



# Higher Degrees by Research for International Applicants

Open up a world of opportunities with a Higher Degree by Research (HDR) at UWA.

The University of Western Australia's world-class researchers are ready to supervise you through your higher degree course. We are:

- a world top 100 university (QS 2024)
- a member of the Group of Eight network of Australia's leading research intensive universities
- in the world's top 50 for a range of research areas (QS 2023 and ARWU 2023)

## Higher Degrees by Research

A postgraduate research degree provides a unique environment to pursue research in your chosen field.

Supported by an expert supervisory team, you will develop advanced analytical, project management, leadership and communication skills, and the ability to work independently on complex problems.

You will develop a broad spectrum of specialist and transferable skills and be offered a range of professional development opportunities. There are options to undertake industry internships during candidature, or co-design your research with an industry partner.

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PHD)

- **Intake:** Throughout the year
- **Duration:** 4 years full time

A program of independent, supervised research assessed by examination of a thesis. The work presented for examination must be a substantial and original contribution to scholarship, demonstrating mastery of the subject and advancing the field of knowledge.

### MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY (MPHIL)

- **Intake:** Throughout the year
- **Duration:** 2 years full time

A program of independent, supervised research in which you are required to show an advanced and integrated understanding of a complex body of knowledge in your field of study.

### PROFESSIONAL DOCTORATE AND RESEARCH MASTERS (THESIS AND COURSEWORK)

- **Intake:** Consult individual course information
- **Duration:** between 2 and 4 years

Programs that combine a suite of coursework with a research thesis and are often designed to meet specific senior professional needs.

## Fees and Scholarships

International students must pay tuition fees unless sponsored or awarded a scholarship. An estimate of tuition fees can be obtained from the tuition fee calculator [fees.uwa.edu.au/calculator](https://fees.uwa.edu.au/calculator)

Stipend scholarships to support living expenses are available during the International Scholarship Round [uwa.edu.au/study/research/research-scholarships](https://uwa.edu.au/study/research/research-scholarships).

The minimum value of a stipend scholarship is AUD \$35,000 per annum. Other scholarship opportunities are published on [researchdegrees.uwa.edu.au](https://researchdegrees.uwa.edu.au)

## How to Apply

1. **Choose your course or project.** Choose a degree that is research only or a course that combines research with structured coursework. Contact prospective supervisors to discuss a research project or browse available projects advertised on [researchdegrees.uwa.edu.au](https://researchdegrees.uwa.edu.au)
2. **Determine your eligibility.** You will need to demonstrate adequate research preparation and English language competency.
3. **Identify a supervisor:** Search for potential supervisors in your field of interest before contacting them to seek supervision. [research-repository.uwa.edu.au](https://research-repository.uwa.edu.au)
4. **Apply online.** Submit an application [researchdegrees.uwa.edu.au](https://researchdegrees.uwa.edu.au)

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