

UTS PhD application process

A postgraduate research degree equips you with specialist knowledge in your chosen field in preparation for entrepreneurial career pathways, senior roles in industry, or for a future career in research.

A Doctor of Philosophy, or PhD, involves an intensive period of supervised study and research, culminating in the submission of a thesis. The degree is awarded to candidates who, through original investigation, make a distinct and significant contribution to knowledge in their field of specialisation.

The Faculty of Engineering and IT works closely with industry and actively seek to contribute directly to the advancement of engineering practice. Our postgraduate research program is designed to train the leaders of the future. We offer a supportive, multidisciplinary research environment where you can study alongside world-leading experts in your field.

Before you apply you'll need to:

- Know what the entry requirements are.
- Know the course name or code you are going to study.
- Provide evidence of your English language proficiency according to our requirements.
- Prepare the information about your qualifications (copies of transcripts, certificates, etc).

1. Choose a course

As a postgraduate research student at UTS, you will study with world-leading academics and practitioners in one of our highly acclaimed research centres.

Doctoral (PhD) degrees

- Doctor of Philosophy
- Doctor of Philosophy: Computer Systems
- Doctor of Philosophy: Information Systems, Software Engineering or Analytics

UTS also offers master's by research degrees across a range of disciplines.

2. Find a supervisor

[Find a supervisor](#) and discuss your research project.

- **Keyword:** What is your field of study?
- **Name:** Do you have a supervisor in mind?
- **Faculty:** Engineering and Information Technology

3. Prepare your documents

Please see the last page for a checklist and details about the documents you will need to prepare for your application.

4. Submit your application online

You'll need to complete to submit an application using [UTS Apply Online](#).



Please ensure all your supporting documentation is complete and ready along with your application.

After you submit your application online you will need to send certified documents (academic transcripts and statements of completion) by post to:

The Graduate Research School
University of Technology Sydney
PO Box 123
Broadway NSW 2007

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Key dates

Application deadline	
Spring session for commencement July 2020	Wednesday 15 January 2020
Autumn session for commencement January 2021	Tuesday 30 June 2020
Spring session 2020	
Session commences	Wednesday 1 July 2020
Census date	Wednesday 7 October 2020
Session ends	Thursday 31 December 2010
Autumn session 2021	
Session commences	Friday 1 January 2021
Census date	Wednesday 30 June 2021
Session ends	Wednesday 30 June 2021

Australian student visa

It can take some time for your visa application to be processed so it is important to begin the visa application process **as soon as you have received your offer from UTS**.

You will need to obtain a student visa to study in Australia unless you hold another type of visa which permits you to study.

To obtain a student visa to study in Australia, international students must enrol full time and on campus. Australian student visa regulations also require international students studying on student visas to complete the course within the standard full-time duration. Students can extend their courses only in exceptional circumstances.

For further information on student visas refer to the [Department of Home Affairs website](#).

Contact



If you have any questions as you prepare your application, or at any time throughout the application process, you can email the Faculty of Engineering and IT HDR admissions team at feit.hdr.admit@uts.edu.au.

We are delighted that you are considering taking the next step to advance in your field, to study with world-leading academics and practitioners in one of our highly acclaimed research centres.

We wish you the very best with your application, and look forward to welcoming you to UTS.



Document checklist

DOCUMENT	CHECK
<p>Research proposal</p> <p>A research proposal should contain the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title of project • Background and context of project • Aims and objectives • Literature review • Research methodology • Resources required • Research plan and timetable • References <p>For more information see the UTS guide to Writing a research proposal.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Current CV/resume</p> <p>Download CV template</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Certified academic transcripts from all post-secondary studies</p>	<div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Statement of completion for previous degrees</p> <p>You will need to submit certified documents that demonstrate that you have completed one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master's by research • Bachelor's degree with first or second class honours • Other degree that demonstrates your capacity to undertake a doctoral degree 	<div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Evidence of English language proficiency</p> <p>Provide evidence of proficiency according to our English Language Requirements. For Engineering and IT, this is academic IELTS: 6.5 overall with a writing score of 6.0.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Statement of employment</p> <p>Employment statements from current and all previous employers to substantiate the professional experience you have outlined in your CV.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Cover letter</p> <p>Provide a cover letter outlining your motivation for coming to UTS.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>You're ready to submit your application!</p>	<p>Apply</p>