Postgraduate international course

Doctor of Philosophy (Hosted by Faculty of Law)

**Year**
- 2021

**QUT code**
- IF49

**CRICOS**
- 006367J

**Duration**
- 4 years full time
  The expected duration is three to four years full-time, or six to eight years part-time.

**International fee**
- (indicative, subject to annual review)
  - 2021: $31,600 - $38,300 per year full-time

**Course contact**
- Freecall: 1800 181 848 (within Australia)
- Phone: +61 3 9627 4853 (outside Australia)
- Mon - Fri, 8.30am - 5pm

**Campus**
- Gardens Point

**Start months**
- December, November, October, September, August, July, June, May, April, March, February, January

Whatever your area of interest, undertaking your PhD at QUT Law means you can have access to leaders in the field of justice, health law, technology and environment. It’s your opportunity to be guided by experts who are immersed in vibrant research that makes a real world difference. There’s also more detailed information about scholarships and student support at the university’s PhDs and research degrees page.

### Entry requirements

#### Academic entry requirements

You must have either:
- a completed recognised relevant honours degree or equivalent
- a completed recognised masters degree or professional doctorate (by research or coursework)

Masters and professional doctorate degrees by coursework must have a significant research component, normally not less than 25%. Holders of masters and professional doctorate by coursework must:
- have a minimum grade point average (GPA) score of 5.0 on QUT’s 7 point scale; and
- present evidence of research experience and potential for approval

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.

Once you’ve started your PhD, you’ll need to complete your Stage 2 milestone to be fully admitted to your course. You’ll usually complete this milestone within the first three months of study.

For more information on eligibility, read the [admission criteria for the Doctor of Philosophy](https://www.qut.edu.au/courses/doctor-of-philosophy-law) (PDF, 98.5KB).

### Minimum English requirements

Students must meet the English proficiency requirements.

**IELTS (International English Language Testing System)**

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**Morgan Broman, PhD student**

**Interdisciplinary research**

‘My research is around international laws and also autonomous entities. QUT offers a unique opportunity for interdisciplinary research, which is very important for what I am doing.’

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Course structure
Course design
Mandatory

IFN001 Advanced Information Retrieval Skills

Time based Thesis

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

Additional fees
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.

Course requirements
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.