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# Make an impact in your profession

**Whether you're looking to advance your career, specialise in an area of business or law, or change direction, we have a range of postgraduate business and law qualifications to help you create the future you want.**

## **Curtin Business School**

Curtin Business School ranks in the top 10 business schools in Australia, with a 4 Palmes of Excellence Rating in the Eduniversal Business School Rankings 2021.

We are the only Western Australian business school to be 'triple accredited' by the world's leading business school accreditation bodies. Our EQUIS and AACSB International accreditations and EFMD Accredited MBA signal the quality of our courses and research, connections with practice, excellence in student experience and commitment to positive societal impact.

For our students, these accreditations mean you can be assured that your business education at Curtin will be internationally competitive and recognised around the globe.

Visit [curtin.edu/cbs](http://curtin.edu/cbs) for more details.

## **Curtin Law School**

Situated in Perth's city centre, our Curtin Law School is close to the Federal Court, Supreme Court, District Court and Perth Magistrate's Court, as well as statutory tribunals such as the State Administrative Tribunal.

We work closely with our industry and professional networks to create real-world learning opportunities for our law students and provide access to the latest, most relevant legal knowledge and experience.

Visit [curtin.edu/cls](http://curtin.edu/cls) for more details.

## **Flexible learning to suit your lifestyle**

You can choose to study our postgraduate courses full-time, part-time or in some cases online, with the flexibility to manage your study around your other commitments such as work or family.

We offer a range of flexible qualifications, including:

- entry-level graduate certificate qualifications, which can be studied as standalone awards or added to a one-year master course
- direct entry into our one-year master courses if you have a relevant bachelor degree and work experience
- entry into our graduate diploma qualifications, which can deepen your knowledge of your chosen field
- entry into our two-year master courses, if you do not have a relevant bachelor degree and relevant work experience.

## **Get valuable industry experience**

As a postgraduate student at Curtin, you don't need to put your career on hold. You could work on an industry applied research project, join an industry study tour or engage in consultancy or an internship as part of your studies.

We have a unique partnership with the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Western Australia. This could allow you to expand your industry experience to add even more value to your CV through client projects or providing a service to clients. You could also consult for not-for profit organisations, social enterprises, small businesses and start-ups through our Curtin Link service.

If you're studying law, you may be able to take part in workplace training, such as a 40-day work placement at the John Curtin Law Clinic. You'll have the opportunity to engage with law practitioners, work directly with clients and provide advice on commercial matters.



**Curtin is ranked in the top 1%  
of universities worldwide**

Academic Ranking of World Universities 2021





### Build your professional networks

You'll collaborate with others as you work on real projects and research initiatives. You'll also have the chance to learn about and discuss the latest industry trends and issues through a range of professional development and industry events, training sessions and networking opportunities.

### Gain an international education

Throughout your studies, you'll gain a global perspective and explore international business practice and culture. You'll focus on ethical, responsible and sustainable business and how the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals impact your field. There could be opportunities for you to complete an international study tour as part of your master degree.

### Executive education

If you're seeking to cross skill or reskill, then our short Executive Education Masterclasses will help you stay abreast of the latest trends, as part of your continuous learning journey. These are typically one-day or five-day experiences that draw on the expertise of world class thought leaders across a broad range of topics.

All programs offer certificates of completion from Curtin University, and some provide credit and a pathway towards a formal qualification.

Visit [curtin.edu/exec-ed](https://curtin.edu/exec-ed) for more details.

### Curtin Ignition

Do you have a spark of an idea that you want to develop into a successful business venture? Ignition is an intensive training program for aspiring entrepreneurs and corporate innovators to develop and trial their business ideas. You'll undertake an intensive week of workshops, mentoring sessions and clinics where you'll work with leading entrepreneurs and innovators.

Visit [curtin.edu/ignition](https://curtin.edu/ignition) for more details.



# What to expect from Curtin

## Work, life and study balance

Life is busy – but don't let that hold you back. You can take advantage of our full-time, part-time and 100% online study options for some courses, to help you find the right balance.

## New networks, facilities and support

Collaborate with other like-minded professionals and tap into the resources and facilities you need for a future-focused learning experience. You'll also have easy access to a range of on-campus health and wellbeing facilities, including a fully-equipped fitness centre, a childcare facility, a doctor, counsellor, physiotherapist and other health professionals.

## Recognition for your work

Depending on your education and work experience, you could be eligible for credit towards your course. This is known as advanced standing and it means you could complete your degree sooner.

You might be eligible to apply for one of our scholarships or your employer might invest in your studies through their own staff development programs.

## Confidence

Once you've completed your qualification, you'll confidently step into your future with new skills, knowledge and a postgraduate qualification from a prestigious university. You'll also join the ranks of our network of more than 200,000 alumni, who are ready to make positive change.



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# Postgraduate degree options

There are various pathways to a postgraduate program at Curtin. Many of our courses allow you to enrol in a graduate certificate and progress through to a master degree.

## Graduate certificate

Graduate certificates will help you upskill and experience postgraduate study in a short timeframe. You'll study four units (6 months full-time) and deepen your knowledge in your chosen area.

A graduate certificate is also a great stepping stone into a graduate diploma or a master degree, if you don't meet the admission criteria.

## Graduate diploma

Graduate diplomas are our mid-way qualifications and are designed to help you lift knowledge in your chosen field to a higher level. You'll study eight units (1 year full-time), but you can reduce your study to four units (6 months full-time) if you've already studied a graduate certificate in the same subject.

This is the ideal middle ground if you want a more advanced qualification than a graduate certificate but don't have time for a master degree.

## Master

A master degree is an advanced qualification in your chosen field. It is a great opportunity for you to build on your knowledge or switch career. There are two types of master degrees:

- A direct-entry master is a fast-tracked, advanced qualification if you have a relevant undergraduate degree and work experience. It is designed to expand your already established skills and knowledge in a chosen area. You'll study eight units (1 year full-time).
- A two-year master is an advanced degree if you do not have a relevant undergraduate degree or relevant work experience. This is the ideal qualification to help you change your career. You'll study 16 units (2 years full-time).

Some master degrees allow you to exit early with a graduate certificate or graduate diploma.



# Choose the qualification that suits you

Your postgraduate journey starts with who you are, your previous education and experience, and your career goals and aspirations.

## I'm looking to change my career

Are you ready for a new challenge and to start creating a new future? If you hold a tertiary qualification in a related or unrelated field to your preferred postgraduate degree and you meet all the admission criteria, you can:

Study a six-month graduate certificate

or

Study a one-year graduate diploma

or

Study a six-month graduate certificate and progress to a one-year master program

or

Study a two-year master program

## I'm looking to upskill and progress in my current career

Are you passionate about your chosen field and want to take your career to higher levels of responsibility and impact? If you hold a tertiary qualification in a related field to your preferred postgraduate degree and you meet all the admission criteria, you can:

Study a six-month graduate certificate

or

Study a one-year, or reduced six-month, graduate diploma

or

Apply for direct entry into a one-year master program

or

Study a six-month graduate certificate and progress to a one-year master program

or

Study a two-year master program



*“I chose Curtin because Curtin Business School has advanced facilities and the course curriculum is very applicable.*

*My journey with Curtin was amazing and I particularly enjoyed the data mining unit due to its relevance and impact.”*

**Naprey Almaria**  
*Master of Commerce  
(Information Systems and Technology)*

# Facilities

From a simulated stock market trading floor to a marketing agency and professional clinics, at Curtin you'll develop your practical, technical and interpersonal skills in a range of interactive learning environments.



## △ The Agency

Develop your social media marketing and analytics skills in The Agency, our social media command centre. The Agency features a multi-screen interface, highlighting trending hashtags, comment feeds and shared posts from key platforms.



## △ Curtin Tax Clinic

In the Curtin Tax Clinic, you'll get to provide advice to the general public under the supervision of experienced tax practitioners. You'll gain experience assisting clients in a variety of areas, including with responding to notices from the Australian Taxation Office, calculating tax liability and completing tax returns.

## Consumer Research Lab

Conduct market research using biometric methods, including access to mobile devices capable of tracking consumers' cognitive, attitudinal and behavioural responses in real-time.



## John Curtin Law Clinic

Situated in Perth's central business district, this clinic provides a supervised setting for you to practise your skills in the public domain. You'll have opportunities to advise a range of clients including small businesses, social enterprises and individuals, on small business disputes and discrimination law.







**Curtin Link**

Our Curtin Link service is designed to connect our Curtin Business School and Curtin Law School students with the community. With guidance and mentoring from qualified and experienced supervisors, you could work with not-for-profit organisations, social enterprises, small businesses and start-ups to provide support on a range of business, legal and taxation issues.

Visit [curtin.edu/curtin-link](http://curtin.edu/curtin-link).



**Management HQ**

Management HQ is a highly interactive space, ideal for brainstorming ideas, visualising and assimilating data, solving problems, formulating strategies and collaborating on projects. The screens in Management HQ will provide you with simulation exercises and access to data from real-life companies.



**Trading Room**

Designed to immerse you in the world of global finance, our Trading Room simulates a stock market trading environment with Refinitiv Eikon terminals, international news services and live stock prices.



# Postgraduate courses

Advance your career with a postgraduate business, law or management degree. Our courses are practical and applied, and benefit from direct input from industry leaders.

Curtin Business School and Curtin Law School offer forward-thinking, internationally recognised postgraduate degrees with strong industry connections and high-quality curricula, ensuring that you meet the changing demands of industry.

Find your course online for more information and apply today!



Discipline	Qualification	Summary	Study mode*	Duration	Location	CRICOS	URL
Accounting	Master of Accounting	This is an advanced qualification for those applicants that have a recognised bachelor degree in accounting.	Full-time, part-time	1 year full-time	Perth	107620E	curtin.edu/mc-advacc
	Master of Professional Accounting	Provides students with foundational accounting skills in their first year, before progressing to advanced accounting studies in their second year. You can select from the three majors listed below.	Full-time, part-time	2 years full-time	Perth	107625M	curtin.edu/mc-prfaccv
	▶ Advanced Accounting major	Further your accounting expertise and build on your bachelor degree in accounting.	Full-time, part-time	2 years full-time	Perth	107625M	curtin.edu/aacpa
	▶ CPA Australia major	Explore topics in the areas of financial accounting, managerial accounting, governance and auditing.	Full-time, part-time	2 years full-time	Perth	107625M	curtin.edu/cpaau
	▶ Digital Technologies and Data Management major	Explore topics in the area of information technology specialisations, program management, programming, database design, and database analytics and security.	Full-time, part-time	1 year, 6 months full-time	Perth	107625M	curtin.edu/dtadm
	Graduate Diploma in Professional Accounting	Further develop your foundational knowledge and skills for professional or highly skilled work in accounting practice.	Full-time, part-time	1 year full-time	Perth	051622C	curtin.edu/gd-prfacc
	Graduate Certificate in Professional Accounting	An entry-level qualification that prepares students to develop foundational knowledge and skills for professional or highly skilled work in accounting practice.	Full-time, part-time	6 months full-time	Perth	051616A	curtin.edu/gc-prfacc
Business	Master of Business Administration (Advanced)	Enrich your business and research skills with this advanced, two-year MBA.	Full-time, part-time	2 years full-time	Perth city	093141F	curtin.edu/mc-mbaadv
	Master of Business Administration	Take the next step in your career and become a confident leader, equipped with the skills to succeed in a global business environment.	Full-time, part-time	1 year, 6 months full-time	Perth city	074577B	curtin.edu/mc-busadm
	Graduate Diploma in Business	Prepare yourself for future leadership opportunities and managerial roles.	Full-time, part-time	1 year full-time	Perth city	006112K	Pending
	Graduate Certificate in Business	Gain advanced knowledge of business theory and practice.	Full-time, part-time	6 months full-time	Perth city	074652G	curtin.edu/gc-busi
	Graduate Certificate in Business Fundamentals	Gain a foundation in business areas including business project management, business analytics, and the intersection between business and STEM.	Full-time, part-time	6 months full-time	Perth	102810F	curtin.edu/gc-busfu

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Commerce	Master of Commerce	Start a new career in commerce or extend your skills in a business discipline. You can select from the five majors listed below.	Full-time, part-time	2 years full-time	Perth	078409G	curtin.edu/mc-comm
	▶ Finance major	An exciting major covering alternate investments, investment and fund management, fintech, behavioural finance as well as ethical and regulatory issues.	Full-time, part-time	2 years full-time	Perth	078409G	curtin.edu/mc-fin
	▶ Human Resources major	A contemporary major for those seeking to extend their skills and knowledge in strategies to optimise performance and engagement, macro and micro-based negotiation and comparative international industrial relations.	Full-time, part-time	2 years full-time	Perth	078409G	curtin.edu/mc-hr
	▶ Information Systems and Technology major	A contemporary major that prepares graduates for senior management and leadership roles in the information and information technology industries.	Full-time, part-time	2 years full-time	Perth	078409G	curtin.edu/mc-ist
	▶ Marketing major	Build advanced knowledge in marketing, including services marketing, brand marketing, sustainable marketing and specialist marketing topics.	Full-time, part-time	2 years full-time	Perth	078409G	curtin.edu/mc-mar
	▶ Supply Chain Management major	A contemporary major that includes a focus on supply chain analytics, quality assurance, socially responsible supply chains and innovative technology.	Full-time, part-time	2 years full-time	Perth	078409G	curtin.edu/mc-scm
Employment Relations	Graduate Certificate in Employment Relations	For industry professionals seeking to extend their skills and knowledge in areas such as unfair dismissal, enterprise bargaining and work health and safety laws.	Full-time, part-time	6 months full-time	Perth	Pending	curtin.edu/gc-emprl
Finance	Master of Finance	An advanced qualification with a focus on fund and investment management. You will enhance your capabilities working with cutting-edge assets and fintech.	Full-time, part-time	1 year full-time	Perth	103293C	curtin.edu/mc-finan
Human Resources	Master of Human Resources	An advanced qualification for those wanting to build capabilities working in human resource management in Australia and internationally. You'll learn about leadership strategies to optimise performance and engagement, macro and micro-based negotiation and dispute resolution strategies, and international industrial relations.	Full-time, part-time	1 year full-time	Perth	027236B	curtin.edu/mc-humres
	Graduate Certificate in Human Resources	An entry-level qualification where you'll develop a broad foundation in HR theory, function and communication.	Full-time, part-time	6 months full-time	Perth	018029F	curtin.edu/gc-humres

\* International students studying in Australia on a student visa must study full-time.

## Postgraduate courses cont.

Discipline	Qualification	Summary	Study mode*	Duration	Location	CRICOS	URL
Information Systems	Master of Information Systems and Technology	A contemporary course where you can choose from three specialisations, including Information Security, Governance and Sustainability, and Data Analytics and Visualisation.	Full-time, part-time	1 year, 6 months full-time	Perth	049881B	curtin.edu/mc-isys
	Graduate Certificate in Information Systems and Technology	Develop foundational knowledge and learn how IT is used in the business sector.	Full-time, part-time	6 months full-time	Perth	049883M	curtin.edu/gc-isystc
International Business	Master of International Business	Gain knowledge and expertise to advance in the field of international business and management.	Full-time, part-time	1 year, 6 months full-time	Perth, Malaysia, Mauritius, Singapore	058470B	curtin.edu/mc-intbus
	Master of International Business and Entrepreneurship	Learn how to succeed as a leader, development manager or start-up founder in global business.	Full-time, part-time	2 years full-time	Perth	094637G	curtin.edu/mc-mibe
Legal Practice	Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice	Gain the required practical legal training for admission to the legal profession in Western Australia. You will need to have completed a Bachelor of Laws or Juris Doctor prior to commencing this course.	Part-time	8 months part-time	Perth city	096301D	curtin.edu/gd-lawlp
Marketing	Master of Marketing	An advanced qualification designed to enhance your marketing expertise. You will apply critical and analytical thinking while dealing with modern marketing challenges.	Full-time, part-time	1 year full-time	Perth	107622C	curtin.edu/mc-amkt
	Graduate Certificate in Marketing	Develop the fundamental skills you need to change to a career in marketing.	Full-time, part-time	6 months full-time	Perth	044636M	curtin.edu/gc-mktg
	Graduate Certificate in Digital Marketing	Keep up with rapid advances in digital marketing, learning digital tactics, strategies and processes.	Full-time, part-time	6 months full-time	Perth	100482	curtin.edu/gc-dmkt
	Graduate Certificate in Luxury Branding	Develop fundamental skills in luxury branding to inform business decisions.	Full-time, part-time	6 months full-time	Perth	098157B	curtin.edu/gc-luxb
	Graduate Certificate in Luxury Marketing Management	The course covers the basic principles of luxury marketing management, design aesthetics as well as innovation and neuromarketing techniques.	Full-time	6 months full-time	Perth	110734B	curtin.edu/gc-luxmmt
Supply Chain Management	Master of Supply Chain Management (Professional)	An advanced qualification designed to provide you with the skills and knowledge to generate innovative solutions to logistics and supply chain problems and manage logistics processes.	Full-time, part-time	1 year full-time	Perth, Singapore	107628H	curtin.edu/mc-scmgt
	Graduate Certificate in Supply Chain Management	Gain in-depth knowledge of logistics management, global distribution and transportation.	Full-time, part-time	6 months full-time	Perth	041930G	curtin.edu/gc-supcmg
Taxation	Master of Taxation	Study advanced features of Australia's tax system, including global tax developments and modern taxation issues.	Full-time, part-time	1 year full-time	Perth	102741C	curtin.edu/mc-taxat
	Graduate Certificate in Taxation Practice	Gain practical insights into Australia's tax system and learn about important areas of taxation practice.	Full-time, part-time	6 months full-time	Perth	102740D	curtin.edu/gc-taxatp



*“I chose to pursue a Master of Taxation at Curtin after a great experience studying my Bachelor of Accounting at the Curtin Singapore and Curtin Perth campuses.*

*I’ve really enjoyed the course, especially the case studies we tackle in class. The multitude of viewpoints has opened my eyes and encouraged me to think outside the box.*

*Volunteering at the Curtin Tax Clinic has been a huge highlight, offering me the chance to serve the community, learn from industry practitioners and hone my practical skills. The team feels like family, and as an international student, the experience has given me the confidence to jump into an Australian work environment.”*

**Nicholas Tang**  
Master of Taxation



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# Fees and scholarships

## Fees

### Tuition fees

Tuition fees are calculated on a semester basis, with indicative course fees for the 2023 commencement year available online.

[curtin.edu/fee-calculator](https://curtin.edu/fee-calculator)

### Student Services and Amenities Fee

The Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF) is used for supporting a comprehensive range of non-academic services and amenities. At the time of print (2022) the SSAF is \$315 per year for full-time students. It is charged to most domestic students in addition to tuition fees.

SSAF does not apply to international students.

[curtin.edu/amenities-fee](https://curtin.edu/amenities-fee)

## Scholarships

You may be eligible for a scholarship to support your study. Sign up to the scholarships email alert to make sure you don't miss an opportunity.

[scholarships.curtin.edu.au](https://scholarships.curtin.edu.au)

## Financial assistance

If you're concerned about the cost of postgraduate study, there are several options for financial assistance you can explore.

### FEE-HELP

If you are an Australian citizen or a New Zealand Special Category Visa holder or a permanent humanitarian visa, you may be eligible for the Australian Government's FEE-HELP loan for all or part of your tuition fees.

[curtin.edu/fee-help](https://curtin.edu/fee-help)

### Employer-paid study

Your employer may help you with the cost of postgraduate study. Many organisations have employee-education policies designed to share the costs of education that is mutually beneficial.

[curtin.edu/employer-paid](https://curtin.edu/employer-paid)

### Tax benefits

If there is a direct connection between your postgraduate course and your current employment, you may be entitled to an income tax deduction for tuition fees and expenses.

[ato.gov.au](https://ato.gov.au)



# Applying to Curtin

## Domestic applicants

You're a domestic applicant if:

- you are an Australian citizen, Australian dual citizen or New Zealand citizen, or
- you are a permanent resident of Australia, or
- you hold an Australian permanent humanitarian visa.

If any of these points describe you, apply at [curtin.edu/pg-apply](https://curtin.edu/pg-apply)

## International applicants

You're an international applicant if:

- you are not a permanent resident of Australia and New Zealand, or
- you are required to hold a student visa to study in Australia.

If either of these points describes you, apply at [curtin.edu/int-apply](https://curtin.edu/int-apply)

## Credit toward the completion of your degree

You may have undertaken previous study or work experience that matches the knowledge required for some of your Curtin course units. If so, we encourage you to also apply for credit, sometimes called credit for prior learning or advanced standing, which exempts you from having to study certain course units. If you're eligible for credit, you could finish your degree in a shorter amount of time.

[curtin.edu/pg-crl](https://curtin.edu/pg-crl)

## English language proficiency

You may need to provide separate evidence of your proficiency in the English language.

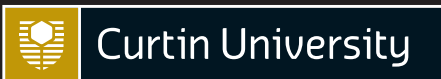
Some courses have specific English requirements or require a higher score in an approved English language proficiency test. Specific English requirements can be found within the admission criteria section of each individual course at [study.curtin.edu.au](https://study.curtin.edu.au).

You can demonstrate your English skills through recognised tests and qualifications, including the International English Language Testing System (IELTS), Test of English as a Foreign language (TOEFL) and through qualifications in English.

Proficiency in English can be demonstrated through test results such as IELTS. If you don't meet the required level of English, consider taking our free 10-week English language program at Curtin English, which is available to all international students with an offer to study at Curtin. You can package your English program with your chosen course to streamline your enrolment and visa application process.

[english.curtin.edu.au](https://english.curtin.edu.au)





## For more information

### Domestic students

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Web: [study.curtin.edu.au](https://study.curtin.edu.au)

### International students

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