

This course provides you with an introduction to important finance principles. You will be ready to advance your career through a postgraduate award that leads to enhanced professional recognition and marketability.

Further study at ACU: The Graduate Certificate in Finance may be used as a pathway to the Executive Master of Business Administration and Master of Business Administration.

Graduate Certificate in Innovation and Entrepreneurship

🕒 6 mths FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Graduate Certificate in Innovation and Entrepreneurship focuses on the mindset, methods, skills, and knowledge needed to commercialise creative ideas through developing and managing high growth ventures. In this course, you will learn creative, entrepreneurial, and ethical approaches to business that can pave the way for new careers in fields such as marketing, business management, venture analysis, and as an owner or operator of your own entrepreneurial business.

Further study at ACU: The Graduate Certificate in Innovation and Entrepreneurship may be used as a pathway to the Executive Master of Business Administration and Master of Business Administration.

Master of Professional Accounting

🕒 2 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

This program will provide you with the competencies necessary to pursue a rewarding and successful career in accounting. You are taught essential accounting principles, practices, and techniques, and learn how to apply these to a variety of situations, including auditing, financial reporting, internal controls, and management accounting.

Professional recognition: Upon graduation from the master's program, you will have met the minimum requirements for entry into CPA Australia, Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand, and the Institute of Public Accountants.

Career paths: Accountant; financial manager; financial adviser; auditor; financial planner; chief financial officer; financial assurance and compliance; manager; budget manager; tax agent; investment analyst.

The ideal career-change course for aspiring accountants.

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS

ACU's suite of occupational health, safety and environmental management (OHSE) accredited courses are designed for practicing and aspiring OHSE practitioners who seek certification as well as professionals and business leaders who seek to improve OHSE practices and/or compliance in their organisations.

More than just an occupational health and safety course, you will learn about physical and psychosocial hazards in occupational environments, risk assessment, applying control measures and monitoring their effectiveness. You will also study environmental impact assessment, environmental and safety law, managerial skills and business administration.



Master of Occupational Health, Safety and Environmental Management

🕒 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Professional recognition: The master's program, together with the Graduate Diploma in Occupational Health, Safety and Environmental Management, are accredited with the Australian OHS Accreditation Board. Students who complete the Graduate Certificate in Occupational Health, Safety and Environmental Management can articulate into the accredited graduate diploma and master's programs.

Career paths: Certified OHSE professionals; certified WHS professionals; OHSE and WHS inspectors; OHSE practitioners; OHSE managers; OHSE directors; OHSE management consultants; OHSE executives.

Graduate Diploma in Occupational Health, Safety and Environmental Management

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Professional recognition: The master's program, together with the Graduate Diploma in Occupational Health, Safety and Environmental Management, are accredited with the Australian OHS Accreditation Board. Students who complete the Graduate Certificate in Occupational Health, Safety and Environmental Management can articulate into the accredited graduate diploma and master's programs.

Career paths: This course will prepare you for a professional-level position in OHSE. OHSE professional practitioners are in demand because of the increasing focus on the management of occupational health, safety and environmental processes in accordance with the law and regulatory requirements.

Graduate Certificate in Occupational Health, Safety and Environmental Management

🕒 6 mths PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Entry pathways: In special circumstances, applicants can submit a proposal alongside a formal application, demonstrating their knowledge, experience, and skills are such that they are likely to succeed in the program.

Career paths: This course will prepare you for a professional-level position in OHSE. OHSE professional practitioners are in demand because of the increasing focus on the management of occupational health, safety and environmental processes in accordance with the law and regulatory requirements.

You can enter this course on the basis of relevant professional experience.

Information technology

Explore technology. Find humanity.

Develop and expand your skills in this ever-changing and booming industry. With us, you'll delve into exciting and challenging areas like cyber security, game design, the Internet of Things and AI. And you'll hone your skills in fields such as data science and data analytics – skills that are highly desired by employers in a range of current and emerging industries.



Note: You may also be interested in our digital health courses. Please see page 55.

Master of Information Technology

🕒 2 years FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Master of Information Technology will provide you with the communication, critical thinking and technical skills needed to advance your career in information and communications technology. It provides you with an opportunity to upskill in the following areas:

- applications development
- business analysis
- data science
- cyber security.

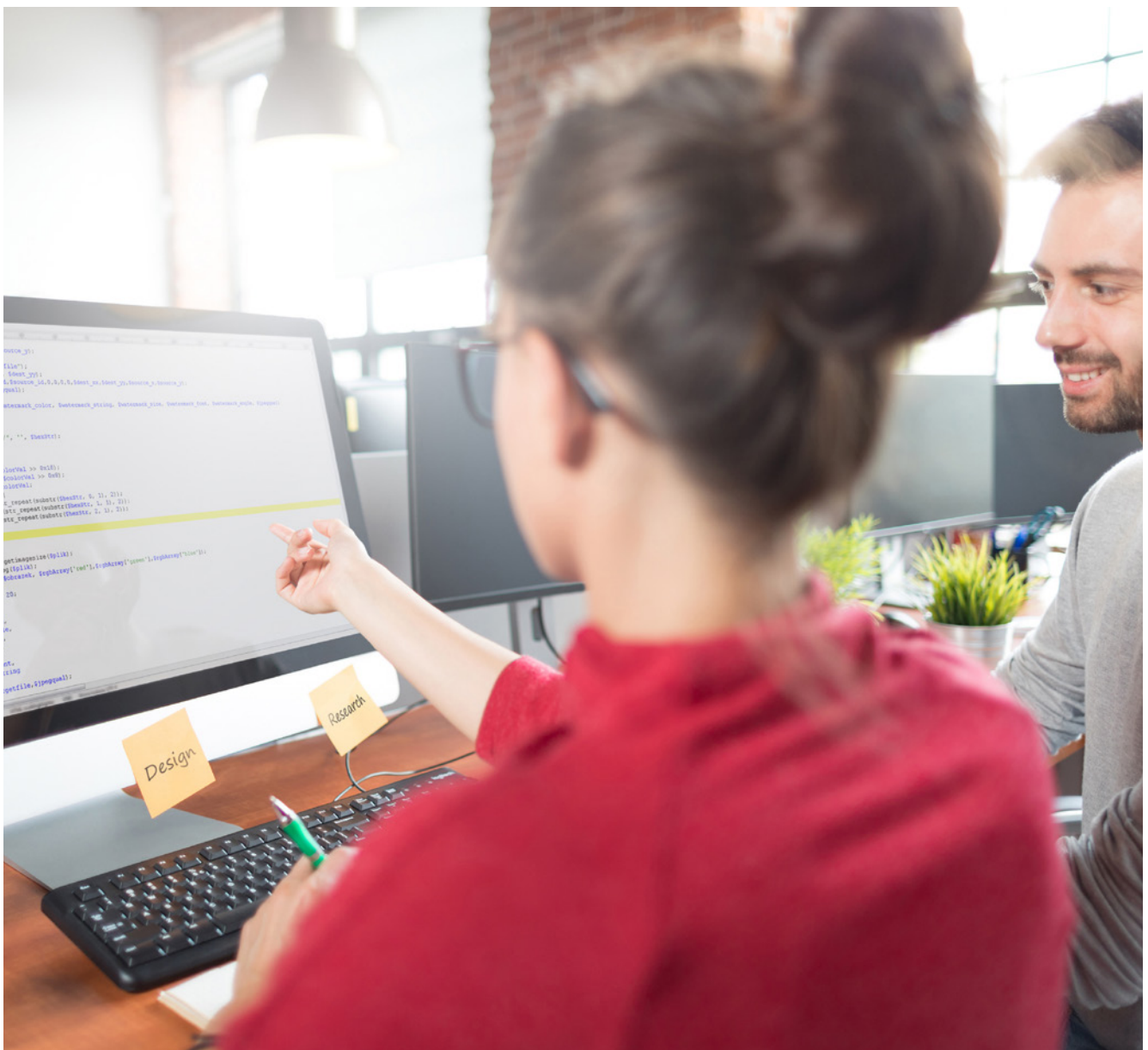
You will be required to apply your learning to workplace and industry-based projects.

Accreditation: This degree is accredited by the Australian Computer Society (ACS).

Practical experience: Workplace and industry-based projects are available for students with organisations such as CISCO.

Career paths: Cyber security analyst; data analyst/scientist; business analyst; software engineer/programmer; web developer; mobile app developer; database administrator; IT consultant; IT trainer or educator; technical support professional.

Gain a fully accredited qualification which is highly regarded by industry.



Graduate Certificate in **Application Development**

🕒 6 mths FT (or equivalent PT) [Visit **acu.edu.au/courses** for detailed course information](#)

This course develops advanced knowledge in developing industry-strength web and mobile applications. You'll be introduced to essential concepts, techniques, software tools and modern frameworks required for designing, creating and testing interactive web and mobile applications. Graduate ready to advance your career through a postgraduate award that leads to enhanced professional recognition and marketability.

Graduate Certificate in **Business Analytics**

🕒 6 mths FT (or equivalent PT) [Visit **acu.edu.au/courses** for detailed course information](#)

This course provides an introduction to the techniques and methods needed to visualise large volumes of different types of data that have become essential for today's businesses. The analysis and meaningful presentation of diverse data to support corporate decision-making processes is a challenging task. You will be ready to advance your career through a postgraduate award that leads to enhanced professional recognition and marketability. The Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics articulates into the Master of Information Technology.

Graduate Certificate in **Cyber Security**

🕒 6 mths FT (or equivalent PT) [Visit **acu.edu.au/courses** for detailed course information](#)

This course covers the theoretical foundations and concepts needed to understand the security issues in a networked environment. It will provide you with a good understanding of network security issues and the importance of data stewardship. Graduate ready to advance your career through a postgraduate award that leads to enhanced professional recognition and marketability. This course articulates into the Master of Information Technology.

Graduate Certificate in **Data Science**

🕒 6 mths FT (or equivalent PT) [Visit **acu.edu.au/courses** for detailed course information](#)

This course lays the foundation for developing the knowledge and skills to design, implement and administer large-scale database solutions for organisations while preserving data privacy and security. You will be ready to advance your career through a postgraduate award that leads to enhanced professional recognition and marketability. This course articulates into the Master of Information Technology.

Graduate Certificate in **Information Technology**

🕒 6 mths FT (or equivalent PT) [Visit **acu.edu.au/courses** for detailed course information](#)

This course lays the foundation for a specialist qualification in the Master of Information Technology and introduces you to important IT principles. Graduate ready to advance your career through a postgraduate award that leads to enhanced professional recognition and marketability. The course articulates into the Master of Information Technology.



Law

Law. Like never before.

Become a lawyer who stands up for people in need and causes that matter. At ACU, we're committed to helping you become a confident, ethical lawyer with the legal skills and knowledge to make a real contribution to the legal profession.

Bachelor of Laws (Graduate Entry)

🕒 3 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Bachelor of Laws (Graduate Entry) is a three-year degree designed for experienced students who have completed a previous bachelor level degree. Typically, you develop specialisations in different fields of law throughout your career, including criminal, family, environmental, corporate, international trade and entertainment law.

Professional recognition: This degree has been approved by accreditation authorities as a prerequisite for admission to legal practice in New South Wales, Queensland and Victoria, and is recognised for the purposes of admission in other Australian states and territories.

Practical experience: As part of this degree, you will complete 80 hours of pro bono work.

Career paths: Private practice as a solicitor or barrister; legal officer in the public sector; in-house counsel for a wide range of organisations including corporations, regulatory authorities and NGOs.

Your degree includes five elective units, allowing you to explore specialist law topics of interest to you. In addition, your degree is eligible for CSP funding.

Graduate Diploma in Australian Migration Law and Practice

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Migration law is a dynamic and rewarding area of professional practice. If you hold a bachelor's degree (in any discipline) or equivalent experience, you may be eligible to undertake the ACU Graduate Diploma in Australian Migration Law and Practice. The diploma provides you with the knowledge, understanding and skills you need to work as a migration agent in Australia.

Professional recognition: Upon successful completion of the diploma and capstone exam administered by the Office of the Migration Agents Registration Authority (OMARA), graduates may seek registration to practice as a registered migration agent. There are additional requirements for registration as a migration agent.

Career paths: Migration agent.

This is one of only five qualifications in Australia recognised by the Office of the Migration Agents Regulatory Authority (OMARA).



ACU North Sydney



"One of the things I enjoy the most about studying at ACU is that I'm not just a number here – my lecturers and tutors know my name. I feel there is a real support network of students and lecturers to help me through my degree. I think this is because ACU offers smaller classes, resulting in a more personal experience."

**Alana
Law student**

Nursing, midwifery and paramedicine

**Caring for others
gives more than it takes.**

Your career in nursing, midwifery or paramedicine means a career helping others. You will have the knowledge, skills and attitude to improve people's wellbeing. And be there to provide vital care when they need it most.



CLINICAL NURSING PROGRAMS

This suite of postgraduate programs in clinical nursing is designed to expand your knowledge and skills in clinical nursing while ensuring relevance to clinical practice.

The Master of Clinical Nursing brings the clinical expert and clinical leadership components together. You can either complete a project and two elective subjects, or complete a research dissertation. Both streams develop your knowledge in research and application of specialist clinical skills and knowledge as well as clinical leadership.

The Graduate Diploma in Clinical Nursing builds on your specialist knowledge and introduces clinical leadership. Your knowledge is further expanded in areas of quality and safety, ethical practice, research and leadership in health care. You can pursue either a project or research stream.

In the Graduate Certificate in Clinical Nursing you can choose one clinical specialisation which prepares you to be a clinical specialist. The course focuses on knowledge of specialist pathophysiology, pathology, anatomy and biology, and specialist clinical skills.

Practical experience: You must have access to a setting in your chosen specialty for the entire duration of the Graduate Certificate in Clinical Nursing. Please note this is not a placement organised by ACU.

Career paths: Registered nurses; medical nurses; surgical nurses; paediatric nurses; aged care nurses; community nurses; developmental disability nurses; maternal and infant nurse.

You will specialise in one of the following areas:

Anaesthetics
Cardiac care*
Cardiothoracics
Cardiothoracics and heart/lung transplant nursing
Correctional health*
Child and adolescent health*
Emergency*
Gerontological nursing*
Intensive care

Interventional cardiology
Medical*
Neonatal care
Neuroscience
Oncology*
Orthopaedics
Palliative care*
Perioperative*
Plastics/orthopaedics
Plastics reconstruction
Renal*
Spinal care
Surgical*

* These units can be taken fully online for students not employed in one of ACU's partner health facilities. You must be working in your chosen specialty or able to negotiate supernumerary clinical practice in your chosen specialty.

Master of Clinical Nursing

🕒 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Diploma in Clinical Nursing

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Certificate in Clinical Nursing

🕒 1 yr PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information



“I enjoyed the small, focussed study groups. All my lecturers remembered my name and I felt very much a part of ACU's community.”

Morgan
Mental health nursing student

MENTAL HEALTH NURSING PROGRAMS

Our suite of mental health nursing programs for registered nurses develops graduates with knowledge and skills at a specialist and advanced level. The mental health nursing programs offer:

- opportunities for nurses who are already working in a mental health service, but have no formal postgraduate mental health qualification
- a shift in focus from acute inpatient treatment to recovery-orientated and trauma-informed care philosophy and content
- a specified unit in cognitive behavioural therapy
- professional development opportunities to keep pace with change to mental health legislation, policy and service delivery
- articulation between the graduate certificate, graduate diploma and master's programs
- opportunities to build the required knowledge, skills, and competencies for the workforce
- preparation to respond to the needs of consumers and carers.

Accreditation: Our Graduate Diploma in Mental Health Nursing and our Master of Mental Health Nursing are accredited under the Australian College of Mental Health Nurses (ACMHN) National Framework for Postgraduate Mental Health Nursing Education.

Career paths: Clinician; case manager/worker; team leader; service manager; triage manager; psychiatric consultant; liaison nurse.

ACU also offers postgraduate mental health programs for allied health professionals, see page 19 for details.

Registered nurses who successfully complete the Graduate Diploma in Mental Health Nursing or Master of Mental Health Nursing will meet the qualification criteria of the Australian College of Mental Health Nurses Credential for Practice Program.

Master of **Mental Health Nursing**

🕒 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Diploma in **Mental Health Nursing**

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Certificate in **Mental Health Nursing**

🕒 1 yr PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Bachelor of Midwifery (Graduate Entry)

🕒 2 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Midwifery goes beyond the birth of babies. Learn how to manage normal pregnancy and childbirth, and provide effective postnatal maternal and newborn care in any maternity setting. As a graduate you can pursue a range of careers, including midwife, consultant midwife, clinical specialist, antenatal educator, or researcher. This two-year graduate entry course is designed to allow registered nurses and bachelor-qualified paramedics to become registered midwives.

Accreditation: This course is accredited by the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council (ANMAC).

Practical experience: You will undertake clinical placements at maternity hospitals and community facilities across Australia. The first clinical placement begins in the first year of the course. Our clinical partners are very important to us and range from small maternity units to

large tertiary hospitals. Our partners include the Mater Health Service, St Vincent's Private Hospital and Redcliffe Hospital. There are many more partners, including rural health services where students have an opportunity to complete placements.

Career paths: Consultant midwives; clinical specialists; antenatal educators; researchers; independent midwifery practitioners; registered midwives within maternity settings; neonatal care in special-care nursery.

Away From Base mode is also offered in Brisbane for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

Visit acu.edu.au/afb





Nutrition and biomedical science

**Passion for science.
Compassion for people.**

Delve into a multidisciplinary area of study that explores how food and nutrition impact health and disease. With skills in nutrition, dietetics and health you will contribute towards a healthier society while expanding your professional expertise and opportunities.

Master of Dietetic Practice*

🕒 2 yrs FT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Dietetic practice is the application of the science of food and nutrition across a range of domains to improve the health and wellbeing of individuals, communities, and populations. The course combines theory and practice placement across dietetic practice areas including food and nutrition counselling with individuals, food and nutrition education and capacity building with groups, public health nutrition, food production and provision to individuals, communities and populations, entrepreneurial dietetic practice and management, and research.

Professional recognition: Graduates of the course will be eligible to become Accredited Practising Dietitians following accreditation of the program with Dietitians Australia. ACU is currently engaged in the preliminary stages of this process with Dietitians Australia.

Practical experience: You will undertake more than 130 days of placement.

Career paths: Accredited Practising Dietitians (APDs) are able to apply for positions requiring APDs as well as those requiring nutrition science qualifications. For example, you can work in acute health services; community health services; aged care facilities; private practice/consulting; food and nutrition communication/media; food production and provision; national and international health agencies; public health nutrition; food industry; food science and technology; food safety and regulation; food research and product development; education sector.

**Subject to final approval*

Graduate Certificate in Culinary Nutrition Science*

🕒 6 mths FT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

This course is for practitioners and graduates across the health, education, and the culinary arts industries. You will study two units in culinary nutrition science which are offered as micro-credentials, allowing for staged completion of the certificate and providing flexibility to meet your needs as a busy professional. You can then choose two elective units to make up your graduate certificate.

Continuing professional development (CPD) is compulsory for practising nutritionists, dietitians and other professionals, and many are looking for opportunities to develop

contemporary skills to open broader career pathways and meet CPD goals. This course will support professionals to develop capabilities in this emerging area and enhance their practice as culinary medicine practitioners, food and nutrition educators, or food and culinary service providers.

Career paths: Career development in culinary nutrition for professionals such as dietitians; doctors; health workers; educators; culinary arts professionals; aged care workers.

**Subject to final approval.*





Professional education

Grow your expertise to master your field.

Explore your interests, enhance your skills, and gain the qualifications to pursue new opportunities and specialisations as an educator.

Master of Educational Leadership

🕒 1.5 – 2 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The education sector requires leaders who are knowledgeable in educational leadership, management and administration. The Master of Educational Leadership is a research driven, practical program designed to support current and aspiring educational leaders who wish to enhance their capacity within the context of their professional setting and meet Australian national standards. This program explores new concepts and approaches to teaching and learning that highlight the partnership of teachers and administrators in building a culture of leadership in schools.

This course allows you to select appropriate units to meet your career needs. Graduates have been successful in gaining promotion and/or admission to doctoral study.

This course has the following specialisations:

- Catholic educational leadership
- leading learning
- Indigenous leadership.

It can be completed with or without a named specialisation.

Please note that this program will not lead to a teaching qualification. For initial teacher education qualifications, see pages 67 – 71.

Career paths: This course is designed for teachers and administrators who want to further enhance their professional practice and become leaders in their school community or organisation. It is the next step towards becoming an educational leader.

Note: This course is under review in 2021 and units may be subject to change

While most units are offered via an online mode, some on-campus units may be offered during regular semester or school holiday periods.

Participants with a teaching qualification complete the 120 credit point course with or without a named specialisation. Participants without a teaching qualification complete the 160 credit point course from the Schedule of Unit Offerings outlined in the course handbook on the ACU website.

This course can be studied in Away From Base mode by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. Visit acu.edu.au/afb

Graduate Certificate in Educational Leadership

🕒 6 mths FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Graduate Certificate in Educational Leadership is for educators including teachers, middle leaders, principals, and administrators who want to become creative and innovative leaders with influence in education. You will explore theories of educational leadership, management and administration, and learn to apply them appropriately to your own contexts including Catholic and faith-based educational organisations.

Career paths: This course will open the door to a broader range of leadership positions as you advance and deepen your knowledge in this field.

Note: This course is under review in 2021 and units may be subject to change.

Selected units are offered on ACU campuses or off-site by special arrangement



ACU Brisbane

Master of Education

🕒 1.5 – 2 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

This advanced education course will enable you to enhance your professional knowledge in pedagogical practices, as well as demonstrate an understanding of recent research. You will analyse the challenges and changing demands of education in the context of social justice, equity and ethics, preparing you to transform and improve practice as a leader in education.

Specialist areas leading to a named specialisation:

- allied school psychology (cohorts only)
- autism spectrum studies
- career development
- inclusive practice
- integrated STEM
- literacy intervention (cohorts only)
- leading learning
- mathematics
- safeguarding children and young people
- student wellbeing
- Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL).

Practical experience: Those seeking accreditation in TESOL roles will need to demonstrate their competency by successfully completing a 22-day practical unit.

Career paths: The Master of Education enhances your career advancement opportunities as a teaching professional or leader, education administrator, researcher or policy maker.

Please note that this course will not lead to a teaching qualification. For initial teacher education qualifications, see pages 67 – 71.

Note: 'Cohorts only' refers to a specialisation that is only offered to organisations who engage ACU to deliver these specialisations to a set group of students (typically their employees).

Visit the website for in depth and up-to-date information on specialisations.

Participants with a teaching qualification complete the 120 credit point course with or without a named specialisation. Participants without a teaching qualification complete the 160 credit point course from the Schedule of Unit Offerings outlined in the course handbook on the ACU website.

Graduate Certificate in Education

🕒 6 mths FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Advance your career and become a specialist in your discipline area. The Graduate Certificate in Education will enable you to deepen your knowledge and expertise in a specialisation area and empower you to extend your understanding of educational disciplines.

The course is open to teachers and other professionals engaged in lead educational roles, such as education administrators, researchers, policy makers, career counsellors, psychologists, members of the defence forces, youth ministers and family/parish educators.

You are able to complete the Graduate Certificate in Education with or without a named specialisation. Specialist areas leading to a named specialisation include:

- career development
- highly accomplished/lead educational practice
- inclusive practice
- integrated STEM
- leading learning
- leading the new evangelisation
- literacy intervention (cohorts only)
- mathematics
- safeguarding children and young people
- student wellbeing
- Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL).

Named specialisations are only available in part-time mode and the duration is one year.

The Graduate Certificate in Education is not an initial teaching qualification. For initial teacher education qualifications see pages 67 – 71.

Practical experience: Those seeking accreditation in TESOL roles will need to demonstrate their competency by successfully completing a 22-day practical unit.

Career paths: Career practitioner; school leader; policy maker; parish leader; education manager; education/curriculum designer; career counsellor; childcare manager; curriculum developer; education policy officer; education researcher; administrator; learning support teacher; specialist teacher; autism spectrum specialist teacher; behaviour specialist consultant; gifted learning teacher; special education teacher; lead integrated maths and science teacher; curriculum development specialist; STEM technology specialist; lead/head teacher; TESOL teacher.

Note: 'Cohorts only' refers to a specialisation that is only offered to organisations who engage ACU to deliver these specialisations to a set group of students (typically their employees).

On-campus units may be offered during regular semester or school holiday periods.

Graduate Certificate in Education (HALT)

🕒 1 year PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Highly Accomplished and Lead Teachers (HALT) certification, as acknowledged by the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL), is for emerging leaders as a demonstration of their leadership and commitment to excellence in teaching and learning.

HALT accreditation opens a wealth of possibilities for educators. The Graduate Certificate in Education (HALT) meets the growing need to support emerging leaders to advance their knowledge, understanding of concepts and expert skills in the domains of their professional interests and responsibilities within increasingly complex and changing environments. This specialisation will assist teachers to demonstrate and document evidence-based reflective practice that aligns with the AITSL HALT Australian Professional Teacher Standards, whilst fulfilling unit requirements.

The units within this course will support the professional learning needs of emerging leaders and assist aspiring

teachers with attainment of the HALT accreditation by providing a formal pathway within postgraduate study.

The Graduate Certificate in Education is not an initial teaching qualification. For initial teacher education qualifications, see pages 67 – 71.

Accreditation/professional recognition: National certification of Highly Accomplished and Lead Teachers developed by AITSL.

Career paths: This course is designed for teachers and administrators who wish to gain national recognition as a highly accomplished and lead teacher in their school community or organisation.

ACU is the only higher education provider that guides and supports educators in the process of HALT accreditation.



ACU Canberra



Psychology

Making sense of the world makes a world of sense.

As a psychologist, you will empower others to improve their lives. And gain the skills to make a real difference to individuals and the community.

Master of Psychology (Clinical)

🕒 2 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 📄 Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

AND

Master of Psychology (Educational and Developmental)

🕒 2 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 📄 Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Our Master of Psychology (Clinical) and Master of Psychology (Educational and Developmental) programs provide Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC) approved fifth- and sixth-year training in psychology. They equip graduates with ethical values, advanced knowledge, and professional skills in psychology, integrated by the scientist-practitioner model. You will also undertake a research project relevant to your specialisation.

Accreditation: The Master of Psychology (Clinical) and the Master of Psychology (Educational and Developmental) are accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC).

Practical experience and placement: You must complete 1,000 hours of practicum placement in clinical settings with at least 400 hours of face-to-face client contact.

During the course, you will complete three practicum placements. The first practicum usually occurs in the on-campus training clinic. During this placement you'll gain experience in assessment, diagnosis and therapy under close individual and group supervision conducted by experienced psychologists. You must be supervised by a psychologist who is an approved supervisor with the Psychology Board of Australia. During the second year of the course, most students complete two six-month external placements, again under supervision of either a fully endorsed clinical psychologist, or a fully endorsed educational and developmental psychologist, depending on which course you are undertaking. For those undertaking the Master of Psychology (Clinical), practicum options include placements in health care, community mental health teams, non-government and private practice settings. For those undertaking the Master of Psychology (Educational and Developmental), practicum options include placements in the Catholic Education Office, Department of Education, schools, early intervention services, disability services, and in non-government and private practice settings.

Career paths: Graduates of the Master of Psychology (Clinical) will be prepared for work as practitioner psychologists and skilled researchers in a range of institutions and agencies, providing psychological and mental health services. Graduates of the Master of Psychology (Educational and Developmental) will be prepared for work in educational, family, and community settings.

Students may have the opportunity to study a unit in intensive mode at our Rome Campus.

Psychology career progression map: pathways to registration

UNDERGRADUATE		
APAC-accredited bachelor's degree in psychology		
FOURTH-YEAR PROGRAM		
Honours	Graduate Diploma in Psychology	
POSTGRADUATE		
Master's degree (2 years)	Master of Professional Psychology (1 year)*	Master of Psychology/ Doctor of Philosophy (4 years)
CAREER		
Registered psychologist**		
REGISTRAR TRAINING PROGRAM***		
Registered psychologist with specialist endorsement***		

* This is a one-year coursework program. It must be followed by an additional sixth year of supervised psychology work recognised by the Psychology Board of Australia before the candidate can apply for registration as a general psychologist.

** Registration as a psychologist is currently achieved through the Psychology Board of Australia.

*** Only applicable for those who have completed a two-year master's degree (ie clinical or educational and developmental). The registrar program is approved by the Psychology Board of Australia.

Note: These pathways are subject to changes in national registration.

Master of Psychology (Clinical)/Doctor of Philosophy

🕒 4 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

AND

Master of Psychology (Educational and Developmental)/Doctor of Philosophy

🕒 4 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

These concurrent degrees combine professional training with a research Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) and are only available to students already undertaking ACU's Master of Psychology (Clinical) or ACU's Master of Psychology (Educational and Developmental). If you are a current student and interested in transferring to the combined Master of Psychology/Doctor of Philosophy, please contact your course coordinator for further details. Students in these courses will undertake all coursework and practicum components of the relevant Master of Psychology course (see page 50).

You will study subjects such as Psychological Assessment, Professional Practice in Psychology, and Therapeutic Skills and Evidence-based Practice for Psychologists, and complete a doctoral thesis concurrently. In the clinical stream you will gain experience in the delivery of psychological services through practicums; in the educational and developmental stream, you will specialise in learning difficulties, applied educational psychology and applied developmental psychology.

Specialisation subject units in the clinical psychology stream are:

- Adult Clinical Psychology
- Child Clinical Psychology
- Clinical Health Psychology and Psychopharmacology
- Advanced Psychotherapeutic Interventions

Specialisation subject units in the educational and developmental psychology stream are:

- Applied Developmental Psychology
- Applied Educational Psychology
- Learning Difficulties: Assessment and Intervention

Accreditation: The Master of Psychology (Educational and Developmental)/Doctor of Philosophy and the Master of Psychology (Clinical)/Doctor of Philosophy are accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC).

Practical experience: Gain valuable experience in the delivery of psychological services through 1,000 hours of practicum placement with at least 400 hours of face-to-face client contact.

You will complete three practicum placements: the first usually occurs in the on-campus training clinic. During this placement you'll gain experience in assessment, diagnosis and therapy under close individual and group supervision conducted by experienced psychologists. You must be supervised by a psychologist who is an approved supervisor with the Psychology Board of Australia. During the second year of the course, most students complete two six-month external placements, again under supervision by either a fully endorsed clinical psychologist, or a fully endorsed educational and developmental psychologist, depending on which course the student is undertaking. For those undertaking the Master of Psychology (Clinical), practicum options include placements in health care, community mental health teams, and non-governmental and private practice settings. For those undertaking the Master of Psychology (Educational and Developmental), practicum options include placements in the Catholic Education Office, Department of Education, schools, early intervention services, disability services, and in non-governmental and private practice settings.

Career paths: Graduates of the Master of Psychology (Clinical) will be prepared for work as practitioner psychologists and skilled researchers in a range of institutions and agencies, providing psychological and mental health services. Graduates of the Master of Psychology (Educational and Developmental) will be prepared for work in educational, family, and community settings. In addition, those graduating with a PhD could work as an academic.

ACU funds higher degree research students for their term of study. You may also have the opportunity to study a unit in intensive mode at ACU's Rome Campus.

Master of Professional Psychology

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Master of Professional Psychology is one of three pathways to general registration (visit www.psychologyboard.gov.au/Registration/General.aspx). This program is offered under the 5+1 model of psychology training. Open to graduates of an accredited fourth year psychology program, this course is designed to provide psychology graduates with an additional year of full-time education in the professional practice of psychology. This course prepares graduates for a final year of supervised practice prior to general registration as a psychologist.

Following their fifth year of training, students source their own sixth year internship. To support this, we provide an information session outlining the requirements of the sixth year internship. The session includes an overview of the work, supervision, professional development and assessment requirements; guidance on how to find and apply for an internship role; and networking with past students who are part-way through their internships and with internship supervisors out in the community.

Accreditation: This program is accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC).

Professional experience: You will complete a minimum of 300 hours practical experience, and will receive a minimum of 40 hours of clinical supervision from a registered psychologist who is also a board approved supervisor.

Career paths: This program allows you to become registered as a probationary psychologist whilst undertaking the course. Upon graduation, you will be prepared for general registration as a psychologist once you have completed one year of supervised practice.

This program offers you the 5+1 pathway to registration as a psychologist.

You may have the opportunity to study a unit in intensive mode at ACU's Rome Campus.

Bachelor of Psychological Science (Honours)

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Learn more about neuropsychology and personality assessment tools, as well as evidence-based approaches to psychological intervention, and delve into professional issues and ethics. The course also offers advanced training in conducting research on human behaviour. This includes all steps of the research process, from formulating research questions and hypotheses to data collection, analysis, and detailed reporting of research findings.

Accreditation/professional recognition: This course is accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC).

Career paths: After graduating, you will be eligible for provisional registration as a psychologist in any Australian state or territory.

All applications for the Bachelor of Psychological Science (Honours) will automatically be considered for the graduate diploma.

This is a fourth year course, typically studied after completing a Bachelor of Psychological Science.

Graduate Diploma in Psychology

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Learn more about neuropsychology and personality assessment tools, as well as evidence-based approaches to psychological intervention, and delve into professional issues and ethics. The course also offers advanced training in conducting research on human behaviour. This includes all steps of the research process, from formulating research questions and hypotheses to data collection, analysis, and detailed reporting of research findings.

Accreditation/professional recognition: This course is accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC).

Career paths: After graduation, you will be eligible for provisional registration as a psychologist and associate membership with the Australian Psychological Society.



ACU Strathfield

Public health and administration

**Shape the future of health care
to keep it in shape.**

A career in health means unlimited opportunities to improve the wellbeing of our communities. Specialised programs in health professional education, digital health, health administration, leadership and public health will help you to reach your full potential and contribute to meaningful and significant change for better health and wellbeing in individuals and communities.



DIGITAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

The suite of programs has been designed for you to advance person-centred collaborative health care through the application of advanced knowledge, understanding and skill in digital technologies, health data science, management and leadership, research, health policy and health information technologies.

For current health professionals, the Graduate Diploma in Digital Health and Graduate Certificate in Digital Health provide foundational knowledge in areas such as collection of big health data, data analytics, and digital health strategy for future health service delivery needs. These courses are also suitable for information technology (IT) professionals looking to move into the health sector.

The Master of Digital Health and three associated specialisations (health administration and leadership, data science, and information technology) are designed to meet the growing demand of professionals who can design, deliver

and evaluate strategies for the future selection and adoption of various digital health technologies.

This suite of courses will enable you to provide leadership in the advancement of digitally connected health care systems, improve health care service delivery, enhance person-centred care and promote research.

Career paths: Emphasis is placed on building on prior knowledge and/or work experience in any health industry related field, or information technology field, where graduates seek to work within the specialised area of digital health. Examples of potential employment settings include: hospital information technology; health informatics; business analytic roles in health care and medical; medical software; electronic medical records and practice management; biotechnology and consumer technology; health data; strategic and operational leadership.

Master of Digital Health

🕒 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Diploma in Digital Health

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Certificate in Digital Health

🕒 1 yr PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information



HEALTH ADMINISTRATION PROGRAMS

This suite of postgraduate programs in health administration is designed to expand your knowledge and skills in administrative and management foundations, while ensuring relevance to contemporary health care provision.

The graduate certificate gives you the skills to examine organisational culture by exploring concepts relating to change management and outcomes, and leadership strategies and skills. The graduate diploma gives you the opportunity to build on your administrative or management foundations by evaluating current approaches to policy development and implementation in health care delivery. In the diploma and master's programs, you have the option to pursue a project stream or a research stream.

In the master's program, the project stream consists of project work (20 credit points) and two electives. The research stream consists of a research dissertation (40 credit points).

Career paths: These courses lead to a range of career pathways, including health leadership and/or management; research with local, national or international health-related organisations (such as the World Health Organisation); health practitioner regulation; health management consultancy; academia. The breadth of course content provides an excellent foundation for potential leaders in a wide range of health-related environments.

Master of Health Administration

🕒 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Diploma in Health Administration

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Certificate in Health Administration

🕒 1 yr PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information



Master of Leadership and Management in Health Care

🕒 2 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

This course is designed to prepare ethical and effective health care leaders and managers who will be able to lead health service delivery into the future. The course has a strong focus on strategic organisational management, leading change in health service delivery, clinical redesign and in being a facilitative leader who is able to engage staff on developing innovative quality improvements.

This course will appeal to those who want to develop strong leadership and effective management skills that can be applied across a range of health care environments. The course is offered at master's level only, with exit options being the Graduate Certificate in Health Administration or the Graduate Diploma in Health Administration.

Career paths: Health services manager; nurse unit manager; chief executive officer in a health facility; leader or manager in a humanitarian or social welfare organisation; manager of a public or private health-related facility.





"ACU's values strongly align with my own, and I was looking for a course where I could evolve both personally and academically. I believe ACU facilitates this with morals and ethics ingrained in the course content, which in turn challenges students' thoughts and perspectives on contemporary issues."

Doug
Health administration student

HEALTH PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

This suite of postgraduate programs in health professional education gives you the knowledge and skills to plan, implement, and evaluate health professional education programs in health care settings.

The graduate certificate gives you a foundation for facilitating clinical learning. The graduate diploma is an opportunity to further develop knowledge and skills in ethics, leadership and quality, and safety in health professional education in health care. The master's level units connect theory, practice and research. Both the diploma and master's programs give you the opportunity to undertake a project or research stream.

Career paths: Simulation centre management; health care education; academic lecturing; simulation pedagogy research; simulation technician; military and emergency services educator; health professional education outcomes research; work-integrated learning pedagogy research.

Master of Health Professional Education

🕒 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Diploma in Health Professional Education

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Certificate in Health Professional Education

🕒 1 yr PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information



Master of Public Health

🕒 2 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Our suite of postgraduate programs in public health are designed to respond to the evolving role of public health practitioners internationally and within the Australian health system.

These programs have been specifically designed to incorporate both Australian and global public health viewpoints. They also include a unique global health and advocacy specialisation option.

Our public health programs will equip you with specialised knowledge, understanding and skills in public health to improve and advance population health and wellbeing. They will prepare you to practice with a community, national or global focus, and with an ethical, social justice perspective. The programs emphasise evidence-based practice, rigorous intellectual enquiry, innovation and thought leadership, as well as development of effective communication and advocacy skills.

Specialisation: Global health and advocacy: Global health is an increasingly important and active area of work for public health practitioners. If you are planning to focus on global health, our Master of Public Health offers a specialisation in global health and advocacy during your second year. The Master of Public Health (Global Health and Advocacy) specialisation will give you the knowledge, skills and experience to practice effectively in the evolving professional landscape of global health.

This specialisation features a contemporary curriculum designed around the United Nations' sustainable development goals. In this specialisation, you will extend your core public health knowledge and skills through studying global health, sustainable development, food security, humanitarian assistance and the importance of advocacy in public and global health. By developing advocacy skills, the global health and advocacy specialisation aims to enable graduates to not just implement policies and programs that improve population health, but to actively influence policies and programs and advance population health.

Professional recognition: Our Master of Public Health has been designed around the *Foundation Competencies for Master of Public Health Graduates* in Australia and the requirements of the Australian Faculty of Public Health Medicine (for medical practitioners specialising in public health). Other international competency and practice standards and conceptual frameworks have also informed the Master of Public Health curriculum design.

Career paths: Program manager; program evaluator; health educator; consumer advocate; epidemiologist; project officer; policy analyst; research professional; public health officer; allied health practitioner; registered nursing practitioner.

*Some elective units are not available online.

Master of Public Health (Global Health and Advocacy)

🕒 2 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Diploma in Public Health

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Certificate in Public Health

🕒 1 yr PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Certificate in Global Health

🕒 1 yr PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information



Sport and exercise science

Exercise your power to share the power of exercise.

Help people achieve peak performance, optimal health and wellbeing. If you're passionate about sport, exercise, and health – this is for you.

Master of Clinical Exercise Physiology

🕒 Pathway A: 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT), Pathway B (thesis stream): 2 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

This master's degree looks at how exercise is used as a preventative, prescriptive and rehabilitative process for complex and chronic disease, work-related injuries and to promote good health.

Gain knowledge and appropriate skills in screening, assessment, and provision of exercise intervention in multiple applications across the lifespan, including prevention and management of chronic disease, workplace conditioning, and sport injury rehabilitation.

Students who have attained a GPA of 5.50 in the first eight units and whose proposed area of study aligns with a demonstrated capacity for research and supervision within the school can choose to follow the thesis stream. In this stream you will undertake an exercise physiology research project, entailing an additional semester (FT or PT equivalent) of study.

Accreditation: Master of Clinical Exercise Physiology graduates can apply to ESSA to become an accredited exercise physiologist (AEP). This degree is fully accredited for graduates in the program to 2023.

Entry pathways: ACU's Bachelor of Exercise and Sports Science degree is NUCAP-accredited (National University Course Accreditation Program) for exercise science to 2023. It is therefore an entry pathway to the Master of Clinical Exercise Physiology.

Degrees at other Australian universities that are NUCAP accredited at the exercise science level also act as entry pathways.

Students who attain exercise scientist membership or graduate entry assessment through ESSA can apply for entry to the Master of Clinical Exercise Physiology.

Entry via successful completion of other allied health programs will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Practical experience: You are required to complete 360 hours of professional clinical experience in a range of AEP targeted pathologies.

Career paths: Chronic disease management; musculoskeletal rehabilitation; return-to-work conditioning; primary prevention/wellness; health and fitness; strength and conditioning; workplace wellness; community health.

Graduate Certificate in Exercise Rehabilitation for Sports Injuries

🕒 1 yr PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Graduate Certificate in Exercise Rehabilitation for Sports Injuries provides specialist knowledge and skills in biomechanics, metabolic and physiological-psychosocial aspects of the person. This is in order to develop exercise programs for the enhancement and improved performance of individuals who are engaged in sporting or exercise activities. The course integrates specialist knowledge and skills to develop safe and effective exercise prescriptions. This includes interventions for injury prevention in active individuals who may have activity restrictions due to injury or disease limitations or who want to return to sport performance. You can begin this course at the start of Semester 1 or 2.

Career paths: This course will allow you to broaden your clinical skills and offer services to wider range of community members.

The Graduate Certificate in Exercise Rehabilitation for Sports Injuries is one of the first postgraduate specialisation courses offered to Accredited Exercise Physiologists. This course is also a pathway into ACU's Graduate Diploma in High Performance Sport, Master of High Performance Sport, Graduate Diploma in Rehabilitation and Master of Rehabilitation.



ACU Strathfield

HIGH PERFORMANCE SPORT PROGRAMS

The high performance sport suite of programs offers relevant, professional practice-related learning, independent research and project work, and an opportunity for an industry-based internship.

The Master of High Performance Sport can also provide a pathway into further research study, such as a PhD. A series of study units focus on the technological advances for athlete monitoring, advanced principles of strength and conditioning, and the relationships between fatigue, adaptation, performance and injury. The application of this knowledge to the planning and delivery of meaningful interventions for athletes to enhance performance and

reduce the likelihood of injury and illness is essential for a professional working in the high performance sport environment. This includes using appropriate techniques of analysis to accurately interpret competition and training information, with advanced information literacy skills to communicate ideas and outcomes.

Career path: High performance manager; head of athletic department; elite sports team manager; sports science manager; professional coach; rehabilitation coach; athlete wellbeing manager; strength and conditioning coach; performance analyst.

Master of High Performance Sport

🕒 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Professional recognition: Upon completion of the degree, students will be able to apply for recognition of prior learning for Australian Strength and Conditioning Association Level 2, and ESSA Sport Scientist Level 1.

Entry pathways: Graduate Diploma in High Performance Sport, Graduate Certificate in High Performance Sport, Graduate Certificate in Performance Analysis, Graduate Certificate in High Performance Sport Leadership, or Graduate Certificate in Exercise Rehabilitation for Sport Injuries.

Practical experience: You can choose multiple electives, such as industry experience and international experience in high performance sport.

Graduate Diploma in High Performance Sport

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Graduate Diploma in High Performance Sport aims to help students develop the knowledge, understanding and skills needed to enhance the conditioning of high performance athletes, with the aim of optimising individual and team performance, within the context of a multidisciplinary environment and its culture and leadership structures, and to do so in an ethical manner characterised by a concern for respect, equity and social justice.

Entry pathways: Graduate Certificate in High Performance Sport, Graduate Certificate in Performance Analysis,

Graduate Certificate in High Performance Sport Leadership, or Graduate Certificate in Exercise Rehabilitation for Sport Injuries.

Practical experience: The Graduate Diploma in High Performance Sport is designed as a program of structured learning that includes relevant professional practice-related learning.

Graduate Certificate in High Performance Sport

⌚ 6 mths FT (or equivalent PT) [Visit acu.edu.au/courses](https://acu.edu.au/courses) for detailed course information

The Graduate Certificate in High Performance Sport aims to help you develop the knowledge, understanding and skills needed to enhance the conditioning of high performance athletes, with the aim of optimising individual and team performance, within the context of a multidisciplinary environment and its culture and leadership structures, and to do so in an ethical manner characterised by a concern for respect, equity and social justice. A professional working in this industry needs to know about testing protocols to assess athlete performance, principles of strength and conditioning, and the technologies available for monitoring and training the high performance athlete. You will need to understand the relationships between fatigue, adaptation, performance and injury, how to acquire meaningful performance data, and how to work within the culture of a high performance industry.

Career paths: Fitness advisor; fitness coach; football or other sport manager; high performance manager; performance analyst; professional coach; rehabilitation coach; sports science manager; sports scientist; strength and conditioning coach; team manager.

You can enter this program on the basis of relevant professional experience.

Graduate Certificate in High Performance Sport Leadership

⌚ 1 yr PT only [Visit acu.edu.au/courses](https://acu.edu.au/courses) for detailed course information

The high performance sport industry is increasingly focused on developing employees and athletes with strong leadership skills and training in ethics. Proposed regulatory changes within the industry may make these skills a necessity. The Graduate Certificate in High Performance Sport Leadership has been designed specifically to address these industry demands.

Career paths: Elite sport board member; elite sport executive committee member; head of athletic department; high performance manager; team manager; sports scientist; professional coach; athlete wellbeing manager; strength and conditioning coach.

Note: This course is currently under review. Please check the website for the most up-to-date information.

You can enter this program on the basis of relevant professional experience. It is also a pathway into ACU's Graduate Diploma of High Performance Sport, Master of High Performance Sport, Graduate Diploma of Rehabilitation, and Master of Rehabilitation.



ACU Melbourne

Graduate Certificate in Performance Analysis

🕒 1 yr PT or 18 months PT for midyear enrolment [🖱 Visit \[acu.edu.au/courses\]\(https://www.acu.edu.au/courses\) for detailed course information](https://www.acu.edu.au/courses)

Performance analysis is a rapidly growing area of specialisation in the high performance sport industry, both nationally and internationally. The Graduate Certificate in Performance Analysis provides specialist knowledge and skills in performance analysis by providing theoretical and applied foundations for practice in this industry. You will develop advanced knowledge and skills in data handling and analysis, and be exposed to technologies used in high performance sport settings. The learning outcomes encourage critical thinking, solving of complex problems, and communication of complex knowledge and ideas to other professionals working in the high performance sport industry.

Career paths: Performance analyst; sports scientist; strength and conditioning coach; professional coach; high performance manager; sports science manager; fitness advisor; rehabilitation coach.

You can enter this program on the basis of relevant professional experience. It is also a pathway into ACU's Graduate Diploma in High Performance Sport, Master of High Performance Sport, Graduate Diploma in Rehabilitation (non-discipline stream), and Master of Rehabilitation (non-discipline stream).



Teaching

**Teach the mind.
Inspire the soul.**

If teaching is your dream, you will get the chance to make a huge difference to the lives of young people. You'll shape minds, inspire ambition and impact the future.



Master of Teaching (Early Childhood and Primary)

🕒 2 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Become an accomplished teacher who advocates for the rights and responsibilities of all children.

The Master of Teaching (Early Childhood and Primary) is a graduate entry, pre-service teacher education course for those who want to qualify as both an early childhood and primary school teacher. This course cultivates graduates who are passionate about, and committed to, the generation and dissemination of knowledge, skills and attitudes that facilitate high-quality learning in a child's early years. Delivered fully online, this course is made up of a series of online units and block day placements in early childhood and primary school settings.

Accreditation/professional recognition: This program is listed on the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL) accredited programs list and meets the teacher education component of the qualification requirement for registration (accreditation) as a primary school teacher in all states and territories. This program is also approved by the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA) as an early childhood teacher qualification.

Practical experience: 80 days.

Career paths: Early years teacher; kindergarten teacher; play specialist; learning designer; education researcher; adult educator; curriculum development specialist; education consultant; primary school teacher; and government education policy maker.

Note: This course is under review in 2021 and units may be subject to change.

ACU will find appropriate placements to suit the needs of your course.

Master of Teaching (Early Childhood and Primary)/Graduate Certificate in Religious Education

🕒 2 yrs FT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Enrol in the Master of Teaching (Early Childhood and Primary)/Graduate Certificate in Religious Education if you wish to study religious education as a teaching area.

This course allows you to concurrently complete the Graduate Certificate in Religious Education to gain accreditation to teach religious education in Catholic or Lutheran schools.

If you wish to teach religious education in a Catholic primary school you will be required to have a Graduate Certificate in Religious Education qualification or equivalent (this may vary by diocese).

Career paths: Graduates of this course are qualified to become primary school teachers who want to teach religious education.

Note: This course is under review in 2021 and units may be subject to change.

Most units in the Graduate Certificate in Religious Education are taught intensively in the summer and winter terms between each semester.

Master of Teaching (Primary)

⌚ 2 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Become a primary school teacher who is a reflective, independent and a flexible thinker. Learn how to apply your skills to improve learning outcomes for students. The Master of Teaching (Primary) is a graduate entry, pre-service teacher education course for those who want to become a primary school teacher.

This course will enable you to engage with the breadth of curriculum and pedagogical knowledge required by a generalist primary classroom teacher, combined with specialist knowledge and understanding of literacy and numeracy and other learning areas of the primary school curriculum. This course is delivered on campus and includes face-to-face, online and intensive units, and block placements in primary schools, offering flexible learning delivery to meet your needs.

Accreditation: Graduates are eligible for registration as a primary school teacher in government, independent, and Catholic schools or other faith-based schools. If you wish to

teach religious education in a Catholic primary school you will be required to have a Graduate Certificate in Religious Education qualification or equivalent (this may vary by diocese). At ACU you can study this concurrently with your master's degree (refer to course listed below).

Practical experience: Minimum 60 days.

Career paths: Primary school teacher; academic; education researcher; learning designer; education researcher; adult educator; curriculum development specialist; education consultant; government education policy maker.

Note: This course is under review in 2021 and units may be subject to change.

Become a leader in your area of curriculum specialisation.

Master of Teaching (Primary)/ Graduate Certificate in Religious Education

⌚ 2.25 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

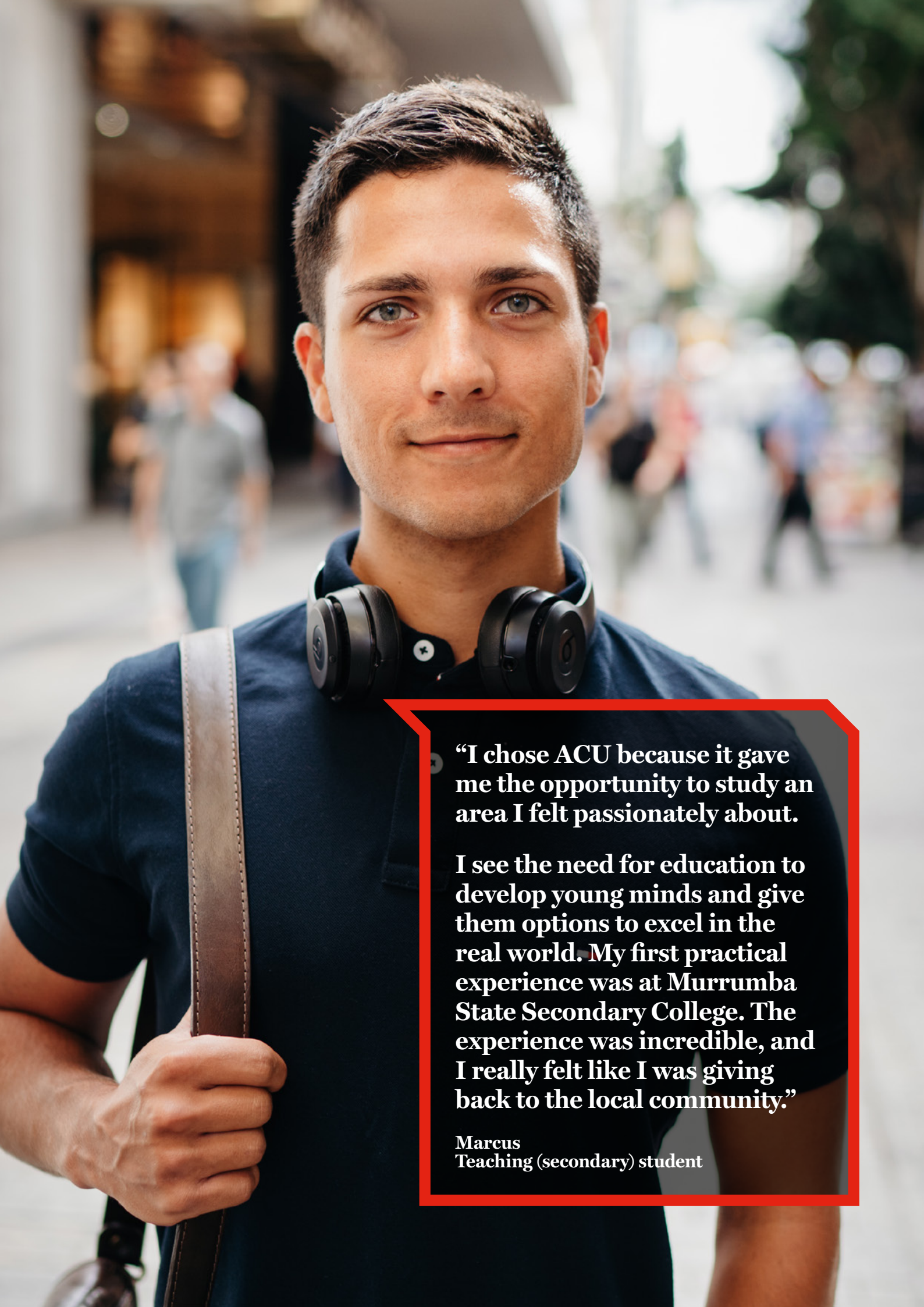
Students wishing to teach religious education in Catholic or Lutheran schools should apply to enrol in the Master of Teaching (Primary)/Graduate Certificate in Religious Education. This course allows you to concurrently complete the Graduate Certificate in Religious Education to gain accreditation to teach religious education.

Note: This course is under review in 2021 and units may be subject to change.

Most units in the Graduate Certificate in Religious Education are taught intensively in the summer and winter terms between each semester.



ACU Ballarat



“I chose ACU because it gave me the opportunity to study an area I felt passionately about.

I see the need for education to develop young minds and give them options to excel in the real world. My first practical experience was at Murrumba State Secondary College. The experience was incredible, and I really felt like I was giving back to the local community.”

**Marcus
Teaching (secondary) student**

Master of Teaching (Secondary)

⌚ 2 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) or 18 mths FT in accelerated mode [Visit acu.edu.au/courses](https://acu.edu.au/courses) for detailed course information

Become the kind of teacher who is confident, adaptable and able to design and implement engaging and flexible learning experiences to meet the needs of all students in the classroom. This is a graduate entry, pre-service teacher education course for those who want to become a secondary school teacher. Whether you are looking for a complete career change or are a recent graduate, you can use your undergraduate degree to inform your specialist teaching areas in this secondary school course.

Depending on your undergraduate degree and campus of study, this course will prepare you to teach in two specialist areas. These may include:

- accounting³
- biology
- business studies
- chemistry
- design and technology¹
- drama³
- earth and environmental sciences⁷
- economics
- English
- geography⁷
- health²
- history
- humanities
- ICT and digital technologies
- modern languages
- legal studies
- mathematics
- media²
- music

- outdoor education²
- PDH&PE¹
- physical education³
- physics
- psychology²
- politics and international relations⁵
- religious education
- society and culture⁴
- study of religion⁶
- TESOL²
- visual arts³.

Accreditation: Graduates are eligible for registration as a secondary school teacher in government, independent, and Catholic or other faith-based schools.

Practical experience: Minimum 60 days. Professional experience placements are a core part of the course and involve multiple mentored teaching experiences in schools for periods of up to four weeks at a time.

Career paths: Secondary school teacher; education consultant; learning designer; education policy developer; education researcher; adult education; curriculum leader.

1. NSW only, 2. Vic only, 3. ACT, Qld and Vic only, 4. NSW and Vic only, 5. ACT and Vic only, 6. ACT, NSW and Vic only, 7. ACT, Vic and NSW only.

Note: This course is under review in 2021 and units may be subject to change.

Students can enrol in online units and may complete this course in accelerated mode in 18 months at some campuses.

Master of Teaching (Secondary)/ Graduate Certificate in Religious Education

⌚ 2.25 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) but may be completed in 2 yrs [Visit acu.edu.au/courses](https://acu.edu.au/courses) for detailed course information

This course is specifically designed for students who wish to teach religious education in secondary schools in addition to other curriculum areas. You will receive the certification, knowledge, skills and competencies required to teach religious education in any Australian jurisdiction. This course allows you to concurrently complete the Graduate Certificate in Religious Education to gain accreditation to teach religious education in Catholic or Lutheran schools.

Career paths: This course is specifically designed to meet accreditation requirements. It enables graduates to teach religious education in Catholic or Lutheran schools in addition to their other teaching areas.

Note: This course is under review in 2021 and units may be subject to change.

Gain accreditation to teach religious education while concurrently completing your Master of Teaching (Secondary). This course is also a pathway to higher research degrees.

Graduate Certificate in Teaching

🕒 6 mths FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Graduate Certificate in Teaching is for those wishing to build a challenging and rewarding career as an early childhood and primary, or primary teacher. You will be able to develop the skills and knowledge to start your journey towards empowering young people through inclusive learning practices and make a positive difference in their lives.

Research-based learning and reflective practice underpin the units offered in this course to provide you with the ability to develop a critical approach to teaching and learning and understand how to link theory with practice in different learning environments.

If you are looking to pursue a career as an accredited teacher you may be eligible to apply for the Master of Teaching (Primary) or Master of Teaching (Early Childhood and Primary) and obtain credit for units successfully completed within the graduate certificate. Students who do not meet the literacy and/or numeracy requirements for entry into the Master of Teaching (Early Childhood and Primary) are able

to use this course as a pathway.

You may also choose to concurrently complete the Graduate Certificate in Religious Education with the master's program to gain accreditation to teach religious education in Catholic or Lutheran schools.

Please note this program will not lead to a teaching qualification. Further study is required to gain registration as a teacher.

Career paths: Education advisor; training; education support.

This course can be used as a pathway into the Master of Teaching (Early Childhood and Primary) and Master of Teaching (Primary).



Theology

Seeking answers to life's big questions.

Do you want to uncover the purpose of existence and explore the meaning of 'faith seeking understanding'? Welcome to theology – food for your enquiring mind.



Master of Theological Studies

🕒 2 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Master of Theological Studies offers a sophisticated, broad-based grounding across theology and philosophy within the Catholic tradition. You will advance your knowledge and skills, engaging deeply with the Catholic intellectual tradition, and its relevance in the 21st century.

The program offers a wide range of specialisations, as well as the opportunity to study across the breadth of the discipline without electing a specific specialisation.

Available specialisations include:

- biblical studies
- bioethics
- Christian thought and tradition
- liturgical studies
- mission and ministry
- philosophy
- spirituality.

Flexible study options are available, including a rich variety of international study tours which can offer up to 20 credit points, as well as invaluable opportunities for face-to-face interaction with peers and teaching staff.

The Master of Theological Studies may be undertaken as professional development if you are working in a Catholic or

other Christian or faith-based organisation. It is also suitable for you if you wish to pursue an interest in the field or are preparing for a higher degree research program in theology and/or philosophy.

Entry pathways: Those who have completed the Bachelor of Theology (Honours), Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies, or Graduate Diploma in Theological Studies will be granted advanced standing into the Master of Theological Studies.

Career paths: Graduates of postgraduate study in theology typically include those in ordained and lay ministry, chaplaincy, teaching and education, community advocacy, health care, and research and academia.

Exit qualifications: Students who have completed the requirements for the Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies or Graduate Diploma in Theological Studies may exit with that award.

Units may be offered over short, intensive periods, online, or by flexible delivery. A range of international study tours are offered to students of this course.

Graduate Diploma in Theological Studies

🕒 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies

🕒 6 mths FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies provides a strong introductory grounding in the discipline of theology, through the lens of the Catholic intellectual tradition.

It is suitable for you if you have an undergraduate degree in another discipline, are seeking professional development for a career in a Catholic or other Christian or faith-based organisation, or wish to pursue a specific interest in theology.

Available specialisations include:

- ancient languages
- the biblical world
- Christian thought and tradition
- liturgical studies

- leadership for mission
- philosophy
- spirituality.

Successful completion of the Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies qualifies you for admission into the Graduate Diploma in Theological Studies, Master of Theological Studies and Master of Professional Studies in Theology.

Career paths: Graduates of postgraduate study in theology typically include those in ordained and lay ministry, chaplaincy, teaching and education, community advocacy, health care, and research and academia.



“I enjoyed the relationships with the teachers. They were passionate about what they were teaching and showed real concern for their students.”

Linda
Religious education student

Master of Professional Studies in Theology

🕒 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Within Catholic organisations, there is an identified need for professionals to understand and promote the identity, mission, and ethos of the Catholic Church. The Master of Professional Studies in Theology has been developed specifically to address this need.

It is ideal for Catholic school teachers and other Catholic school professionals looking to develop and enhance their leadership capacity. The program is also suitable for professionals working in Catholic and other Church organisations, including health care, aged care, education, and social services.

For Catholic school teachers and professionals, this program has been designed to strengthen your capacity to lead, engage, and teach with a re-contextualised Catholic world view. The engagement with the Enhancing Catholic School Identity Project provides a particular highlight.

The Master of Professional Studies in Theology offers a unique perspective on leadership for mission, providing a deeper level of engagement with the discipline of theology.

The program complements and builds upon existing qualifications and professional experience, offering a rich variety of international study tour opportunities, an ability to specialise in particular discipline areas, and a capstone research component.

Entry pathways: A student who has completed either one of the following: Graduate Certificate in Catholic Studies, Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies, Graduate Certificate in Leadership and Catholic Culture, Graduate Diploma in Theological Studies, Graduate Certificate in Religious Education, or Postgraduate Certificate in Education, will be granted advanced standing. Graduate or postgraduate certificates provide an 80 credit point pathway (1 year FT or PT equivalent), with the graduate diploma providing a 40 credit point pathway (0.5 FT or PT equivalent).

Exit qualifications: Students who have completed the requirements for the Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies, Graduate Certificate in Catholic Studies, or Graduate Diploma in Theological Studies, may exit with that award.

Career paths: Teaching; education; health care; aged care; social services; church organisations and ministries; chaplaincy; community organisations; pastoral work.

Units taught on campus are usually run over short, intensive periods.

Graduate Certificate in Leadership and Catholic Culture

🕒 8 months PT approx. 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/executiveeducation for more information

The Graduate Certificate in Leadership and Catholic Culture has been developed in collaboration with industry partners and is designed for leaders of Catholic health, aged care, educational and social service organisations. The course aims to build personal leadership capabilities to enable you to: articulate and implement the principal features of Catholic mission, identity and culture in your organisation;

integrate a Catholic perspective into key decision-making to build greater mission effectiveness across your organisation; exercise your authentic spiritual leadership role; interpret key Church documents relating to the leadership of Catholic mission, identity, and organisational culture; and review current practices and policies in relation to the Catholic culture of your organisation.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND CATHOLIC STUDIES PROGRAMS

Master of Religious Education

🕒 1.5 yrs FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Master of Religious Education is designed to meet the needs of those with a special interest in religious education at the school, parish, or diocesan level. This course aims to provide opportunities for professionals to explore values, attitudes, knowledge and skills in religious education as they pursue advanced study and apply new learning with confidence. Within educational contexts, you will analyse the challenges and changing demands of religious education in relation to social justice, religious pluralism, equity and ethics. This course aims to prepare you for transforming and improving professional practice.

Accreditation/professional recognition: Professional recognition may differ between dioceses. Applicants are advised to contact the Catholic or state education office in the area in which they teach for information about accreditation requirements.

Entry pathways: Those who have completed the Graduate Certificate in Religious Education or Graduate Diploma in Religious Education will be granted advanced standing into the Master of Religious Education.

Career paths: Graduates in the Master of Religious Education seek to enhance and strengthen their leadership capacity within schools, education offices, parishes or diocesan or other faith-based organisations to become leaders in their field. Graduates may progress to higher degree research or doctoral programs.

Recognition of prior learning and credit transfer are available at ACU.

Graduate Certificate in Religious Education

🕒 6 mths FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Graduate Certificate in Religious Education is for qualified primary and secondary school teachers who want to teach and/or support the religious dimension of the school. The course provides the basic certification, fundamental knowledge, skills and competencies needed to teach religious education.

Accreditation/professional recognition: The course provides accreditation to teach religious education in Catholic and other faith-based primary and secondary schools in Australia.

Career paths: This course provides the necessary specialisation in religious education for entry to the Master of Religious Education (and up to four units of credit towards

this award). It also provides certification for those who want to teach religious education within schools, parishes and other educational systems.

Check with your employing diocese to ensure you complete the required combination of units to meet accreditation requirements.

You can pair this degree with our Master of Teaching programs, see page 66.

Graduate Certificate in Catholic Studies

🕒 1 yr PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Graduate Certificate in Catholic Studies is designed to help you develop an understanding of the theological concepts that are fundamental to the Catholic faith, and the core principles and practices for teaching religious education.

The course was developed in consultation with the Catholic education sector to meet the specific requirements for accreditation to teach religious education in Catholic schools, in accordance with the existing Catholic Education Commission Victoria (CECV) Accreditation Policy.

Accreditation requirements differ locally and we recommend you check requirements with your local diocese.

Accreditation/professional recognition: Graduates are eligible to apply for accreditation to teach religious education in Catholic schools in accordance with the existing Catholic Education Commission Victoria (CECV).

Career paths: For graduates wishing to teach religious education in Catholic Schools or church organisations.

This course has been developed in consultation with the Catholic education sector.

IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY PROGRAMS

In collaboration with



Master of Spiritual Direction

🕒 2 years FT (or equivalent PT) 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

Deeply engaged in the Ignatian tradition, spiritual direction is the process and practice through which a skilled individual helps another to grow in intimacy with God. It is the practice of being with people as they attempt to deepen their relationship with the divine, or to learn and grow in their own personal spirituality. Understood as a ministry within the church suitable for trained lay people, religious and ordained ministers, spiritual direction has a long and revered history in the Christian tradition.

The Master of Spiritual Direction provides a deep and broad understanding of the key themes and methodologies in spiritual direction, and a capacity to integrate that knowledge in professional practice.

You will develop advanced knowledge of the theological and scriptural foundations necessary for the ministry of spiritual direction in the Ignatian tradition. You'll explore the dynamics of Christian spirituality through reflection on your personal experience, and integration of this with insights from the relevant literature and your professional context.

Two pathways are available to complete the degree, which is comprised of specified units (80 credit points), and a further

80 credit points through either a praxis or theory pathway*.

Exit qualification: Students who have completed the 80 credit points of specified units are able to exit with a Graduate Diploma in Spiritual Direction.

Career paths: Graduates of this course are both individual religious and laity. They are suitable to work in Catholic and Christian-based organisations and contexts, and across a range of settings including the Church, education, health, aged care, social services, and aid and development. Graduates may progress to higher degree research or doctoral programs.

*Students wishing to progress to the Praxis stream will be required to attend an interview upon completion of the unit THSP507 Spiritual Exercises - Praxis B to determine suitability. Suitability will be assessed on the basis on academic performance, capacity for discernment, reflective practice and relevant experience. Students who do not meet this criteria can complete the award via the Theory Stream, or alternatively exit with the Graduate Diploma in Spiritual Direction.

JCS is the only provider of Ignatian spiritual formation programs recognised by the Australian Province of the Society of Jesus.

Graduate Diploma in Supervision

🕒 2 years PT 🖱️ Visit acu.edu.au/courses for detailed course information

The Graduate Diploma in Supervision provides multi-disciplinary knowledge and skills in the supervision of individuals and groups across a variety of contexts, including the Church, education, health care, aged care, social services, and overseas aid and development.

Grounded in the long and rich history of accompaniment within the Ignatian spiritual tradition, and in line with community professional standards, students receive the training to develop the necessary skills for professional practice as supervisors. You will learn approaches and methods to help others reflect, learn, and nurture support structures in communities, all with a view to safe and sustainable practice.

Graduates will exemplify and encourage a culture of self-care and care of others, as well as develop the skills to manage a professional supervision practice. They are prepared to work in the area of formation and in the clinical and leadership

settings of Catholic and other Christian organisations across a range of ministries.

Accreditation/professional recognition: Graduates are eligible to apply for membership with the Australasian Association of Supervision (AAOS).

Career paths: Graduates of this course are both individual religious and laity. They are suitable to work in Catholic and Christian-based organisations and contexts, and across a range of settings including the Church, education, health, aged care, social services, and aid and development.

Ignatian spirituality courses are accredited by ACU and delivered by the Jesuit College of Spirituality (JCS).

Higher degree research



Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

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**Georgia
Doctor of Philosophy student**

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Xavier
Doctor of Philosophy graduate

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