
Unlock tomorrow's careers today

Returning to postgrad study?
Here's what you need to know



Introduction

In a rapidly changing world, RMIT's postgraduate programs equip graduates with the professional and technical skills needed not only to futureproof their career, but to lead the innovation that shapes the future.

This guide provides useful information to assist you with information about studying a postgraduate qualification. Inside, you'll find information on the following:

- What is Postgrad study? Plus tips on how to futureproof your career.
- Answers to frequently asked questions.
- Our top seven tips for balancing work, life and study.
- Student experiences.
- Advice on study, support and services to help you maintain your momentum while studying.

We hope you find it helpful.

Sincerely,

RMIT

The RMIT team



If you're interested in a particular career, get in touch with someone. Be part of a networking event and start talking to these professionals. Prepare yourself and ask what tips they can give you.



Jo Zimpel
Master of Analytics

[Read Jo's story](#)

What is Postgrad?

Pursuing a postgraduate degree is often the smartest career move you can make.

It can be competitive out there, but whether you are thinking of a career change or the next step up at work, there has never been a better time to take the lead. Studies have shown that those completing postgraduate study are more likely to find their desired job and earn more money than those with a bachelor degree or no degree.

The Graduate Outcomes Survey National Report – based on an Australian Graduate Survey of graduates from tertiary education institutions across Australia – shows that people with postgraduate qualifications are more likely to find full-time work after graduating than those with bachelor degrees.

Statistics in the report show 81.3 per cent of postgraduates found full-time employment within four months after completing their course, compared to 67.1 per cent of undergraduates. Postgraduate qualifications also bring higher salaries, with the report showing the median salary for all postgraduates was \$90,000 – compared to \$70,000 for bachelor degree graduates.

Postgraduate study also allows you to specialise in the areas that most interest you. This can help you augment your existing skills or find a new career that closely aligns with your passions and career goals.

Postgrad qualifications

Graduate certificates and diplomas

A graduate certificate or diploma is completed after studying a bachelor or associate degree and can help you build on the knowledge gained during your undergraduate course. It can also give you extra vocational skills to broaden your employment options. A graduate certificate usually takes six months to one year of full-time study, and diplomas between one to two years.

Masters by coursework

A masters by coursework extends your knowledge to an advanced level and prepares you for professional practice, career advancement or further study.

A masters degree usually takes one and a half to two years of full-time study, with the Juris Doctor usually taking three years of full-time study.

Masters by Research

A masters by research program allows you to pursue your own theories and ideas and contribute to research in your field. These programs usually take two years of full-time study to complete, and can provide a pathway to a PhD.

Srivaths Parayi
Master of Project
Management

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Ten or 15 years ago, project management was never a specific thing. Now today, it's big in the market. Project management is something that industries need. I'm really happy with the course that I've done because it's also accredited with the Project Management Institute, which is valid across different nations.



Undertaking further study can be challenging and requires dedication and commitment, but I would advise future postgraduate students to really embrace the opportunity wholeheartedly and make the most of all the experiences on offer. Postgraduate study was such a valuable experience for me, and one that allowed me to grow both personally and professionally.



Emma Cliffe
Master of International
Development

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How to futureproof your career

Technology has overwhelmingly changed our workforce, but for some it presents a serious threat to job security.

Major global shifts in economics, business and demographics are no longer on the horizon – they're here. According to the experts at the Committee for Economic Development of Australia, technology is expected to render up to 40 per cent of Australian jobs redundant by 2025, with further results from Deloitte's The Future of Work paper finding 47% per cent of employees believe their jobs will require new skill sets over the next decade.

What's more, over two thirds of Australians in the early stages of their careers already believe their jobs will not exist or will fundamentally change in that time, according to Deloitte.

Automation and digital disruption are sweeping through various industries to make them more efficient and cost-effective. This rapid pace of change demands an equally rapid rate of adaptability from today's workers.

Experienced or not, employed or not – futureproofing your career is essential.

Know yourself

People have very different styles and strengths, and different ways of processing things. Be authentic and play to your strengths.

Self-knowledge is incredibly important and will steer you towards your area of interest.

Never stop learning

Commit to continual upskilling to keep ahead of the pack. MOOCs (Massive Open Online Course) are short courses offered by universities around the world at a generally inexpensive cost. They are flexible and often informal learning pathways.

Know what employers want

Each year LinkedIn publishes a list of the skills most globally and nationally in demand. In 2019 customer success management, data science, full stack engineering, cybersecurity and digital experience design all made it into the top spots.

Be prepared to move sideways

If automation is creeping into your industry, you may need to step sideways or start something on the side. Freelancing is an option that 32 per cent of Australians have chosen. Whatever shape your transformation takes, focus on skills that can never be totally replaced by technology such as improving the consumer experience.

Be innovative

Thinking outside the square takes imagination and persistence. Feed your creative side by joining networks where ideas are inspired, fostered and realised. Find a group online or for something more social, look up your local coworking space for networking events.

Be resilient

There will be rejections, criticisms and failings, but don't get your head down. Change your mindset to focus on the positives. Identify your skillsets to help you find an organisation that aligns with your career goals.

7 Tips for balancing work, life and study

While university study is proven to have long-term payoffs in terms of career progression and earning potential, it's usually not the only thing going on in your life.

With that in mind, we've put together seven tips for ensuring you take the time to focus on your studies, without sacrificing other areas of your life:

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1. Communicate the benefits to those invested

Extra study is likely to benefit more than just you, suggests Professor Sara Charlesworth from RMIT's School of Management and Centre for People, Organisations and Work, and it's important to communicate what it means for everyone to make it easier.

'Sit down with your family or your manager. Tell them why returning to study is important to you and the difference it will make not only for you but also for them. You are going to need them on side during your studies as there will be ups and downs along the way,' she says.

2. Research institutions and courses

Consider the following questions when you start your research:

- Are you after flexible learning? Check whether your course offers distance or part-time.
- Where is the campus located and how will you get there? Think about where you want to study.
- Do you need [childcare services](#)?
- Is the cultural environment important to you? Check out the local cafes, restaurants and cultural offerings.

Have a question you can't easily find an answer to on an institution's website? Most universities and TAFEs have student advisors available who can help, like RMIT Connect.

[More information](#)

3. Plan your time

'The first thing to recognise is that some things are going to have to give way to fit your study ... If you're working full time, consider working part time. If this is not possible then enrol on a part-time basis.

'Plan for your study like you would any new endeavour. If it is one year, two years, three years – you need to make it become part of your everyday life,' says Professor Charlesworth.

4. Take advantage of online textbooks

Technology has brought about the end of the days when carrying around weighty text books in your bag is a necessity. Electronic readers allow you to have all your textbooks with you at all times, allowing you to dip in whenever you have a spare moment.

5. Get out of the house

It can be far too tempting to get distracted by all the chores that need to be done around the house when it's essay time. So leaving the house to find a place where you can focus can often help. Try the silent section of the library or if you don't mind a bit of background noise, try a café.

6. Be realistic with your expectations

'Be reasonable about what is doable in the time you have. Make sure you build in some down time ... life events have a habit of getting in the way of study, and that's OK,' Sara explains.

It's also important to keep communicating with your lecturers and teachers. They are aware of the challenges their students face and can give advice or assistance if you're struggling.

7. Don't sacrifice too much for your study

While you will have to make some sacrifices to fit study into your life, it's important not to sacrifice too much. Otherwise you'll resent your studies, which will start to affect other parts of your life.

So before you ask yourself how to make it happen, ask how much you want the end goal.

If your reason for studying is not compelling enough, then your ability to find balance will seem like a struggle. But if you have a compelling enough 'why', managing your priorities will still be a juggling act but ultimately you'll make it work.

A woman with red hair, wearing a blue floral cardigan and a green patterned skirt, stands in her art studio. She is holding a pair of glasses. The studio is filled with bookshelves, a wall of framed artwork, and a worktable with a green cutting mat. The background wall is covered with a grid of framed artwork, including various abstract and figurative pieces. The bookshelves are filled with books, some of which are art-related. The worktable in the foreground has a green cutting mat and various art supplies, including a pair of glasses, a bowl, and some papers.

The teachers have an incredible ability to reflect back and articulate what is happening in your work. Their depth of knowledge is so useful because they're able to question you in a really productive way, not in a way that undermines what you're doing, but that challenges you to know why you're doing what you're doing.

Hannah Bertram
Master of Fine Art

[Read Hannah's story](#)



Karen Seligman
Master of Information
Management

[Read Karen's story](#)

How I returned to study after having kids and made it work

Returning to uni after 20 years and finding a balance between study and parenting had its challenges, but Karen Seligman is confident her family benefited in the long run. Here are her four tips for balancing study and motherhood:

1. Be (very) organised

Read your course information, including assignment instructions, as soon as they are available. Use calendars or planners to work out how closely spaced assignments or exams will be, which is especially important if you are doing multiple assignment-based courses. Deadlines may be close together or even clash!

2. Make the most of your support mechanisms

This is not just about childcare or housework arrangements; RMIT offers support services through its Study and Learning Centre, and through its libraries. Brush up on study skills such as research, citation, academic writing or time management, especially if you haven't studied for a while.

3. Ask your lecturers, tutors and fellow students for support

Attend some face-to-face courses to get to know these people – it will make your studies more enjoyable as well as more productive! My lecturers and tutors at RMIT were great; they were very understanding about the demands of juggling family, work and study. They really helped me do my best work, by helping me clarify assignment topics, and even by granting me an extension when I had to care for sick children while completing my assignment.

4. Take advantage of any flexibility in your program structure

Don't overload yourself, complete your program more slowly if home or work-life becomes too busy. If you don't feel rushed, you will learn more deeply and also enjoy the learning process more.

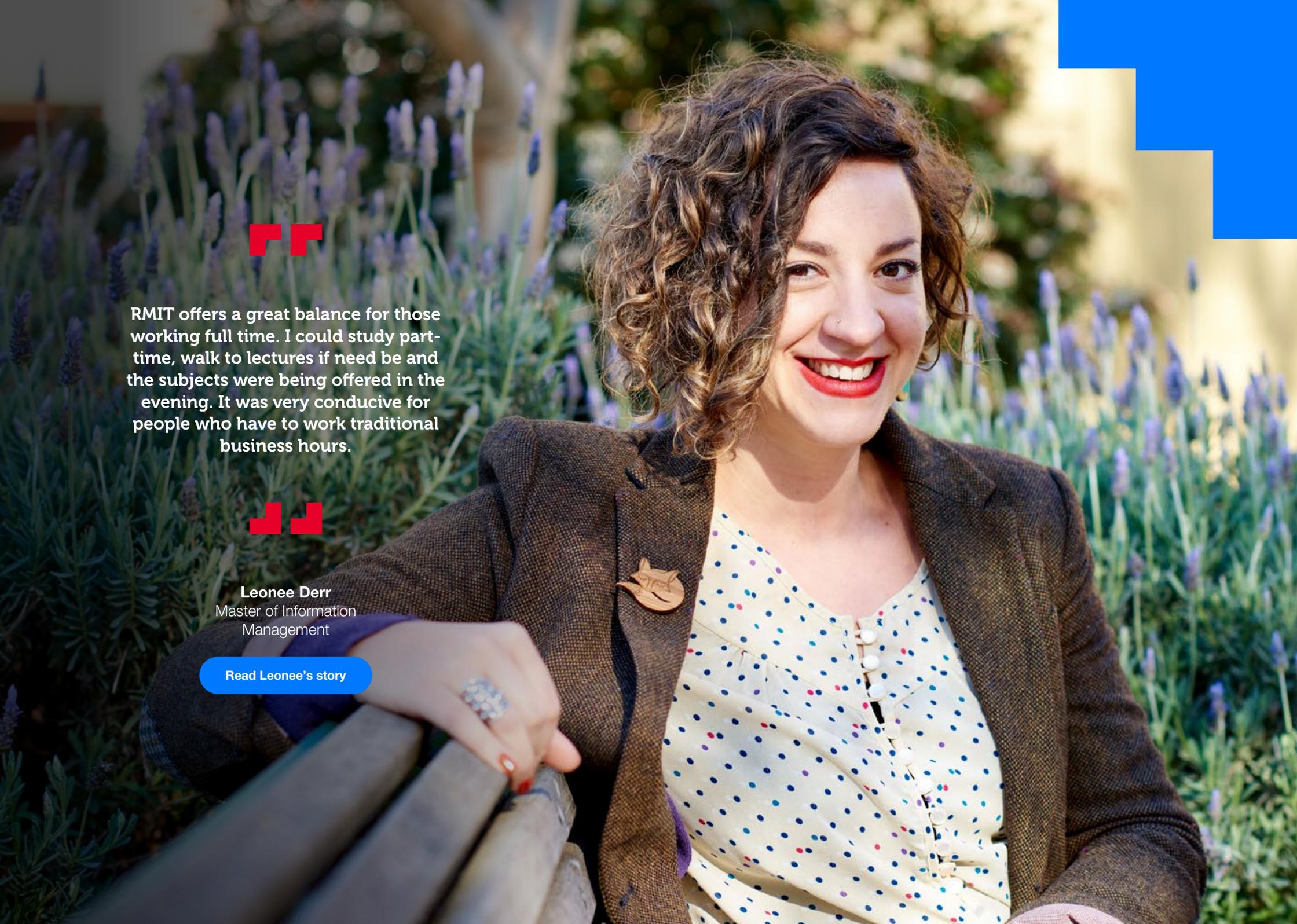


RMIT offers a great balance for those working full time. I could study part-time, walk to lectures if need be and the subjects were being offered in the evening. It was very conducive for people who have to work traditional business hours.



Leonee Derr
Master of Information
Management

[Read Leonee's story](#)



Thinking of studying engineering?

Engineering at RMIT: The options and rewards

RMIT engineering students can specialise in:

- aerospace engineering and aviation
- biomedical engineering
- chemical engineering
- civil engineering
- computer engineering
- electrical and electronic engineering
- engineering management
- environmental and sustainable engineering
- mechanical and automotive engineering
- mechatronics and manufacturing systems
- surveying and geospatial sciences
- telecommunications engineering

Ranging from Certificates, Diplomas, Bachelor through to Masters and PhD Research



Future employment trend

7,200

The number of new jobs in civil engineering construction expected by May 2023ⁱ



Australian average salary



of an engineerⁱⁱ



across all industriesⁱⁱ



AU\$ **60,000**

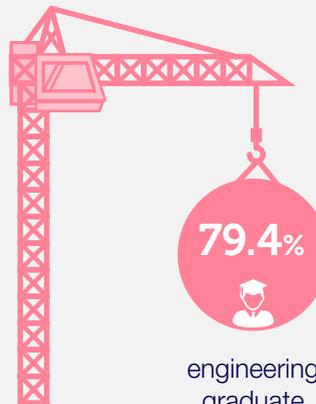
for an engineering graduateⁱⁱⁱ



AU\$ **130,325**

for an engineering manager^{iv}

Graduate outcome



79.4%
engineering graduate

Undergraduates with full-time employment months after completing their studies.^v



71.8%

all graduates

World university rankings

RMIT rankings are ...



Top 100

Civil and Structural Engineering, Electrical and Electronic^{vi}



Top 150

Chemical, Mechanical, Aeronautical and Manufacturing^{vi}

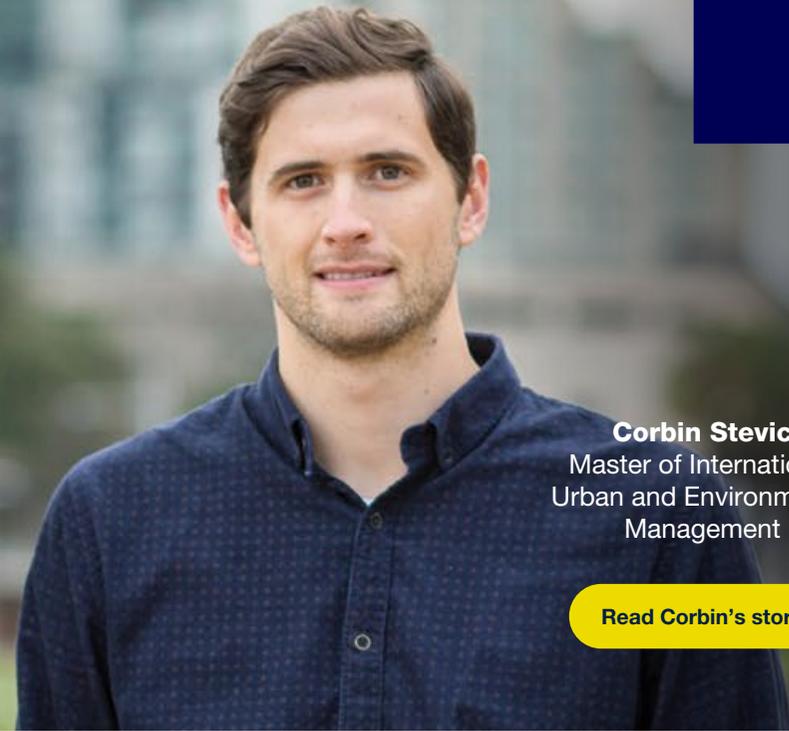
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ⁱ Employment Projections – joboutlook.gov.au/occupation.aspx?code=2332 | ⁱⁱ seek.com.au/career-advice/booming-industries-engineering | ⁱⁱⁱ bit.ly/graduate-salaries-report | ^{iv} bit.ly/management-salary-benchmarking | ^v QILT 2017 Graduate Outcomes Survey – bit.ly/graduate-outcomes-survey | ^{vi} QS World University Rankings – bit.ly/qs-uni-rankings



I participated in a study tour to Bogota, Colombia with students from Australia, Mexico, Sweden and Colombia. We worked with disadvantaged communities to develop and produce an urban renewal project.

The course has taught me to be analytical and strategic in my thinking, and also developed my skills in research, statutory and strategic planning, environmental management, project planning and methods of public participation.



Corbin Stevic
Master of International
Urban and Environmental
Management

[Read Corbin's story](#)

When skills go global

RMIT has global work, exchange and study experiences to suit every student at every stage of study and life, from a two week study tour to Germany to three months volunteering in Indonesia or a semester at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago.

Study Tour

RMIT offers study tours and short-term programs to stimulating destinations all over the world during summer and winter semester breaks.

Destinations include Asia, Europe and North America, depending on your interests and participating partner universities. Short-term programs are usually offered in the Australian summer and winter breaks and are two to four weeks long.

Global intensives run for two to four weeks and give you a chance to experience other cultures and business environments. Our schools and colleges also organise a number of global intensives each year.

Global intensives combine face-to-face learning, guest talks, site visits and cultural experiences, providing you first-hand insight into industry practices, business operations and culture of your host country.

Project Work

Spend your summer in Indonesia working on fashion logistics problems or in San Francisco meeting start-up founders, or head to Singapore during your winter break to learn about entrepreneurship in Asia.

Every year more than 2,000 RMIT students travel overseas for a global experience. Study for one or two semesters with one of our 200+ international exchange partners. With exchange programs, you can have the international experience of a lifetime - without putting your studies on hold.

A global internship is any sort of international work-based experience undertaken as part of your RMIT program; clinical placements, vocational training, traineeships, charity or NGO volunteering, work integrated learning, internships, work experience and research projects.

Global Competition

Winning a graduate business competition in Canada was an unexpected triumph for business students Anna Maclean and Helen Hancock. Anna, Helen and fellow students Mark Wright and Regev Bar didn't know each other very well before they were selected to compete in the International Graduate Competition.

The International Graduate Competition sees teams of students from universities around the globe striving to work through four business cases in just 48 hours. In the high-pressure contest students must analyse each case and prepare a written report as well as an oral presentation.

The RMIT team spent three months preparing for the competition by working with cases from previous years and learning about each other's strengths and weaknesses. "I think the pre-work that we had done to build our team relationship was one of the key things that helped us cross the line to win," Anna said.

Our postgrad students at a glance

With over 90 postgraduate degrees to choose from, RMIT has helped hundreds of thousands of students to think forward, gain an edge and take control of their future. This is what we look like:

Sources:

¹ 2019 QS World University Rankings

² 2018 QS Graduate Employability Rankings

³ 2019 QS World University Rankings by Subject

⁴ 2019 QS Top 50 Under 50 index

⁵ CEO Magazine



Attendance Mode

Full-time	Part-time
68%	32%



Gender

Female	Male	Other
51.7%	48.2%	0.11%



Age group

Young people (15-19)	Mature Age (25-44)
0.06%	51.41%
Aged (20-24)	Mature Age (45+)
41.9%	6.61%



Residence

Domestic	International Students Studying outside of Australia
43.54%	
International Students Studying in Australia	Online and Distance
43.3%	11.05%
	2.11%



Top 100

Universities in the world for:

- Communication & Media Studies
- Computer Science & Information Systems
- Development Studies
- Education
- Engineering (Civil & Structural)
- Engineering (Electrical & Electronic)



Top 150

Universities in the world for:

- Accounting & Finance
- Business & Management Studies
- Engineering (Chemical)
- Engineering (Mechanical, Aeronautical and Manufacturing)
- Geography
- Social Sciences & Management 3



5-Star QS ranking for excellence in higher education



Rankings

No.21

in the world and #5 in Australia for universities less than 50 years old⁴

15th

highest ranked university in Australia and 250th in the world¹

40th

in the world for the international profile of academic staff¹

No. 2

in Australia, #15 in the world and #6 Asia-Pacific region for graduate employment rate³

No. 1

in Australia for Art and Design and #11 in the world³

No. 4

in Australia for Architecture and #26 in the world³

No. 1

in Australia and #25 in the world for Library and Information Management³

No. 19

in the world in the Business of Fashion's 2017 Global Fashion School Rankings and 9th in the BoF's Top 10 Global Graduate Fashion Business Courses

No. 97

in the world and #13 in the Asia-Pacific region in the 2018 QS Global Executive MBA rankings, and ranked in the world's top 151–200 in the 2018 QS Full-Time MBA

No. 33

in the Global Executive MBA Rankings and 19th globally for the Executive MBA program in the 2018 Global MBA Rankings⁵



Top 5

Fields of Study (postgraduate)

- Education and Teaching
- Business
- International and Community Services
- Art, Design and Architecture
- Building, Construction and Planning

Ready for life and work

RMIT is serious about getting you ready for what comes after you complete your postgrad study.

To help you get prepared each step of the way, a number of programs have been developed.

Job Shop

RMIT's Job Shop is your drop-in service centre for all things career-related. You can visit the Job Shop for help with your career search, to attend career workshops and networking events, and to explore casual, part-time and volunteer work opportunities that could help you land your dream job.

For more information, visit [Job Shop](#).

Career Health Check

Our friendly career advisors will meet you face-to-face and provide advice to help improve your job-specific resume, cover letter writing skills, key selection criteria responses, interview performance, job searching tactics and more.

For more information, visit [Career Health Check](#).

Industry Mentoring

Network and learn from a professional already working in your chosen field, the experience can help you with strategies and tips to get your career successfully underway.

For more information, visit [Industry Mentoring](#).

RMIT Creds

RMIT Creds is a suite of digital credentials co-designed with industry to help you develop the skills and experiences you

need in future work and life. You can choose your learning path to create your own portfolio of professional and personal skills and capabilities, and earn digital badges which can be shared on social media.

For more information, visit [RMIT Creds](#).

Global Study and Work

A transformative global experience can be part of your RMIT journey. You could enjoy a two week study tour to Germany, three months volunteering in Indonesia or a semester at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago.

For more information, visit [Global Study and Work](#).

RMIT Activator

With over 50 different experiences for you to choose from, RMIT Activator is a unique platform designed to connect you with everything you need to think, create and innovate like an entrepreneur.

For more information, visit [RMIT Activator](#).

RMIT Enterprise and Business Creation Centre

Learn from innovative world leaders in your chosen field and gain connections and skills to help you find the right job when you graduate.

For more information, visit [RMIT Enterprise and Business Creation Centre](#).

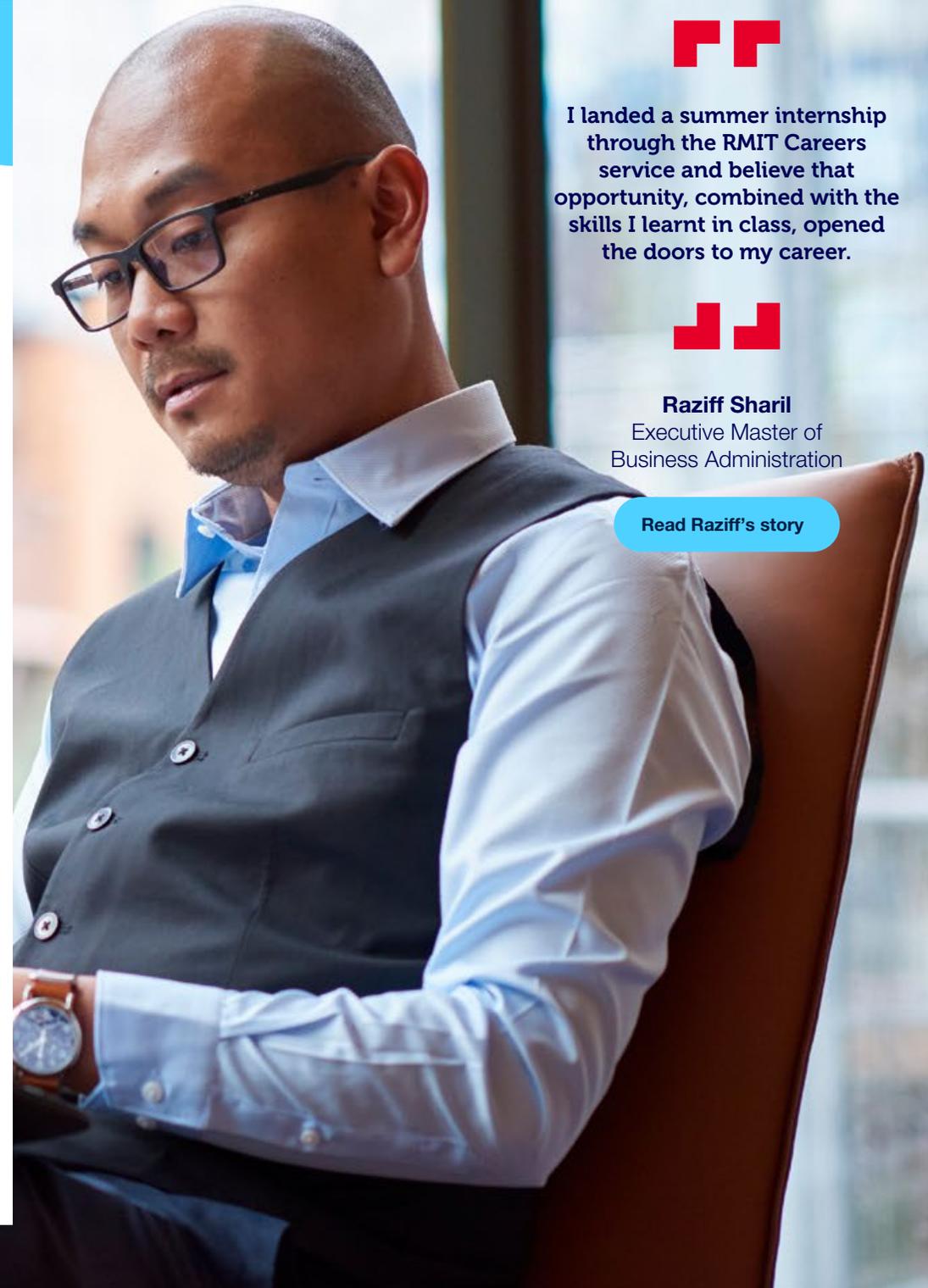


I landed a summer internship through the RMIT Careers service and believe that opportunity, combined with the skills I learnt in class, opened the doors to my career.



Raziff Sharil
Executive Master of
Business Administration

[Read Raziff's story](#)





I've really enjoyed the opportunity to learn in a specialised field. I felt relaxed and supported throughout the course, because our educators were very understanding of our needs. I'm now working as a mental health nurse and being able to work with, and support someone, on their recovery journey is very rewarding to me.



Susan Hua
Graduate Diploma of
Mental Health Nursing

[Read Susan's story](#)

Why students choose RMIT

At RMIT you'll experience an education that prepares you for success, encourages you to think differently and equips you with the skills and knowledge to excel in your chosen career.

Future ready

RMIT students are equipped with world class technical skills as well as an in-depth understanding of current industry practices.

Industry connected

RMIT courses are co-designed with industry leaders to ensure you get the practical skills you need to succeed in the workplace and benefit from a curriculum influenced by the latest industry trends.

Global opportunities

RMIT is one of Australia's leading universities for international exchange.

We let you make your mark on the world through a unique study experience tailor-made for you.

Expertise in teaching

Learn from teachers and lecturers who apply their research discoveries and specialist expertise directly to your course.



I saw the MBA as a chance to gain a greater understanding of business capabilities, and also to pivot my career to enable new opportunities and drive change as I continued to develop.

You spend a lot of time examining the way businesses operate, and inevitably you harness those skills and work with organisations from a range of industries to improve their processes and performance.



Charlie Robinson
Master of Business
Administration





I'd researched every course and I thought I was going to just do a short course. But I had a client who said something to me that kind of stuck. No-one's going to invest in you if you don't invest in yourself'. So I realised it was a good idea to give myself the time and space to deeply interrogate the idea, the time to work on myself.



Georgina Lewis
Master of Design
Futures





After completing my Bachelor of Technology (Computer Science) in India, I decided to study a Master of Information Technology at RMIT. I wanted to gain a deeper knowledge of what I already knew and I also wanted to learn new skills.

There are lots of interesting things happening in the world of technology and it has become a critical to understand how technology works. RMIT has an international reputation for Computer Science and IT education and has strong links with industry with many organisations looking to hire graduates from RMIT.



The Power of Change

Making new changes and resolutions is the only way to be ready for a future where new and radical technologies are transforming the way we work.

The power of making a change can affect us not only as individuals, but also as a collective. A decision to upskill could bolster the cause for more women in STEM professions, fuel the nation's drive for more men in teaching or fill critical shortages in engineering.

The wider benefits of change are especially pronounced for those who switch career directions, said Leo Grogan, careers consultant from RMIT Careers and Employability.

"Often employers are looking for people with skills and interests and accomplishments from other fields and they're bringing not only energy, but new ways of looking at things and doing things," he said.

"If you've got someone who can bring their renewed energy and ideas and experiences from different settings, it's not only going to benefit them, but also the team they're joining."



Kunal Hemraiani

Master of Information
Technology

[Read Kunal's story](#)

Frequently asked questions

What are programs and courses?

At RMIT, we refer to a program as the qualification. For example, MC197 Master of Marketing.

Courses are subjects in a program. For example, MKTG1100 Marketing Management is a course in the Master of Marketing program.

[More information](#)

What are the entrance requirements?

Check the program page of the RMIT website as all programs differ.

The program pages will also outline any additional requirements you might need for your application and the due dates.

Can I study online?

Many of our postgraduate programs are offered online via RMIT Online and Open University (OUA). Application dates for online study are different as intake dates/semesters are not the same as on campus study. You will need to apply via RMIT Online or OUA.

[RMIT online](#)

[RMIT via OUA](#)

What is the difference between full-time and part-time study?

Full-time and part-time study refers to how many courses you will complete in a semester. For a postgraduate program, you will tend to do four (or sometimes three) courses per semester. Part-time refers to two or less courses per semester.

Full-time study for University is generally three to four days per week, and may include 12-16 hours of classes weekly (four courses per semester). Part-time is roughly half this time.

Can I view timetables?

To help you plan your schedule and see if you can fit everything in, you may view class timetables [online](#).

You can search for class timetables by course code.

Finding course codes: Go to [program page](#) > click on Program details > click on View plan (under program plans)

What fees do I pay?

The majority of postgrad places are full fee, known as AFP (Australian Fee Paying). Some programs have limited CSP (Commonwealth Supported Places) intakes and you can find this on each program page. Each program page will also provide an indicative annual tuition fee. Note that CSP's are generally given out based on academic merit and are highly competitive.

You might find this infographic, which explains the difference between AFP and CSP, helpful.

[More information](#)

What is FEE-HELP and can I access it?

FEE-HELP is a loan for eligible full-fee paying students which covers up to 100% of tuition fees.

Australian citizens can defer their payment through FEE-HELP. Permanent humanitarian visa holders and some New Zealand citizens are also eligible. This is subject to change.

[More information](#)

Are scholarships available?

You may be eligible to apply for scholarships to help fund your study. RMIT Scholarships lists scholarships by interest area, eligibility criteria or program.

It is advised that you get in contact with our Scholarships team directly.

Tel: +61 3 9925 2811



[Email](#)



[Website](#)

When do you apply?

RMIT has closing dates for applications but it is well worth looking at anytime to see if places are still available. Generally there are two intakes per year. Semester 1 starts in late February or early March and Semester 2 starts in July. If you go to the program page of the RMIT website and click "apply", that will tell you if there are places still available.

[More information](#)

Can I get credit for prior study?

If you have completed previous learning or have work experience, you may be eligible to apply for credit. If successful, it will shorten the length of study time and amount you will pay for your program. Application for credit is currently only available to RMIT students. Applications for credit can be made once you have accepted your offer and enrolled in courses.

[More information](#)

What student support services are available to me?

We will support you during every step of your RMIT journey. Some of our support services include:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student support
- Careers advice
- Chaplaincy
- Counselling
- Disability support
- Legal advice
- Study help

[More information](#)



Without the right qualifications, it is difficult to simply transition into a different field of engineering.

After some research I discovered that a postgraduate qualification will provide the skills I need to get into sustainable engineering.



Steven Kennedy
Master of Engineering
(Sustainable Energy)

[Read Steven's story](#)

Ready to make it happen? Here are some Alumni Tips on how.

With over 90 postgraduate degrees to choose from, RMIT has helped hundreds of thousands of students to forward think and take control of their future. Here are seven tips on how to gain that edge.

Start out slow and then build up

"I tested the water with one subject initially, just to see if I liked the program and to determine if I could realistically fit the new study regime around work and other commitments. Once I knew I wanted to go all the way and get my MBA, I then jumped to two subjects at a time."

Mark Buzza
Executive Master of
Business Administration

Global Director of Biomedical Research
Programs at the Movember Foundation

Treat it like an investment

"It's not just study - it's study at a masters level, so there's a lot more expected of you. The way you approach it is a bit like managing a project that goes for three years. It has a start and a finish, there's a bit of budget and you need to allocate your time and resources to that."

David Mejia-Canales
Juris Doctor graduate

Advisor for the Victorian Government.

Talk to your employer

My advice to prospective students is to talk to your employer and educators, as you will need support in maintaining a healthy work life balance while studying. There is a lot of support available!

Susan Hua
Graduate Diploma in
Mental Health Nursing

Ask questions

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Hannah Bertram
Master of Fine Art

Network and get involved

If you're interested in a particular career, get in touch with someone. Be part of a networking event and start talking to these professionals. Prepare yourself and ask what tips they can give you. The eight-day Activator bootcamp was inspirational, it set me alight".

Jo Zimpel
Master of Analytics

Seek out mentors

RMIT lecturers are friendly, accessible and helpful. They also recognise the cultural diversity of students. I participated in the Careers Mentoring program and had a mentor who is a lecturer at RMIT. He is very helpful and an important part of my life in Australia. He still gives me guidance about career path and opportunities. I also participated in the Student Ambassadors program.

Temitope Adebowale
Master of Engineering
(Environmental Engineering)

Reward yourself

After the hard work is done, make sure you schedule in some well-earned relaxation time. Recharging the batteries can be as critical to your success as an all-night study session.

For me, relaxation is time with the kids or a TV series binge session. Celebrate the small victories along the way.

Tyson Brown
Juris Doctor

Interested in applying?

Studying a postgrad qualification can be a big decision to make, but also a worthwhile one.

If you're ready to take the next step, jump onto our RMIT website and browse over 90 postgraduate course offerings.

You can apply online via the individual course sections. Alternatively, if you're not sure which course is for you, contact our staff at RMIT Info Corner who can help you with any questions about studying at RMIT.

Need more information?

Get in touch with Info Corner if you have any questions about studying at RMIT

Local student enquiries

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Visit us

Speak to a member of the RMIT team in person by visiting us at Info Corner, located diagonally across from Melbourne Central at the corner of Swanston and La Trobe streets.

Make note of these important dates

Semester 1 2020

RMIT reopens

2 January

Orientation

24 - 28 February

Classes

2 March - 31 May

Mid-semester break

9 - 15 April

Exams

9 - 26 June

Semester 2 2020

Classes

20 July - 18 October

Mid-semester break

31 August - 6 September

Exams

28 October -
15 November

Taking the next steps

RMIT is serious about getting you ready for what comes after university. To do that, a number of programs have been developed to help you maintain your momentum while studying.

There's more to life than lectures

As an RMIT student you'll find there are so many ways to make the most of your uni days. Whether it's joining a sporting team or social club, starting a band or taking a ski trip, there really is something for everyone.

Arts and culture

You don't have to be an arts student to take part in RMIT's writing, dance, design, film, and visual and performing arts programs.

Clubs and societies

If you're after a chance to meet new people and gain new skills, join one of the 135 student-run clubs and societies.

Sports and fitness

What's life with all study and no play? Whether it's sporting, personal training or a cheeky game of badminton – check out the vast array of sport and fitness options at RMIT.

Be supported while you study

Resources for Postgraduate students

Don't fear if you need to sharpen up your writing and research skills! RMIT offers free resources for postgraduate students to point you in the right direction.

Equitable Learning Services (ELS)

RMIT provides support and equal opportunities for students with a disability, long-term illness and/or mental health condition as well as primary carers of individuals with a disability.

Global study and work

You can study, work or travel overseas as part of your RMIT course. RMIT has global work, exchange and study experiences to suit you at every stage of study and life.

Computer access

Take advantage of our student computer labs some of which are open 24/7. Or if you'd prefer to use your own laptop, tablet or smartphone, you can connect to our wireless network on any RMIT Campus.

Study and Learning Centre

Receive free study and learning advice whilst studying at RMIT. Build your academic skills in a friendly environment and improve your general academic, writing, maths, statistics, physics and chemistry skills with experienced learning advisors.

Student support

Make the most of RMIT with our free student services. Achieve your study goals, stay happy and healthy, and know there is support and assistance when you need it.

Child Care

RMIT City Campus Children's Centre provides long day care to support you and your little ones during your studies.

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For the most up-to-date information, please refer to the RMIT University website before lodging your application. Visit www.rmit.edu.au.

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