

Master of Guidance and Counselling



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Why JCU?

A STUDENT EXPERIENCE LIKE NO OTHER

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

EXCEPTIONAL EMPLOYMENT OUTCOMES

Independently rated #1 in Queensland for full-time employment[^], JCU Education produces skilled, highly-sought after graduates.

WORK WORLDWIDE

Teach in Australia and around the globe. JCU students gain the skills and knowledge necessary to take their careers overseas.

GRADUATE WITH CONFIDENCE

JCU Education emphasises holistic thinking producing graduates who value social and environmental sustainability goals and are equipped to teach future generations.

THE SUPPORT TO SUCCEED

Excel in small class sizes and with personalised support. Receive mentoring and guidance to achieve your potential.

[^]Good Universities Guide 2023, PG Education



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- ✔ This flexible course can be studied full-time, part-time, online, or by limited attendance.
- ✔ Develop an understanding of how to practice counselling ethically and effectively within and beyond recognised sites of learning, including workplaces, communities and schools.
- ✔ Build on your professional knowledge and expertise, and gain real world experience applying your new learnings through professional placement opportunities. Participate in counselling placement at approved agencies or services.

COURSE DETAILS:

Locations:	Townsville, Online
Commencing:	February, July
Duration:	1.5 years full-time, part-time available
Prerequisites:	Bachelor degree in cognate discipline

Please visit the [handbook](#) for a detailed outline of the course structure. Note: Information is for domestic students only

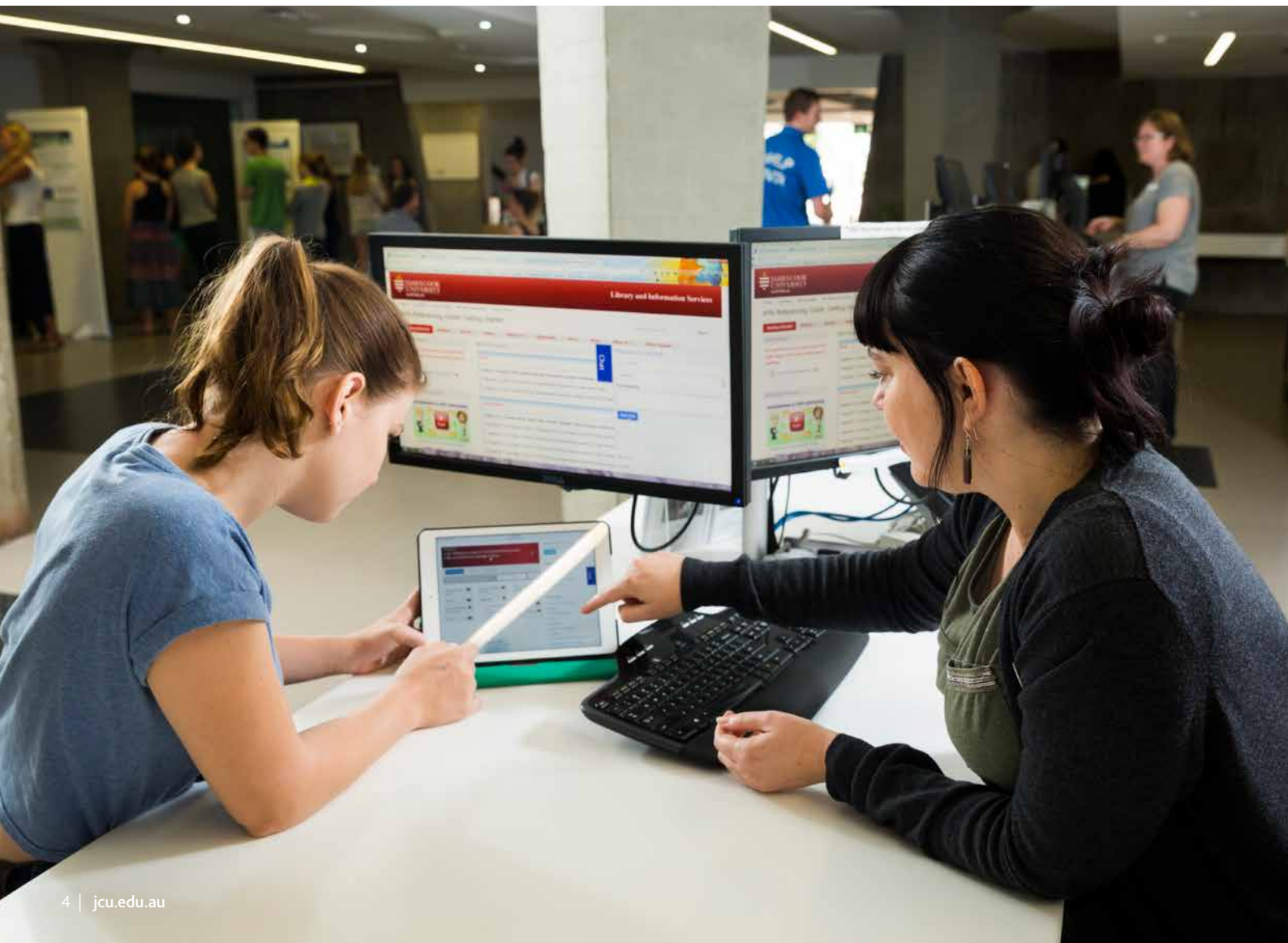
Experience has no substitute

Develop critical approaches to learning. With a focus on issues relating to the tropics, sustainability, and Indigenous, rural and regional wellbeing, explore how they influence the counselling and guidance fields. Be able to evaluate and communicate complex decisions to an audience of diverse cultural and specialist backgrounds. Learn to identify and design solutions for issues in a range of professional guidance and counselling practice contexts.

Strengthen your skills with eight core subjects that cover topics such as the foundations of counselling theory and practice, advanced counselling techniques, reflective practice, career and leisure guidance, and atypical development. You can tailor the degree to suit your interests and career goals by choosing four elective subjects, with options including educational research, behaviour management, social learning perspectives, conflict analysis and resolution, plus many others.

JCU offers professional development opportunities, student flexibility through course design and structure, as well as a successful history in securing funding for major research programs.

This course can be studied online, but does require some on-campus attendance for workshops.





“The course prepared me fully for my new career and I have gained my first position as a Guidance Officer in The Torres Strait Islands, so I am delighted. As a first generation Australian from a minority background, I hope to assist other students who have had adversity in their lives, to stretch their success and lead fulfilling and peaceful lives. I want to enable students in my care to break through the glass ceilings and boundaries that have been set for them by their past and lead lives filled with promise and success.”

Irna Spigariol

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“Promoting excellence and quality in education, our Master of Guidance and Counselling course takes an integrative approach to counselling theory and practice, combining real world learning, industry-relevant skills with practice-based experiences.

Students apply their knowledge, understanding and skills as they develop into ethical, effective, culturally responsive counselling and guidance professionals who are fit to practice across a range of multiple service provision contexts.”

Dr Margaret-Anne Carter

COURSE COORDINATOR, MASTER OF GUIDANCE AND COUNSELLING

Career Opportunities

Diversify your teaching or human resource management expertise with a JCU Master of Guidance and Counselling.

You could provide specialist human resource management skills across the public or private sector, as well work in schools as a guidance counsellor.

This course is accredited by the Australian Counselling Association and the Singapore Association for Counselling, giving you the ability to pursue a career internationally.

Other opportunities include relationship and family counselling; grief and trauma counselling; mental wellness counselling; disability services; health science research and higher education wellbeing clinics.





Postgraduate coursework applications

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.
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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. For some programs, appropriate work experience or equivalent qualifications will be considered.

FURTHER INFORMATION

To find out more, call 1800 246 446
or contact the [Student Enquiry Centre](#).

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