Doctor of Philosophy (Hosted by Faculty of Health) (IF49)

Year offered: 2012
Admissions: Yes
CRICOS code: 006367J
Course duration (full-time): 3 years (max. 4 years)
Course duration (part-time): 6 years (max. 8 years)
Domestic Fees (indicative): Aust citizens or PRs will be awarded an RTS/RTA place or a QUT sponsorship for tuition fees. If you exceed the max time, you will be charged - 2012: $12400 (indicative) per Semester
International Fees (indicative): 2012: $13,700 (indicative) per Semester
Domestic Entry: At any time
International Entry: At any time
Course coordinator: Enquiries to health.research@qut.edu.au or 07 3138 8290
Campus: Kelvin Grove

International Student Entry
Admission to the Doctor of Philosophy depends on an applicant’s demonstrated research aptitude and the availability of supervision, infrastructure and resources needed for the proposed research project.

An applicant would normally hold:
. a relevant first or second class division A honours degree or equivalent, or
. an appropriate Masters degree or Professional Doctorate (by research or coursework)

Masters and Professional Doctorates degrees by coursework must contain a significant research component, normally no less than 25%.

Holders of Masters and Professional Doctoral by Coursework must:
• have a grade point average of at least 5.0 on a 7 point scale and
• present evidence of research experience and potential for approval

English language proficiency requires International applicants to meet an IELTS overall bandscore of 6.5 with no sub-score below 6.0.

FINANCIAL GUARANTEE
Acceptable forms of evidence include:
- A letter from an approved employer confirming the continuation of your salary; OR
- A signed Scholarship Agreement between QUT and your sponsoring agency; OR
- An accepted letter of offer from QUT for a postgraduate research scholarship; OR
- An approved external scholarship.

Location & duration
The expected duration of the Doctor of Philosophy is three to four years full-time, or six to eight years part-time. Full-time study is normally conducted on-campus at QUT. Part-time and external study options may be available depending on the project, infrastructure requirements and funding arrangements. Although QUT offers this flexibility, candidates must meet minimum attendance requirements and the university must be satisfied that adequate supervision and resources are available.

International student visas require on-campus study to be completed full-time.

Course Structure
QUT adopts a project management approach. PhD candidates work closely with their supervisory team to meet collegially reviewed milestones leading to timely submission of a thesis for examination. QUT is proud of its record of timely completions and low attrition rates realised by this approach.

During candidature the supervisor and other key stakeholders will provide advice and direction to the candidate to encourage their participation in university scholarly activities such as research seminars, teaching and publication. The length of the thesis varies according to the topic, but should normally be no longer than 100,000 words, excluding bibliography.

Doctoral studies may be completed in any area of research interest supported by the Faculty of Health. Current areas include

- Movement coordination and control
- Injury prevention and Rehabilitation
- Fitness, health and wellbeing
- Prevention and management of chronic disease
- Physical education
- Nursing research
- Cornea and contact lens
- Optical and visual performance
- Psychological therapies and counselling
- Social, cognitive and developmental processes
- Physical and psychological health
- Road Safety and traffic psychology
- Disease prevention and management
- Environmental health
- Health services research

The descriptions of research specialisations available are
provided as a guide only and research in other related areas is welcomed.

Fees
Australian citizens and permanent residents will be awarded a Research Training Scheme (RTS) place. Domestic students are not required to apply for an RTS entitlement, as it will be automatically allocated. The RTS covers tuition fees but not other study related costs. PhD Students are entitled to four years full-time equivalent study under these schemes. Students who exceed this entitlement may apply to QUT for extension, however the University may charge fees for the period of the program, which exceeds the student's entitlement. The University determines the fee level for domestic and international students.

Further Information
For more information about this course please contact Research Students Centre
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