Doctor of Philosophy (Hosted by Creative Industries Faculty) (IF49)

Year offered: 2013
Admissions: Yes
CRICOS code: 006367J

Course duration notes: The expected duration is three to four years full-time, or six to eight years part-time.

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 may be charged - 2013: $12,700 (indicative) per Semester

Commencement notes: At any time. Requires approval.
Deferment allowed: No
Total credit points: 288
Standard credit points per full-time semester: 48
Standard credit points per part-time semester: 24
Course coordinator: Dr Vivien Muller
Campus: Gardens Point and Kelvin Grove
Attendance: Part-time, Full-time

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

Course highlights
- Pursue supervised applied research on an approved creative industries-related topic.
- Develop expertise within Faculty research strength areas: Digital Media, Communication and Culture; Innovation in the Performing and Digital Arts; or Sustainability and Innovation in Design.

- Competitive scholarships available.
- Study full-time or part-time as either an internal or external student.
- Benefit from the Faculty's co-location with Australian Research Council Centre of Excellence for Creative industries and innovation (CCI) and Institute for Creative Industries and Innovation (iCi).
- Work with the Creative Industries Faculty, a leader in language, communication and cultural research.
- Creative Industries Faculty is a national leader in supporting the advancement of practice-led research.

Details:
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.

Creative Industries Faculty
The PhD program demonstrates the Creative Industries Faculty's reputation for innovation and excellence in research training through a focus on diversity, new knowledge industries and scholarly and creative practice. This world-class program provides a basis for critical inquiry and welcomes collaborative and interdisciplinary research projects across the Faculty's key research strength areas:
- Digital Media, Communication and Culture,
- Innovation in the Performing and Digital Arts, and
- Sustainability and Innovation in Design.

The Faculty supports individual and team-based research activity in the state-of-the-art facilities of the Creative Industries Precinct. The co-located research centres attract eminent academics of international and national standing who are keen to work with new researchers.

The Faculty is the national leader in language, communication and culture research attracting the highest levels of funding from Australian Research Council grants for 2003 to 2008.
QUT's real-world approach, PhD candidates draw on a wide range of research methodologies. Many gain skills that are suitable for commercial research contexts and extended studies, and work with industry or government partners on a global as well as a national level.

Creative practitioners enjoy a strong commitment to practice-led research, in which the Creative Industries Faculty is a national leader.

Students have recently completed PhDs on topics such as:
- Aural auteur: sound in the films of Rolf de Heer
- Public knowledge beyond journalism: infotainment, satire and Australian television
- Orchids: intersex and identity in documentary
- Printmaking as an expanding field in contemporary art practice: a case study of Japan, Australia and Thailand

**Structures and Units**

**Course design**

**Mandatory**

IFN001 Advanced Information Retrieval Skills

Time based Thesis

Other units as agreed by student in negotiation with their supervisor and faculty.

**Course structure**

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| Full-time structure, research only | Full-time students undertaking research but no coursework units enrol in:  
IFR100 Full-Time Masters Research |
| Full-time structure, research + coursework units | Full-time students who are undertaking approved coursework units in addition to their research as part of their Doctoral enrolment should enrol in a combination of the following units, totalling as close as possible (without exceeding) 48 credit points:  
IFR300 Doctoral Research  
IFR302 Doctoral Research  
IFR303 Doctoral Research |

In instances where a candidate has exceeded the normal course duration and an extension has been approved, enrol in:

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**UNIT SYNOPSISES**

**IFR100 FULL-TIME MASTERS RESEARCH**

Credit points: 48

**IFR101 FULL-TIME DOCTORAL RESEARCH (EXTENSION)**

Credit points: 48

**IFR200 PART-TIME DOCTORAL RESEARCH**

Credit points: 24

**IFR201 PART-TIME DOCTORAL RESEARCH (EXTENSION)**

Credit points: 24

**IFR300 DOCTORAL RESEARCH**

Credit points: 36

**IFR302 DOCTORAL RESEARCH**

Credit points: 12

**IFR303 DOCTORAL RESEARCH**

Credit points: 8