

Taught Master's, Postgraduate Diplomas and Graduate Diplomas



Introduction



As Director of International Growth Strategies at the University of Canterbury (UC), it is my pleasure to introduce our taught Master's, postgraduate diplomas and graduate diplomas.

These programmes have been designed specifically for students looking to extend their current skills, knowledge and competencies in a range of specialised and general fields. Students can enhance their understanding in a chosen area of study and significantly increase their employability in the New Zealand and international markets.

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We are very aware that students and their families make well-considered decisions around destinations, programmes, and providers of postgraduate education. With a strong local economy and labour market, representing the lowest unemployment rate in Australasia², we believe that Christchurch and UC are well positioned to provide students with critical opportunities to both study and gain employment post-graduation. We also know that other key factors for students choosing postgraduate programmes include the level and length of study, price of the programme and any special features that are offered.

Accordingly most of the offerings shown here are one year programmes that are price effective, and offer a number of key features such as Deans Awards Scholarships (up to 10% of the fees) and the possibility of an internship within the course of study.

Also, all programmes qualify under immigration New Zealand as full-time study, allowing any graduate to gain a stay-over 3 year open work visa in New Zealand on the successful completion of their qualification*.

Taught master's and postgraduate diplomas

The popularity of taught master's and postgraduate diplomas has increased dramatically over the past six plus years as students look for more practical and applied postgraduate programmes that will help make them more work-ready and highly marketable in today's competitive environment. The increase in one-year master's has also made these programmes efficient allowing students go back to university and exit within the shortest possible time frame.

A number of programmes also allow students to come from a non-specialised background which gives them the ability to convert to a different area of study than what they undertook at their undergraduate level. Programmes in Commerce, Arts, Science, Engineering, Education, Health and Law present a wide range of possibilities for students looking to take themselves to the next level of education.

We hope you will enjoy looking at our programme offerings. Please refer to our website www.canterbury.ac.nz for full information on all available courses.

Entry requirements for postgraduate qualifications at UC

Academic requirements

Admission to postgraduate study is based on academic merit and an applicant's ability to undertake study in a specialist field of enquiry or professional practice. Normally the minimum requirement is at least a B average in prior studies equivalent to a three or four-year bachelor's degree from a New Zealand university.

English Language requirements:

- IELTS Academic with an average score of 6.5, with a minimum of 6.0 in reading, writing, listening and speaking
- TOEFL iBT total minimum score of 90, minimum score of 19 in writing
- TOEFL PBT with a minimum score of 575 and TWE with a minimum score of 4.5
- CCEL EAP Level 2 with a minimum B+ grade
- CAE or CPE score of 176 with a minimum of 169 in reading, writing, listening and speaking
- Pearson Test of English (Academic) – PTE with an overall score of 64 and no PTE communicative skills score below 58

Some departments and programmes might require higher test scores. Please refer to specific course or qualification information for further details

* UC recommends the English language programme offered by our partner on campus CCEL (www.ccel.co.nz/)

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* For more information on post study work rights please visit: www.immigration.govt.nz

¹ Budget Economic and Fiscal Update 2018, NZ Treasury

² Canterbury Development Corporation

Applied taught Master's and Diploma options at UC



UC offers a number of qualifications taught at the postgraduate diploma and master's level. Featured below are some of our offerings, many of which can be completed in 12 months and which are highly valued internationally. Please note that some courses have specific entry requirements and prerequisites. Visit www.canterbury.ac.nz/enrol/postgraduate/entry-requirements/ or contact the relevant academic department or school for further information.

Arts

Qualification	Points	Duration	Start date	\$NZ
Master of Policy and Governance	180	12 months	February	\$34,500
Master of International Relations and Diplomacy	180	12 months	February	\$34,500
Master of Strategic Communication	180	12 months	February	34,500
Postgraduate Diploma in Arts	120	12 months	February or July	\$23,000
Postgraduate Diploma in Journalism	120	12 months	February <i>NB – Applications due 31 Oct of year prior.</i>	\$29,000

Business

Qualification	Points	Duration	Start date	\$NZ
Master of Applied Finance and Economics	180	12–13 months	January or February	\$37,500
▲ Master of Business Administration	240	15 months	February, April, July or September	\$27,200
▲ Master of Business Information Systems Accounting, Economics, Finance, Information Systems, Management, Marketing	180	12–15 months	January or October	\$37,500
▲ Master of Business Management	180	12–14 months	January or October	\$37,500
▲ Master of Financial Management	180	12–15 months	January or October	37,500
▲ Master of Professional Accounting	240	15–17 months	January or October	\$50,000
▲ Postgraduate Diploma in Business	120	9 months	January or October	\$25,000
Postgraduate Diploma in Business Information Systems	120	9–15 months	January or October	\$25,000
Graduate Diploma in Commerce	120	12 months	February or July	\$25,000

Education, Health and Human Development

Qualification	Points	Duration	Start date	Cost
Master of Education	180	12–18 months	February or July	\$27,100
Postgraduate Diploma in Health Sciences	120	12 months	February or July	\$36,600
▲ Graduate Diploma in Teaching and Learning (Primary)	165	12 months	January	\$23,900
▲ Graduate Diploma in Teaching and Learning (Secondary)	135	12 months	January	\$22,900
▲ Graduate Diploma in Early Childhood Teaching	150	12 months	February	\$26,250

MTchgLn (secondary endorsed) – requires teaching subject background in degree.

▲ Applicants do not require a background in the field of study.

Engineering and Forestry

Qualification	Points	Duration	Start date	Cost
Master of Engineering Studies Endorsements in Civil Engineering, Construction Management, Earthquake Engineering, Fire Engineering, Mechanical Engineering and Renewable Energy*	120	12–24 months	February or July*	\$42,000
Master of Engineering in Transportation	120–180	12–36 months	February or July	\$63,000
Postgraduate Diploma in Forestry	120	12 months	February or July	\$26,600
Graduate Diploma in Forestry	120	12 months	February or July	\$36,600

Law

Qualification	Points	Duration	Start date	Cost
Master of Laws (International Law and Politics)	120	12 – 24 months	February or July	\$33,800

Science

Qualification	Points	Duration	Start date	Cost
Master of Applied Data Science*	180	12 months	February or July	37,500
Master of Disaster, Risk and Resilience	180	12–18 months	February or July	\$48,900
Master of Financial Engineering	180	12–18 months	February	\$54,900
Master of Speech and Language Pathology**	180	24 months	February	\$65,200
Master of Speech and Language Pathology	240	24 months	February	\$65,200
Master of Urban Resilience and Renewal	180	12–18 months	February or July	\$54,900
Professional Master of Engineering Geology	180	12 months	February	\$48,900
Postgraduate Diploma in Science Psychology, Geography, Computer Science, Biology, Chemistry, Geology, Physics	120	12 months	February or July	\$36,600
Postgraduate Diploma in Geographic Information Science	120	12 months	February	\$36,600
Postgraduate Diploma in Water Resource Management	120	12 months	February or July	\$36,600
▲ Graduate Diploma in Science Astronomy, Biochemistry, Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Computer Science, Economics, Finance, Geography, Geology, Linguistics, Management Science, Mathematics, Philosophy, Physics, Psychology, Statistics	120	12 months	February or July	\$32,000

Some majors allow a July start. Please contact the Department for clarification.

▲ Applicants do not require a background in the field of study.

These tables list only some of the graduate and postgraduate qualifications available to study at UC. For the complete list of programmes and their entry requirements please refer www.canterbury.ac.nz/media/documents/Programme-specific-entry-requirements.pdf. Costs, unless specified, are for 2019 but are indicative only. For programmes where students are able to take courses from more than one fee band, the actual fee charged can be lower or higher.

Dean's Awards up to 10% of tuition fee available for excellent students.

***Admission to the qualification:** qualified for a university degree in an area which is relevant to data science eg, biological sciences, computer science, digital humanities, economics, environmental science, finance, geography, geology, mathematics, physics, psychology, statistics, or any other relevant degree subject to approval of the Academic Dean of Science www.canterbury.ac.nz/regulations/academic-regulations/mads-56/

****Admission to the qualification:**

You must have passed one course in each of the following:

- Biology/Anatomy and Physiology
- Statistics

Where one or two prerequisites have not been met in prior study, students may take the 'missing' courses in their first year

For more information

Information on study and scholarships at UC go to www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/qualifications-and-courses/ and www.canterbury.ac.nz/get-started/scholarships/

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