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SOLUTIONS TO
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OF BUILT
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ENVIRONMENTS
‘For me, starting in RMIT’s building design (TAFE) program was a great way to get a feel for the industry. What I learnt at TAFE has enabled me to work in the industry while I continue my studies in the Bachelor of Architectural Design.’

Christy Bryan (cover image)
Bachelor of Architectural Design

RMIT has an international reputation for design excellence: you will be studying with a global leader in architecture and building.

RMIT’s industry-designed and accredited programs are led by high-profile alumni recognised as innovators and agents of change.

Graduates are equipped with the skills and confidence that underpin leadership in the fields of:

» architecture
» construction management and building
» interior design
» landscape architecture/urban design
» project management
» property and valuation.

RMIT students and graduates perform exceptionally well in the:

» RAIA Architecture Awards
» AA Unbuilt Architecture Awards
» Victoria State Premier’s Design Awards

and various international design competitions.

Will you be one of them?

‘I chose RMIT for a few key reasons: It is actively engaged in the development of new, challenging and provocative architecture which isn’t focused on pleasing people, but is interested in stimulating discussion within the varied cultural circles of Melbourne (and Australia).’

JONATHAN WARE
BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN

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ARCHITECTURE

BP250  Bachelor of Architectural Design
Duration:  FT3—V X
2011 ATAR:  RC
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp250

RMIT Architecture has an international reputation for design excellence. RMIT leads the way both in Australia and overseas by producing graduates that are design innovators.

RMIT Architecture is primarily focused on design. The program helps you to develop an understanding of architecture, while providing you with a diverse set of skills and learning experiences. The Bachelor of Architectural Design is the first step on the path to becoming a design architect. You will focus on learning the core skills of an architect and architectural designer and intensively develop a broad grounding in design and communication skills.

RMIT students continue to achieve at the highest levels and are acknowledged by the architectural profession both nationally and internationally. RMIT Architecture students recently won the Cumulus Green Award in Shanghai and the Architecture Australia (AA) Unbuilt Architecture Award.

Working with industry

RMIT Architecture is well known for its strong, long standing links with industry. You will have the option of selecting from numerous design studios each semester that are run by leading practitioners. In the design studio context you will also have the opportunity to work on real world projects with a host of community and industry partners both locally and with studios internationally. In addition there are often many guest lectures by leading local and international architects.

What you will study

Design studio typically makes up half the program each semester and is taught in small groups. You will focus on a particular project and theme each semester. After the first semester, you will be able to select which design studio you wish to follow from approximately 20 on offer.

Supporting courses such as technology, communication and history comprise the remainder of your program and give you an understanding of the social and physical contexts of the built environment, as well as teaching you drawing skills.

You will complete a design studio each semester during the course of your studies. In your first semester, you will complete a structured, foundational design and communications course. Subsequent semesters include four lower pool design studios. In the final semester of study, you will move into upper pool and complete an upper pool design studio working with Master of Architecture students. Study in the master degree consists of three additional upper pool design studios and supporting subjects such as professional practice and general elective subjects.

Lower and upper pool studios are vertically integrated, i.e., grouped with students from various year levels.

Career outlook

Graduates will be employed by architecture, design and building practices in the private and public domain. In small to medium-sized practices, graduates will be engaged in a broad range of practice activities, from design to project management. Large architectural firms often encompass a number of disciplines and have offices or projects occurring overseas.

Professional recognition

Graduates may be employed in an architectural practice or a related design field with the Bachelor of Architectural Design, but need to complete the Master of Architecture in order to be professionally recognised as an architect. Completion of the Master of Architecture will allow you, following two years professional experience, to sit the Architects Registration Board examination and register as an architect in Australia.

Global connections

Architecture has a huge range of international exchange agreements with universities in USA, Europe and Asia. You will also have the opportunity to choose design studios that travel overseas to work with students from international universities. For example, in 2010, a group of students exhibited their work at the 12th Venice International Architecture Biennale following a four-week intensive design studio with the iconic Italian design company Alessi. Another group of students completed a design studio in China working with students from local universities as well as students from Japan and France.

Prerequisite

Units 3 and 4—a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or at least 25 in any other English.

Extra requirements

All applicants are required to submit a pre-selection kit.

Applicants who have completed at least one year of tertiary study in architecture, interior design, industrial design or landscape architecture or completed an Advanced Diploma of Building Design (Architectural), Diploma of Drafting/Building Design will be considered advanced level applicants.

Shortlisted applicants may be required to attend an interview.

Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

Pathway

RMIT graduates of the following program may be eligible to apply for exemptions of up to one-and-a-half years (three semesters):

» Advanced Diploma of Building Design (Architectural)

A grade point average (GPA) of 4 (80—100—HD) or greater achieved in final year will guarantee a place in the Bachelor of Architectural Design, while those students with a GPA of less than 4 will be granted an interview.

The Bachelor of Architectural Design provides a pathway into the Master of Architecture, and is also portable into professional programs in architecture with a similar structure agreement.

A grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or greater will guarantee a place in the Master of Architecture, while those students with a GPA of less than 2.5 may apply for a place in the Master of Architecture.

You may also be interested in...

» Building and construction (page 4)
» Building design (architectural) (page 3)
» Industrial design (see the art and design brochure)
» Interior design (page 8)
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» Landscape architecture (design) (page 9)
BUILT DESIGN

C6097 Advanced Diploma of Building Design (Architectural)

Duration: FT2.5—•

2011 ATAR: 67.85

www.rmit.edu.au/programs/c6097

CITY CAMPUS

Inspired by design? Want to shape a better world?

In the building design program you will focus on the design, presentation and documentation processes for building projects that are responsive to the site, user needs and the environment.

The program is hands-on in nature and develops your skill sets through a variety of learning experiences that directly relate to the practices of building design professionals.

Skills are developed enabling you to communicate and work effectively with regulators, authorities and the wide range of consultants associated with the design, construction and servicing of buildings.

As a building designer you can make a significant contribution toward the improvement and future of the built environment through design solutions that are inclusive of both traditional and emerging community needs.

Working with industry

The program is hands-on with a focus on developing your knowledge and skills as a building designer. You will study in purpose-designed facilities to support your learning and skill development.

You will undertake project-based learning in supervised studios. Site excursions complement and give context to classroom-based learning.

The program has strong industry connections and is supported by the Building Designers Association of Victoria (BDAV) through student membership, scholarships, design competition and awards.

What you will study

You will develop knowledge and skills in the areas of building design, digital presentation and documentation for buildings using a range of software platforms. Your studies will also focus on construction processes, environmental sustainability, materials technology and building services, together with the associated planning and building regulations codes and standards.

A significant part of the program and method of delivery is studio-based and centred around projects designed to integrate across units of study within the program.

During the 2.5 years of study you will build a broad knowledge of residential, commercial and complex building types.

Career outlook

You will have a range of potential employment opportunities. Graduates are placed in architectural practices, building, and building design offices.

Graduates seeking to register as a building practitioner and practice as a sole practitioner must satisfy the requirements set out in the Building Amendment Regulations 2009 to register in the category Building Design DP-AD (Architectural). Eligible graduates of an advanced diploma in building design from a course accredited under the Education and Training Reform Act 2006 must complete one year practical experience supervised by a registered architect, builder, or building designer to the satisfaction of the Building Practitioners Board.

Professional recognition

The program is a state accredited and nationally-recognised qualification that enables graduate building designers to work for registered building practitioners, architects and other design professionals in related industries.

The Building Practitioners Board has indicated that the Advanced Diploma of Building Design (Architectural) is the new qualification for the purpose of registration to practice as a building designer in the state of Victoria.

Global connections

You are encouraged to participate in study tours and international competitions at various stages of the program.

Prerequisite

There are no prerequisite studies.

Extra requirements

Non-Year 12 applicants must complete and submit a supplementary information form available online at www.rmit.edu.au/programs/apply/forms/vtac.

Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

RYAN BEADLE

Advanced Diploma of Building Design (Architectural)

‘I chose Building Design at RMIT because it’s the most established building design course in Victoria. It has a great mentor program set up with the Building Designers Association of Victoria and the facilities are second to none.’

Pathway

Eligible graduates may apply for exemptions of up to one-and-a-half years (three semesters from the following degree:

» Bachelor of Architectural Design

A grade point average (GPA) of 4 (80–100—HD) or greater achieved in final year will guarantee a place in the Bachelor of Architectural Design, while those students with a GPA of less than four will be granted an interview by RMIT’s School of Architecture and Design.

Eligible graduates may apply for exemptions of up to one year from the following degrees:

» Bachelor of Applied Science (Construction Management)

» Bachelor of Design (Interior Design)

» Bachelor of Applied Science (Project Management)

» Bachelor of Applied Science (Property)

» Bachelor of Applied Science (Valuation)

You may also be interested in...

» Building and construction (page 4)

» Communication design (see the art and design brochure)

» Landscape architecture (design) (page 9)

» Surveying (see the engineering brochure)
Building and Construction is the study of principles, techniques and regulations involved in the building and construction industry for all types of medium-rise and wide-span buildings. This includes buildings up to 25 metres in height.

The diploma is practical and includes a component of hands-on work. Project-based learning allows you to experience many aspects of building projects and how they relate to each other.

Working with industry
The emphasis of learning is based around a series of projects, either actual or simulated. A number of subjects include site visitation, actual field exercises and workshops. Graduates who find employment within their industry may be able to further their studies with a customised training plan (work-integrated learning).

What you will study
You will learn about all aspects of the building industry, including project planning and management, project estimating, materials use, structural properties, occupational health and safety requirements, cost control and office management/administration. Sustainable construction methods are also covered.

You will participate in a variety of site excursions including visits to residential projects, commercial construction projects and industrial complexes. Students may also visit building manufacturers involved with glazing, concrete, plaster, timber, glass etc.

You will be taught via blended delivery incorporating work skills such as AUTOCAD, Microsoft Project and a variety of data and spreadsheet applications.

Career outlook
Graduates can expect employment at middle management level in the building industry in areas such as building construction supervision and management, estimating, purchasing, contracts administration or other related fields, either on a building site or in a head office environment. In time, graduates may start their own business. Students completing the Diploma of Building and Construction have a strong chance of employment in the building industry (approx 70% of second year students have gained employment).

Professional recognition
When completed, students will be eligible to apply to the Building Commission for an interview to qualify as a Registered Building Practitioner (domestic builder and/or commercial builder).

The Diploma of Building and Construction (Building) has been developed in response to industry needs and is recognised by organisations within the building and construction industry. These include the Master Builders Association of Victoria, the Housing Industry Association of Victoria, and the Australian Institute of Building—which recognises completion of the program as fulfilling the requirement for associate membership of the Institute.

Prerequisite
There are no prerequisite studies.

Extra requirements
Applicants will be required to attend an interview and sit a test.

Non-Year 12 applicants must complete and submit a VTAC Pi form, available online at www.vtac.edu.au, if they wish other information to be considered.

Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

Pathway
Graduates may apply for exemptions from the following degrees:
» Bachelor of Applied Science (Construction Management)
» Bachelor of Applied Science (Project Management)
» Bachelor of Applied Science (Property)
» Bachelor of Applied Science (Valuation)
CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

BP105 Bachelor of Applied Science (Construction Management)

Duration: FT4 — V
2011 ATAR: 82.75
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp105

The Bachelor of Applied Science (Construction Management) provides you with a solid foundation for the construction management, project management and quantity surveying professions.

You will organise and manage a vast number of people and resources across the building process to ensure the safe delivery of quality buildings to clients. You may be involved in constructing high-rise office buildings and apartments, factories, hotels, houses, complex hospitals or tourist facilities. You may also refurbish and renovate buildings.

The RMIT Bachelor of Applied Science (Construction Management) is also delivered in Singapore in partnership with the Singapore Institute of Management.

Working with industry

You are required to undertake 80 working days of practical experience in the construction field.

This may be undertaken in Australia or overseas and does not have to be taken consecutively.

You will be required to complete a work experience diary.

What you will study

Year one

Introduces you to the construction and property industries, forming the framework for the following three years. You will understand how buildings and assets are created, appreciating each different type and how they are acquired.

You will also be taught basic construction management skills.

Year two

You will study the construction process and technology in greater detail. You will learn how to plan, cost and schedule construction. Studies also include how buildings work and what is required to create sustainable structures. You are also given broader skills in areas such as law, economics and leadership to help you become an industry leader.

Year three

Builds on the material of second year and looks at commercial construction in greater detail.

You will gain deeper knowledge and the skills to manage complex construction projects.

Year four

Your final year prepares you for industry. You are given an insight into the industry environment and the latest trends.

The year culminates with an exciting capstone project, which will allow you to apply your skills and knowledge to a realistic simulated construction project.

Career outlook

Graduates may undertake various roles as:

- Construction managers—responsible for site management or even running entire construction projects ranging from housing through to large multi-storey buildings.
- Quantity surveyors—assist with cost planning, analysis, management and control of construction projects.
- Project managers—move beyond the construction aspects of a project and manage the entire building process from inception, through various stages of design, to completion and handover.
- Property developers—using developed skills in management and construction, pursue a career or start a business that incorporates all stages of property development.

Professional recognition

The Bachelor of Applied Science (Construction Management) is recognised by the Australian Institute of Building (AIB), the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors (AIQS) and the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS). The degree is also recognised by the Malaysian Board of Quantity Surveyors.

Global connections

There are options open to students to study overseas for a semester as an exchange or Study Abroad student—America and Europe are destinations that past students have favoured.

There are also opportunities to participate in a study tour to Dubai, Hong Kong and Singapore for two weeks as part of the program. Some students end up working overseas as a result of undertaking such opportunities.

Prerequisite

Units 1 and 2—two units (any combination) mathematics (any) OR Units 3 and 4: mathematics (any).

Units 3 and 4—a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or at least 25 in any other English.

Extra requirements

Non-Year 12 applicants must complete and submit a VTAC PI form, available online at www.vtac.edu.au, if they wish other information to be considered.

Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

Pathway

Graduates of the following programs may be eligible to apply for exemptions:

- Diploma of Building and Construction (Building)
- Advanced Diploma of Building Design (Architectural)

Eligible graduates will receive currently up to 1.5 years’ time exemption from the four year degree.

You may also be interested in…

- Building and construction (page 4)
- Planning (see the environment and planning brochure)
- Project management (page 12)
- Property (page 16)
- Surveying (see the engineering brochure)
'I felt we learnt things that would help us as soon as we stepped out into the industry. I gained a lot from various industry guest speakers and was lucky enough to be placed on the Design Institute of Australia (DIA) mentor program that RMIT runs. This meant I was placed with a very well regarded interior decorator called Adelaide Bragg.'

Anna Hauser
Diploma of Interior Design and Decoration
INTERIOR DESIGN AND DECORATION

C5249 Diploma of Interior Design and Decoration
C4251 Certificate IV in Interior Decoration
Duration: Dip: FT2—X X
Cert IV: PT3—V X

2011 ATAR: RC
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/c5249
CITY CAMPUS

Are you inspired when you walk into a well-designed space? Would you like to develop your skills in both design and decoration of interiors? Understanding what makes a space work for a particular purpose, whether a home, office, hotel or nightclub, is what a great interior designer and decorator does!

As a professional interior designer and decorator you are qualified to plan, design and decorate building interiors. You will consider aesthetics, environmental aspects, spatial function, safety and business operations.

In first year you will focus on 2D and 3D design and the decorative aspect of design. You will develop technical skills to present your ideas in a client brief. Projects are themed around research into colour, drawing communication skills, historical and contemporary style.

In second year you will develop a deeper understanding of commercial and residential buildings, spatial layout, furnishings and decorative treatments, and documentation.

You will develop the knowledge and skills to create and communicate your design concepts, evaluate design briefs, and apply basic business skills to domestic and commercial projects.

You will love the vibrant pace, real-life projects and the industry connections this program offers.

Working with industry

In competency-based training, the focus is on learning by doing. Through a process of learning that encompasses theory and applied practice, you will gain essential skills through simulated and real-life projects delivered onsite and in a studio environment. You will acquire a broad range of hands-on skills (drawing, CAD, model making, Photoshop, colour solutions, and client presentation boards), alongside the history and theory of colour and design.

Design studio brings these skills together and encourages and supports the development of conceptual ideas, which are applied to a client brief. Site visits and specialist speakers enhance the program.

What you will study

You will build a range of skills and experiences through each stage of this program. This culminates in design studio practice which focuses on varied client briefs.

Year one—Certificate IV in Interior Decoration

You will study residential briefs to develop your understanding of architectural views, space planning, colour, materials, furnishings and the decorative arts. Also focusing on historic and contemporary interiors with research into selected periods of style.

Visual and verbal technology and communication skills underpin the presentation aspects of working as a designer/decorator. You will work with CAD, Photoshop and other industry software.

Year two—Diploma of Interior Design and Decoration

You will deepen your knowledge and skills of residential and commercial briefs. Sustainability underpins the approach to all projects, including lighting, furnishings, interior building materials and techniques.

3D visualisation skills using 3D modelling software provides detailed spatial documentation of accurate proposals.

Presentation skills in design practice studios for both concept and finished presentations provide valuable feedback and learning experiences.

Second year engages you with practising professionals through an industry mentoring program.

Career outlook

As a designer and decorator you will work in a wide range of design environments. Current graduates are employed as assistants to designers in large architectural firms, and can move to management roles within interior design departments. Some graduates work mainly with computer-aided design in commercial areas. Others work as decoration and design consultants in small boutique companies specialising in complete furnishing and fit out. Some graduates also start their own business.

Graduates also work in interior textile wholesale areas, retail consultancy in furnishings, lighting or furniture. Graduates may also progress to colour consultants, either employed by large paint companies, or in self employment.

Professional recognition

Current students can join the Design Institute of Australia (DIA) as student members while studying. Graduates can apply for associate membership and full membership once they have obtained their professional experience. (Please note: eligibility for full membership is based on a points system.)

Prerequisite

There are no prerequisite studies.

Extra requirements

Shortlisted applicants may be required to present their folio and attend an interview. Applicants must book an interview and folio assessment on tel. 9925 4819 or email design.tafe@rmit.edu.au.

Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

Pathway

Graduates may apply for exemptions from the following degree:

» Bachelor of Design (Interior Design)

Students are encouraged to consider this option towards the end of their diploma studies.

The Certificate IV in Design has a guaranteed pathway for eligible graduates into the diploma program.

You may also be interested in...

» Architectural design (page 2)
» Interior design (page 8)
» Landscape architecture (design) (page 9)

See the art and design brochure for more information on:

» Communication design
» Furniture design
» Product design
INTERIOR DESIGN

BP196 Bachelor of Design (Interior Design)
Duration: FT4—V X
2011 ATAR: RC
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp196
CITY CAMPUS

Do you care about how people live? How we inhabit our world?

As an interior designer, you will be part of an idea-led profession, concerned with the relationships between people and the surrounding environment. You will understand that the design of interiors is not confined to the inside of buildings, but addresses spatial and temporal concerns ranging from the intimacy of a finely crafted object to the urban fabric of a city.

You will use a range of skills to push the boundaries of what currently exists. These skills include high-level visual and verbal communication and presentation techniques, model making, technical design documentation, and the ability to work with light, sound, video and computer-based programs.

The degree’s educational agenda is to challenge the accepted assumptions about interior design and test new ideas through design project work. This involves the contribution of many local and international practitioners and academics, from a spectrum of disciplines, who will engage you in specific design projects, give seminars and tutorials, and engage in critical debate regarding the foundations and directions of interior design practice.

Working with industry

Each semester, practising professionals and academics offer a selection of studios and specialisations investigating timely and relevant topics.

In second and third year, you have the opportunity to develop your design skills and awareness through overseas travel studios. In third year, you may also choose to study for a semester at a design institution overseas.

Year four

In fourth year, you will pursue an individual thesis and design project based on your accumulated skills and interests in design, theory, technology and communications. Final year work is celebrated through a public exhibition, INDEX.

Specialisations include furniture design, retail design, design for film and TV, design for theatre, exhibition and event design, model making, design publishing, lighting, materials, computer-aided design, projection, digital video and website design.

Career outlook

Graduates will be employed in interior design and architectural practices where commissions may range from domestic interior, retail and entertainment, to hospitality, corporate office and public building design. These practices range in scale from large corporate offices to teams of two to three. Design practices are increasingly becoming multidisciplinary, with interior designers, landscape architects, architects, industrial designers and graphic designers collaborating on large-scale projects. Many graduates also establish their own design practices. Interior designers also work in film and television design, set design for theatre, furniture design, exhibition design and curating, event planning and design journalism.

Professional recognition

Graduates of this degree are eligible for membership of the Design Institute of Australia. This RMIT degree participates in a local and global conversation and network through membership of IDEA (Interior Design/Interior Architecture Educators Association), DIA (Design Institute of Australia) and IFI (International Federation of Interior Architects and Interior Designers).

Global connections

The program engages in an ongoing global dialogue through conferences, Study Abroad, student and staff exchange, travel studios and regular participation in/contribution to the International Federation of Interior Architects/Designers activities. Examples of recent connections include the Seoul Travel Studio—Project to Ride, space negotiations with Seoul subway—in 2009 in collaboration with KONKU University, Seoul; Berlin/Brighton and Melbourne Temporal Occupations specialisation (2009) connecting with Technical University Berlin and Brighton University, UK. Students may choose to study abroad in their third year.

Prerequisite

Units 3 and 4—a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or at least 25 in any other English.

Extra requirements

All applicants are required to submit a pre-selection kit. Applicants who have completed tertiary study in architecture, interior design, industrial design or landscape architecture may be exempt from the pre-selection kit. Shortlisted applicants may be required to present their folio and attend an interview.

Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

Pathway

Graduates of the following programs may be eligible to apply for exemptions of up to one year:

» Advanced Diploma of Building Design (Architectural)
» Diploma of Interior Design and Decoration

You may also be interested in...

» Architectural design (page 2)
» Communication design (see the art and design brochure)
» Industrial design (see the art and design brochure)
» Interior design and decoration (TAFE) (page 7)
» Landscape architecture (design) (page 9)
In this degree you will study:
» the foundations for graduate specialisation in landscape architecture
» the practical and intellectual skills necessary for work in landscape design, or design more generally, in roles that do not require professional registration
» how to lead and innovate landscape architecture design practice.

You will also be provided with opportunities to demonstrate your commitment to learning, research and the profession through design projects in landscape architecture that have a local or national or international impact.

Career outlook
The Bachelor of Design provides a foundation for the Master of Landscape Architecture (by coursework), an accredited professional degree. The Bachelor of Design gives graduates the practical and intellectual skills necessary for work in landscape design, or design more generally, in roles that do not require professional registration. These may include: garden design, landscape management, landscape construction.

Master of Landscape Architecture (by coursework) graduates will be prepared and accredited for the professional practice of landscape architecture.

Professional recognition
AILA (Australian Institute of Landscape Architects) is landscape architecture’s accrediting body. To be accredited as a professional landscape architect you must complete the Master of Landscape Architecture (by coursework).

Global connections
» The landscape architecture program offers a huge range of international exchanges, study tour and internship opportunities. In 2010, students went to Tokyo, Vietnam, China and the USA.
» In 2010, student work completed in design studios was exhibited at the European Biennial of Landscape Architecture held in Barcelona. This exciting international event showcased 588 projects from landscape architecture and architecture schools from around the world.
» There is an annual internship offered to selected students at the Karres en Brands office in the Netherlands. Karres en Brands were the appointed landscape architects for Federation Square.

Prerequisite
Units 3 and 4—a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in any other English.

Extra requirements
All applicants are required to attend a group workshop.

Applicants undertake an individual design exercise and interview. One or two of the staff or students will review and discuss evidence of your creativity with you and ask you a series of questions.

Evidence of creativity relates to anything that will demonstrate your creativity. It could be a package of images, drawings, sketches, paintings, models, music, photographs, videos, websites etc. of personal projects. This may be in the form of a traditional portfolio (i.e. works on paper) or whatever medium is considered suitable. The design exercise does not require any prior knowledge, experience or preparation. It is intended to show your individuality and ability to think creatively.

Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

Pathway
RMIT Bachelor of Design graduates can apply for entry to the Master of Landscape Architecture by coursework.

A grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or greater will guarantee a place in the Master of Landscape Architecture by coursework, while those students with a GPA of less than 2.5 may apply for a place in the Master of Landscape Architecture and undertake additional selection requirements (such as a portfolio or interview). Selection via this route is competitive and not guaranteed.

You may also be interested in…
» Architectural design (page 2)
» Building and construction (page 4)
» Building design (architectural) (page 3)
» Communication design (see the art and design brochure)
» Interior design (page 8)
» Landscape architecture and planning (urban design) (page 10)
» Surveying (see the engineering brochure)
You will acquire capabilities such as:

» A set of critical and analytical skills that can be applied at various spatial scales, from particular land-use plots to metropolitan areas as a whole.

» The ability to communicate in multimedia, having sound written and oral skills, and the ability to actively listen and engage in debate and discussion in situations where there is no right technical answer.

» The capacity to work collaboratively with other professionals who deal with the built environment or human services, as well as work with the community as represented by individual clients or social groups, including those associated with Indigenous peoples and multicultural interests.

» The capability to frame arguments in terms of the long-term view associated with sustainability, synthesising ecological, social and economic arguments.

Career outlook

Graduates will be able to find employment in local government, urban design consultancies, landscape architecture practices or state or federal government departments. Graduates will be able to work independently or as part of a multidisciplinary team. The main field of work will probably be urban design, but there are related opportunities in statutory and strategic planning as well as transportation and community engagement. Graduates may work on plazas and pedestrian precincts, new subdivisions, large open spaces such as parks and nature reserves, and urban revitalisation projects.

Professional recognition

Accreditation with PIA (Planning Institute of Australia) has been granted. PIA has mutual recognition of membership status with the New Zealand Planning Institute (NZPI) and Canadian Institute of Planners/Institut Canadien des Urbanistes (CIP), AILA (Australian Institute of Landscape Architects) is landscape architecture’s accrediting body.

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Student artwork ‘Catch the Water—Elizabeth Street Collage’ by Alice Lewis, Matt Conte and Louise Naimo.

Prerequisite

Units 3 and 4—a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or at least 25 in any other English.

Extra requirements

All applicants are required to attend a group workshop.

Applicants undertake an individual design and written exercise and interview. One or two of the current landscape architecture staff or students will review and discuss evidence of your creativity with you and ask you a series of questions.

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The design exercise does not require any prior knowledge, experience or preparation. It is intended to show your individuality and ability to think creatively.

Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

Pathway

RMIT has existing articulation agreements with the Art, Design and Architecture Foundation Studies program.

You may also be interested in...

» Architectural design (page 2)

» Landscape architecture (design) (page 9)

» Project management (page 12)

See the engineering brochure for more information on:

» Environmental engineering

» Surveying

See the environment and planning brochure for more information on:

» Environmental science and management

» Planning
'I have always been fascinated with the construction industry and innovative management—Project Management at RMIT combines the two.'
Leon Droukman
Bachelor of Applied Science (Project Management)
BP208 Bachelor of Applied Science (Project Management)

Duration: FT4—
2011 ATAR: 78.55

The RMIT Bachelor of Applied Science (Project Management) is the only project management bachelor degree in Victoria. The high profile, high-risk aspect of project management demands multi-tasking, analytical thinking, excellent communication skills and superior organisational abilities. A project manager needs to excel at scheduling and is usually proficient in at least one scheduling software package. Although challenging, project management is also extremely rewarding, especially when your project is completed on time and under budget. Project management is primarily concerned with the coordination and management of projects or events from inception to completion. Project managers have good administrative skills, time management, teamwork and excellent people management skills. Growing demand for project management skills led to the development of this degree. It is grounded in residential, commercial and industrial construction for civil, environmental and government projects. This focus on the construction industry is complemented through the study of project management principles and how these can be applied to domains such as engineering, architecture, manufacturing, education, real estate, finance, government and the IT industry. This degree is complemented by study at master and doctoral levels.

What you will study

Year one
Introduces you to project management in the construction and property industries, providing the context for the following three years. You will learn basic project management skills and gain an understanding of how buildings and assets are created, their different types and how they are acquired.

Year two
You will study project management processes and techniques in greater depth, learning how to plan, cost and schedule projects. Building broader skills in areas such as law, economics and leadership will equip you to become an industry leader.

Year three
Broadens your focus beyond construction and looks at project management in other domains, building core project management knowledge and skills. You will gain a deeper understanding of how to manage complex projects.

Year four
The theme of your final year is ‘moving to practice’, preparing you to be industry ready. You will gain advanced skills and insights into the latest trends in industry. A feature is a practical project where skills and knowledge developed in the degree are applied to a realistic simulated project. You will attend lectures, tutorials, workshops and site visits. The program structure is reasonably flexible. After first year you can discuss part-time study options with your program director.

Career outlook
Graduates can undertake various roles such as:

» Overall responsibility for a project managing a major event.
» Costing and managing projects in industries such as engineering, architecture, manufacturing, education, real estate, finance, government and the IT industry.
» Developing and releasing a new product; implementing new standards or practices into organisations; developing new technologies.
» Managing alliance programs with strategic partners.

Professional recognition
This program is accredited by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS), which is recognised worldwide. Professional accreditation will also be sought for this degree from the Project Management Institute (PMI), a USA-based institution with offices around the world.

Global connections
The school highly encourages its students to undertake Study Abroad programs. Many students in the past have benefitted from such programs by studying in USA and Europe.

Prerequisite
Units 1 and 2 — two units (any combination)
mathematics (any) OR Units 3 and 4:
mathematics (any).
Units 3 and 4 — a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or at least 25 in any other English.

Extra requirements
Non-Year 12 applicants must complete and submit a VTAC Pi form, available online at www.vtac.edu.au, if they wish other information to be considered.
Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

Pathway
Graduates of the following programs may be eligible to apply for exemptions:

» Diploma of Building and Construction (Building)
» Advanced Diploma of Building Design (Architectural)

You may also be interested in...

» Building and construction (page 4)
» Construction management (page 5)
» Planning
(see the environment and planning brochure)
» Property (page 16)
CONVEYANCING

C5180 Diploma of Financial Services
(Conveyancing)*

Duration: PT2 – 1

2011 ATAR: N/A

www.rmit.edu.au/programs/c5180

* A new program title and code will be applicable for 2012 entry

CITY CAMPUS

This program will develop the knowledge and skills required to enable you to work as a conveyancer. Conveyancers undertake the work associated with the transfer of ownership of land and other related property transactions.

This program will develop the specialised technical skills and legal knowledge required to enable you to prepare contracts for the sale of land, draft vendors’ statements, conduct title searches and make enquiries of government departments, draft transfers, attend to mortgage documentation and attend to settlement procedures.

You will also learn about the legal system as it relates to conveyancing, and gain the skills to establish and maintain a trust account.

You will develop communication and management skills and an understanding of the principles of professional practice as a conveyancer. The program also develops practical business skills which will prepare you for work in conveyancing.

This program is offered part-time and preference is given to those who have had at least one year of employment in a conveyancing function, or who have completed relevant prior conveyancing studies and can provide a letter of support from their employer.

Employer support for part-time students is regarded as important, as undertaking the program involves a significant time commitment on the part of an employee, and students may, at times, require access to their employer’s resources.

What you will study

In the first year you will study core business courses and develop an understanding of the legal system as it relates to conveyancing.

This includes property law concepts, insurance, taxation principles, estates, mortgages, easements and covenants, leases and tenancies. The nature of contracts and the formalities required in contracts for the sale of land will also be explored.

The second year of the program will extend your knowledge of the duties of care of a conveyancer, contracts, settlements, mortgage transactions, trust accounts, office practices, financial control, management strategies, Land Registry requirements and council procedures.

Students may be eligible for recognition of prior learning for some core business competencies.

Classes are held on-campus, generally in the evening. Some courses with non-legal content are delivered online. You may be required to attend up to four Saturday workshops per year.

Career outlook

Conveyancers may be employed by conveyancing firms, solicitors and law firms, in property departments of financial institutions and other large companies, and in government departments.

Professional recognition

This program is supported by the Victorian division of the Australian Institute of Conveyancers, which also awards a prize to the top graduating student each year.

Successful completion of this program will satisfy the educational requirements for registration as a licensed conveyancer in Victoria.

Extra requirements

Non-Year 12 applicants must complete and submit a VTAC PI form, available online at www.vtac.edu.au, if they wish other information to be considered.

Employer statement: Applicants wishing their employment to be considered must also submit a one-page letter of support from their current or most recent employer to the Selection Officer by 9 December 2011.

Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

Pathway

Graduates may apply for exemptions from the following program:

» Advanced Diploma of Legal Practice

You may also be interested in...

» Legal practice
(see justice and legal brochure)

» Property (page 16)

» Valuation (page 17)
Facility Management (FM) involves the management and maintenance of business activities to support the efficient operation of the built environment by incorporating people, location, processes and technology.

FM is a fast-paced, rapidly growing and extremely diverse industry that is aligned to current state and government policies for higher density living. Both the diploma and certificate programs will open opportunities for career advancement across a number of industry sectors, including government, commercial property, hospitality, education, retail and health (to name just a few).

FM professionals’ areas of responsibility may include the coordination and management of works in many areas of a building, including air conditioning, power and lighting systems, plumbing, cleaning, refurbishment, grounds keeping, security, pest control and more.

Teaching staff are drawn from various backgrounds, with formal qualifications in areas including design, building and construction, project management, planning, environment/sustainability and business.

Working with industry
These programs have been developed in close consultation with various industry leaders such as Transfield, Reserve Bank of Australia and Brookfield Multiplex.

You will engage in industry connected projects through work integrated learning components of their programs. Additionally, you will be exposed to experienced facilities managers through an innovative video medium, and encouraged to reflect on your own experiences.

What you will study
RMIT is moving towards a more flexible delivery mode for both programs, which includes components of online delivery as well as simultaneous delivery of learning modules using state-of-the-art technologies—such as interactive team boards and document cameras—in specialised industry training rooms.

Certificate IV
Key areas of study include performance and maintenance, property risk management, environmental sustainability, property life cycle maintenance, contracts and financial management.

Highlights involve the creation of an asset register which incorporates a site visit and the identification and categorisation of an asset. Other key skills you will acquire include:
- preparing a periodical and preventative maintenance strategy for a property
- familiarising yourself with environmental and sustainability practices
- communication and business skills (including conflict management and dealing with contracts)

Diploma
This program incorporates managing finance, including the preparation of financial plans for a simulated work facility.

It covers key elements and principles in depth, including managing operational plans, sustainability, asset maintenance and management plans, risk management and workplace safety.

You will learn a high level of customer service involving risk management, safe work practices, stakeholder relationships and networking skills.

Other key skills that you will acquire include:
- the preparation and coordination of tender documentation
- the evaluation of the documentation
- the letting out of a contract, including contractual skills knowledge
- the coordination and fit-out of the facility.

Career outlook
These programs are designed for employees, within the facilities management sector of the property services industry, to gain an academic qualification and enhance their knowledge and employability skills for further career advancement or promotion.

RMIT’s Industry Advisory Group indicates a strong demand for skilled employees across various industries as previously mentioned.

Prerequisite
Applicants should be appropriately employed in the facilities management sector.

Application procedure
Apply directly to RMIT’s School of Engineering (TAFE): tel. 03 9925 4468, fax: 03 9925 4377.

You may also be interested in…
RMIT also offers both these programs as traineeships and employers may be eligible for financial assistance from the Commonwealth Government.

Geoff Rowles
Facilities Management Coordinator at Mobil

‘The skills I have obtained have assisted me in contract negotiations, provided me with better focus on the scope of works in order to maximise operational opportunities and on a personal level enhanced my career in the industry.’
‘Property at RMIT provides hands-on projects relating to real-life scenarios with a focus on my future career.’

Britt Mullins
Bachelor of Applied Science (Property)
PROPERTY

BP209 Bachelor of Applied Science (Property)
Duration: FT4
2011 ATAR: 79.35
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp209
CITY CAMPUS

Property is about more than just houses. Property decisions can lead to major allocations of resources (land, labour and capital). It is critical you have a good understanding of different aspects of the property industry, including development, valuation, investment and management.

The Bachelor of Applied Science (Property) provides you with specific studies in the property field. You will undertake 18 property-related courses within a broad business and management context that offers you a breadth of variety and specialisation of knowledge. You will develop understanding and the ability to identify, analyse and resolve problems relating to all aspects of the property profession.

As a property professional you will understand the features and characteristics of the diverse range of property types and property investment instruments.

Working with industry
You will undertake work experience within the industry. Fourth-year industry learning receives significant support from the property industry, with employers actively seeking RMIT students. During work experience, you are employed part-time with a selected property firm and receive an allowance from the employer. You are required to complete a minimum number of hours over 26 weeks. You will be required to keep a work experience diary.

What you will study

Year one
Introduces you to the property industry, forming the framework for the following three years. You will be provided with an overview of property principles, valuation techniques and property investment strategies. You will also be taught basic construction and project management skills that will aid you in your work and studies.

Year two
You will study the property industry in greater detail, with the introduction of property development and management and principles of valuation. You will also gain broader skills in areas of applied law, property economics and leadership that will help you become an industry leader.

Year three
Builds on the material of second year and looks in depth at property development, valuation procedures, asset management and the property investment markets. You will gain deeper knowledge and skills relating to analysing the features and performance of the individual property and the associated marketplace.

Year four
The final year prepares you to be industry ready. You are given an insight into the industry environment and the latest trends. The year culminates with an exciting capstone project where you can apply all your skills and knowledge in an industry-focused property research project.

Career outlook
Graduates may undertake various roles as:

» Property fund managers/asset managers—responsible for the strategy of a large portfolio of investment properties, such as shopping centres, office buildings or industrial complexes. Property fund managers can make decisions and recommendations to their employer or clients on property portfolio management and property investment/finance matters.

» Property developers—can be involved in the various property development stages, from the initial proposal to the disposal of the developed property. The process and activities involve entrepreneurial flair, risk, patience and if successful, a great sense of satisfaction. There is the option for both self employment and working for small to large organisations to maximise their land holdings.

» Property researchers—employed by private organisations such as real estate companies, insurance companies, property developers, banks and other financial institutions. They may also be self employed as private consultants and there are opportunities with government departments.

Professional recognition
The degree is accredited by the Australian Property Institute (API) which has reciprocity agreements with countries such as Canada, Hong Kong, New Zealand and Singapore, and membership with the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) which is recognised worldwide. The degree provides the academic base for membership. The API bodies also require applicants to have work experience, and meet other membership criteria.

Prerequisite
Units 1 and 2—two units (any combination) mathematics (any) OR Units 3 and 4: mathematics (any).
Units 3 and 4—a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or at least 25 in any other English.

Extra requirements
Non-Year 12 applicants must complete and submit a VTAC Pi form, available online at www.vtac.edu.au, if they wish other information to be considered. Please refer to the 2012 VTAC Guide for full details on extra requirements.

Pathway
Graduates of the following programs may be eligible to apply for exemptions:

» Diploma of Building and Construction (Building)

» Advanced Diploma of Building Design (Architectural)

You may also be interested in...

» Building and construction (page 4)

» Building design (architectural) (page 3)

» Planning (see the environment and planning brochure)

» Project management (page 12)

» Surveying (see the engineering brochure)

» Valuation (page 17)
VALUATION

BP210 Bachelor of Applied Science (Valuation)

Duration: FT4 — V
2011 ATAR: 77.50
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp210

CITY CAMPUS

Property is the single largest component of wealth in our society, so knowing the value of property is important. Value relates to the physical, locational and legal characteristics of property.

As a valuer it is critical you have a good understanding of property principles and the different aspects of the property industry: development, valuation, investment and management.

RMIT’s degree provides you with specific studies in the property field, specialising in valuation. The structure also allows you to gain a broad understanding in related areas of property and construction management.

As a valuer you will deal with all aspects of property valuation, including land and all improvements—such as buildings, fences, landscaping—in all asset classes including residential, commercial, retail, industrial, special purpose and rural. This degree will give you a good grounding to specialise in property valuation as well as the broader property profession.

Working with industry

You will undertake work experience in industry in the fourth year. This receives significant support from the property industry, with employers actively seeking RMIT students.

During work experience, you are employed part-time with a selected property firm and receive an allowance from the employer. You are required to complete a minimum of three days a week for 26 weeks. You will also be required to keep a work experience diary.

What you will study

Year one

Introduces you to the property industry, forming the framework for the following three years. You will be provided with an overview of property principles, valuation techniques and property investment strategies. You will learn basic construction and project management skills that will aid you in your work and studies.

Year two

You will study the valuation industry in greater detail, with the introduction of courses covering valuation techniques and applications. Studies also include the skills to carry out land and property development and management of the property assets. You are also given broader property skills in aspects such as applied law and property economics.

Year three

The third year builds on the material of second year and looks in depth at valuation procedures, asset management and the property investment markets. You will gain deeper knowledge and skills to analyse the features and performance of the individual property and the associated marketplace.

Year four

The final year prepares you to be industry ready. You are given an insight into the industry environment and the latest trends. The year culminates with an exciting capstone project where you can apply all your skills and knowledge in an industry-focused valuation research project.

Career outlook

Property valuers are primarily concerned with the estimation of the value of all types of rural and urban land and buildings for many different purposes, including business activities, proposed mortgage loans, prospective purchase and sales, and for statutory purposes by government authorities for rating, taxing and compensation following acquisition, including plant and equipment.

Graduates are employed in private practice as well as government agencies. Once the graduate is registered, there is the opportunity for self employment, with many small valuation companies currently operating.

Professional recognition

The Australian Property Institute accredits the degree. Completion of the sequence of valuation courses is recognised as meeting the academic requirement for gaining Certified Practising Valuer Status by the Australian Property Institute (API), which is the professional body to which most valuers belong. The API has reciprocity agreements with countries such as Canada, Hong Kong, New Zealand and Singapore. In addition, the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS), which is recognised worldwide, accredits the degree for academic entry requirements.

Prerequisite

Units 1 and 2—two units (any combination) mathematics (any) OR Units 3 and 4: mathematics (any).

Units 3 and 4—a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or at least 25 in any other English.

Extra requirements

Non-Year 12 applicants must complete and submit a VTAC Pi form, available online at www.vtac.edu.au, if they wish other information to be considered.

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Pathway

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» Diploma of Building and Construction (Building)

» Advanced Diploma of Building Design (Architectural)

You may also be interested in…

» Property (page 16)
’My participation in the 2010 Property Construction and Project Management study tour to Fiji represents an achievement that I associate with great pride. This course provided exposure to a completely different lifestyle, culture, belief system and system of land management and development to that of Australia.’

Britt Mullins
Bachelor of Applied Science (Property)
Scholarships at RMIT: a world of possibilities
Commencing and current students are strongly encouraged to apply for an RMIT scholarship.
Each year RMIT awards millions of dollars in scholarships to thousands of RMIT students across all TAFE, university and postgraduate program areas.
RMIT scholarships recognise academic achievement, leadership and community skills. RMIT also offers Equity and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander scholarships to assist students from a range of backgrounds to achieve their study ambitions.

Scholarships for academic achievement
If you achieve outstanding VCE (or equivalent) results, there are many opportunities to have your talents rewarded at RMIT.

Leadership scholarships
Leadership and community involvement scholarships provide assistance in the education of young people with outstanding leadership potential. These scholarships target students with a passion for study and a commitment to contributing to their community.

Equity scholarships
Equity scholarships are available to assist students from disadvantaged backgrounds.

Scholarships for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students
RMIT is committed to supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to engage in study through financial support.

Research scholarships
RMIT has various scholarships to assist you with your academic and career goals.

Further information on these and many more scholarships is available on our website: www.rmit.edu.au/scholarships

TAFE ENROLMENT

The structure of a TAFE qualification is pre-determined by the relevant industry training package. How you progress through the qualification levels in a training package, combined with your eligibility for a government-subsidised place, will determine the tuition fees that you will pay.

For the following program, you will be admitted into the highest qualification level and can choose to exit with a lower listed qualification upon the successful completion of the required courses (subjects). Your eligibility for a government-subsidised place will be assessed at the highest entry point and this will determine the fees you will pay:

» Interior design and decoration (page 7)

More information about TAFE tuition fees is available in Money matters on page 20.

MORE DEGREE AND TAFE STUDY OPTIONS

The following brochures are also available:
» Apprenticeship and traineeship
» Art and design
» Business
» Community services and social sciences
» Computing and information technology
» Education and training
» Engineering
» Environment and planning
» Health and medical sciences
» Justice and legal
» Media and communications
» Science

Order more brochures online at www.rmit.edu.au/programs/publications.
Alternatively, speak to a customer service consultant at RMIT's Info Corner. Tel. + 61 3 9925 2260, email study@rmit.edu.au, or drop into Info Corner at 330 Swanston Street (cnr La Trobe St), Melbourne.
TAFE programs

At TAFE you may be offered a state government-subsidised place or a full-fee place.

State government-subsidised places

You are eligible for a government-subsidised place if you are:

» an Australian citizen, an Australian Permanent Resident, a Special Category Visa holder (sub-class 444, New Zealand citizen), or an East Timorese asylum seeker
and any of the following:

» under 20 years of age on 1 January in the year you start studying
» enrolling in a Foundation Skills qualification (as categorised by Skills Victoria)
» enrolling in a qualification that is accredited at a higher level than the qualifications you already hold
» a Victorian apprentice commencing in 2011.

TAFE tuition fees are determined by the level of the qualification and in 2011 they were categorised as follows:

Skills Creation: certificate I and II
$1.51 per student contact hour
with a minimum fee $105 and a maximum fee $875 p.a.

Skills Building: certificate III and IV
$1.84 per student contact hour
with a minimum fee $188 and a maximum fee $1250 p.a.

Skills Deepening: diploma and advanced diploma
$3.79 per student contact hour
with a minimum fee $375 and a maximum $2000 p.a.

For information about the TAFE program level you will be enrolled in and how this will affect your eligibility for a government-subsidised place and the tuition fees that you will pay, please refer to www.rmit.edu.au/programs/apply/tafe/eligibility.

Full-fee places

If you do not meet the criteria listed above then you will be offered a full-fee place (FFP). FFP students are required to pay the approved tuition fee for their program. FFP fees vary according to each program. A full list of fees for TAFE programs is available online at www.rmit.edu.au/programs/fees/tafe/fullfee.

Financial assistance

Financial assistance may be available to eligible students through the VET FEE-HELP scheme, which is a government loans scheme to assist students to pay their tuition fees. For information visit www.deewr.gov.au/vetfeehelp.

TAFE fee concession

If you are a Victorian Government-funded student with a Health Care Card or receive government benefits through Centrelink you may be entitled to a concession on your tuition fees, which in most cases is equivalent to the minimum fee for the qualification level. For information visit www.rmit.edu.au/programs/fees/tafe/concession.

Associate degree and degree programs

If you are applying for an associate degree or degree program you may be offered a Commonwealth-supported place (CSP).

Commonwealth Supported Places (CSP)

A CSP is jointly funded by you and the Commonwealth Government. Some Commonwealth supported students may be eligible for HECS HELP. The amount to be paid is defined by Student Contribution ‘bands’. In 2011, the following student contributions for a standard, annual, full-time load applied:

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More information

For information on Commonwealth supported places and HECS HELP please visit the Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations website at www.goingtouni.gov.au.

Australian students may be eligible to apply for income tax deductions relating to the education expenses that are linked to their employment. Students should check with an accredited taxation accountant/consultant as to their eligibility for possible deductions. The Australian Taxation Office website may also be useful www.ato.gov.au.

Material fees (TAFE and degree)

Material fees are charged by RMIT for goods and services associated with your study such as field trips or lecture notes, reading material or course readers and laboratory or workshop equipment that is consumed by you or may become your own property after you have completed the course. These fees are not compulsory and you can choose to purchase these items independently.

Please note: fees indicated relate to 2011 and should be used as a guide only. RMIT reserves the right to adjust fees for full-fee places on an annual basis.
How to apply by program type

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* Some certificate III and lower programs are administered by direct application. Please visit www.rmit.edu.au/programs for more information.

VTAC application

To apply for the following RMIT programs for Semester 1 2012, you need to apply through the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC):

- degree programs—full-time and part-time
- certificate and diploma programs—full-time and part-time.

For more detailed information about the VTAC application process, entrance requirements and application dates go to www.vtac.edu.au.

Direct application

To apply for one of the following programs submit a direct application at www.rmit.edu.au/programs/apply:

- TAFE
  - VCE and VCAL
  - full-time and part-time TAFE programs not offered through VTAC
- Degree
  - new degrees not offered through VTAC
  - distance education degree program
- Midyear
  - all midyear applications

RMIT school-based application

A number of TAFE certificate I, II, III and a limited number of certificate IV programs accept applications directly to the relevant RMIT school. Information on where to obtain and lodge an application can be found on the program information web page at www.rmit.edu.au/programs, by contacting Info Corner, or by contacting the relevant RMIT school at www.rmit.edu.au/schools.

Midyear entry

To apply for midyear entry at RMIT you will need to apply online at www.rmit.edu.au/programs/midyear.

Not all RMIT programs will accept applications for midyear entry. A list of programs accepting midyear applications is published in May at www.rmit.edu.au/programs/midyear.

Entrance requirements

RMIT has general requirements of entry which applicants are required to meet in order to demonstrate their capacity to successfully complete an RMIT program. The general requirements of entry for undergraduate programs can be found at www.rmit.edu.au/policies/students-selection.

Extra requirements

Many programs at RMIT have extra requirements as part of their selection process such as:

- an interview
- a test
- a folio
- completion of additional supplementary forms.

It is very important that you carefully read any extra requirements listed under programs in the current VTAC Guide or in RMIT program brochures. Failure to comply with these requirements by the date specified will jeopardise entry into a program.


Application dates

Key application dates are as follows:

- 1 May Midyear intake applications open
- 31 May Closing date for direct applications—midyear (timely)
- 1 August VTAC applications open
- 14 August Direct applications for degree and diploma programs open (Semester 1 2012 intake)
- 30 September Closing date for VTAC applications (timely)
- 11 October Closing date for VTAC SEAS and Direct ACESS applications
- 31 October Closing date for direct applications—selected TAFE programs
- 10 November Closing date for direct applications—postgraduate and honours (timely)
- 11 November Closing date for VTAC applications (late)
- 1 December Closing date for direct applications—selected degree and TAFE programs
- 9 December Closing date for VTAC applications (very late)

International/non-resident of Australia

Applicants who are not Australian or New Zealand citizens, permanent residents of Australia or holders of a Permanent Humanitarian or Temporary Protection Visa should apply through RMIT International Services (unless currently studying Year 12 in Victoria—VCE or the International Baccalaureate).

For more information visit www.rmit.edu.au/programs/international.

More information

For more information about RMIT programs and application procedures go to www.rmit.edu.au/programs/apply or contact Info Corner at 330 Swanston Street, Melbourne, tel. +61 3 9925 2260 or email study@rmit.edu.au.