

Higher Degrees by Research

By enrolling in a Higher Degree by Research you will make an important contribution to JCU's research culture, develop independent research skills, and contribute original knowledge to your field of study.

Agriculture, Environment and Related Studies

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY,
MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY**

Research areas include: Aquaculture, environmental studies, farming, fisheries, forest vulnerability, and natural resource management.

Architecture and Building

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY,
MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY**

Research areas include: Infrastructure, regional planning, sustainable communities, and tropical and urban design.

Creative Arts

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY,
MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY**

Research areas include: Audio visual studies, communication and media, journalism, fine arts, graphic design, music, performing arts, photography and visual arts.

Education

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY,
MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY**

**DOCTOR OF EDUCATION –
PROFESSIONAL DEGREE**

Research areas include: Curriculum design and pedagogy, Indigenous education, rural education, educational psychology, innovative learning approaches including the use of digital technologies, education for social and environmental sustainability, and community engagement.

Engineering and Related Technologies

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY,
MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY**

Research areas include: Biotechnology, chemical, civil, electrical and electronic engineering, Internet of Things and technology, mechanical and materials engineering, and project management.

Health

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY,
MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY,
DOCTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

Research areas include: Dentistry, exercise performance, health and medical education, health promotion, human movement, Indigenous health and wellbeing, medicine, midwifery, nursing, nutrition, occupational health and safety, pharmacy, psychology, physiotherapy, public health, rehabilitation, speech pathology, surgery, and veterinary science.

Indigenous Studies

MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY

Research areas include: Indigenous studies, knowledge and cultures; Indigenous community development; and Indigenous intersections with other disciplines

Information Technology

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY,
MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY**

Research areas include: Computer science, information systems, mobile computing, semantic technologies, and simulation.

Management and Commerce

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY,
MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY**

Research areas include: Banking and finance, business and management, corporate governance, employment relations, international business and commerce, leadership, marketing, and tourism and tourism planning.

Medical and Molecular Sciences

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY,
MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY**

Research areas include: Biochemistry, cell biology, chemistry, immunology and epidemiology, medical science, microbiology, parasitology, pathology, and pharmacology.

Natural and Physical Sciences

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY,
MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY**

Research areas include: Botany, chemical sciences, climate change, earth sciences, ecology and evolution, genetics, geography, geology, marine biology, marine ecology, marine science, mathematical sciences, microbiology, oceanography, palaeontology, physics, sustainability, and zoology.

Society and Culture

**MASTER OF LAWS,
DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY,
MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY**

Research areas include: Anthropology, archaeology, criminology, culture, economics, English and English literature, history, Indigenous studies, linguistics, political science and political innovation, regional development, social justice and community wellbeing, disaster and hazards, social work, sociology and women's studies.

Postgraduate research courses and fees

Course	Duration (years)	Campus/ Mode	Mid-Year Start (July)	English Band Level	Minimum prerequisites and additional documentation	CRICOS Course Code	2021 Tuition fee (per year in A\$)
PROFESSIONAL DOCTORATES							
Doctor of Education	4	T,C,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 8 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081375J	\$33,600
DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY							
Doctor of Philosophy (Agriculture, Environmental and Related Studies)	4	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 8 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081386F	\$40,280
Doctor of Philosophy (Architecture and Building)	4	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 8 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081387E	\$38,960
Doctor of Philosophy (Creative Arts)	4	T,C,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 8 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081381M	\$35,800
Doctor of Philosophy (Education)	4	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 8 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081377G	\$33,600
Doctor of Philosophy (Engineering and Related Technologies)	4	T,C,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 8 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081388D	\$40,280
Doctor of Philosophy (Health)	4	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 8 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081922J	\$37,080
Doctor of Philosophy (Information Technology)	4	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 8 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081384G	\$34,500
Doctor of Philosophy (Management and Commerce)	4	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 8 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081385G	\$33,600
Doctor of Philosophy (Medical and Molecular Sciences)	4	T,C,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 8 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081930J	\$40,280
Doctor of Philosophy (Natural and Physical Sciences)	4	T,C,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 8 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081389C	\$40,280
Doctor of Philosophy (Society and Culture)	4	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 8 bBachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes form (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081379E	\$33,600
MASTERS BY RESEARCH							
Master of Laws	2	T,C**	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 7 bachelor degree with either a Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 5.5 in the final full time year of study, or with demonstrated research experience.	013245E	\$37,080
Master of Philosophy (Agriculture, Environmental and Related Studies)	2	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 7 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081368G	\$40,280
Master of Philosophy (Architecture and Building)	2	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 7 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081369G	\$38,960

The fees listed are in Australian dollars and are based on the annual tuition fee for students commencing in 2021. Tuition fees may increase each year. See JCU's Tuition Fee Policy for International Students for the most up to date information on fee increases.

Visit jcu.edu.au/international-students/fees-and-costs for the most up-to-date information on international fees.

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Master of Philosophy (Creative Arts)	2	T,C,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 7 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	075190B	\$35,800
Master of Philosophy (Education)	2	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 7 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081339B	\$33,600
Master of Philosophy (Engineering and Related Technologies)	2	T,C,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 7 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081370C	\$40,280
Master of Philosophy (Health)	2	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 7 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081931G	\$37,080
Master of Philosophy (Indigenous)	2	T,C	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 7 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	100968	\$33,600
Master of Philosophy (Information Technology)	2	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 7 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081358K	\$34,500
Master of Philosophy (Management and Commerce)	2	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 7 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081362C	\$33,600
Master of Philosophy (Medical and Molecular Sciences)	2	T,C	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 7 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081933F	\$40,280
Master of Philosophy (Natural and Physical Sciences)	2	T,C,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 7 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081373M	\$40,280
Master of Philosophy (Society and Culture)	2	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of an AQF level 7 bachelor degree with research component (or equivalent), a Preliminary Project Proposal, and Statement of Research Training, Experience, Skills and Attributes forms (refer to jcu.edu.au/grs).	081345D	\$33,600
RESEARCH METHODS							
Graduate Diploma of Research Methods (Tropical Health and Medicine)	1	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of at least an AQF level 7 Bachelor degree in a relevant health, health science, medicine, medical science, or veterinary science discipline, with a minimum grade point average of 5.0 (credit average) in the final year; or equivalent.	086005F	\$32,280
Graduate Diploma of Research Methods (Tropical Environments and Societies)	1	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of at least an AQF level 7 Bachelor degree in a relevant discipline, with a minimum grade point average of 5.0 (credit average) in the final year; or equivalent.	086004G	\$32,280
Graduate Certificate of Research Methods (Tropical Health and Medicine)	0.5	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of at least a 4-year AQF level 7 Bachelor degree or an AQF level 8 qualification in a relevant health, health science, medicine, medical science, or veterinary science discipline, with a minimum grade point average of 5.0 (credit average) in the final year; and a grade credit (65%) or better in a minimum of one research methods or analysis subject; or equivalent.	086003G	\$16,140
Graduate Certificate of Research Methods (Tropical Environments and Societies)	0.5	T,C,S,DE	Yes	2	Completion of at least an AQF level 8 qualification in a relevant discipline with a minimum grade point average of 5.0 (credit average) in the final year AND a grade of credit (65%) or better in a minimum of one advanced research methods or analysis subject; or equivalent.	086002J	\$16,140

All fees are in Australian dollars.

Campus availability: T = Townsville; C = Cairns; DE = Distance Education, S = Singapore, B = Brisbane
Distance Education degrees are primarily offered by flexible, online or distance delivery, but may require some attendance on campus (not eligible if applying for a student visa)

CRICOS course code indicates JCU degree courses are registered on the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS) available to students intending to study in Australia on a student visa and other international students living onshore in Australia with an appropriate visa.