



THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

6600 Doctor of Philosophy (Arts&Sc)
6102 Doctor of Philosophy (Business)
6201 Doctor of Philosophy (Education)
6302 Doctor of Philosophy (Health Sciences)
6400 Doctor of Philosophy (Law)
6502 Doctor of Philosophy (Phil&Theol)
PhD

CRICOS Code: 011396F

6900 Doctor of Philosophy (Medicine)
PhD

CRICOS Code: 057673K

6800 Doctor of Philosophy (Nursing)
PhD

CRICOS Code: 057674J

6002 Doctor of Philosophy (Physiotherapy)
PhD

CRICOS Code: 075782M

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2 AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these requirements will be made in accordance with the General Regulations.

Version	Date Amended	Amendment Details	Approved by
1	February 2007	Amendments to program regulations	PVC, Research
2	September 2007	Amendments to program regulations	PVC, Research
3	July 2011	Amendments to program regulations	PVC, Research
4	November 2017	Amendments to nomenclature	PVCA
5	January 2018	New course codes assigned	PVCA
6	November 2018	Transfer to new regulation template	PVC, Research
7	November 2021	Amendments to program learning outcomes	Director, Research
8	January 2023	Amended minimum candidature periods	RDSC
		Amended from regulations to requirements. Addition of campus for D.of Philosophy (Phil & Theol)	NHOS

3 PURPOSE

These Program Requirements set out the approved requirements for the Doctor of Philosophy.

4 OVERVIEW

4.1 Campus Availability

The Doctor of Philosophy has been approved for delivery on the Fremantle Campus, Sydney Campus, and Broome Campus.

The Doctor of Philosophy (Philosophy & Theology) has been approved for delivery on the Fremantle Campus, Sydney Campus, Broome Campus, & The Catholic Institute of Sydney (CIS) Sydney Campus.

4.2 Student Availability

The Doctor of Philosophy is available for enrolment to domestic Students and international Students with a student visa.

4.3 Australian Qualifications Framework

The Doctor of Philosophy is accredited by the University as a Level 10 AQF qualification.

4.4 Duration

The Volume of Learning for the Doctor of Philosophy is three (3) years of equivalent full-time study.

A student is able to enrol in this Award on a part-time basis. The minimum enrolment load permitted is 0.5 FTE in any given semester.

An accelerated option to complete the Program is not available.

The minimum period of time within which a student is permitted to complete the Doctor of Philosophy Research Award is three (3) years full time, or six (6) years part-time, excluding periods of approved leave of absence (unless determined otherwise by Pro Vice Chancellor-Research or Research Degrees and Scholarships Committee). Where this minimum period is reduced, it must not be less than 12 months of full-time enrolment.

4.5 Maximum Duration

The maximum period of time within which a student is permitted to complete the Doctor of Philosophy Research Award is four (4) years full time, or eight (8) years part-time, excluding periods of approved leave of absence.

4.6 Study Mode

The Doctor of Philosophy is offered in Internal and External Study mode.

4.7 Professional Accreditation

There are no professional accreditation requirements applicable to this Program.

5 ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

5.1 University Admission Requirements

To be eligible for admission to The University of Notre Dame Australia, all applicants must meet the [University's minimum requirements for admission](#). The requirements for admission are detailed in the University's Policy: *Admissions*.

5.2 Specific Program Requirements for Admission

To be eligible for admission to the Doctor of Philosophy applicants must also meet the following

specific requirements.

- 5.2.1 The Pro Vice Chancellor-Research, on the advice of the National Head of School, determines admission to the Doctor of Philosophy Award.
- 5.2.2 Applicants to the Doctor of Philosophy Award are expected to satisfy the following criteria:
 - 5.2.2.1 Possession of a research Masters appropriate to the professional field of the applicant; or
 - 5.2.2.2 Possession of a Bachelor's degree with Honours (typically 1st Class or Class 2A Honours level or equivalent); or
 - 5.2.2.3 In exceptional circumstances, an equivalent academic or professional background that is considered by the National Head of School to be an appropriate preparation for independent study and research work at Doctoral level.

6 PRACTICUM OR INTERNSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- 6.1 There are no Practicum or Internship requirements in this Award.

7 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

7.1 Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the Doctor of Philosophy graduates will be able to:

1. Apply expert, specialised cognitive and technical skills in the design and execution of a substantial research project that makes a significant and original contribution to knowledge, professional practice and/or creative practice.
2. Synthesise, evaluate, and critically analyse a substantial and complex body of knowledge and/or practice at the frontier of a field/s of research.
3. Communicate research findings clearly and fluently, to both peers and the community.
4. Apply knowledge of research integrity, ethics and the rights and safety of others in the conduct of research and dissemination of research findings.
5. Conduct research with intellectual independence, creativity, adaptability, responsibility, and accountability.

7.2 Required Courses

To be eligible for the award of Doctor of Philosophy students must complete supervised Research Courses which are discipline-appropriate and in accordance with enrolment load.

For the Doctor of Philosophy Award Structure, refer to Appendix A.

7.3 Elective Courses

There are no elective courses in the Doctor of Philosophy.

7.4 Course substitutions

There are no approved course substitutions permitted in this Award.

7.5 Special Award Requirements

There are no special award requirements in the Doctor of Philosophy.

7.6 Alternative Pathways

Alternative Pathways are not available for this Award.

7.7 Concurrent Study

A student may, on the determination of the Pro Vice Chancellor-Research after consultation with the National Head of School and the Supervisor/s, be required to undertake concurrent courses relevant to the acquisition of required research knowledge and skills.

7.8 Thesis

The thesis component is an original, systematic, and advanced level investigation into a significant

question, problem, or phenomenon. The thesis topic must be a substantial and original contribution to knowledge.

8 DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of these Requirements, the following definitions are available in the General Regulations.

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| • Leave of Absence | • Pre-requisite Course | • Co-requisite Course |
| • Major | • Minor | • Specialisation |
| • Units of Credit | • Elective | • General Elective |

9 LIST OF APPENDICES

APPENDIX A: Indicative Award Structure: Doctor of Philosophy

YEAR ONE						
Semester One				Semester Two		
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit		Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit
RSCHXXXX	Supervised Research	100		RSCHXXXX	Supervised Research	100
Total Units of Credit for Y1 S1		100	Total Units of Credit for Y1 S2		100	
Total Units of credit Year One					200	

YEAR TWO							
Semester One				Semester Two			
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit		Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit	
RSCHXXXX	Supervised Research	100		RSCHXXXX	Supervised Research	100	
Total Units of Credit for Y2 S1		100		Total Units of Credit for Y2 S2		100	
					Total Units of credit Year Two		200

YEAR THREE						
Semester One				Semester Two		
Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit		Course Code	Course Title	Units of credit
RSCHXXXX	Supervised Research	100		RSCHXXXX	Supervised Research	100
Total Units of Credit for Y3 S1		100	Total Units of Credit for Y3 S2		100	
Total Units of credit Year Three					200	
TOTAL PROGRAM UNITS OF CREDIT:					600	