Graduate Certificate of Career Development
A STUDENT EXPERIENCE LIKE NO OTHER

• Access to world-class teachers
• Develop skills in state-of-the-art facilities
  • Benefit from small class sizes
  • Connect with professional networks

BE PROFESSIONALLY ENDORSED

With CICA (Career Industry Council of Australia) endorsement, you will be recognised as a high quality graduate and have the ability to work for the top employers in the industry.

BECOME A KNOWLEDGEABLE, SUPPORTIVE PROFESSIONAL

Add value to your current qualifications and make a difference to those in schools and the workforce.

READY TODAY, FOR TOMORROW

Prepare to work as a career advisor, career development practitioner or school guidance counsellor.

RECEIVE THE SUPPORT TO SUCCEED

Benefit from active student support and a tailored experience as well as regular access to career development and employability insights throughout your learning.
Enhance your qualifications in career education, development and counselling. Develop a deep understanding of professional practice standards and the ability to use career counselling skills to provide support and management strategies to a variety of clients.

Study four comprehensive subjects to build a strong theoretical foundation in career development and guidance counselling.

Apply your knowledge and skills through weekly tutorials, case studies, industry and subject matter seminars and intensive skills workshops.

**COURSE DETAILS:**

**Locations:**
Online

**Commencing:**
The program provides the flexibility to begin studying when a new subject commences, which is every eight weeks.
- 2020 - October
- 2021 - January, March, April, June, August, October

**Duration:**
Complete the course one subject at a time with completion possible in 8 months. Part-time available

**Prerequisites:**
Applicants with an AQF level 7 degree or equivalent. See page 7 for more information.

Please visit the [handbook](http://jcu.edu.au) for a detailed outline of the course structure.

Note: Information is for domestic students only.
Experience has no substitute

Become a knowledgeable, skilled and work-ready practitioner who can support clients in the achievement of their career goals. Hit the ground running and meet the increasing demand for career development, guidance and coaching experts.

Be equipped for professional practice through practical learning in the Graduate Certificate of Career Development. Graduate with highly developed capabilities, expert knowledge and a portfolio of resources, which will enable you to succeed in a range of working environments.

The curriculum is endorsed by the Career Industry Council of Australia (CICA), meaning that all program material aligns to CICA’s professional practice standards and ethical frameworks.

Make study work for you with a course that is delivered fully online, with continuous student support. Take part in engaging and practical weekly tutorials, self-paced learning activities, informative industry seminars and intensive skill development workshops.

Benefit from a contemporary, academically rigorous and applied learning experience through the partnership between JCU and Career Ahead. The course combines the academic excellence of JCU, with the ‘real world’ experience of Career Ahead.

MAKE STUDY WORK FOR YOU

Study the Graduate Certificate of Career Development through the flexible carousel delivery mode. Study one subject at a time during an eight-week block.

This flexible delivery makes it easier to balance further study with employment, family and other demands. If subjects are completed consecutively, the qualification can be completed in about eight months.

The Graduate Certificate of Career Development consists of four subjects:

- Two subjects are fully online, with extensive student support available
- Two subjects require participation in intensive workshops. Workshops take place across three days, and will be offered online with face-to-face option available, dependent upon enrolment and demand.
“At JCU, staff are dedicated to providing students with quality academic experiences, based on industry-needed practical skills. We have partnered with Career Ahead, an industry-leading organisation, to create the Graduate Certificate in Career Development, so that students can benefit from cutting edge research and knowledge, as well as practitioner expertise. Throughout this course, students will be encouraged to leverage their curiosity about the world of work to support their practice, and their communities.”

Jon Woodend, PhD
LECTURER, JCU COURSE COORDINATOR
JCU Career Development graduates are widely skilled for positions in a range of fields:

- Private career guidance and coaching
- Education based career development roles
- Outplacement or career transition consulting
- Wellbeing or career advisory roles in professional sport
- Career guidance in disability or employment services
- Career counselling for community or government programs

This qualification also offers a useful expansion of skills for human resource professionals, counsellors and psychologists, wishing to expand their practice into career management services.

You can also go on to study the Master of Guidance and Counselling. Receive a two subject credit for this course when you complete your Graduate Certificate of Career Development.

“The Graduate Certificate of Career Development has a new curriculum, tightly aligned to the Career Industry Council of Australia competencies and professional practice standards. With increased demand for career development experts, graduates will be rigorously prepared to work as career practitioners and advisors. Students will develop knowledge of leading career development and counselling theories, combined with practical skills enhanced by our highly applied learning approach. We are committed to producing the next generation of passionate professional career practitioners, capable of succeeding in a range of work environments.”

Katea Gidley
MANAGING DIRECTOR, CAREER AHEAD
COURSE FACILITATOR
Postgraduate coursework applications

If you have a bachelor’s degree (AQF level 7 degree or equivalent), you are eligible to study this course.

If you don’t have a bachelor’s degree, but have extensive work experience or career development knowledge, your application for admission will be considered. If you have completed a Certificate IV in Career Development, combined with relevant work experience, you will be considered favourably for course entry.

Apply directly to JCU, either by a form you download, complete and return, or by using the Online Application Portal.

Your application must reach us before the deadline for your course.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Postgraduate courses will usually require completion of an appropriate undergraduate degree for entry. You’ll need to include certified copies of qualifications and academic records with your application.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Have questions? Book a consultation to find out more about:
- Course suitability
- Career paths
- Flexible entry arrangements
- General course information
- Admission processes

Call Career Ahead Course Co-ordinator, Lindie Frier on 03 9645 5545 to book your consultation or to find out more, call 1800 246 446 or contact the Student Enquiry Centre.
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