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

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

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

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* 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.
PATHWAY TO A PHD

RESEARCH PROGRAMS

MASTER OF RESEARCH
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Regarded by the Australian Council of Learned Academies as the most innovative research pathway model, the Master of Research (MRes) 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, while 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.

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.

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

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).

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PHD)
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The period of candidature is three years, full-time equivalent. You are required to submit a thesis of 75,000 to 100,000 words for completion, depending on the discipline.

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, the UK, Europe, and North and South America: Since 2007, we have hosted more than 269 cotutelle and joint PhD candidates from more than 110 universities in over 30 countries.

*Successful progression to a PhD from the Master of Research is conditional upon availability of appropriate supervision, the submission of a PhD research proposal and the candidate’s suitability to undertake higher degree research.

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