# HIGHER EDUCATION

# UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

#### WHO OFFERS UNDERGRADUATE COURSES?

Higher education courses are offered by universities, private colleges and some institutes. Some professional courses — such as medicine, veterinary science, law and architecture — are only offered by universities.

#### COURSES AND QUALIFICATIONS

The main types of undergraduate qualifications offered by most higher education institutions are as follows:

BACHELOR DEGREE: Bachelor degrees provide initial preparation for professional careers and postgraduate study and involve a minimum of three years of full-time study. Some institutions offer a fast-track system, which allows students to complete a three-year degree in two years

BACHELOR DEGREE (HONOURS): Honours may require an optional additional year of study usually research based following a three-year degree or may be awarded for academic achievement in degrees of four or more years.

#### **AVERAGE TUITION COSTS**

Please note that course fees can vary widely depending on the course, institution and destination chosen, and you should consult our counsellors for up to date fee information.

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Entry typically requires completion of an secondary school certificate of education (Year 12) or equivalent, or a diploma or advanced diploma from the Vocational Education and Training (VET) sector. In addition to the academic requirements, applicants must also meet high-level English language requirements. Some higher education courses have additional entry requirements, such as prior knowledge in certain subjects; work experience; or the successful completion of an audition, portfolio, test or interview. Each education provider will have different entry requirements, so it's important to contact our counsellors to check.

# **POSTGRADUATE** COURSES

#### WHO OFFERS POSTGRADUATE COURSES?

Postgraduate courses are offered by universities and private colleges. Some fields are only offered by universities, such as medicine and architecture.

#### COURSES AND QUALIFICATIONS

The main types of postgraduate qualifications offered by most higher education institutions are: Graduate certificate/diploma, Masters degree, Doctoral degree

#### GRADUATE CERTIFICATE/DIPLOMA

These qualifications are generally designed for specific vocational purposes — either the broadening of skills and knowledge already gained in an undergraduate program or the development of vocational skills and knowledge in a new professional area. The typical requirement is six months to a year of full-time study for the graduate certificate and one to two years of full-time study for the graduate diploma. Entry usually requires a bachelor degree or advanced diploma.

#### MASTERS DEGREE

Masters degrees provide a mastery or high-order overview of a field of study or area of professional practice. They typically involve one to two years of full-time study. The masters degree may be offered in three formats:

Masters degree (coursework): These consist of coursework, project work and research in varying combinations. Entry typically requires prior completion of a bachelor degree, a bachelor degree (honours) or a graduate certificate or diploma.

Masters degree (research): These are at least two-thirds research and include a substantial thesis or research project, which is often externally assessed. Entry normally requires a bachelor degree (honours) or masters preliminary year.

Masters degree (extended): These may consist of a work-based project. Entry requires a relevant qualification and professional experience, or extensive relevant professional experience.

#### DOCTORAL DEGREE

Doctoral degrees recognise a considerable original contribution to a given field in the form of new knowledge or the adaptation, application and interpretation of existing knowledge. They are usually completed over three or four years of full-time study. The doctoral degree may be offered in two formats:

Research doctorate (PhD): These consist mainly of supervised research resulting in the completion of a thesis. Entry requires a masters degree by coursework or research.

Professional doctorate: These combine coursework and research for professionals wanting to advance their knowledge in their field without the research commitment of a PhD. Entry typically requires a masters degree by coursework or research. In addition, considerable professional experience is required either before or during the course.

#### **AVERAGE TUITION COSTS**

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#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Entry into most higher education courses is highly competitive, and a high standard of English language is required for postgraduate study. Each education provider will have different entrance requirements, so it's important to contact our counsellors to check. In addition to the academic requirements, applicants must also meet high-level English language requirements. Some higher education courses have additional entry requirements, such as prior knowledge in certain subjects; work experience; or the successful completion of an audition, portfolio, test or interview. Each education provider will have different entry requirements, so it's important to contact our counsellors to check.

#### GLOBAL NETWORK

We offer you a global reach through our partner network of universities and colleges in Australia, New Zealand, United Kingdom, Ireland, Czech Republic, USA, Canada, Malaysia,India, Singapore, China, Dubai and many more spread across 4 continents.



## WHAT STUDENTS HAVE TO SAY



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"Reachout were outstanding in their course counseling and assistance with admission and visa procedures. Today I find that all the things they suggested me to do was the best and it's partly because of them that I am motivated to complete my degree in marine science at Murdoch University in Australia. "

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"Reachout is one of the best guides for students who are in search of not only opportunities for studying abroad but also scholarships. As from day 1, they guided me through the application and admission process and helped me to secure a scholarship. Do not waste your time, contact Reachout for your next move in your academic life!"



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