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Postgraduate Student Guide

ANU College of Asia and the Pacific



Four reasons to start your postgraduate studies with us



Become one of Australia's most employable graduates

The Australian National University (ANU) consistently ranks highest in national and global graduate surveys for overall employability, as well as starting salary.



Learn from world-leading experts

Since its establishment, the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific has been home to influential thinkers and leading academic experts such as Dr Coral Bell, who shaped Australian foreign policy and Sir John Crawford, who pioneered Asia-Pacific economic policy.



Upskill by studying a language

Join the largest concentration of linguists in the southern hemisphere, and gain access to study Asian and Pacific languages not offered at any other Australian university.



Become part of a unique community

ANU is ranked 8th in the world and 1st in Australia for Politics & International and Developmental Studies (2024 QS World University Rankings by Subject). ANU is committed to maintaining a strong international reputation for research, collaboration and academic staff. ANU is the only Australian university that is a member of both the Association of Pacific Rim Universities (APRU) and the International Alliance of Research Universities (IARU) — unique alliances with world-leading research universities.



Welcome to the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific

The Australian National University (ANU) is a world-leading university. Ranked 30th globally (2025 QS World University Rankings), ANU will provide you with a world-class education.

The ANU College of Asia and the Pacific is committed to shaping the next generation of global leaders. By studying with us, you will gain insights from leading regional experts and influential practitioners who actively shape public policy, drive public discourse, and engage with the dynamic societies, cultures, and economies of the Asia-Pacific region.

Our specialised postgraduate programs will equip you with the practical skills and academic rigour required to succeed in your career. As a student at the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific, you will join a diverse student cohort and learn from leading academics in their field. Your classes will allow you to gain new perspectives on the region and establish a network that will last well beyond your time at ANU. During your studies, you will also gain professional exposure to further enrich your experience and finesse your practical skills in the workplace.

We hope the information in this brochure is useful, and look forward to seeing you on campus in the near future.



Our College

The ANU College of Asia and the Pacific is a trusted partner for education, expertise and insight about the world's fastest-changing region.

With a vast concentration of Asia-Pacific experts, our College brings together a broad network of scholars who combine disciplinary, regional, and policy expertise to address the challenges and opportunities shaping this rapidly evolving region.

Our research is centred around the Asia-Pacific, driving transformative change and providing practical solutions. By collaborating closely with leaders in government, business, and industry, we ensure our insights empower decision-makers to shape a better future.

This commitment to impactful research also enriches our education programs. Through immersive learning abroad opportunities, we encourage students to engage directly with the region, equipping them for diverse and rewarding careers across the globe.

At a glance

Research Schools

Coral Bell School of Asia Pacific Affairs
School of Culture, History & Language

Regional Institutes

Australian Centre on China in the World
ANU Indonesia Institute
ANU Japan Institute
ANU Korea Institute
ANU Malaysia Institute
ANU Mongolia Institute
ANU Myanmar Research Centre
ANU Pacific Institute
ANU Philippines Institute
ANU Southeast Asia Institute
ANU South Asia Research Institute



Meet our global community



China

Bosi Wang

Master of International Law and Diplomacy

"The knowledge I gained at the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific while studying the Master of International Law and Diplomacy has provided me with a comprehensive understanding of the international system, particularly the relationships between states and other global actors."



Singapore

Kazimier Lim

Master of International Relations

"I decided to study at the ANU because it's an institution that helps students fully realise their academic aspirations. In addition, I like the flexibility the university offers in its degrees. Whether you want to build your research skills for a doctoral degree or to compound your analytical and communication skills for your professional career, the ANU offers exactly what you need to pursue your goals."



New Zealand

Nathalie Blakely

Master of Strategic Studies

“ANU was my first choice for postgraduate education because of the world-class scholars at the Strategic & Defence Studies Centre and my admiration for its highly regarded law department. My background in law and international relations, combined with my experience at New Zealand’s Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, fueled my interest in the Indo-Pacific concept and the framing of Australian and New Zealand strategic environments.”



Hong Kong

Zoe Chan

Master of International Relations

“The ANU College of Asia and the Pacific stood out to me for its focus on the Asia-Pacific region and world-class expertise. Studying the Master of International Relations has equipped me with strong analytical and communication skills, helping me shape my future career aspirations.”

Your learning experience

The ANU College of Asia and the Pacific combines disciplinary expertise with a regional and policy focus to offer you a unique education experience. Our postgraduate programs offer a range of teaching methods including face-to-face, online, internships and in-country study courses. This blended learning approach develops your skillset and offers you opportunities to put your studies into practice both inside and outside the classroom.





Face-to-face courses*

Most of our courses are delivered face-to-face, on campus. The courses are conducted through seminars with an emphasis on interactive teaching aimed at engaging all students in active participation and discussion. Our diverse student cohorts will develop your knowledge and understanding of perceptions from all around the world. Most six unit courses require a workload commitment of 10 hours per week** (including a two-hour seminar).

*Subject to change

**Please note, this is a general guide, averaged over the semester and the final hours ultimately depend on the individual's abilities in reading and writing.



Online courses

We offer a selection of online courses at postgraduate level. All resources are available online, including forums, videos and learning materials.

Online courses give students the flexibility to study off-campus and during their own time.



In-country study courses

Study tour courses give you the chance to undertake first-hand research in an overseas location. These courses are delivered intensively and run between two to six weeks. Students undertake preparatory classes on campus before being accompanied on the study tour by an ANU academic. Courses may incorporate language training, fieldwork and visits to institutions.



Internships

We offer several internship options for our postgraduate students, both in Australia.

Opportunities include private, public and not-for-profit sectors and are usually offered on a competitive basis.

Admission requirements

English language requirements

To apply for admission to ANU, you'll need to demonstrate your English language proficiency.

How to meet this requirement:

- If you've completed tertiary studies entirely in English within the last two years, you may already meet the requirement.
- If your English studies were completed more than two years ago, you'll need to submit a valid English proficiency test, such as:
 - IELTS (International English Language Testing System)
 - TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language)

Find out more:

policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_000408



Minimum requirements for accepted English Language Tests for admission into Postgraduate Coursework Programs

Academic IELTS	TOEFL Paper based test	TOEFL Internet based test	Cambridge C1 Advanced	PTE Academic
Overall score: 6.5	Overall score: 80	Overall score: 80	Overall score: 176	Overall score: 64
Reading: 6.0	Reading: 20	Reading: 20	Reading: 169	Reading: 55
Writing: 6.0	Writing: 20	Writing: 20	Writing: 169	Writing: 55
Listening: 6.0	Listening: 18	Listening: 18	Listening: 169	Listening: 55
Speaking: 6.0	Speaking: 18	Speaking: 18	Speaking: 169	Speaking: 55
			Use of English: 169	

Need to improve your English?

ANU, in partnership with the University of Canberra, offers an English language program designed to help international students meet the English proficiency requirements for admission.

Find out more:

study.anu.edu.au/apply/international-applications/new-english-language-program



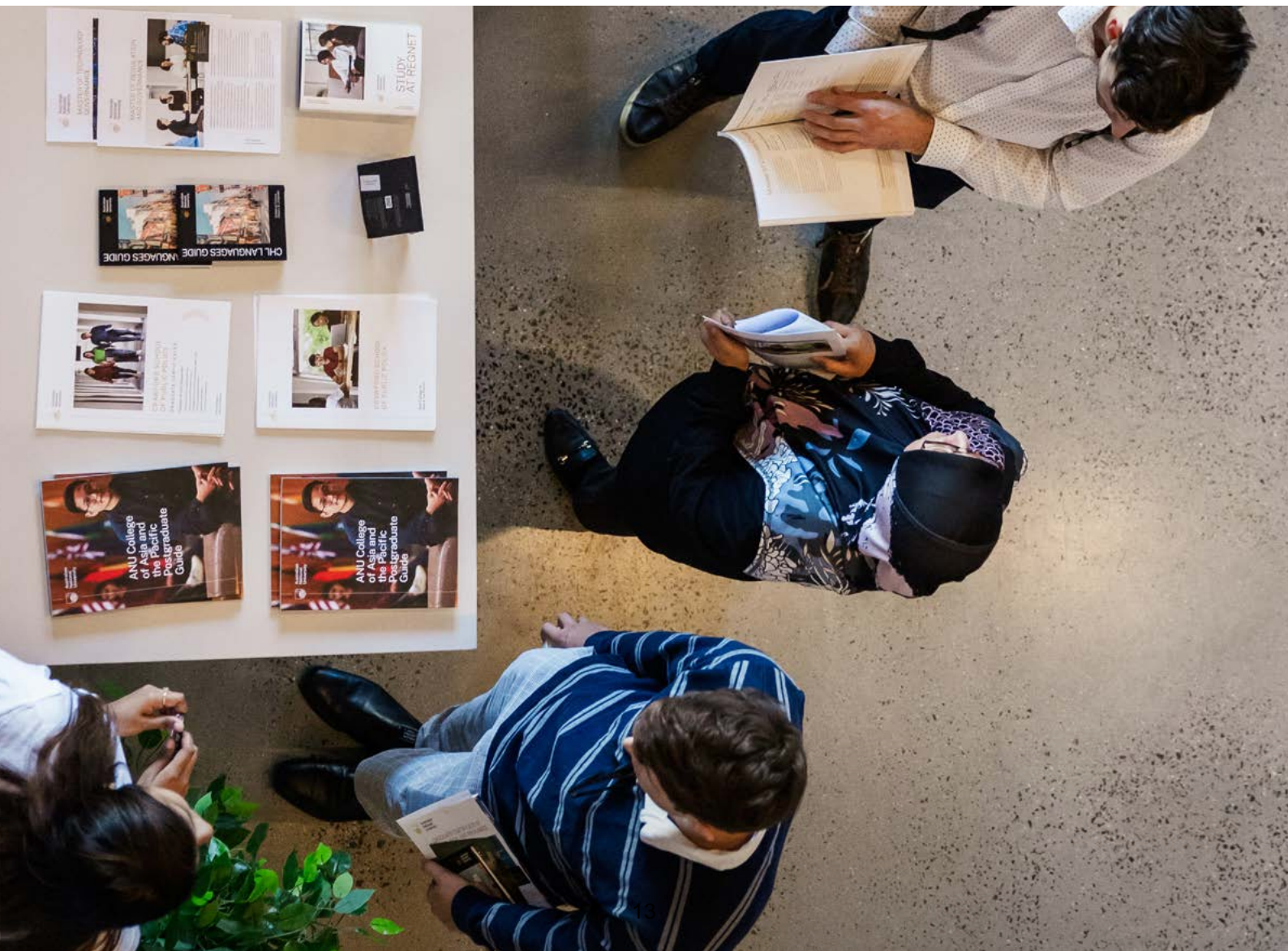
Academic requirements

Applicants must present one of the following:

- A Bachelor or international equivalent with a minimum GPA of 5/7 (or equivalent) from a recognised institution.
- A Bachelor or international equivalent with GPA 4/7 and a minimum of 3 years full-time equivalent work experience at ANZSCO Skill Level 1 in a field related to the program.

- A Bachelor or international equivalent with GPA 4/7 and a Graduate Certificate or international equivalent with a GPA of 4/7.
- Graduate Diploma or international equivalent with a GPA 4/7.

For detailed information on specific program requirements, visit programsandcourses.anu.edu.au





Build your cross-cultural communications skills



Flexible study

Our online delivery of languages means you can learn from anywhere in the world.



Graduate goals

Graduates with a good grasp of a second language instantly have more employment opportunities, at home and in Asia and the Pacific.



Learn smarter

Countless studies show the cognitive benefits of language learning improve an individual's overall academic performance.



Go global

Undertake immersive, in-country learning experiences, earning academic credits towards their degree.

Adding a language to your postgraduate degree can give your qualification international appeal. In an increasingly connected world, language skills give you a competitive edge in your chosen career, by establishing you as a cross-cultural communicator and globally-minded thinker.

Whether you choose to study online or on campus, classes are interactive and you will be taught by leading language and culture specialists, with access to our state-of-the-art language learning infrastructure.

The ANU College of Asia and the Pacific offers an unrivalled selection of languages from our region, some of which are not taught by any other institution in the southern hemisphere. Of course, there is no better way to learn a language than by living it. You may also be able to complete part of your program through immersion opportunities overseas.

Whether you're seeking to specialise in a language as part of your postgraduate degree or pursue a standalone languages qualification, here you will find a program — and language — suited to you.

- Master of Asian and Pacific Studies
- Master of Engaging Asia
- Master of Diplomacy
- Master of Peace and Conflict Studies
- Graduate Certificate of Engaging the Pacific



The following languages offered by the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific can all be studied as a minor in select postgraduate degrees

Language	On-campus study	Online study ANU (online only, dual or two stream delivery in response to Covid-19)	Online study Open Universities Australia (minor not applicable)	In-country learning opportunities
Burmese		✓	✓	
Cantonese	✓			
Chinese (Mandarin)	✓			
Hindi	✓	✓	✓	
Indonesian	✓			
Japanese	✓			✓
Korean	✓			
Literary Chinese	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mongolian		✓	✓	
Sanskrit		✓	✓	
Taiwanese	✓			
Tetum		✓	✓	
Thai	✓	✓	✓	
Tibetan		✓	✓	
Tok Pisin		✓	✓	
Vietnamese		✓	✓	



Scholarships

ANU is committed to empowering all students to reach their full potential, regardless of their background. There are a number of scholarships available to assist you with your postgraduate research or coursework studies.

Garrurru Postgraduate Indigenous Scholarship

Overview	The scholarship offers a fee-waiver and pastoral support to postgraduate Indigenous Australian students to study with the ANU College of the Asia and the Pacific.
Value	100 per cent tuition fee sponsorship
Field of study	Any program offered by the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific
Eligibility	Identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent; <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Can demonstrate excellent academic merit;• Applicants can be enrolled in part-time or full-time study in any postgraduate program offered by the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific.

Myint Zan Scholarship for the Master of Asian and Pacific Studies

Overview	<p>The scholarship aims to empower an exceptional master's student to develop specialised regional expertise in Asia and the Pacific through the Master of Asian and Pacific Studies program.</p> <p>The scholarship is generously funded by Professor Myint Zan, a distinguished ANU alumnus, retired Burmese legal academic, and passionate supporter of education.</p>
Value	\$10,000 per annum
Field of study	Master of Asian and Pacific Studies
Eligibility	The Award is available to an ANU student commencing their first semester of postgraduate study in the Master of Asia and Pacific Studies program at the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific in Semester 1, 2025 or Semester 1, 2026.



For up-to-date information on scholarship application deadlines, please visit the ANU website: anu.edu.au/students/scholarships

Ruth Daroesman Graduate Study Grant

Overview	The Ruth Daroesman Endowment was established in 2013 in memory of Ruth Daroesman by Ruth's family and friends. The aim of the grant is to assist students of ANU who are engaged in postgraduate study of Asia and the Pacific, with special emphasis on Indonesia. This grant may be used for research or educational expenses (including travel) directly related to the student's academic interests or future career aspirations.
Value	Up to \$6,000
Field of study	Asia and the Pacific
Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applicants must be domestic or international students;• Applicant must be undertaking research or study that is both relevant to Asia and the Pacific and to their degree program;• Preference may be given to students undertaking research or study about Indonesia.

ANU Chancellor's International Scholarship

Overview	The ANU Chancellor's International Scholarship offers an opportunity for students from around the world to access one of multiple scholarships available to postgraduate students. Scholarships are distributed into 12 categories with at least one category applicable for students from anywhere in the world.
Value	25% or 50% fee waiver of tuition for entire study period.
Field of study	Any eligible CAP program.
Eligibility	The scholarship is available to a commencing ANU student who; <ul style="list-style-type: none">• is defined as an overseas student under the terms of the Education Services for Overseas Students Act 2000 and does not hold a 995 visa (unless enrolling in an eligible postgraduate program); and• has received an offer of admission to commence at the University in an eligible program (excluded programs listed above); and• meets the conditions of the program for which they have received an offer of admission including the requirement to be onshore for some components (if applicable); and• has not received the scholarship previously for the same level of study.

Find the complete list of ANU Scholarships at:
anu.edu.au/study/scholarships/find-a-scholarship

Five reasons to choose Asian and Pacific Studies at ANU



Gain practical skills

You will have the opportunity to gain an array of practical skills for the workplace. Whether it's learning from our experts, or embarking on an in-country study program that offers real-life experiences, this program will expand your skillset and give you that competitive edge.



Create your own path

The Master of Asian and Pacific Studies offers a highly flexible program to ensure you can incorporate all areas of your interests. It combines the rigour of a shared common core with flexible paths of study for your own interests. Our program is interdisciplinary by design.



Become a cross-cultural communicator

We offer the highest number of Asian and Pacific language programs outside Asia. This includes languages such as Chinese, Japanese, Hindi and Korean, as well as languages you cannot learn anywhere else in Australia, such as Burmese, Tetum and Mongolian.



Explore the world

The ANU College of Asia and the Pacific leads the University in international student mobility, and we offer an exciting range of overseas study opportunities.



Make lifelong connections

Our diverse student body means that you will not just be studying Asia and the Pacific, but creating networks with life-long friends from across the region and beyond.

Study options

Master of Asian & Pacific Studies

Length (full-time)	2 years	Discover the dynamic forces shaping the world's most diverse and influential regions with the Master of Asian and Pacific Studies. This two-year program immerses you in the complexities of Asia and the Pacific, offering deep insights into how people, technologies, languages and ideas interact across borders. Specialise in the region, discipline, or theme that inspires you – whether it's politics, history, culture, environment, gender, or translation – and build expertise tailored to your interests and career goals. This program provides an opportunity to pursue advanced research through a thesis, offering further opportunities to undertake a Higher Degree Research program.
Delivery	In person	
Semester intake	1 & 2	
CRICOS	093286M	
Indicative annual fee	\$36,120	

Graduate Certificate of Asian Affairs

Length (full-time)	0.5 years	Step into the heart of the world's fastest-growing region with the Graduate Certificate of Asian Affairs, a launchpad for understanding Asia's influence and global importance. Designed for recent graduates and professionals, it equips you with insights to engage with Asia in meaningful ways. Explore politics, diplomacy, culture, security, development and more through courses offered across leading postgraduate programs in the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific.
Delivery	In person	
Semester intake	1 & 2	
CRICOS	119016D	
Indicative annual fee	\$18,060	

Master of Asian Studies

Length (full-time)	1 year	Gain advanced insight into the ideas, histories and forces shaping Asia with the Master of Asian Studies. Taught by leading scholars, this flexible program lets you tailor your learning across areas such as culture, politics, history, linguistics and international relations. With access to a wide range of Asian languages and opportunities for research, internships and in-country study, you'll graduate with the knowledge and practical experience to engage with Asia in meaningful and impactful ways.
Delivery	In person	
Semester intake	1 & 2	
CRICOS	119015E	
Indicative annual fee	\$39,240	

Master of Diplomacy

Length (full-time)	1 year	In a world of growing complexity and uncertainty, skilled diplomats are essential to navigating global challenges. Designed for aspiring global leaders, the Master of Diplomacy equips you with the knowledge and practical skills to represent your country or organisation on the international stage. Explore the dynamics of international affairs, from regional instability and globalisation to the evolving roles of major powers. Develop expertise in diplomatic negotiations, strategic communication and policymaking. Learn from world-renowned experts at Australia's #1 university for politics (QS World University Rankings by Subject 2025). Gain hands-on experience through practical simulations, policy briefings and exclusive networking opportunities with diplomats and international organisations.
Delivery	In person or online	
Semester intake	1 & 2	
CRICOS	111566E	
Indicative annual fee	\$35,490	

Master of Global Securities & Strategy

Length (full-time)	1 year	To thrive and succeed in the world of tomorrow, you must think across disciplines, understand the interrelationship between the challenges that face us and perceive new opportunities to set the agenda. This program offers a unique vantage point, exploring the complexities of global security through a multidisciplinary lens. This program examines how interconnected issues shape and influence each other. The program is designed to be asynchronous and online, tailored for professionals seeking to enhance skills and knowledge. It is structured to be completed part-time allowing flexible learning. This format accommodates busy schedules, enabling students to balance studies with work and personal commitments.
Delivery	Online	
Semester intake	1 & 2	
CRICOS	No CRICOS	
Indicative annual fee	\$39,240	

Master of International Law & Diplomacy

Length (full-time)	2 years	International law and diplomacy are integral to addressing complex, globalised challenges. This program provides a unique opportunity to study these intertwined disciplines, equipping you with the expertise needed to influence international policy, law and conflict resolution. Develop an understanding of how diplomacy ensures the creation and enforcement of international law, while also addressing violations. You'll gain a unique skillset in critical analysis, strategic thinking and cross-cultural communication. Taught by renowned scholars and practitioners from both the ANU College of Law, Governance and Policy and the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific.
Delivery	In person or online	
Semester intake	Summer & Winter	
CRICOS	101475	
Indicative annual fee	\$35,490	

Master of International Relations

Length (full-time)	2 years	Understand the dynamics of contemporary international relations and make sense of the big political and security trends taking place in the region and the world. As one of the most respected degrees in this field in the world, this program equips you with the skills to succeed in modern international relations. This program is the only international relations degree in Australia to combine the study of both global and Asia-Pacific politics. Develop strong research and analytical skills for understanding how foreign policies, the strategic balance of power, international norms and globalisation drive political developments in the Asia-Pacific region and around the world.
Delivery	In person	
Semester intake	1 & 2	
CRICOS	082309M	
Indicative annual fee	\$39,240	

Alumni spotlight



Sita Dewi, Journalist

Master of Asian and Pacific Studies

“ANU academics are so familiar with their subject matter, they can see issues from Indonesia’s perspective, not only from Australia’s perspective, and that’s really important. I chose this program because I have a Bachelor of Journalism, and I wanted to do a Master degree to sharpen my analytical thinking and knowledge, especially regarding Indonesia in a regional context.”



Lachlan King

Master of Diplomacy

“Being able to get to know my fellow cohort by the campfire, and hearing from guest lecturers some of whom were former Ambassadors, public servants and members of the United Nations was an enlightening experience.”



Study options

Graduate Certificate of Pacific Studies

Length (full-time)	0.5 years	Expand your expertise in Oceania with the Graduate Certificate of Pacific Studies, a flexible, research-led program for recent graduates, mid-career professionals and those seeking a pathway to further study. Explore the region's diversity through a transdisciplinary lens that centres Indigenous Pacific voices and knowledges. Guided by leading Pacific Studies experts, you'll build a strong foundation in the histories, cultures, languages, politics, development and research shaping the region today.
Delivery	In person	
Semester intake	1 & 2	
CRICOS	118565E	
Indicative annual fee	\$18,060	

Master of Pacific Studies

Length (full-time)	1 year	Explore the depth and diversity of Oceania with the Master of Pacific Studies. This research-led program centres Indigenous Pacific voices and methodologies, offering a transdisciplinary grounding in the region's histories, cultures, arts, languages, politics, security and development. Designed for those seeking to work in or for the Pacific, it provides the knowledge and analytical skills to navigate contemporary regional challenges or pursue further study.
Delivery	In person or online	
Semester intake	1 & 2	
CRICOS	118564F	
Indicative annual fee	\$35,490	

Master of Peace & Conflict Studies

Length (full-time)	1 year	For millions of people around the world, the threat or experience of violent conflict is a daily reality. The Master of Peace and Conflict Studies equips students with the knowledge and skills to understand the nature of peace and conflict, the causes and experiences of violence and the many ways in which national and international bodies can respond to those challenges. The program brings together diverse disciplinary insights, demonstrating how the different ways we interpret peace and how conflict can influence what we see, what we respond to and how we may judge success and failure. Drawing particularly on the Asia Pacific but with a global outlook, this degree equips its graduates with the abilities to work in a wide range of private, civil society and governmental organisations.
Delivery	In person or online	
Semester intake	1 & 2	
CRICOS	114599E	
Indicative annual fee	\$35,490	

Indicative annual fees are estimates only and may vary based on your enrolment and yearly fee changes. Final tuition fees depend on the specific courses you choose.

Master of Political Science

Length (full-time)	1.5 years	Ranked 1 st in Australia and 11 th in the world for politics (QS World University Rankings by Subject 2025), ANU offers a Master of Political Science that equips you with the knowledge and skills to analyse and address complex political challenges. The Master of Political Science applies the latest social science research methods to advance your understanding of a range of political problems such as election forecasting, pandemics, climate change, ethnic and religious conflicts, regime change and corruption.
Delivery	In person	
Semester intake	1 & 2	
CRICOS	102925F	
Indicative annual fee	\$39,240	

Master of Political Science (Advanced)

Length (full-time)	2 years	The Master of Political Science (Advanced) is a two-year, full-time program (96 units) designed for students seeking to pursue research-oriented careers in government, international organisations, NGOs and private bodies concerned with political affairs. This program offers a distinctive blend of coursework and a 24-unit thesis, enabling students to delve deeply into contemporary political events.
Delivery	In person	
Semester intake	1 & 2	
CRICOS	096438J	
Indicative annual fee	\$39,240	

Master of Strategy & Defence

Length (full-time)	1 year	Prepare to tackle the strategic challenges of a rapidly changing world with the Master of Strategy and Defence. Study alongside experts shaping Australia's security landscape, engage in real-world case studies and simulations, and deepen your understanding of how strategy is crafted and applied. With pathways spanning geopolitics, crisis management and defence policy, this program empowers you to contribute to national and global security with clarity and purpose.
Delivery	In person or online	
Semester intake	1 & 2	
CRICOS	119058E	
Indicative annual fee	\$35,490	

Master of Strategic & Defence Studies

Length (full-time)	1.5 years	Explore how power, strategy and military policy shape global security with the Master of Strategic and Defence Studies. Study with leading experts and gain advanced analytical and research skills to understand the evolution of strategic thought, the conduct of war and the link between operations and policy. Tailor your studies through electives or a supervised thesis, preparing you for career advancement or further academic research.
Delivery	In person or online	
Semester intake	1 & 2	
CRICOS	119057F	
Indicative annual fee	\$35,490	

Alumni spotlight



Maria Shumusti

Master of International Relations

“Studying this degree helped me polish the lens through which I viewed the world of international development and policy, to think critically, and communicate complex ideas to audiences. All of these skills are at the heart of my humanitarian role with the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP).”

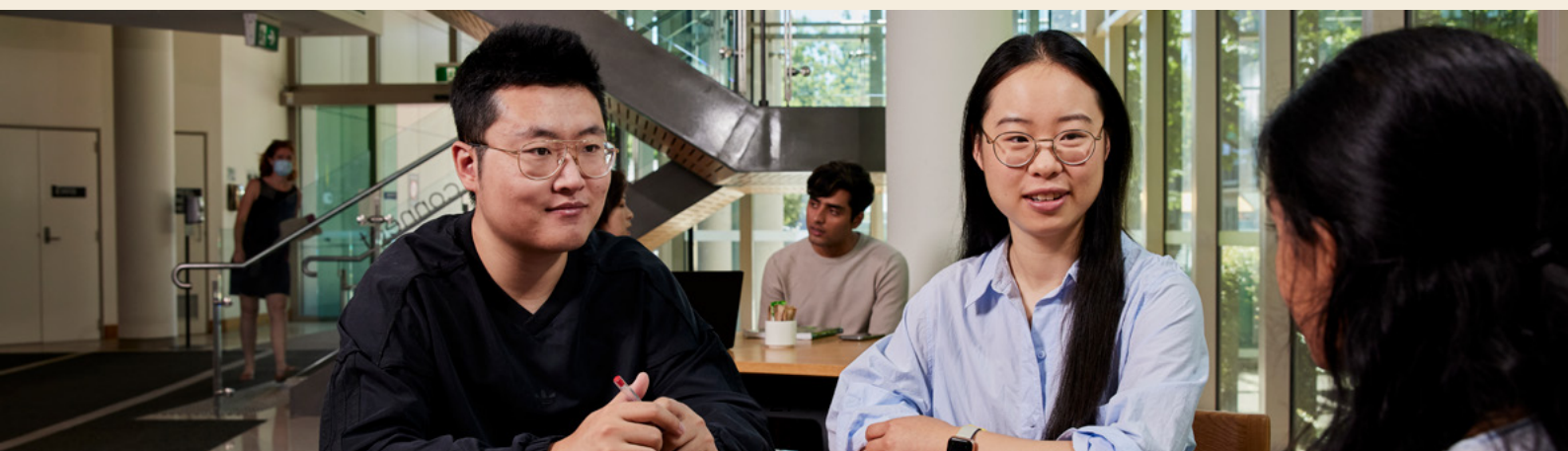
Thanks to the deep-rooted understanding of the theoretical frameworks of international relations, crisis, gender, the impact of climate change on societies or even the benefits of liberal institutionalism, I can apply that to the communication strategies that I work on.”



Bhavani Kannan

Master of Diplomacy/Master of Laws (International Law) graduate

“When looking for Masters programs, the chance to combine international law with diplomacy was the primary reason for selecting ANU. The key benefit (of the Master of International Law and Diplomacy) is the ability to bring an interdisciplinary perspective to analysis — a skill that is increasingly valued by employers. International law and diplomacy are incredibly interrelated — you cannot divorce one from the other. Studying both diplomacy and international law gives students a holistic training in this field that neither program alone can deliver.”



Higher Degree Research at ANU College of Asia and the Pacific

The ANU College of Asia and the Pacific has a rich history of leading innovative research, and boasts an international reputation for the quality of our scholarship. Our research disciplines are consistently ranked amongst the highest in Australia, and the world.

By undertaking a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) or Master of Philosophy (MPhil) at the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific, you will be joining our community of distinguished experts. Your PhD or MPhil program will provide you with the training to become an independent researcher, professional academic, or a leader in the workforce.





How to apply

Step 1

Find a supervisor

You will need to ascertain whether or not ANU offers research supervision in your area of interest. The ANU researcher's database (researchprofiles.anu.edu.au/en/) lists all potential supervisors at ANU including their research expertise, published works and contact details.

Step 2

Submit a formal application

You may apply for admission if you have secured the support of a potential supervisor. Be aware that if you choose to submit an application for admission without this endorsement your application may not be assessed.

Applications must be submitted online. Find out more here: anu.edu.au/study/apply/anu-postgraduate-research-domestic-and-international-applications

Our fields of research

Through our research and analysis we engage with scholars and policymakers throughout Australia, the region and the world.

Anthropology

Access world-class experts who will inspire your research in social and cultural anthropology. Our diverse faculty maintains a program focus on theoretically informed, ethnographic fieldwork in the Asia-Pacific region.

Archaeology and Natural History

Engage with the cultural complexity and environmental diversity of the Asia Pacific region with archaeology and natural history. Your research will develop your understanding of the origins and trajectories of cultural and environmental change through time.

Asian Studies

Examine the rich and complex history of Asia, and its growing global importance, through a broad range of disciplines and geographical expertise, giving you the most comprehensive range of research options on Asia in Australia, and arguably, the world.

Gender, Cultural and Media Studies

Your research will connect insights on the transformations of gender and sexuality in Asia and the Pacific from a range of disciplines including anthropology, history, language, literature and media studies.

History

Examine deep processes of change in Asian and Pacific societies, covering ancient civilisations, the turbulent encounter of these societies with the West and the promises and threats of the recent past.

International Relations

Explore nuclear disarmament, the role of global institutions or world peace. We offer you a keen insight into the realm of global politics with a unique focus on the Asia Pacific region.

Language and Linguistics

With one of the largest concentrations of linguists anywhere in the world, and over 50 years of experience documenting little-known languages, we have the capacity to support your research on more than 2,000 languages of the Asia and Pacific region.

Pacific Studies

Pacific Studies is an interdisciplinary field focusing on the islands of Oceania and the Pacific diaspora. Our scholars explore important historical and contemporary issues, and critically examine the ways in which the region has been framed, constructed and represented.

Peace, Conflict and Human Security

In recent years, human security problems and issues have gained increasing attention on global and regional security agendas as well as in Australia's foreign policy. The research profile of our academics cuts across global and regional affairs in the areas of urbanisation, global migration and forced displacement, child rights and protection, gender-based and domestic violence, women's economic empowerment, health security, and artificial intelligence.

Political Science

Engage in cutting edge research on Asia and Pacific politics with world-leading experts and understand the region's political diversity — from durable one-party regimes such as China, to the sprawling democracies of India and Indonesia, or the tiny microstates of the Pacific.

Politics, Society and Culture

Our researchers have expertise on the political and social dynamics of all major states in Asia and the Pacific, including China, India, Indonesia, Myanmar, and Papua New Guinea. Our scholarship includes award-winning contributions in the areas of electoral systems, political party development, clientelism, populism, religious and environmental politics, women's leadership, political economy, corruption, regime change, and conflict and conflict resolution.

Researchers also investigate some of the most pressing development issues in Pacific Island countries including the relationships between state structures and capabilities, society and societal transformations, and governance in the Pacific.

Regional Security, Strategy and Diplomacy

The geostrategic environment in the Asia Pacific has grown increasingly more complex.

New organisations, with regional and sub-regional groupings are becoming more active, while countries such as China and Indonesia have become much more visible and influential in regional affairs. Our research expertise in regional security, strategy and diplomacy spans themes such as: great power competition and alliances; order transition and revolution; nuclear weapons and strategic stability; maritime security; artificial intelligence and autonomous systems; transnational security challenges; soft power, influence and public diplomacy; political economy and the nexus between economic and security issues; Pacific and indigenous diplomacy; non-state actor diplomacy; and Australian defence policy.

Accommodation

Living on campus at ANU means becoming part of a 6,400-strong residential community, with over 18 residences tailored to suit your lifestyle. For postgraduate students, options like Toad Hall and Graduate House provide the perfect balance of independent living and opportunities to connect with others.

ANU accommodation is more than just a place to live—it's where you'll find your community, create meaningful connections, and feel a true sense of belonging. It's a space to focus on your studies, enjoy quiet moments, or step into leadership roles that shape your experience.

Accommodation guarantee for the first year

At ANU, every student is covered by our accommodation guarantee. Whether you're an undergraduate, postgraduate, domestic, or international student, you'll have a safe, comfortable place to call home on campus for the first year of your studies. It's one less thing to worry about, so you can focus on settling in and making the most of your time at ANU.

A campus like no other

Located in the heart of Canberra, ANU accommodation puts you within walking distance of the city and the University's vibrant campus. With state-of-the-art facilities, green spaces, and everything you need at your doorstep, it's an environment designed for you to live, learn, and succeed.

Support that is always close by

Each residence at ANU is supported by a dedicated team of professionals, available 24/7 to assist with your wellbeing and academic journey. This level of in-residence support is unique to ANU, offering you the reassurance that help is always nearby.

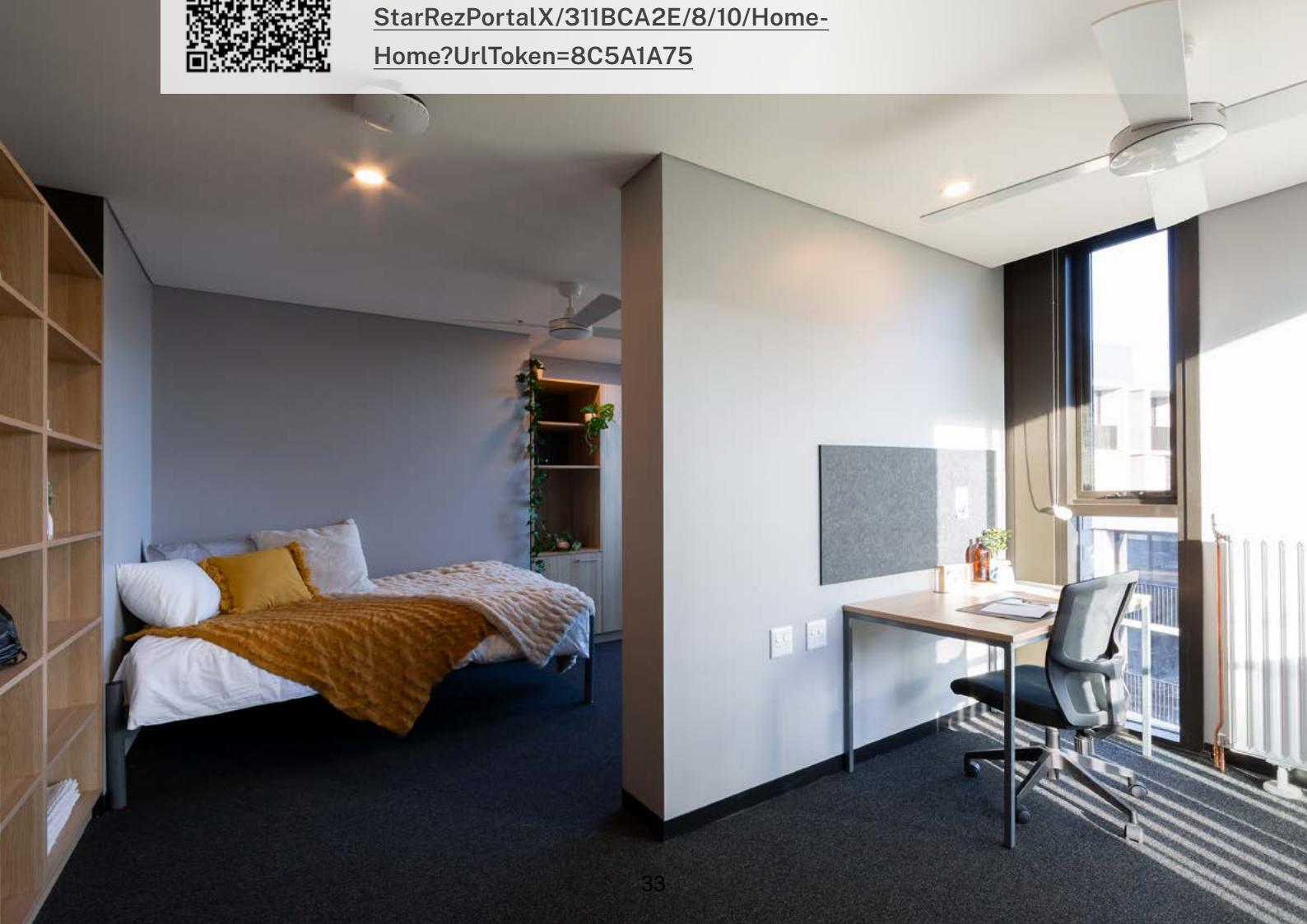
How to apply

1. Compare and choose your preferred residence.
2. Log in to the accommodation portal and apply (no need to wait for your ANU offer or visa).
3. Select your preferred residence.
4. Receive and accept your accommodation offer.
5. Make payment to secure your accommodation.
6. Receive your Welcome Pack with all the details you need before moving in.



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