



THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA

Master of Philosophy (Nursing)

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School of Nursing & Midwifery, Fremantle Campus

The University of Notre Dame Australia is committed to the development of a strong and innovative research culture. By developing the higher degree by research student population and external collaborative partnerships, we foster, support and increase research activity and quality. As a research student you will have the opportunity to further your industry experience and make a valuable contribution to Notre Dame's growing research portfolio.

About this program

The Master of Philosophy is a postgraduate research degree comprising both coursework and a substantial research component. This culminates in the submission of a thesis (or equivalent) for independent examination by

two external examiners. Available across all schools within the university, this ideal for students who have completed a Bachelor's degree but not at Honours level.

Research focus

Nursing research at Notre Dame focusses on a wide range of health care issues including the following:

- Alcohol, tobacco and other drug-related issues
- Chronic care
- Indigenous health
- Mental health
- Mentoring
- Palliative care
- Professional practice
- Skills development
- Workforce issues

Supervision

As a Master of Philosophy candidate, you are required to have a minimum of two supervisors who will provide support and academic guidance throughout their degrees. Supervisors will assist with the preparation of your research proposal, continuing to mentor and direct you throughout the research phase and through the process of examination.

Program outline

The coursework component of your degree consists of four compulsory research training courses. The coursework will provide an opportunity for you to formulate substantial elements of your planned research (including topic refinement, preferred research methods and preparation

of a draft proposal) and to develop personal competencies in critical analysis and scholarly writing relevant to your profession.

The completion of your coursework is facilitated by a course delivery schedule which takes into consideration that you may also be in employment during your candidature. A credit average must be achieved in the coursework component of the degree.

The remainder of the degree is comprised of supervised research culminating in the thesis.

Full details of the program are contained in the Program Requirements

(https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0010/424/of-Philosophy.pdf).

Mode of study and assessment

You may undertake the program either in a full-time or part-time capacity. The standard time for completion (not including periods of approved leave of absence) will normally be one-and-a-half years full-time or three years part-time. The minimum time for completion will normally be one year and is usually only applicable for students with prior research experience or qualifications. The assessment of the coursework component consists of written assignments while the research component is assessed by examination of your thesis by external reviewers.

Entry requirements

The following criteria apply to students seeking admission to the Master of Philosophy program:

- Possession of an undergraduate degree from a

recognised university, which has been completed at a high credit standard and which demonstrates the applicant's potential to undertake and complete research-based study.

- An equivalent academic background or extensive professional experience that is considered by the Dean of the School to be an appropriate preparation for independent study and research work at Masters level.

You may be required to demonstrate an ability to understand and communicate in both written and spoken English at a level adequate for the purpose of pursuing the program of study.

Fees and costs

This Program has the following loan scheme(s) available for eligible students:

International Full-Fee Paying

Tuition costs depend on an international student's study load and discipline. Fees are payable each semester at least four weeks prior to the commencement of your program.

Research Training Program (RTP)

The Research Training Program (RTP) provides block grants to support students who are undertaking a Higher Degree by Research such as a Research Doctorate or Research Masters degree. You will receive support for a maximum of two years for a Research Masters and a maximum of four years for a Research Doctorate degree. Your offer will specify for which purpose(s) your grant may

be used. This may include offset of your tuition fees, as a stipend for general living costs or as an allowance related to the ancillary cost of research degrees.

For indicative fees and information on Postgraduate and Research Scholarships available, please visit our [HDR Scholarships](#)

(https://www.nd.edu.au/_resources/archive/pages/students/scho-research-scholarships-old) page.

For indicative fees and information on how to pay, including Government loan schemes and our online calculator, visit our [Fees, costs and scholarships page](https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees-costs-and-scholarships) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees-costs-and-scholarships>).

Scholarships

Domestic Students

In accordance with the Commonwealth Scholarships Guidelines (Research) 2017, domestic research students are eligible to have all Higher Degree by Research (HDR) course fees paid for by the Commonwealth Government through a Research Training Program (RTP) Fees Offset Scholarship for the length of their degree. Domestic students are also encouraged to apply for stipend scholarships, which are very competitive and only awarded to students of exceptional research potential. The scholarships assist with general living costs for the duration of the research degree.

International Students

The University is keen to support high calibre international students who are eligible to apply for Commonwealth Government Research Training Program (RTP) Scholarships (Fees Offset and/or Stipend), and the University International Fee Remission Research Scholarship (IFRRS). For more information, please refer to the International Prospectus or visit our [Scholarships](https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees-costs-and-scholarships/scholarships) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees-costs-and-scholarships/scholarships>) section. Unless in receipt of a scholarship, all international research students are required to pay full fees for the length of their research degree.

More information

Before submitting an application, please contact our Research Office to check admissions deadlines and arrange a discussion with a suitably qualified member of staff via email on research@nd.edu.au (<mailto:research@nd.edu.au>) (Fremantle) or sydney.research@nd.edu.au (<mailto:sydney.research@nd.edu.au>) (Sydney).

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Duration: 1.5 years full-time or equivalent part-time

Duration type: Full time; Part time

Campus: Fremantle; Sydney

Study mode: On campus

Commencement: Semester 1; Semester 2

Program code: 5118

CRICOS code: 061765E

Fee: International Full Fees; Research Training Program
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