

# Postgraduate international relations



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In our changing world, the ability to work strategically across nations is more important than ever. At Deakin, you'll explore the forces that shape our international landscape, learn to critically analyse and evaluate policy and impact, and develop the practical skills to play an important role in our future.

## Graduate Certificate of International Relations

**Deakin code:** A503

**Location:** Burwood (Melbourne), Online

**Duration:** 6 months full-time or part-time equivalent

**Fees:** \$11,300<sup>#</sup>

**Intake:** T1 (March), T2 (July)

## Master of International Relations

**Deakin code:** A703

**Location:** Burwood (Melbourne), Online

**Duration:** 1 year full-time or part-time equivalent

**Fees:** \$22,600<sup>#</sup>

**Intake:** T1 (March), T2 (July), T3\* (November)

\*T3 intake for online only.

## Course overview

Deakin's postgraduate course suite is ideal if you work in public service, the private sector or for a small business, as you'll learn how international factors affect your environment. You'll develop skills in policy analysis, get a systematic understanding of the threats to peace and security, and discover the global forces shaping political, social and economic life. In addition, you'll examine key contemporary issues and developments around the world, particularly in the Asia Pacific region. The program also offers optional postgraduate internships, giving you the opportunity to build experience and connection overseas.

## Career opportunities

The Master of International Relations can complement a range of careers and professions for those looking to expand their options and develop a deeper understanding of international relations.

The program is designed for those looking to advance their careers in areas such as all levels of government, private sector corporations and small business, non-government organisations, the media, consultancy, the defence forces, foreign affairs departments, immigration departments, management consultants, multicultural associations, education, health, politics and research.

## Study when and where it suits you

You don't need to change your lifestyle to study at Deakin. Our dedicated online classroom lets you choose when and where you learn, so you can develop a study routine that works for you. Learn via our premium interactive platform, connect with teachers and students in a few clicks and access Australia's highest rated tech support<sup>#</sup>.

## Scholarships for all types of students

Deakin's extensive range of scholarships can make postgraduate study more accessible for you, no matter your background or interest area. Deakin offers more than 20 postgraduate scholarships recognising and rewarding you for your achievements. We also offer other ways to make postgraduate study more accessible, such as allowing you to defer payment so you can focus on your studies.

Find out more at [deakin.edu.au/scholarships](https://deakin.edu.au/scholarships)

## Course discounts

### Deakin's 10% postgraduate bursary

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Find out more at [deakin.edu.au/alumni-discount](https://deakin.edu.au/alumni-discount)

## Entry requirements

Admission to study postgraduate coursework at Deakin is based on recognition of your professional experience and previous qualifications. Check the entry requirements for each course at [deakin.edu.au/internationalrelations](https://deakin.edu.au/internationalrelations)

If you don't meet the minimum admission criteria for this masters degree, we offer a guaranteed pathway via the Graduate Certificate of International Relations.

<sup>1</sup> Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU) 2020.

<sup>2</sup> 2019 Student Experience Survey, based on undergraduate students

<sup>3</sup> Graduate Outcomes Survey (GOS), Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT) 2020

<sup>#</sup> According to the Voice Project IT Service Quality Support Benchmark Survey

<sup>^</sup> 2022 indicative fee rates and covers, depending on qualification, of up to and including one year full-time study for domestic students. Fee rates may be subject to change.

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'The opportunity to participate in an international conference as a masters student is very rare and definitely a career high point for me as a researcher. I gained a great deal of confidence and motivation from the tremendous support I received from my lecturers and from the experience of presenting to an international audience.'

**Ravi Bajpai**

Master of Arts (International Relations)\* graduate and current doctoral candidate

*\*now Master of International Relations*

## Course structure^

### Graduate Certificate of International Relations - 4 credit points

2 core units	
AIR742 International Relations Theory AIR747 Contemporary International Politics	
2 course electives from list	
AIR701 China and the World	AIR726 Human Rights in World Politics
AIR712 Australian Foreign Policy	AIR728 Global Political Economy
AIR720 Transnational Activism and Policy	

### Master of International Relations - 8 credit points

Students can choose either option 1 , 2 or 3:		
Option 1: research paper	Option 2: minor thesis (PhD pathway)	Option 3: major thesis (PhD pathway)
Core units (3 credit points):		
AIR707 The United Nations and International Organisation AIR748 Security and Strategy AIX706 Research Design		
Research units (1 credit point)	Research units (2 credit points)	Research units (4 credit points)
AIX701 Research Paper	AIX704 Minor Thesis A AIX705 Minor Thesis B	AIX702 Major Thesis A (2 credit points) AIX703 Major Thesis B (2 credit points)
4 credit points of electives from below	3 credit points of electives from below	1 credit point from below
AIR712 Australian Foreign Policy	AIR717 International Conflict Analysis	AIR701 China and the World
AIR720 Transnational Activism and Policy	AIR726 Human Rights in World Politics	AIR728 Global Political Economy
AIR729 Human Security in Global Politics	AIR732 Terrorism in International Politics	AIR753 Regionalism in International Politics
AIR790 International Relations Internship		

^Students must also complete AAI018 Academic Integrity (0-credit-point compulsory unit).

## Recognition of prior learning

You may be able to reduce your overall study time and tuition cost by getting your work and previous study experience recognised as recognition of prior learning (RPL). RPL, formerly known as advanced standing or credit transfer, includes formal learning (accredited qualifications) and informal learning (non-accredited learning or work experience).

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## Applying to Deakin

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