Postgraduate Certificate in Artificial Intelligence (PGCertAI – 60 points)

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the General Regulations for the University.

1. Version

(a)   These Regulations came into force on 1 January 2026.
(b)   This Certificate was first offered in 2025.

2. Variations

In exceptional circumstances the Amo Matua, Pūhanga | Executive Dean of Engineering or delegate may approve a personal programme of study which does not conform to these regulations.

3. The structure of the qualification

To qualify for the Postgraduate Certificate in Artificial Intelligence a student must be credited with a minimum of 60 points towards the qualification, including:

(a)   45 points from Schedule C of the Master of Artificial Intelligence, with the exception of COSC469 and COSC681; and
(b)   15 points from Schedule E of the Master of Artificial Intelligence.

4. Admission to the qualification

To be admitted to the Postgraduate Certificate in Artificial Intelligence a student must have:

(a)   satisfied the Admission Regulations for admission to the University; and
(b)   qualified with a Bachelor's degree in the field of computer science or a related field with either:
    i.   a 4.0 (B-) Grade Point Average in 60 points of 300-level courses from COSC/SENG/ENCE/DATA301; or
    ii.   a 4.0 (B-) Grade Point Average in 60 points of 300-level courses and demonstrated knowledge in core areas of computer science and mathematics relevant to artificial intelligence, acquired through at least 5 years of practical, professional or scholarly experience in a relevant field, including any qualifying programme, as approved by the Tumuaki Tari | Head of Department; and
(c)   been approved as a candidate for the degree by the Amo Matua, Pūhanga | Executive Dean of Engineering or delegate.

5. Subjects

This qualification will be awarded without endorsements, majors or minors.

6. Time limits

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University with a time limit of 24 months.

7. Transfers of credit, substitutions and cross-credits

This qualification adheres to the General Conditions for Credit and Transfer Regulations, with no additional stipulations.

8. Progression

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University with no additional stipulations.

9. Honours, Distinction and Merit

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University and may be awarded with Distinction and Merit.

10. Exit and Upgrade Pathways to other Qualifications

(a)   A student who has completed the requirements for the PGCertAI with at least a 5.0 (B) Grade Point Average in courses for the Certificate, and who has not yet graduated, may apply to the Amo Matua, Pūhanga | Executive Dean of Engineering or delegate to be admitted to the Postgraduate Diploma in Artificial Intelligence or the Master of Artificial Intelligence, or other another programme in a related field.
(b)   There are no exit qualifications for the Postgraduate Certificate in Artificial Intelligence.