



# Master of Research



**Macquarie has a proud tradition of discovery and innovation. Although relatively young, we enjoy an enviable reputation for research excellence. We rank among the highest-performing research universities in Australia. In the most recent Excellence in Research for Australia evaluation, 100 per cent of our research activity was rated as performing at world standard or above.\***

By undertaking a research degree at Macquarie, you'll have the opportunity to make an important contribution to the development of new knowledge in society, work alongside some of the world's leading researchers and access some of the region's most outstanding facilities.

Macquarie University awards research scholarships to eligible domestic Bachelor of Philosophy/Master of Research candidates and international Master of Research candidates.

In addition, our Master of Research Exchange Program provides you with opportunities to undertake international experiences during your studies.

Commonwealth supported places are available to domestic candidates for the first year of the program. If you continue into the second year, you'll be supported by the Australian Government through the Research Training Program (RTP). International candidates not in receipt of a tuition-based scholarship are required to pay tuition fees.

## 3 REASONS TO CHOOSE

A MASTER OF RESEARCH AT MACQUARIE

1

You'll enhance your employment opportunities and receive international recognition for your qualifications.

2

If you continue on to a PhD, opportunities include research collaboration with international universities under our cotutelle and joint PhD programs.

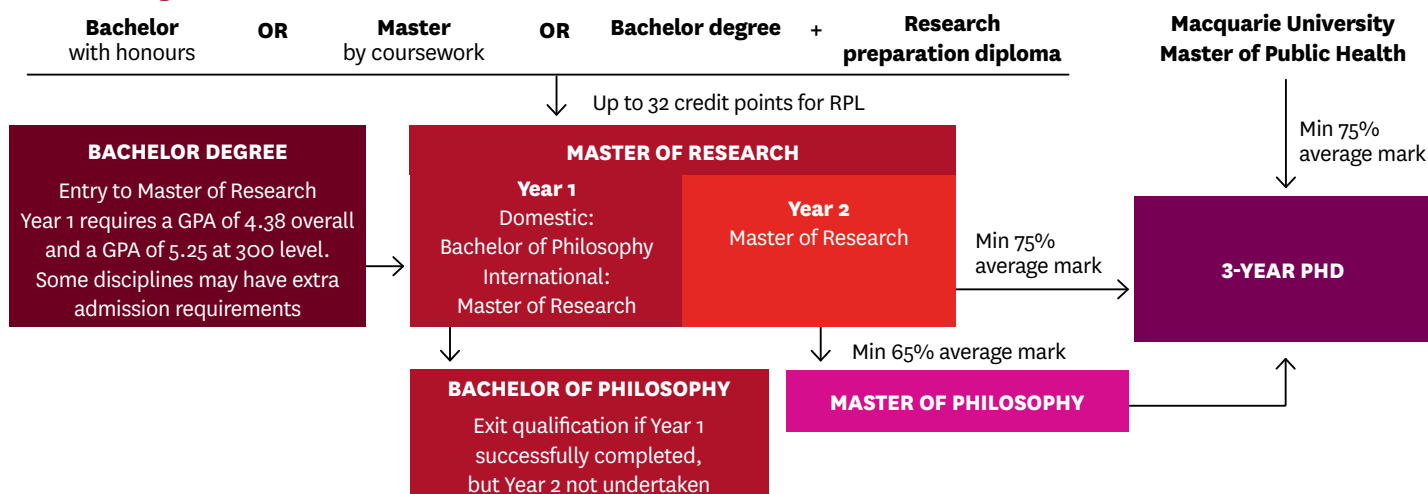
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You'll become part of a research community seeking solutions to the complex issues that define humanity.

\* At the 2-digit level 100 per cent of our research is rated as being at world standard or above, and at the 4-digit level 96 per cent of our research is rated as being at world standard or above.

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## Pathway to a PhD



### RESEARCH PROGRAMS

#### MASTER OF RESEARCH

[mq.edu.au/research/master-of-research](http://mq.edu.au/research/master-of-research)

Regarded by the Australian Council of Learned Academies as the most innovative research entry pathway, the Master of Research prepares you to complete a PhD in three years – well short of the national average.

#### PROGRAM STRUCTURE

The two-year course is available in all of Macquarie's research areas and, subject to academic approval, allows you to construct a course relevant to your specific interests.

In the first year, you'll undertake advanced coursework units. During the second year, you'll specialise in research preparation and focus on a specific research topic. You are required to submit a thesis of 20,000 words for completion.

#### MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY

[mq.edu.au/master-of-philosophy](http://mq.edu.au/master-of-philosophy)

#### PROGRAM STRUCTURE

The period of candidature is two years, full-time equivalent. You're required to submit a thesis of 50,000 words for completion.

#### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PHD)

[mq.edu.au/doctor-of-philosophy](http://mq.edu.au/doctor-of-philosophy)

#### PROGRAM STRUCTURE

The period of candidature is three years, full-time equivalent. You're required to submit a thesis of 75,000 to 100,000 words for completion, depending on the discipline.

#### JOINTLY SUPERVISED PHD PROGRAMS

[mq.edu.au/cotutelle-and-joint-phd](http://mq.edu.au/cotutelle-and-joint-phd)

Macquarie's global perspective is at the heart of everything we do. We prioritise deep continuing relationships with international universities through joint research candidate supervision.

#### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

This course requires a bachelor degree from a recognised institution with a credit average or equivalent (65 per cent) in your final year (or 300 level), although some disciplines may have extra admission requirements. If you hold an honours or masters degree, you may apply for recognition of prior learning of up to 32 credit points (the equivalent of Year 1). This may allow you to complete the Master of Research in less than two years.

Proficiency in English is a requirement for admission to all higher degree research and research training programs at Macquarie. Higher degree research applicants (domestic and international) whose academic qualifications were obtained from a country where English is not the official language are required to provide evidence of English language proficiency. Macquarie accepts both IELTS and TOEFL.

Upon successful completion of the Master of Research, you may be eligible to progress to one of Macquarie's higher degree research programs\*. Admission requirements are listed below.

#### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Completed Macquarie's Master of Research with at least 65 per cent in Year 2 or
- Completed a masters (at least two years) from another institution with a major research component (around 50 per cent thesis, approximately 20,000 words) at credit level (65 per cent or greater).

#### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Completed Macquarie's Master of Research with at least 75 per cent in Year 2 or
- Completed a Master of Philosophy or
- Completed a masters (at least two years) from another institution with a major research component (around 50 per cent thesis, approximately 20,000 words) at distinction level (75 per cent or greater).

#### PARTNERSHIPS

Macquarie is proud to have high-quality research training partnerships with universities in Asia, Europe, North America, South America and the UK. Since 2007, we have hosted more than 350 cotutelle and joint PhD candidates from more than 110 universities in 35-plus countries.

\*Successful progression to the Master of Philosophy or Doctor of Philosophy from the Master of Research is conditional upon availability of appropriate supervision, the submission of a PhD research proposal and your suitability to undertake higher degree research.