Macquarie’s business and economics research is of an international calibre. In the Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) 2012 evaluation our economics research received a rating of ‘performance at world standard’, as did our research in the sub-disciplines of banking, finance and investment; and business and management.

Our highly qualified researchers possess a wealth of international experience gained at some of the world’s most prestigious universities, businesses and government organisations. They are some of the most active business researchers in Australia and therefore able to provide you with the most rigorous theoretical, technical and applied research skills, and also insights from different disciplinary approaches.

Research strengths include marketing; banking, finance and investment; accounting; macroeconomics; development economics; labour economics; and cultural economics.

Our research expertise is regularly sought by organisations such as the Rockefeller Foundation, Reserve Bank of Australia, United Nations, World Bank Reserve, Australian Crime Commission, Australian Securities Investment Commission, Business Council of Australia, Institute of Actuaries of Australia, AXA, and Suncorp, as well as by state, national and international governments. Our researchers also enjoy valuable collaborations with many local and international universities.

As an HDR candidate you will have the opportunity to research alongside scholars who are leading business professionals both nationally and internationally, allowing you to develop valuable links with industry.
Highlights

- Prominent Macquarie alumni and distinguished executives from leading multinationals and government departments such as AMP, Perpetual Trustees, Qantas, Bank of America, Merrill Lynch, NSW Treasury, and the Actuaries Institute sit on our Industry Advisory Board. The board informs areas such as research development and innovation.

- Our researchers are prolific authors, regularly publishing in renowned journals such as *Journal of Macroeconomics; Journal of Financial Econometrics; Journal of Industrial Relations; Journal of Banking and Finance; The Economic Record; Applied Economics; Economic Modelling; Insurance: Mathematics and Economics; Advances in Accounting; The International Journal of Accounting; Accounting, Auditing and Accountability; Automatica; Journal of Business Research; and Journal of Marketing Management.*

Support

HDR candidates are provided with strong academic and administrative support. This includes:

- Annual research conference
- Commencement and Completion programs
- Discipline-specific research training units, including workshops in research communication, presentation skills, academic writing skills, thesis planning, and poster preparation
- Free research analytics and software skills training
- Experienced supervisors and department-based higher degree research co-ordinators
- Financial support for eligible candidates for a range of research-related activity
- Regular progress reports and interviews, and/or work-in-progress presentations in which research candidates receive feedback on their work from a panel of academics in their field

Research leaders

Macquarie is home to many internationally renowned researchers, including:

**Professor Philomena Leung** is a recognised expert in the areas of auditing, ethics, governance, and accounting education. She was the lead researcher commissioned to develop a model for ethics education in accounting for 160 countries under the auspices of the International Federation of Accountants. She is joint editor of *Managerial Auditing Journal*, and a lead author of the text *Modern Auditing and Assurance Services in Australia*.

**Associate Professor Fei Guo** is an expert in skilled migration, return migration and student migration in the Asia Pacific region, as well as internal migration and migrant communities in contemporary China. Other areas of research interest include the impacts of demographic changes on residential housing markets and labour market performance of migrant groups in Australia.

**Professor Stefan Trueck** is co-director of the Centre for Financial Risk, which investigates the nature and management of financial risks faced by households and by the economy. He has published in well-ranked international journals and holds an ARC Discovery grant to research price spikes within Australian electricity markets.