Overview

This Program covers study towards the PhD undertaken in the School of the Arts and Media in the areas of creative writing, practice-based research, and music composition. For details, visit the School website.

The Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree is offered in all faculties of the University of New South Wales and encourages initiative and originality in research. Candidates should make a significant contribution to knowledge in their field. See UNSW Higher Degree Research Learning Outcomes.

This program involves a minimum of three years full-time study in which students undertake supervised research. The Creative Practice PhD normally consists of a portfolio of creative work and a thesis of at least 30,000 words which should be submitted for examination within 4 years of full-time study.
**Faculty**
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

**Campus**
Kensington

**Study Level**
Research

**Typical duration**
3 to 4 Years

**Delivery Mode**
Research

**Academic Calendar**
Research Calendar

**Minimum Units of Credit**
144

**Award type**
Doctor of Philosophy

**Award(s)**
Doctor of Philosophy - PhD

**CRICOS Code**
079008F
Admission Requirements

Entry Requirements

As a general guide, the UNSW entry requirements for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy are as follows:

- A candidate for the degree shall have been awarded an appropriate degree of Bachelor with Honours from the University of New South Wales or a qualification considered equivalent from another university or tertiary institution at a level acceptable to the Research Committee of the appropriate Faculty.
- Candidates may be admitted to the PhD program after one year's full-time enrolment in a Masters by Research program, if they meet the PhD entry requirements and with the approval of the Faculty Higher Degree Committee.
- In exceptional cases an applicant who submits evidence of such other academic and professional qualifications as may be approved by the Committee may be permitted to enrol for the degree.

As each Faculty manages its own PhD programs, prospective local and international research students should check with the relevant Faculty for specific entry requirements.

English language requirements also apply. Please see the UNSW English Requirements Policy.

For further information, see the Admission to Higher Degree Research Programs Procedure.

For more information about admission requirements for various UNSW programs, visit the following website(s):

Domestic Students
International Student
Additional Information

If you are considering applying for a PhD at UNSW you will need to make contact with the relevant School by emailing the School's nominated representative. This is necessary in order to establish that your research interests and those of the Faculty are aligned, and that there is a suitable supervisor for your particular area of research.

Prospective students can also make contact with potential supervisors before applying for research study at the University.

Visit the following websites:

**UNSW Arts and Social Sciences**
Information on entry requirements, how to apply, contact details, supervision areas.

**School of Humanities and Languages; School of the Arts and Media**
Discipline information and potential supervisors.

**UNSW Graduate Research School**
Information for future research students including scholarships, English language requirements, thesis preparation and other research related matters.
Program Fees

At UNSW fees are generally charged at course level and therefore dependent upon individual enrolment and other factors such as student's residency status. For generic information on fees and additional expenses of UNSW programs, click on one of the following:

Domestic Students
Commonwealth Supported Students
International Students
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