

PHD COURSES HANDBOOK 2015

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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HOW TO USE THIS HANDBOOK

Victoria University's 2015 PhD Courses Handbook is designed to provide students with detailed information on course structures and unit details for undergraduate and postgraduate courses offered by the college in 2015.

The definition of fields used in course tables throughout this handbook include:

Credit Point – the number of credit points a unit contributes towards the total points needed to complete a course.

PLEASE NOTE

This handbook provides a guide to courses available within Victoria University's PhD Courses in 2015.

Although all attempts have been made to make the information as accurate as possible, students should check with the college that the information is accurate when planning their courses.

NOTE: Prospective students are strongly advised to search the University's online courses database at www.vu.edu.au/courses for the most up-to-date list of courses.

This handbook includes descriptions of courses that may later be altered or include courses that may not be offered due to unforeseen circumstances, such as insufficient enrolments or changes in teaching personnel. The fact that details of a course are included in this handbook can in no way be taken as creating an obligation on the part of the University to teach it in any given year or in the manner described. The University reserves the right to discontinue or vary courses at any time without notice.

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PhD Courses

Below are details of courses offered by the PhD Courses in 2015.

This information is also available online on the University's searchable courses database at www.vu.edu.au/courses

NOTE: Courses available to international students are marked with the (I) symbol.

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Course Code:UPAC

Campus:Footscray Nicholson, Footscray Park, St Albans.

About this course: Doctoral degree in Creative Arts The Doctoral Degree (PhD) is an advanced research program offered across VU's research focus areas and the major disciplines of the academic Colleges, which allows the student to conduct original research in an area that is both of interest to the student and of broader significance to the University, industry and the community, with the assistance of an experienced research supervisory team. The PhD includes:

- engagement in a substantial research project at the frontier of its field leading to the presentation of a thesis in an approved thesis format for examination against international standards through the University's approved process for independent examination by at least two external expert examiners.
- a component of required coursework usually undertaken in the first semester of the program (full-time students) and the first year (part-time students), and other opportunities for the development of research, generic and transferable skills through participation in both formal and informal learning.

It promotes the development of research and research-related capabilities, with graduates expected to:

1. demonstrate a scholarly and enquiring mind, and evidence strong capabilities in

- research conceptualisation and design including reviewing of the literature
- the marshalling and critical analysis of data and evidence, and
- conceptual innovation in order to make a significant new contribution to knowledge and society;

2. demonstrate deep disciplinary immersion and broad interdisciplinary literacy, including methodological literacy; and
3. be a highly competent communicator of their research, including through demonstration of the capacity to present and defend their research in a wide variety of contexts such as refereed quality academic outlets appropriate to their field (eg ranked journals, good quality academic conferences, thesis, book chapter, monograph) and to less specialist audiences by public presentation. Training is provided to support the development of these research and research-related capabilities in the context of the discipline area, as well as the appropriate generic and transferable skills to allow students to become independent, competent and highly sought-after researchers equipped to pursue a research career in relevant industries and/or to become an academic.

Course Objectives: Graduates of this course have the academic knowledge, skills and attributes necessary to become capable, independent researchers, in order to be able

to pursue a research-related or high-level professional career in their industry and/or as a Higher Education academic in their field of studies. The course objectives are to produce graduates who have:

- expert understanding of a substantial body of theory and its practical application at the frontier of a field of work or learning, including substantial expert knowledge of ethical research principles and methods applicable to the field.
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- design, develop and implement a research project/s to systematically investigate a research problem.
- develop, adapt and implement research methodologies to extend and redefine existing knowledge.
- manage, analyse, evaluate and interpret data, synthesising key ideas and theorising within the context of key literature.
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- ethical practice and full responsibility and accountability for personal outputs.
- autonomy, authoritative judgment, adaptability and responsibility as an expert and independent scholar.

Careers: Academic and research focused positions in the relevant fields of study.

Course Duration: 4 years

Admission Requirements International: Achieved an IELTS, (Academic Module) result with an overall score of 6.5 (no band less than 6) or equivalent and completed a Masters degree or a relevant four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

Admission Requirements Other: Completed a relevant Masters degree or four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

COURSE STRUCTURE

The PhD is a research based degree with a maximum duration of 4 years (full time) and 8 years (part time). As well as enrolling in Research Thesis units Doctor of Philosophy (Science) students will be required to complete two coursework units, ROP8001 and ROP8002. An average result of 70% is required in the compulsory coursework units in order to proceed to candidature confirmation. Ongoing

progression is subject to policy and procedures for candidature management as per the VU HDR Policy.

Coursework Units

ROP8001	CONCEPTUALISING AND CONTEXTUALISING RESEARCH	
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ACR8900	CREATIVE ARTS (FULL-TIME)	48
ACR8901	CREATIVE ARTS (PART-TIME)	24

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Course Code:UPAP

Campus:Footscray Nicholson, Footscray Park, St Albans.

About this course: Doctoral degree in Psychology The Doctoral Degree (PhD) is an advanced research program offered across VU's research focus areas and the major disciplines of the academic Colleges, which allows the student to conduct original research in an area that is both of interest to the student and of broader significance to the University, industry and the community, with the assistance of an experienced research supervisory team. The PhD includes:

- engagement in a substantial research project at the frontier of its field leading to the presentation of a thesis in an approved thesis format for examination against international standards through the University's approved process for independent examination by at least two external expert examiners.
- a component of required coursework usually undertaken in the first semester of the program (full-time students) and the first year (part-time students), and other opportunities for the development of research, generic and transferable skills through participation in both formal and informal learning.

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 - conceptual innovation in order to make a significant new contribution to knowledge and society;

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Course Objectives: Graduates of this course have the academic knowledge, skills and attributes necessary to become capable, independent researchers, in order to be able to pursue a research-related or high-level professional career in their industry and/or as a Higher Education academic in their field of studies. The course objectives are to produce graduates who have:

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Admission Requirements Other: Completed a relevant Masters degree or four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

COURSE STRUCTURE

The PhD is a research based degree with a maximum duration of 4 years (full time) and 8 years (part time). As well as enrolling in Research Thesis units Doctor of Philosophy (Science) students will be required to complete two coursework units,

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Coursework Units

ROP8001	CONCEPTUALISING AND CONTEXTUALISING RESEARCH	
ROP8002	RESEARCH INTEGRITY AND ETHICS	
APS8900	PSYCHOLOGY (FULL-TIME)	48
APS8901	PSYCHOLOGY (PART-TIME)	24

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Course Code:UPAS

Campus:Footscray Nicholson, Footscray Park, St Albans.

About this course: Doctoral degree in Society and Culture The Doctoral Degree (PhD) is an advanced research program offered across VU's research focus areas and the major disciplines of the academic Colleges, which allows the student to conduct original research in an area that is both of interest to the student and of broader significance to the University, industry and the community, with the assistance of an experienced research supervisory team. The PhD includes:

- engagement in a substantial research project at the frontier of its field leading to the presentation of a thesis in an approved thesis format for examination against international standards through the University's approved process for independent examination by at least two external expert examiners.
- a component of required coursework usually undertaken in the first semester of the program (full-time students) and the first year (part-time students), and other opportunities for the development of research, generic and transferable skills through participation in both formal and informal learning.

It promotes the development of research and research-related capabilities, with graduates expected to:

1. demonstrate a scholarly and enquiring mind, and evidence strong capabilities in

- research conceptualisation and design including reviewing of the literature
- the marshalling and critical analysis of data and evidence, and
- conceptual innovation in order to make a significant new contribution to knowledge and society;

2. demonstrate deep disciplinary immersion and broad interdisciplinary literacy, including methodological literacy; and 3. be a highly competent communicator of their research, including through demonstration of the capacity to present and defend their research in a wide variety of contexts such as refereed quality academic outlets appropriate to their field (eg ranked journals, good quality academic conferences, thesis, book chapter, monograph) and to less specialist audiences by public presentation. Training is provided to support the development of these research and research-related capabilities in the context of the discipline area, as well as the appropriate generic and transferable skills to allow students to become independent,

competent and highly sought-after researchers equipped to pursue a research career in relevant industries and/or to become an academic.

Course Objectives: Graduates of this course have the academic knowledge, skills and attributes necessary to become capable, independent researchers, in order to be able to pursue a research-related or high-level professional career in their industry and/or as a Higher Education academic in their field of studies. The course objectives are to produce graduates who have:

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Careers: Academic and research focused positions in the relevant fields of study.

Course Duration: 4 years

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Admission Requirements Other: Completed a relevant Masters degree or four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

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Coursework Units

ROP8001	CONCEPTUALISING AND CONTEXTUALISING RESEARCH	
ROP8002	RESEARCH INTEGRITY AND ETHICS	
ASC8900	SOCIETY AND CULTURE (FULL-TIME)	48
ASC8901	SOCIETY AND CULTURE (PART-TIME)	24

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Course Code:UPBB

Campus:Footscray Park, City Flinders.

About this course: Doctoral degree in Business and Management The Doctoral Degree (PhD) is an advanced research program offered across VU's research focus areas and the major disciplines of the academic Colleges, which allows the student to conduct original research in an area that is both of interest to the student and of broader significance to the University, industry and the community, with the assistance of an experienced research supervisory team. The PhD includes:

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It promotes the development of research and research-related capabilities, with graduates expected to:

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Coursework Units

ROP8001	CONCEPTUALISING AND CONTEXTUALISING RESEARCH	
ROP8002	RESEARCH INTEGRITY AND ETHICS	
BBM8900	BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT (FULL-TIME)	48
BBM8901	BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT (PART-TIME)	24

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Course Code:UPBE

Campus:Footscray Park, City Flinders.

About this course: Doctoral degree in Economics The Doctoral Degree (PhD) is an advanced research program offered across VU's research focus areas and the major disciplines of the academic Colleges, which allows the student to conduct original research in an area that is both of interest to the student and of broader significance to the University, industry and the community, with the assistance of an experienced research supervisory team. The PhD includes:

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Careers: Academic and research focused positions in the relevant fields of study.

Course Duration: 4 years

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Coursework Units

ROP8001	CONCEPTUALISING AND CONTEXTUALISING RESEARCH	
ROP8002	RESEARCH INTEGRITY AND ETHICS	
BEC8900	ECONOMICS (FULL-TIME)	48
BEC8901	ECONOMICS (PART-TIME)	24

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Course Code:UPEE

Campus:Footscray Park, City Queen, St Albans.

About this course: Doctoral degree in Education The Doctoral Degree (PhD) is an advanced research program offered across VU's research focus areas and the major disciplines of the academic Colleges, which allows the student to conduct original research in an area that is both of interest to the student and of broader significance to the University, industry and the community, with the assistance of an experienced research supervisory team. The PhD includes:

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Coursework Units

ROP8001	CONCEPTUALISING AND CONTEXTUALISING RESEARCH	
ROP8002	RESEARCH INTEGRITY AND ETHICS	
EED8900	EDUCATION (FULL-TIME)	48
EED8901	EDUCATION (PART-TIME)	24

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Course Code:UPHF

Campus:Werribee, St Albans.

About this course: Doctoral degree in Food Sciences and Technology The Doctoral Degree (PhD) is an advanced research program offered across VU's research focus areas and the major disciplines of the academic Colleges, which allows the student to conduct original research in an area that is both of interest to the student and of broader significance to the University, industry and the community, with the assistance of an experienced research supervisory team. The PhD includes:

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 - the marshalling and critical analysis of data and evidence, and
 - conceptual innovation in order to make a significant new contribution to knowledge and society;

2. demonstrate deep disciplinary immersion and broad interdisciplinary literacy, including methodological literacy; and 3. be a highly competent communicator of their research, including through demonstration of the capacity to present and defend their research in a wide variety of contexts such as refereed quality academic outlets appropriate to their field (eg ranked journals, good quality academic conferences, thesis, book chapter, monograph) and to less specialist audiences by public presentation. Training is provided to support the development of these research and research-related capabilities in the context of the discipline area, as well as the appropriate generic and transferable skills to allow students to become independent, competent and highly sought-after researchers equipped to pursue a research career in relevant industries and/or to become an academic.

Course Objectives: Graduates of this course have the academic knowledge, skills and attributes necessary to become capable, independent researchers, in order to be able to pursue a research-related or high-level professional career in their industry and/or as a Higher Education academic in their field of studies. The course objectives are to produce graduates who have:

- expert understanding of a substantial body of theory and its practical application at the frontier of a field of work or learning, including substantial expert knowledge of ethical research principles and methods applicable to the field.
- intellectual independence and cognitive skills to undertake a systematic investigation, reflect critically on theory and practice and evaluate existing knowledge and ideas, including identifying, evaluating and critically analysing the validity of research studies and their applicability to a research problem.
- expert cognitive, technical and creative skills to:
- design, develop and implement a research project/s to systematically investigate a research problem.
- develop, adapt and implement research methodologies to extend and redefine existing knowledge.
- manage, analyse, evaluate and interpret data, synthesising key ideas and theorising within the context of key literature.
- expert communication skills to explain and critique theoretical propositions, methodologies and conclusions; to disseminate and promote new insights; and to cogently present a complex investigation of originality, or original research, both for external examination and to specialist (eg researcher peers) and non-specialist (industry and/or community) audiences through informal interaction, scholarly publications, reports and formal presentations.
- capacity to reflect on, develop and evaluate strategies for achieving their own learning and career goals.
- intellectual independence, initiative and creativity in new situations and/or for further learning.
- ethical practice and full responsibility and accountability for personal outputs.
- autonomy, authoritative judgment, adaptability and responsibility as an expert and independent scholar.

Careers: Academic and research focused positions in the relevant fields of study.

Course Duration: 4 years

Admission Requirements International:Achieved an IELTS, (Academic Module) result with an overall score of 6.5 (no band less than 6) or equivalent and completed a Masters degree or a relevant four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

Admission Requirements Other:Completed a relevant Masters degree or four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

COURSE STRUCTURE

The PhD is a research based degree with a maximum duration of 4 years (full time) and 8 years (part time). As well as enrolling in Research Thesis units Doctor of Philosophy (Science) students will be required to complete two coursework units, ROP8001 and ROP8002. An average result of 70% is required in the compulsory coursework units in order to proceed to candidature confirmation. Ongoing progression is subject to policy and procedures for candidature management as per the VU HDR Policy.

Coursework Units

ROP8001	CONCEPTUALISING AND CONTEXTUALISING RESEARCH	
ROP8002	RESEARCH INTEGRITY AND ETHICS	
HFS8900	FOOD SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY (FULL-TIME)	48
HFS8901	FOOD SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY (PART-TIME)	24

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Course Code:UPHM

Campus:Werribee, St Albans.

About this course:Doctoral degree in Medical and Biological Sciences The Doctoral Degree (PhD) is an advanced research program offered across VU's research focus areas and the major disciplines of the academic Colleges, which allows the student to conduct original research in an area that is both of interest to the student and of broader significance to the University, industry and the community, with the assistance of an experienced research supervisory team. The PhD includes:

- engagement in a substantial research project at the frontier of its field leading to the presentation of a thesis in an approved thesis format for examination against international standards through the University's approved process for independent examination by at least two external expert examiners.
- a component of required coursework usually undertaken in the first semester of the program (full-time students) and the first year (part-time students), and other opportunities for the development of research, generic and transferable skills through participation in both formal and informal learning.

It promotes the development of research and research-related capabilities, with graduates expected to:

- 1. demonstrate a scholarly and enquiring mind, and evidence strong capabilities in
- research conceptualisation and design including reviewing of the literature
- the marshalling and critical analysis of data and evidence, and

- conceptual innovation in order to make a significant new contribution to knowledge and society;

2. demonstrate deep disciplinary immersion and broad interdisciplinary literacy, including methodological literacy; and 3. be a highly competent communicator of their research, including through demonstration of the capacity to present and defend their research in a wide variety of contexts such as refereed quality academic outlets appropriate to their field (eg ranked journals, good quality academic conferences, thesis, book chapter, monograph) and to less specialist audiences by public presentation. Training is provided to support the development of these research and research-related capabilities in the context of the discipline area, as well as the appropriate generic and transferable skills to allow students to become independent, competent and highly sought-after researchers equipped to pursue a research career in relevant industries and/or to become an academic.

Course Objectives:Graduates of this course have the academic knowledge, skills and attributes necessary to become capable, independent researchers, in order to be able to pursue a research-related or high-level professional career in their industry and/or as a Higher Education academic in their field of studies. The course objectives are to produce graduates who have:

- expert understanding of a substantial body of theory and its practical application at the frontier of a field of work or learning, including substantial expert knowledge of ethical research principles and methods applicable to the field.
- intellectual independence and cognitive skills to undertake a systematic investigation, reflect critically on theory and practice and evaluate existing knowledge and ideas, including identifying, evaluating and critically analysing the validity of research studies and their applicability to a research problem.
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- design, develop and implement a research project/s to systematically investigate a research problem.
- develop, adapt and implement research methodologies to extend and redefine existing knowledge.
- manage, analyse, evaluate and interpret data, synthesising key ideas and theorising within the context of key literature.
- expert communication skills to explain and critique theoretical propositions, methodologies and conclusions; to disseminate and promote new insights; and to cogently present a complex investigation of originality, or original research, both for external examination and to specialist (eg researcher peers) and non-specialist (industry and/or community) audiences through informal interaction, scholarly publications, reports and formal presentations.
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- ethical practice and full responsibility and accountability for personal outputs.
- autonomy, authoritative judgment, adaptability and responsibility as an expert and independent scholar.

Careers:Academic and research focused positions in the relevant fields of study.

Course Duration: 4 years

Admission Requirements International: Achieved an IELTS, (Academic Module) result with an overall score of 6.5 (no band less than 6) or equivalent and completed a Masters degree or a relevant four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

Admission Requirements Other: Completed a relevant Masters degree or four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

COURSE STRUCTURE

The PhD is a research based degree with a maximum duration of 4 years (full time) and 8 years (part time). As well as enrolling in Research Thesis units Doctor of Philosophy (Science) students will be required to complete two coursework units, ROP8001 and ROP8002. An average result of 70% is required in the compulsory coursework units in order to proceed to candidature confirmation. Ongoing progression is subject to policy and procedures for candidature management as per the VU HDR Policy.

Coursework Units

ROP8001	CONCEPTUALISING AND CONTEXTUALISING RESEARCH	
ROP8002	RESEARCH INTEGRITY AND ETHICS	
HMB8900	MEDICAL AND BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES (FULL-TIME)	48
HMB8901	MEDICAL AND BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES (PART-TIME)	24

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Course Code: UPHN

Campus: St Albans.

About this course: Doctoral degree in Nursing and Midwifery The Doctoral Degree (PhD) is an advanced research program offered across VU's research focus areas and the major disciplines of the academic Colleges, which allows the student to conduct original research in an area that is both of interest to the student and of broader significance to the University, industry and the community, with the assistance of an experienced research supervisory team. The PhD includes:

- engagement in a substantial research project at the frontier of its field leading to the presentation of a thesis in an approved thesis format for examination against international standards through the University's approved process for independent examination by at least two external expert examiners.
- a component of required coursework usually undertaken in the first semester of the program (full-time students) and the first year (part-time students), and other opportunities for the development of research, generic and transferable skills through participation in both formal and informal learning.

It promotes the development of research and research-related capabilities, with graduates expected to:

1. demonstrate a scholarly and enquiring mind, and evidence strong capabilities in

- research conceptualisation and design including reviewing of the literature
- the marshalling and critical analysis of data and evidence, and
- conceptual innovation in order to make a significant new contribution to knowledge and society;

2. demonstrate deep disciplinary immersion and broad interdisciplinary literacy, including methodological literacy; and 3. be a highly competent communicator of their research, including through demonstration of the capacity to present and defend their research in a wide variety of contexts such as refereed quality academic outlets appropriate to their field (eg ranked journals, good quality academic conferences, thesis, book chapter, monograph) and to less specialist audiences by public presentation. Training is provided to support the development of these research and research-related capabilities in the context of the discipline area, as well as the appropriate generic and transferable skills to allow students to become independent, competent and highly sought-after researchers equipped to pursue a research career in relevant industries and/or to become an academic.

Course Objectives: Graduates of this course have the academic knowledge, skills and attributes necessary to become capable, independent researchers, in order to be able to pursue a research-related or high-level professional career in their industry and/or as a Higher Education academic in their field of studies. The course objectives are to produce graduates who have:

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- intellectual independence and cognitive skills to undertake a systematic investigation, reflect critically on theory and practice and evaluate existing knowledge and ideas, including identifying, evaluating and critically analysing the validity of research studies and their applicability to a research problem.
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- design, develop and implement a research project/s to systematically investigate a research problem.
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- ethical practice and full responsibility and accountability for personal outputs.

- autonomy, authoritative judgment, adaptability and responsibility as an expert and independent scholar.

Careers:Academic and research focused positions in the relevant fields of study.

Course Duration:4 years

Admission Requirements International:Achieved an IELTS, (Academic Module) result with an overall score of 6.5 (no band less than 6) or equivalent and completed a Masters degree or a relevant four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

Admission Requirements Other:Completed a relevant Masters degree or four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

COURSE STRUCTURE

The PhD is a research based degree with a maximum duration of 4 years (full time) and 8 years (part time). As well as enrolling in Research Thesis units Doctor of Philosophy (Science) students will be required to complete two coursework units, ROP8001 and ROP8002. An average result of 70% is required in the compulsory coursework units in order to proceed to candidature confirmation. Ongoing progression is subject to policy and procedures for candidature management as per the VU HDR Policy.

Coursework Units

ROP8001	CONCEPTUALISING AND CONTEXTUALISING RESEARCH	
ROP8002	RESEARCH INTEGRITY AND ETHICS	
HNM8900	NURSING AND MIDWIFERY RESEARCH THESIS (FULL-TIME)	48
HNM8901	NURSING AND MIDWIFERY (PART-TIME)	24

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Course Code:UPLL

Campus:City Queen.

About this course:Doctoral degree in Law The Doctoral Degree (PhD) is an advanced research program offered across VU's research focus areas and the major disciplines of the academic Colleges, which allows the student to conduct original research in an area that is both of interest to the student and of broader significance to the University, industry and the community, with the assistance of an experienced research supervisory team. The PhD includes:

- engagement in a substantial research project at the frontier of its field leading to the presentation of a thesis in an approved thesis format for examination against international standards through the University's approved process for independent examination by at least two external expert examiners.
- a component of required coursework usually undertaken in the first semester of the program (full-time students) and the first year (part-time students), and other opportunities for the development of research, generic and transferable skills through participation in both formal and informal learning.

It promotes the development of research and research-related capabilities, with graduates expected to:

1. demonstrate a scholarly and enquiring mind, and evidence strong capabilities in

- research conceptualisation and design including reviewing of the literature
- the marshalling and critical analysis of data and evidence, and
- conceptual innovation in order to make a significant new contribution to knowledge and society;

2. demonstrate deep disciplinary immersion and broad interdisciplinary literacy, including methodological literacy; and 3. be a highly competent communicator of their research, including through demonstration of the capacity to present and defend their research in a wide variety of contexts such as refereed quality academic outlets appropriate to their field (eg ranked journals, good quality academic conferences, thesis, book chapter, monograph) and to less specialist audiences by public presentation. Training is provided to support the development of these research and research-related capabilities in the context of the discipline area, as well as the appropriate generic and transferable skills to allow students to become independent, competent and highly sought-after researchers equipped to pursue a research career in relevant industries and/or to become an academic.

Course Objectives:Graduates of this course have the academic knowledge, skills and attributes necessary to become capable, independent researchers, in order to be able to pursue a research-related or high-level professional career in their industry and/or as a Higher Education academic in their field of studies. The course objectives are to produce graduates who have:

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- ethical practice and full responsibility and accountability for personal outputs.
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Careers: Academic and research focused positions in the relevant fields of study.

Course Duration: 4 years

Admission Requirements International: Achieved an IELTS, (Academic Module) result with an overall score of 6.5 (no band less than 6) or equivalent and completed a Masters degree or a relevant four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

Admission Requirements Other: Completed a relevant Masters degree or four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

COURSE STRUCTURE

The PhD is a research based degree with a maximum duration of 4 years (full time) and 8 years (part time). As well as enrolling in Research Thesis units Doctor of Philosophy (Science) students will be required to complete two coursework units, ROP8001 and ROP8002. An average result of 70% is required in the compulsory coursework units in order to proceed to candidature confirmation. Ongoing progression is subject to policy and procedures for candidature management as per the VU HDR Policy.

Coursework Units

ROP8001	CONCEPTUALISING AND CONTEXTUALISING RESEARCH	
ROP8002	RESEARCH INTEGRITY AND ETHICS	
LLW8900	LAW (FULL-TIME)	48
LLW8901	LAW (PART-TIME)	24

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Course Code: UPNE

Campus: Werribee, Footscray Park.

About this course: Doctoral degree in Engineering The Doctoral Degree (PhD) is an advanced research program offered across VU's research focus areas and the major disciplines of the academic Colleges, which allows the student to conduct original research in an area that is both of interest to the student and of broader significance to the University, industry and the community, with the assistance of an experienced research supervisory team. The PhD includes:

- engagement in a substantial research project at the frontier of its field leading to the presentation of a thesis in an approved thesis format for examination against international standards through the University's approved process for independent examination by at least two external expert examiners.
- a component of required coursework usually undertaken in the first semester of the program (full-time students) and the first year (part-

time students), and other opportunities for the development of research, generic and transferable skills through participation in both formal and informal learning.

It promotes the development of research and research-related capabilities, with graduates expected to:

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- research conceptualisation and design including reviewing of the literature
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- conceptual innovation in order to make a significant new contribution to knowledge and society;

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Course Objectives: Graduates of this course have the academic knowledge, skills and attributes necessary to become capable, independent researchers, in order to be able to pursue a research-related or high-level professional career in their industry and/or as a Higher Education academic in their field of studies. The course objectives are to produce graduates who have:

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- design, develop and implement a research project/s to systematically investigate a research problem.
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- capacity to reflect on, develop and evaluate strategies for achieving their own learning and career goals.
- intellectual independence, initiative and creativity in new situations and/or for further learning.
- ethical practice and full responsibility and accountability for personal outputs.
- autonomy, authoritative judgment, adaptability and responsibility as an expert and independent scholar.

Careers: Academic and research focused positions in the relevant fields of study.

Course Duration: 4 years

Admission Requirements International: Achieved an IELTS, (Academic Module) result with an overall score of 6.5 (no band less than 6) or equivalent and completed a Masters degree or a relevant four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

Admission Requirements Other: Completed a relevant Masters degree or four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

COURSE STRUCTURE

The PhD is a research based degree with a maximum duration of 4 years (full time) and 8 years (part time). As well as enrolling in Research Thesis units Doctor of Philosophy (Science) students will be required to complete two coursework units, ROP8001 and ROP8002. An average result of 70% is required in the compulsory coursework units in order to proceed to candidature confirmation. Ongoing progression is subject to policy and procedures for candidature management as per the VU HDR Policy.

Coursework Units

ROP8001	CONCEPTUALISING AND CONTEXTUALISING RESEARCH	
ROP8002	RESEARCH INTEGRITY AND ETHICS	
NEN8900	ENGINEERING (FULL-TIME)	48
NEN8901	ENGINEERING (PART-TIME)	24

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Course Code: UPNI

Campus: Footscray Park.

About this course: Doctoral degree in Information and Mathematical Sciences The Doctoral Degree (PhD) is an advanced research program offered across VU's research focus areas and the major disciplines of the academic Colleges, which allows the student to conduct original research in an area that is both of interest to the student and of broader significance to the University, industry and the community, with the assistance of an experienced research supervisory team. The PhD includes:

- engagement in a substantial research project at the frontier of its field leading to the presentation of a thesis in an approved thesis format for examination against international standards through the University's

approved process for independent examination by at least two external expert examiners.

- a component of required coursework usually undertaken in the first semester of the program (full-time students) and the first year (part-time students), and other opportunities for the development of research, generic and transferable skills through participation in both formal and informal learning.

It promotes the development of research and research-related capabilities, with graduates expected to:

1. demonstrate a scholarly and enquiring mind, and evidence strong capabilities in

- research conceptualisation and design including reviewing of the literature
- the marshalling and critical analysis of data and evidence, and
- conceptual innovation in order to make a significant new contribution to knowledge and society;

2. demonstrate deep disciplinary immersion and broad interdisciplinary literacy, including methodological literacy; and 3. be a highly competent communicator of their research, including through demonstration of the capacity to present and defend their research in a wide variety of contexts such as refereed quality academic outlets appropriate to their field (eg ranked journals, good quality academic conferences, thesis, book chapter, monograph) and to less specialist audiences by public presentation. Training is provided to support the development of these research and research-related capabilities in the context of the discipline area, as well as the appropriate generic and transferable skills to allow students to become independent, competent and highly sought-after researchers equipped to pursue a research career in relevant industries and/or to become an academic.

Course Objectives: Graduates of this course have the academic knowledge, skills and attributes necessary to become capable, independent researchers, in order to be able to pursue a research-related or high-level professional career in their industry and/or as a Higher Education academic in their field of studies. The course objectives are to produce graduates who have:

- expert understanding of a substantial body of theory and its practical application at the frontier of a field of work or learning, including substantial expert knowledge of ethical research principles and methods applicable to the field.
- intellectual independence and cognitive skills to undertake a systematic investigation, reflect critically on theory and practice and evaluate existing knowledge and ideas, including identifying, evaluating and critically analysing the validity of research studies and their applicability to a research problem.
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- design, develop and implement a research project/s to systematically investigate a research problem.
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- ethical practice and full responsibility and accountability for personal outputs.
- autonomy, authoritative judgment, adaptability and responsibility as an expert and independent scholar.

- engagement in a substantial research project at the frontier of its field leading to the presentation of a thesis in an approved thesis format for examination against international standards through the University's approved process for independent examination by at least two external expert examiners.
- a component of required coursework usually undertaken in the first semester of the program (full-time students) and the first year (part-time students), and other opportunities for the development of research, generic and transferable skills through participation in both formal and informal learning.

Careers: Academic and research focused positions in the relevant fields of study.

Course Duration: 4 years

Admission Requirements International: Achieved an IELTS, (Academic Module) result with an overall score of 6.5 (no band less than 6) or equivalent and completed a Masters degree or a relevant four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

Admission Requirements Other: Completed a relevant Masters degree or four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

COURSE STRUCTURE

The PhD is a research based degree with a maximum duration of 4 years (full time) and 8 years (part time). As well as enrolling in Research Thesis units Doctor of Philosophy (Science) students will be required to complete two coursework units, ROP8001 and ROP8002. An average result of 70% is required in the compulsory coursework units in order to proceed to candidature confirmation. Ongoing progression is subject to policy and procedures for candidature management as per the VU HDR Policy.

Coursework Units

ROP8001	CONCEPTUALISING AND CONTEXTUALISING RESEARCH	
ROP8002	RESEARCH INTEGRITY AND ETHICS	
NIM8900	INFORMATION AND MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES (FULL-TIME)	48
NIM8901	INFORMATION AND MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES (PART-TIME)	24

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Course Code: UPNS

Campus: Werribee, Footscray Park, St Albans.

About this course: Doctoral degree in Science The Doctoral Degree (PhD) is an advanced research program offered across VU's research focus areas and the major disciplines of the academic Colleges, which allows the student to conduct original research in an area that is both of interest to the student and of broader significance to the University, industry and the community, with the assistance of an experienced research supervisory team. The PhD includes:

It promotes the development of research and research-related capabilities, with graduates expected to:

1. demonstrate a scholarly and enquiring mind, and evidence strong capabilities in

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- conceptual innovation in order to make a significant new contribution to knowledge and society;

2. demonstrate deep disciplinary immersion and broad interdisciplinary literacy, including methodological literacy; and
3. be a highly competent communicator of their research, including through demonstration of the capacity to present and defend their research in a wide variety of contexts such as refereed quality academic outlets appropriate to their field (eg ranked journals, good quality academic conferences, thesis, book chapter, monograph) and to less specialist audiences by public presentation. Training is provided to support the development of these research and research-related capabilities in the context of the discipline area, as well as the appropriate generic and transferable skills to allow students to become independent, competent and highly sought-after researchers equipped to pursue a research career in relevant industries and/or to become an academic.

Course Objectives: Graduates of this course have the academic knowledge, skills and attributes necessary to become capable, independent researchers, in order to be able to pursue a research-related or high-level professional career in their industry and/or as a Higher Education academic in their field of studies. The course objectives are to produce graduates who have:

- expert understanding of a substantial body of theory and its practical application at the frontier of a field of work or learning, including substantial expert knowledge of ethical research principles and methods applicable to the field.
- intellectual independence and cognitive skills to undertake a systematic investigation, reflect critically on theory and practice and evaluate existing knowledge and ideas, including identifying, evaluating and critically analysing the validity of research studies and their applicability to a research problem.
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- intellectual independence, initiative and creativity in new situations and/or for further learning.
- ethical practice and full responsibility and accountability for personal outputs.
- autonomy, authoritative judgment, adaptability and responsibility as an expert and independent scholar.

Careers: Academic and research focused positions in the relevant fields of study.

Course Duration: 4 years

Admission Requirements International: Achieved an IELTS, (Academic Module) result with an overall score of 6.5 (no band less than 6) or equivalent and completed a Masters degree or a relevant four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

Admission Requirements Other: Completed a relevant Masters degree or four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

COURSE STRUCTURE

The PhD is a research based degree with a maximum duration of 4 years (full time) and 8 years (part time). As well as enrolling in Research Thesis units Doctor of Philosophy (Science) students will be required to complete two coursework units, ROP8001 and ROP8002. An average result of 70% is required in the compulsory coursework units in order to proceed to candidature confirmation. Ongoing progression is subject to policy and procedures for candidature management as per the VU HDR Policy.

Coursework Units

ROP8001	CONCEPTUALISING AND CONTEXTUALISING RESEARCH	
ROP8002	RESEARCH INTEGRITY AND ETHICS	
NSC8900	SCIENCE (FULL-TIME)	48
NSC8901	SCIENCE (PART-TIME)	24

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Course Code: UPSH

Campus: Footscray Park.

About this course: Doctoral degree in Human Movement The Doctoral Degree (PhD) is an advanced research program offered across VU's research focus areas and the major disciplines of the academic Colleges, which allows the student to conduct

original research in an area that is both of interest to the student and of broader significance to the University, industry and the community, with the assistance of an experienced research supervisory team. The PhD includes:

- engagement in a substantial research project at the frontier of its field leading to the presentation of a thesis in an approved thesis format for examination against international standards through the University's approved process for independent examination by at least two external expert examiners.
- a component of required coursework usually undertaken in the first semester of the program (full-time students) and the first year (part-time students), and other opportunities for the development of research, generic and transferable skills through participation in both formal and informal learning.

It promotes the development of research and research-related capabilities, with graduates expected to:

1. demonstrate a scholarly and enquiring mind, and evidence strong capabilities in

- research conceptualisation and design including reviewing of the literature
- the marshalling and critical analysis of data and evidence, and
- conceptual innovation in order to make a significant new contribution to knowledge and society;

2. demonstrate deep disciplinary immersion and broad interdisciplinary literacy, including methodological literacy; and 3. be a highly competent communicator of their research, including through demonstration of the capacity to present and defend their research in a wide variety of contexts such as refereed quality academic outlets appropriate to their field (eg ranked journals, good quality academic conferences, thesis, book chapter, monograph) and to less specialist audiences by public presentation. Training is provided to support the development of these research and research-related capabilities in the context of the discipline area, as well as the appropriate generic and transferable skills to allow students to become independent, competent and highly sought-after researchers equipped to pursue a research career in relevant industries and/or to become an academic.

Course Objectives: Graduates of this course have the academic knowledge, skills and attributes necessary to become capable, independent researchers, in order to be able to pursue a research-related or high-level professional career in their industry and/or as a Higher Education academic in their field of studies. The course objectives are to produce graduates who have:

- expert understanding of a substantial body of theory and its practical application at the frontier of a field of work or learning, including substantial expert knowledge of ethical research principles and methods applicable to the field.
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- expert cognitive, technical and creative skills to:
- design, develop and implement a research project/s to systematically investigate a research problem.

- develop, adapt and implement research methodologies to extend and redefine existing knowledge.
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- capacity to reflect on, develop and evaluate strategies for achieving their own learning and career goals.
- intellectual independence, initiative and creativity in new situations and/or for further learning.
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Careers:Academic and research focused positions in the relevant fields of study.

Course Duration:4 years

Admission Requirements International:Achieved an IELTS, (Academic Module) result with an overall score of 6.5 (no band less than 6) or equivalent and completed a Masters degree or a relevant four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

Admission Requirements Other:Completed a relevant Masters degree or four year undergraduate degree with Honours or its equivalent at a high standard.

COURSE STRUCTURE

The PhD is a research based degree with a maximum duration of 4 years (full time) and 8 years (part time). As well as enrolling in Research Thesis units Doctor of Philosophy (Science) students will be required to complete two coursework units, ROP8001 and ROP8002. An average result of 70% is required in the compulsory coursework units in order to proceed to candidature confirmation. Ongoing progression is subject to policy and procedures for candidature management as per the VU HDR Policy.

Coursework Units

ROP8001	CONCEPTUALISING AND CONTEXTUALISING RESEARCH	
ROP8002	RESEARCH INTEGRITY AND ETHICS	
SHM8900	HUMAN MOVEMENT (FULL-TIME)	48
SHM8901	HUMAN MOVEMENT (PART-TIME)	24

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

Course Code:UPSS

Campus:Footscray Park.

About this course:Doctoral degree in Sport and Recreation The Doctoral Degree (PhD) is an advanced research program offered across VU's research focus areas and the major disciplines of the academic Colleges, which allows the student to conduct original research in an area that is both of interest to the student and of broader significance to the University, industry and the community, with the assistance of an experienced research supervisory team. The PhD includes:

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