



THE UNIVERSITY OF
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PROGRAM REGULATIONS RESEARCH OFFICE

MASTERS BY RESEARCH

Masters degrees approved to be offered as Research degrees:

Master of Arts (5096) MA

Master of Business (5097) MBus

Master of Education (5112) Med(Thes)

Master of Health Sciences (5090) MHlthSc

Master of Laws (5044) MLaw(Thes)

Master of Religious Education (5113) MREd

Master of Science (Medicine) (5092) MSc(Med)

Master of Science (Arts & Sciences) (5120) MSc

Master of Science (Physiotherapy) (5121) MSc

Master of Theology (5115) MTheol(Ths)

**PROGRAM CODES: 5044, 5090, 5092, 5096, 5097, 5112, 5113,
5115, 5120, & 5121**

THESE PROGRAM REGULATIONS ARE EFFECTIVE FROM 1.1.2018

RESEARCH OFFICE

1. These Program Regulations apply to all students who are enrolled in these Awards on the Broome, Fremantle and Sydney Campuses.
2. The Pro Vice Chancellor-Research is the responsible Executive of these Program Regulations.
3. The contact officer for this document is the Director, Research Office, Fremantle Campus.

MODIFICATION HISTORY

1. These Program Regulations are effective from 1 January 2018.

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1 INTRODUCTION AND INTERPRETATION

1.1 Introduction

These Program Regulations apply to all students enrolled in the Masters Degrees by Research Awards at The University of Notre Dame Australia.

These Regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's General Regulations and the Research Degree Regulations.

1.2 Interpretation

The terms included in these Regulations have the meanings as defined in the University's General Regulations and the Research Degree Regulations.

1.3 Amendments made to Program Regulations

Unless otherwise specified, when amendments are made to the structure, content or academic requirements of these Awards, the amendments will automatically apply in accordance with General Regulation Section 1.7.

1.4 Applicability to Campuses of the University

These Awards are available on the Broome, Fremantle and Sydney Campuses.

1.5 The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF)

The Masters Degrees by Research Awards are level 9 AQF qualifications.

2 ENTRY CRITERIA

2.1 General Criteria

The standard entry requirements for admission are detailed in the University's General Regulations and the Research Degree Regulations.

2.2 Additional Entry Requirements / Pre-Requisites

Applicants to these Awards are expected to satisfy the following criteria:

- 2.2.1 Possession of an undergraduate degree from a recognised University, which has been completed at a superior standard and which demonstrates the applicant's potential to undertake and complete a research based study at AQF level 9 equivalence.
- 2.2.2 In exceptional circumstances, an equivalent academic or professional background that is considered by the Dean of the School to be an appropriate preparation for independent study and research work at Masters level.

2.3 External Accreditation Requirements

External accreditation requirements are not applicable to these Awards.

3 AWARD REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Structure

For the Masters Degrees by Research Awards Structure, refer to Appendix A.

Masters Degrees by Research

3.1.1 Compulsory Courses

Supervised Research courses which are discipline-appropriate and in accordance with enrolment load (see Appendix A).

3.1.2 Elective Courses

There are no Electives within these Awards.

3.1.3 Majors and Double Majors

There are no Majors or Double Majors available in these Awards.

3.1.4 Minors

There are no Minors available in these Awards.

3.1.5 Specialisations

There are no Specialisations permitted in these Awards.

3.1.6 Special Interest Courses

There are no Special Interest Courses available in these Awards.

3.2 Special Award Requirements

There are no Special Award Requirements in the Masters by Research Awards.

3.3 Practicum or Internship requirements

There are no Practicum or Internship requirements in these Awards.

3.4 Approved Course substitutions

There are no approved Course substitutions permitted in these Awards.

3.5 Alternative Pathways

Alternative pathways are not applicable for these Awards.

3.6 Volume of Learning

3.6.1 Standard Duration

- (a) The standard duration for the Masters Degrees by Research Awards is 2 years of equivalent full-time study.
- (b) A student is able to enrol in these Awards on a part-time basis. The minimum enrolment load permitted is 0.5 FTE in any given semester.

3.6.2 Accelerated Duration

An accelerated mode is not available for these Awards.

3.6.3 Maximum Duration

The maximum period of time within which a student is permitted to complete the Masters Degree by Research Awards is 6 years.

3.7 Additional Study

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

3.8 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.

3.9 Graduation

Where a student has satisfied all the requirements of these Awards as detailed in these Program Regulations and the General Regulations, the University may grant the student graduation status.

3.10 Exit Awards

An Exit Award pathway is not available for these Awards.

3.11 Honours

The Masters Degrees by Research Awards are not offered with Honours.

END OF REGULATIONS



APPENDIX A: Indicative Award Structure: Masters by Research

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
Units of Credit Point Total for Y1 S1		100	Units of Credit Total 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
Units of Credit Total for Y2 S1		100	Units of Credit Total for Y2 S2		100
Total Units of Credit Year Two					200
TOTAL PROGRAM UNITS OF CREDIT					400