

Programme-specific entry requirements for postgraduate applicants with international qualifications



The minimum entry requirements for applicants to specific postgraduate degree programmes are listed below. These requirements are intended as a guide only and you may need to obtain a higher average grade than the one listed in the table below, dependent on the previous study undertaken. Please note that not all postgraduate programmes are listed. Most postgraduate programmes at the University of Canterbury require you to have completed an undergraduate degree at a recognised university (or similar) in a field relevant to your chosen specialisation. If you are applying for a 120 point Master's degree, by thesis only, you must have completed a year of postgraduate study, following an undergraduate degree. Your grades in specific courses you have taken in this field can affect entry to a postgraduate programme.

In addition to the minimum University admission requirements, you must fulfil additional entry requirements to gain entry to most postgraduate programmes. These additional requirements vary depending on the programme and specialisation that you are applying for. Please refer to the Postgraduate Prospectus or contact the appropriate College for more information.

If you are interested in doctoral study please see Doctoral entry requirements (<http://www.canterbury.ac.nz/future-students/apply-and-enrol/apply-for-phd-and-doctoral-degrees/>)

Programme	Taught (T) Research (R)	Domestic GPA ¹	CHINA (%)		INDIA (% / GPA out of 10)				AUSTRALIA (%)	CANADA (%)	JAPAN (GPA)	KOREA (GPA)	MALAYSIA (GPA)	NIGERIA (%)	SINGAPORE (GPA)	USA (GPA)	UK (%)	TAIWAN (%)	HONG KONG (GPA)	VIETNAM (GPA)	Additional Requirements	IELTS ² / TOEFL	Max Entry
			Project 985 / Project 211	Non-Project	Institutions																		
					Elite	Section 1	Section 2	Section 3															
College of Arts																							
Bachelor of Arts (Honours)	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Arts	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5		6.5/90	
Master of European Union Studies	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5		6.5/90	
Master of Fine Arts	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5		6.5/90	
Master of International Relations and Diplomacy	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Linguistics	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5		6.5/90	
Master of Māori and Indigenous Leadership	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Policy and Governance	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Music	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5		6.5/90	
Master of Music	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5		6.5/90	
Master of Social Work (Applied)	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70-75	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0	IELTS overall 6.5 with no sections below 6.5 or better must be submitted with the application.	6.5/90	
Master of Social Work	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5		6.5/90	
Master of Strategic Communication	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Te Reo Māori	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Writing	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Diploma in Art Curatorship	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Diploma in Arts	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Diploma in Fine Arts	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Diploma in Journalism	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		7/100	
Postgraduate Diploma in Māori and Indigenous Studies	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Diploma in Te Reo Māori	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Certificate in Arts	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Certificate in Digital Humanities	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Certificate in Māori and Indigenous Leadership	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Graduate Diploma in Arts	T	3.0	70	75	45 / 5.0	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	60	60	2	2.0	2.5	50	2.5	2.34	50	67	2.3	6.0		6.0/80	
College of Business and Law																							
Master of Applied Finance and Economics	T	5.0	80	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0	Required Int. Microecon, Int. Finance, Math incl. Calculus, STAT incl. estimation and hypothesis testing	6.5/90	
Master of Business Administration	T	5.0	80	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0	5 years appropriate work experience, Interview, References	6.5/90	
Master of Business Information Systems	T	5.0	80	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Business Management	T	5.0	80	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Commerce	R	6.0	85	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5	BCom or equiv. in the same subject meeting preqs as per regulations with min B+, 120pt Thesis requires supervisor availability	6.5/90	
Master of Financial Management	T	5.0	80	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Laws	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0	Supervision availability check required. The degree primarily consists of short research papers.	7/100	
Master of Laws (LLAP)	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.34	65	77-79	3.3	7.5	Supervision availability check required.	7/100	
Master of Professional Accounting	T	5.0	80	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Diploma in Business	T	5.0	80	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Diploma in Business Administration	T	5.0	80	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0	5 years appropriate work experience, Interview, References	6.5/90	
Postgraduate Diploma in Business Information Systems	T	5.0	80	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Diploma in Information Systems and Technology	T	6.0	85	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5	BCom or equiv. in the same subject meeting preqs as per regulations with min B+	6.5/90	
Postgraduate Certificate in Business	T	5.0	80	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Certificate in Information Systems and Technology	T	6.0	85	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5	BCom or equiv. in the same subject meeting preqs as per regulations with min B+	6.5/90	
Postgraduate Certificate in Strategic Leadership	T	5.0	80	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0	5 years appropriate work experience, Interview, References	6.5/90	
Graduate Diploma in Commerce	T	6.0	85	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5	Final year grade average	6.0/80	
College of Education, Health and Human Development																							
Master of Computer-Assisted Language Learning	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Counselling	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5	Selection process	6.5/90	
Master of Education	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Education	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5		6.5/90	
Master of Health Sciences	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Health Sciences	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 /																		

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			Project 985 / Project 211	Non-Project	Institutions																		
					Elite	Section 1	Section 2	Section 3															
College of Engineering																							
Master of Applied Data Science	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Architectural Engineering	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Engineering	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5		6.5/90	
Master of Engineering in Fire Engineering	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5		6.5/90	
Master of Engineering Studies	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Engineering in Management	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Engineering in Transportation	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Financial Engineering	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5		6.5/90	
Master of Forestry Science	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Human Interface Technology	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Data Science	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Diploma in Forestry	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Certificate in Architectural Engineering	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Certificate in Engineering	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Graduate Diploma in Forestry	T	3.0	70	75	45 / 5.0	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	60	60	2	2.0	2.5	50.0	2.5	2.34	50	67	2.3	6.0		6.0/80	
College of Science																							
Master of Antarctic Studies	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5		6.5/90	
Master of Audiology	T	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5		6.5/90	
Master of Bicultural Co-Governance of Natural Resources	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Disaster, Risk and Resilience	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Science	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5		6.5/90	
Master of Spatial Analysis for Public Health	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Speech and Language Pathology	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		7/100	
Master of Urban Resilience and Renewal	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Master of Water Resource Management	R	6.0	80	85	55-60 / 6.0-6.5	60-65 / 6.5-7.0	65-70 / 7.0-7.5	70-75 / 7.5-8.0	75-80	75	3.2-3.39	3.5	3.5	65	4.0	3.30	65	77-79	3.3	7.5		6.5/90	
Professional Master of Engineering Geology	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Professional Master of Geospatial Science and Technology	T	5.0	75	80	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70 / 7.5	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Psychology	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Diploma in Geospatial Science and Technology	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Diploma in Science	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Diploma in Water Resource Management	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Postgraduate Certificate in Antarctic Studies	T	5.0	75	80	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	65 / 7.0	70	70	3	3.0	3.0	60	3.5	3.00	60	73	3.0	7.0		6.5/90	
Graduate Diploma in Science	T	3.0	70	75	45 / 5.0	50 / 5.5	55 / 6.0	60 / 6.5	60	60	2	2.0	2.5	50.0	2.5	2.34	50	67	2.3	6.0		6.0/80	

NOTES
¹ Based on the UC Domestic Grade Point Average: Postgraduate Diplomas and Certificates = B/5.0; Masters (Taught) = B+/5.0; Masters (Research) = B+/6.0
² IELTS - for all Postgraduate Diplomas / Certificates, Masters (Taught) and Masters (Research), no section for IELTS may be less than 6.0

Entry criteria is based on final two years of degree
No more than two fails or repeats (backlogs) in the final two years of study
Elite universities of India; University of Delhi, University of Mumbai, University of Calcutta, Savitribai Phule Pune University (previously University of Pune), IITS and NITS
For India, UC uses the following percentage conversion: (GPA-0.5) x 10 = %
No CV no personal statements required.