

WESTERN SYDNEY
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POSTGRADUATE STUDY



Master of Arts in Literature and Creative Writing

MASTER OF ARTS IN LITERATURE AND CREATIVE WRITING

The Writing and Research Centre at Western Sydney University offers a challenging, rigorous coursework and project-based Master's degree, combining criticism and creative work and leading to a Master of Arts in Literature and Creative Writing.

WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

By connecting creative writing practice to ideas and creative work from the arts and sciences, the University offers you the opportunity to think across creative, critical and disciplinary categories, and to produce either works of scholarship or creative writing (or related creative work that crosses into other areas including music, art, performance and film).

The centre is unique in Australia in the way it combines scholarship, authorship and expertise in publishing. The centre includes some of Australia's most celebrated writers (such as the novelists Gail Jones and Alexis Wright) and widely published literary scholars and critics with international reputations (such as Ivor Indyk, Hazel Smith, Chris Andrews, and Anthony Uhlmann).

Western Sydney University is ranked above world standard in both the study of literature and creative arts practice. The centre houses the highly decorated literary press Giramondo Publishing, and the pre-eminent literary review site in Australia, The Sydney Review of Books.

With outstanding resources, the University is able to offer multifaceted understanding of literature and writing. Hazel Smith is a world leader in the field of practice-led research and research-led practice, and this carries with it our philosophy of deepening the understanding of both critical and creative practice by linking critical and creative thinking.

In short, the centre is one of the best places in Australia to either become a writer or to think in a critical and scholarly way about writing.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

This course will help students develop high quality creative works or literary criticism. The writing skills and critical thinking developed are highly valued by employers across a range of areas that require high level communication skills.

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UAC Code	950611
CRICOS Code	086120C
Duration	2F/4P
Location	Bankstown
Intakes	February and September
Admission	<p>Applicants must have successfully completed an undergraduate degree in humanities, social sciences, society and culture or creative arts.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>have a minimum of five years full time equivalent work or creative practice experience in writing or creative and performing arts or in an industry position related to writing or the creative and performing arts.</p> <p>Statement of service</p> <p>Applicants are required to supply a writing sample of 500 words. This can be either creative or critical writing. This will be assessed by members of Writing and Society to ensure students have the necessary level of competence to work within the Master of Arts.</p>

Key: F = Full-time; P = Part-time.

Note: Part-time refers to study load, not to timetabling of evening classes.

Note: These courses have Summer, Autumn and Spring session intakes.









WHY POSTGRADUATE STUDY AT WESTERN SYDNEY?

You've come a long way. Go further.

Located in the heart of one of Australia's fastest growing economic regions, Western Sydney University offers unlimited potential to postgraduate students with the drive, ambition and will to succeed.

Ranked amongst the top three per cent of universities on the globe, Western Sydney is a world-class university with a growing international reach and reputation for academic excellence and impact-driven research.

To take your career to the next level, you need more than classrooms, more than theory.

That's why we offer a combination of on-campus, online and clinical learning environments, with real-life, on-the-ground, hands-on opportunities for skill development in professional and community settings. We value academic excellence, integrity and the pursuit of knowledge.

And we continue to challenge traditional notions of what a university 'should' be by pushing the boundaries of how knowledge is exchanged.

We equip our postgrads with the means to do more than just advance their careers. We are unlocking the potential of the next generation of global citizens, leaders and change-makers.

PROGRESS. UNLIMITED.

Application Information

ENGLISH PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS

If you have undertaken studies overseas you may need to provide proof of proficiency in English. Minimum English proficiency requirements and acceptable proof are found on the UAC website at uac.edu.au

Overseas qualifications must be deemed equivalent by the Australian Education International - National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition (AEI-NOOSR) - in order to be considered by UAC and Western Sydney University.

RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING

Advanced standing may be granted to you on the basis of relevant prior studies submitted at the time of application.

HOW TO APPLY

Postgraduate course applications are processed online through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) at uac.edu.au/postgraduate

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

International students need to apply direct to Western Sydney University. Part-time mode for these courses is not available to international students due to Australian student visa regulations. Application forms and information on admissions are available at westernsydney.edu.au/international/admissions

For information about studying at Western Sydney University, including courses, tuition fees, English requirements, intakes, assessment methods, accommodation options, and living in Australia, visit westernsydney.edu.au/international

POSTGRADUATE INFORMATION SESSIONS

Postgraduate Information Sessions are held throughout the year, and give you the opportunity to meet academic and professional staff, and to ask questions about courses, admission, fees and more. At these sessions, you will gain a better understanding of course content, what you can expect from the program and possible career paths. To register for a Postgraduate Information Session, visit westernsydney.edu.au/postgraduateinfo

To view the full range of postgraduate courses available visit westernsydney.edu.au/postgraduate

CONTACT US

To discuss your study goals and career options, contact the Course Information Centre on **1300 897 669** or email postgraduatestudy@westernsydney.edu.au

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