Postgraduate studies in business

ADVANCE YOUR CAREER WITH A WORLD-CLASS DEGREE
Gain a high-level qualification from an internationally accredited business school recognised by employers worldwide.

Whether you want to build on your undergraduate studies, or are an experienced professional wanting to enhance your qualifications and skillset, the UWA Business School offers a range of postgraduate degrees to suit your interests and goals.

Our world-class academics and leading industry partners will ensure you are exposed to the latest theory and practice. Alongside this, you will have the opportunity to take part in extracurricular activities – from careers fairs and networking events, through to joining student groups and attending professional development workshops and guest lectures from business executives.

Take your career to the next level with a UWA Business School postgraduate degree.
UWA: A world-class institution

Choosing to study at an internationally accredited business school in a World Top 100 University is an investment in your future.

UWA Business School
The UWA Business School is one of only seven institutions in Australia to hold both EQUIS (European Quality Improvement System) and AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business) accreditation. These international accreditations, based respectively in Europe and the United States, ensure our degrees are recognised by employers worldwide, and guarantee the quality of our teaching, research and other operational areas.

The School is overseen by a Board of highly influential business leaders, and the School fosters outstanding links with corporate partners and alumni. Our major corporate partners include ATCO Australia, BHP Billiton, EY, Macquarie Group Foundation, Mitsubishi Development, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Wesfarmers and Woodside. These industry links enable us to provide a richer education for our students, and ensure our programs are relevant and valuable to industry.

The University of Western Australia
The University of Western Australia is recognised as one of the leading universities in the world, with a century of experience in offering internationally regarded courses.

UWA is ranked 89th in the world by Shanghai Jiao Tong University’s internationally recognised Academic Ranking of World Universities, while the QS rankings place UWA at 89th in the world.

UWA is the only Western Australian member of the prestigious Group of Eight network, which is comprised of Australia’s leading research-intensive universities, as well as being a member of the Worldwide Universities Network and a founding member of the Matariki Network of Universities.

UWA is located in Perth—an economic powerhouse, energy and resources global hub, and the ninth most liveable city in the world. With a population of 1.7 million, Perth’s time zone is GMT +8 hours, making it the same as China, Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia and Taiwan.

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Experience more:
Life as a UWA Business student

Postgraduate study at UWA is about more than theory. It’s a chance to go further, do more and make your mark. This starts from day one, when you can join student groups, meet your fellow students and start networking.

Get ready to explore the various opportunities available to you at UWA – awards, career support, international exchange and study abroad, social events and more. Our Postgraduate Student Centre works with our partners and alumni to ensure that their generous contribution of time and expertise is seamlessly integrated into our student experience.

Opportunities
- Career presentations and recruitment activities
- Professional development seminars and workshops
- External social activities
- Public lectures with national and international business leaders
- Student and alumni association events

Studying overseas

The UWA Business School provides students with a variety of options to live and study at leading business schools throughout the world. You can study abroad in various ways:
- Direct exchange with partner universities
- Intensive Summer/Winter School programs
- Your own choice of a reputable university*  
*subject to approval.

International visitors

The international reputation of UWA ensures that we attract leaders from around the globe to deliver guest lectures, conduct seminars, and interact with our students and staff. Recent visitors include:
- Professor Dr Boediono, Vice-President, Indonesia
- Dr Alex Nichols, University Lecturer in Social Entrepreneurship within the Skoll Centre for Social Entrepreneurship at Said Business School, University of Oxford
- Professor Michael Spence, Nobel Laureate and Professor of Economics at New York University
- Professor David Yermack, Albert Fingerhut Professor of Finance and Business Transformation, New York University
- Robert Zoellick, World Bank President
Transform your career with the UWA Business School’s new 12-month MBA Full Time, backed by Western Australia’s top business leaders. This highly intensive course will equip you with the knowledge, skills and networks to lead in an exciting, challenging and global world.

Uniquely, the MBA Full Time offers:
- Specialist focus areas in leadership, natural resources or general management
- A three-part Business Advisory Project within leading global companies
- A personalised Leadership Development Program
- Unparalleled depth of business interaction through Business Connect, including mentoring and one-on-one contact with senior business executives
- Domestic study tour

The course is taught by world-class faculty, and gives students access to a dedicated careers services manager. The MBA Full Time has one intake in January each year.

Further information:
mba.uwa.edu.au

MBA Flexible

The MBA Flexible is ideal for experienced professionals looking to transform their career and build on their skills in leadership and management.

As an MBA Flexible student, you will complete core studies in all the principal areas of business – accounting and finance, decision making, economics, organisational behaviour, marketing, and strategic management – giving you the skills and knowledge necessary to take on the greatest business challenges.

In addition, you are able to choose from a range of option units, allowing you to tailor the course to suit your interests and goals. The MBA Flexible includes specialist focus areas in Entrepreneurship, Finance, General Management, Leadership, Natural Resources, and Social Impact.

Our flexible delivery mode allows you to tailor your studies to suit your lifestyle. MBA Flexible classes are offered on weeknights and weekends, as well as in intensive teaching blocks and intensive overseas programs. From 2015, select core units will also be available in a fully online mode, with high levels of interactivity.

You may choose to study up to four units each trimester, or even take a break from study altogether for a trimester—the decision is yours. The MBA Flexible can be completed in sixteen months full-time or up to five years part-time.

The MBA Flexible has intakes in January, May and August each year.

Further information:
mba.uwa.edu.au

"The MBA has exposed me to a learning environment that delivers the valuable academic knowledge you need in our increasingly fast changing and globalised business world.

When I move out of full-time study and back into the workplace, the UWA MBA will have provided me with a suite of tools and techniques that will make me more valuable to future employers, improved my analytical and reasoning skills, and trained me in better strategic planning and decision-making.”

Peter Dyett
MBA Flexible
The Graduate Certificate in Business offers experienced professionals the opportunity to complete a postgraduate qualification and enhance their management skills. The course consists of four units, covering topics in accounting, economic management, marketing, and organisational behaviour.

The Graduate Certificate in Business can serve as an entry point into the MBA Flexible (subject to students achieving a weighted average mark of 65) and is available to domestic students only.

Further information: studyat.uwa.edu.au/gc/business

Graduate Certificate in Entrepreneurship and Innovation

This course offers experienced professionals and business owners the opportunity to acquire skills and knowledge to become an entrepreneurial manager of either a new or established business. You will learn how to deal with uncertainty, manage innovation and improve the business through the application of best practice methods of small business management and new product development.

This course can serve as an entry point into the MBA Flexible (subject to students achieving a weighted average mark of 65) and is available to domestic students only.

Further information: studyat.uwa.edu.au/gc/entrepreneur

Graduate Certificate in Social Impact

Become a top social innovator and manage organisations, programs and projects to achieve social impact and create meaningful social value.

This course is offered through a collaboration between the UWA Business School and the national Centre for Social Impact, and focuses on building the professional capacity of social managers and entrepreneurs of the future, across the corporate, government and not-for-profit sectors.

On completion of this course, you will graduate with the critical leadership skills to manage organisations and social programs leading social innovation and creating social value.

The Graduate Certificate in Social Impact consists of four units. These units comprise:
- Demonstrating Social Impact
- Leadership for Social Impact
- Social Impact: Entrepreneurs and Social Innovation
- Social Investment and Philanthropy

This course can serve as an entry point into the MBA Flexible (subject to students achieving a weighted average mark of 65) and is available to domestic students only.

Further information: studyat.uwa.edu.au/gc/social-impact

“There is no doubt that at UWA you get to learn from the best minds in every discipline and at the same time you get the opportunity to interact with people with different world views - many of whom are now friends.

One thing I’ve found to be unique and special is the presence of practical aspects in every unit that I have taken so far, which have not only allowed me to learn about the current issues impacting people the world over, but also to appreciate the limitations of theory. I feel prepared for the world outside of University and I thank UWA for that.”

Ejaz Hussain
Master of Commerce

Master of Commerce

The Master of Commerce is ideal for recent graduates seeking to develop further expertise to pursue careers in business.

It is suited both to graduates with a non-business degree seeking a postgraduate qualification in business, as well as to business graduates wanting to add new area(s) of specialisation to their skillset.

Students complete core units in ethics, economics, financial accounting, global business, management, and marketing.

In addition, the Master of Commerce gives you the scope to specialise in:
- Accounting
- Business Information Management
- Employment Relations
- Finance
- Human Resource Management
- Marketing

The flexible course structure gives you the choice of combining two specialisations, completing more extensive study in one specialisation, or combining one specialisation with an array of electives from across the other specialisations.

Career opportunities are vast and depend on your choice of specialisation. The flexible structure enables you to design the course to suit your career interests.

Further information: studyat.uwa.edu.au/m/commerce
Master of Applied Finance

The Master of Applied Finance is a course with a practical emphasis designed for those wishing to work in the finance sector.

The curriculum complements the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) program, with topics including risk management, capital markets, and international finance. Candidates preparing for the CFA qualification are encouraged to enrol in the Master of Applied Finance as a preparatory course.

Finance graduates are in demand across a range of industry sectors such as consulting, corporate finance, financial planning, financial risk management, funds management, insurance, and investment banking.

Major employers include firms such as Deloitte, Ernst & Young, KPMG and PricewaterhouseCoopers.

You will develop and expand your (ICT) within your organisation.

Master of Business Information Management

The Master of Business Information Management develops your ability to create value from information resources and Information and Communications Technology (ICT) within your organisation.

You will develop and expand your skills to manage IT infrastructure projects, determine enterprise systems requirements, analyse organisational data for business systems requirements, analyse projects, determine enterprise skills to manage IT infrastructure.

Further information: studyat.uwa.edu.au/m/hr-relations

Master of Economics

The Master of Economics is designed for students who plan to pursue careers as economic researchers and decision makers in the public or private sectors.

Areas of study include international economics (international finance and trade), public economics (taxation, government spending), development economics (the transition from poverty) and environmental economics.

Graduates can expect to find work in government agencies at the local, state and federal levels, as well as opportunities in the private sector, including banks, consultancy companies, international agencies, insurance companies and the finance industry.

Further information: studyat.uwa.edu.au/m/economics

Master of Human Resources and Employment Relations

The Master of Human Resources and Employment Relations (HRER) provides you with the specialist knowledge and expertise to work in human resource management or related fields such as industrial relations, recruitment, employee development or human resources planning.

Topics include broad introductory units in HRER, together with specialised units in areas such as assessment and selection, strategic human resource management, negotiation, managing workplace diversity, and international employment relations.

Our graduates are employed in all areas of the private and public sectors in a range of roles. Many work in general human resources management and consulting roles, while others are employed in more specialised positions in policy development, industrial relations, recruitment and assessment, and equal opportunity.

Further information: studyat.uwa.edu.au/m/hr-relations

Master of Marketing

The Master of Marketing equips you with the strategic knowledge and practical skills that are highly sought after by business. This course addresses the marketing issues faced by businesses in a complex, competitive world and is designed for tomorrow’s leaders in the field, who will face increasingly demanding marketing challenges.

Topics may include electronic marketing, global marketing strategy, integrated marketing communications and marketing research, among others.

As a marketing graduate you will find opportunities for employment in all marketing functions, across diverse sectors, including marketing in research institutions, mining companies, financial institutions, and advertising agencies as well as sales in private practice.

Further information: studyat.uwa.edu.au/m/marketing

“As I wanted to improve my professional skills and learn new knowledge, I chose the Master of Professional Accounting. The whole structure of the course is designed very well, and the environment in the Business School is positive. The life here is full of enthusiasm and fun.”

Eve Guo
Master of Professional Accounting

Further information: studyat.uwa.edu.au/m/prof-accounting

Master of Professional Accounting

The Master of Professional Accounting (MPAcc) provides non-accounting graduates with the opportunity to acquire knowledge and skills in accounting.

Further information: studyat.uwa.edu.au/m/appl-finance

Higher degrees by research

A range of master’s by research and doctorate degrees are available to students wishing to pursue research-intensive postgraduate qualification.

Master of Philosophy (Research)

This is a program of independent, supervised research that can be taken in any discipline for which appropriate supervision is available, and is assessed solely on the basis of a thesis.

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

The PhD is a program of independent, supervised research that is assessed solely on the basis of a thesis that is examined externally. A PhD thesis must be a substantial and original contribution to scholarship, demonstrating mastery of the subject of interest as well as an advance in that field of knowledge. Students may also choose to research an interdisciplinary topic, jointly supervised by the UWA Business School and another faculty.

Doctor of Business Administration

The Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) is a professional doctorate designed for research-oriented individuals working in management positions in business, public service and not-for-profit organisations. The degree enhances students’ research skills and develops their independent and critical thinking so they can contribute state-of-the-art knowledge through research in their chosen fields.

Further information

For more information on higher degrees by research, see studyat.uwa.edu.au/courses-and-careers/postgraduate

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In 2015, the Master of Applied Finance will have an intake in S2 only.

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- The MBA Full Time is taught intensively in 12 months.
- Volume of learning may vary; refer to detailed course duration information below.
- In 2015, the Master of Applied Finance will have an intake in S2 only.

Course fees
UWA’s Unit Costs website (see unitcosts.uwa.edu.au) contains details of the fees payable for each unit and course. The fee is based on the student’s final choice of units and fees will increase on an annual basis.

- Australian citizens and humanitarian visa holders have access to a deferred payment loan scheme called FEE-HELP. You may also wish to approach your employer for financial support.
- International students are required to pay tuition fees for their research or coursework program, unless they have a scholarship that pays the fees.

Availability
- The majority of courses are available in both full-time and part-time study modes. Please note that the Graduate Certificate in Business and all part-time courses are available to domestic students only.

Scholarships
- UWA and the UWA Business School offer a number of scholarships for postgraduate students. Full details of MBA scholarships can be found at mba.uwa.edu.au and details of all other scholarships are listed on UWA’s Scholarships website at scholarships.uwa.edu.au

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Notes
- The Doctor of Business Administration will have its next intake in 2016.
- For application closing dates, email research-business@uwa.edu.au

Key
- FT - Full-time
- PT - Part-time

Intake periods
- The Doctor of Philosophy and Master of Philosophy (Research) are open for applications all year round. For information on application rounds for the Doctor of Business Administration, contact the Business School Research Office (see contact details on page 13).

Course fees
- Australian and New Zealand citizens and permanent residents are exempt from paying a contribution toward the cost of their research courses if UWA provides them with a Research Training Scheme place.
- This exemption applies for up to four years full-time equivalent study for a doctorate by research and two years full-time equivalent study for a master’s by research.

All international students at UWA must pay tuition fees for research or coursework programs, unless they have a scholarship that covers the fees.

For more information, visit studyat.uwa.edu.au/postgraduate/researchfees

“I am consistently presented with the latest, cutting-edge research and current employment issues. I believe that my studies at UWA will enable me to reach the executive level of Human Resource Management. Moving from Melbourne a few months before beginning my course, I have met the most wonderful people at UWA and have created a new network of friends and colleagues. Studying at UWA has been key to enabling me to settle into the gorgeous Perth lifestyle.”

Rebecca Goodall
Master of Human Resources and Employment Relations
Admission requirements

The admission requirements for all courses are listed below. In addition, all applicants must meet UWA’s academic English language competence requirements (see studyat.uwa.edu.au/postgraduate/coursework-admission-requirements/english). For more detailed information, visit studyat.uwa.edu.au

MBA Full Time
- A bachelor’s degree from UWA or equivalent as recognised by the Faculty
- A valid Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) with a minimum score of 550
- Three years’ relevant, documented, professional experience or two years’ relevant, documented, professional experience and have a GMAT score of at least 650
- A satisfactory Personal Statement
- Two satisfactory references

MBA Flexible
- A bachelor’s degree from UWA with a weighted average mark of at least 60 per cent, or equivalent as recognised by the Faculty, and at least three years’ relevant, documented, professional experience or
- A Graduate Certificate in Business, Graduate Certificate in Entrepreneurship and Innovation, or Graduate Certificate in Social Impact from UWA with a weighted average mark of at least 60 per cent, or equivalent as recognised by the Faculty

Graduate Certificates
- A bachelor’s degree from UWA with a weighted average mark of at least 60 per cent, or equivalent as recognised by the Faculty, and at least three years’ relevant, documented, professional experience
- A Graduate Diploma in Economics from UWA with a weighted average mark of 60 per cent, or equivalent as recognised by the Faculty
- At least eight years of relevant, documented, professional experience that in the opinion of the Faculty would permit the applicant to complete the course satisfactorily

All Graduate Certificates articulate into the MBA Flexible. This means that if you achieve a weighted average mark of 65 per cent in any of the Graduate Certificates, you can choose to progress into the MBA Flexible with full credit for completed units. For further information, please contact the MBA Student Centre (see page 13).

Masters Degrees (other than Master of Economics)
- A bachelor’s degree from UWA with a weighted average mark of at least 60 per cent, or equivalent as recognised by the Faculty
- A Graduate Certificate in Business, Graduate Certificate in Entrepreneurship and Innovation, or Graduate Certificate in Social Impact from UWA with a weighted average mark of at least 60 per cent, or equivalent as recognised by the Faculty

Master of Economics
- A bachelor’s degree from UWA with a major in Economics with a weighted average mark of 60 per cent, or equivalent as recognised by the Faculty
- A Graduate Diploma in Economics from UWA with a weighted average mark of 60 per cent, or equivalent as recognised by the Faculty

Doctor of Philosophy and Master of Philosophy (Research)
To be accepted an applicant must demonstrate that they have sufficient background and experience in individual supervised research to successfully complete a PhD or Master of Philosophy. The normal requirement is for a bachelor’s degree with at least upper second class honours in an appropriate discipline.

Doctor of Business Administration
- The Master of Business Administration degree from UWA, or equivalent as recognised by the Faculty, at a level that satisfies the Faculty that the student has the capacity to complete the Doctor of Business Administration OR the requirements for provisional admission to the course for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy of this University and
- A minimum of seven years’ appropriate experience

How to apply
Please refer to entry requirements for individual courses on page 12.

Applications can be made online at uwa.edu.au/applynow

Simply complete your details, include all the relevant supporting documentation, and submit your application online.

International students should visit international.uwa.edu.au/students/esos for more information about the study environment, course fees and refund policy, support services, and schooling obligations for dependent children.

Enquiries
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