



THE UNIVERSITY OF  
**NEWCASTLE**  
AUSTRALIA

Pathways to

# The University of Newcastle

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT GUIDE

**2017/18**

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# Welcome



NIC is proud to work in partnership with the University of Newcastle, offering a range of programs that prepare students for success in their degree studies and help them to achieve their career objectives and personal goals.

The college is located on the main university campus, ensuring students are an integral part of the university community. NIC offers a specialised and supportive learning environment with small class sizes and extra assistance when needed. We have a friendly and committed team of academic and support staff dedicated to helping students realise their full potential.

I encourage you to make NIC your first step towards an international education at the University of Newcastle, and it would be my pleasure to welcome you to NIC.

**Professor Gary Prosser**

College Director and Principal  
Newcastle International College



The University of Newcastle (UON) is a world-class university with a strong commitment to delivering outstanding education, research and innovation. We rank in the top 2.5% of all universities globally.

As a student of NIC you will be warmly welcomed as part of our university community, and have access to UON's exceptional facilities and services. NIC works closely with UON to provide quality education programs to ensure graduates are well prepared for further studies, and have the skills and knowledge they need for future academic success.

Our community is vibrant and dynamic, including students from more than 100 countries. We offer an outstanding university experience that mixes a world-class academic environment with opportunities to engage in cultural, social and sporting activities. UON's Callaghan campus is based in the exciting and creative coastal city of Newcastle in the renowned Hunter region, ensuring our students engage in an excellent education while benefiting from a great lifestyle.

I wish you the very best for your studies and look forward to welcoming you to the UON community.

**Professor Caroline McMillen**

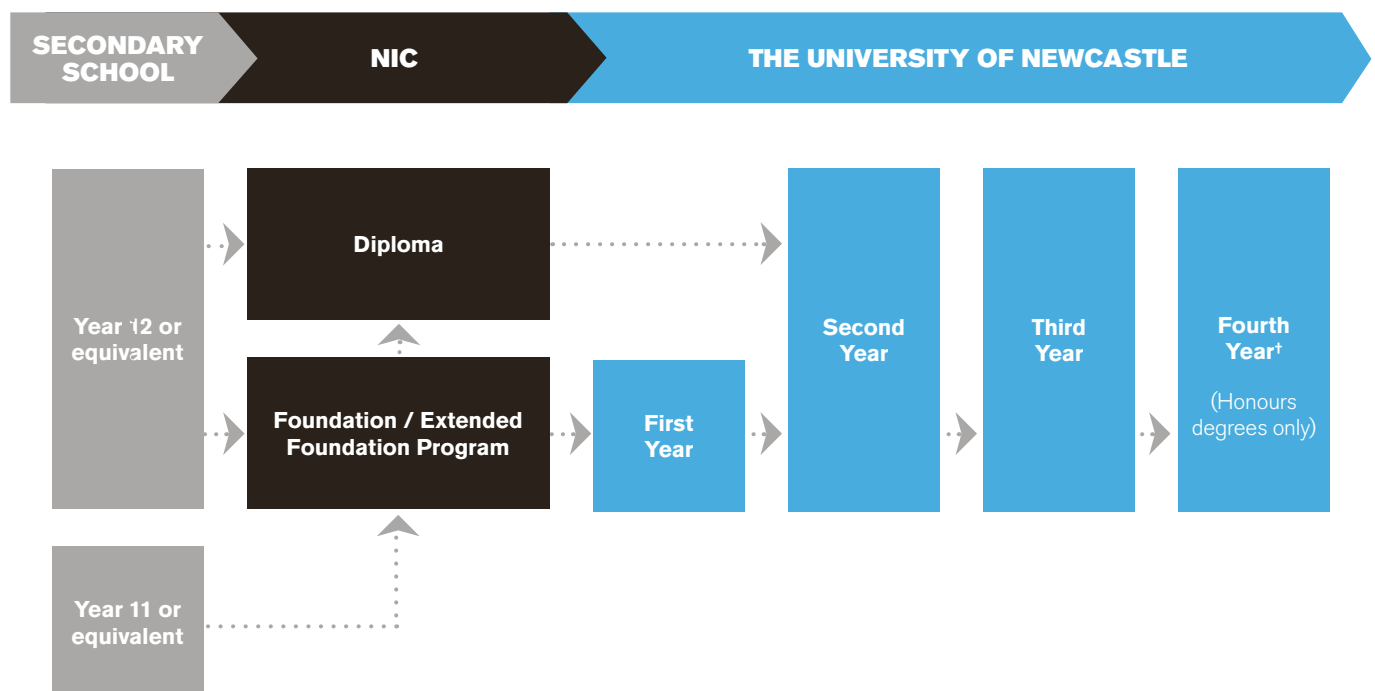
Vice-Chancellor and President  
University of Newcastle



# Your pathway to a degree

NEWCASTLE INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE (NIC) OFFERS THE CLOSEST ALTERNATIVE TO DIRECT ENTRY TO AN UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE. WE SUCCESSFULLY BRIDGE THE ACADEMIC GAP FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE UNIVERSITY TO PROVIDE HIGH-QUALITY COURSES ON THE CALLAGHAN CAMPUS. NIC CAN HELP STUDENTS ACHIEVE THEIR GOALS OF EARNING A DEGREE FROM A RESPECTED AUSTRALIAN UNIVERSITY.

## Your pathway to the University of Newcastle



† Double degrees and Medical degrees are completed in 5 years

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# Realise your potential at the University of Newcastle

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE PREPARES STUDENTS FOR A SUCCESSFUL CAREER ON THE GLOBAL STAGE. OUR PIONEERING TEACHING METHODS AND HANDS-ON APPROACH TO LEARNING PRODUCE SOME OF THE MOST SOUGHT-AFTER GRADUATES IN AUSTRALIA.

## Why choose University of Newcastle?



**Top 1%**

universities  
in the world\*



**TOP  
100**

6 UON disciplines  
ranked in the top 100  
in the world\*\*



**40,206**

students  
from 122 countries



**TOP  
200**

Most International  
Universities§

\* QS World University Subject Rankings and Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2017/18

\*\* QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017

§ Times Higher Education World's Most International Universities 2016.



# Modern facilities

NIC is based in the heart of the university's main campus. Callaghan is like its own student village, where you can find restaurants, a post office, book store, banks, a travel agency, and medical services. Multi-faith facilities such as male and female prayer rooms for Muslim students as well as a Chaplaincy Centre are also provided.

Students can join the Forum, a comprehensive fitness complex. On-campus accommodation is available, with five on-campus residences and nearly 1,800 beds. Like all University of Newcastle campuses, it is a non-smoking environment.

The University of Newcastle invests in specialised equipment and facilities to prepare students for real-world situations. These advanced learning environments give students the experience they need to transition from their undergraduate studies to a successful career. These facilities include:

- a range of virtual technology, including Australia's first virtual linear accelerator machine in the radiation therapy lab
- human simulation mannequins and 10 clinical skills laboratories to develop practical skills prior to working with patients

- a purpose-built space for IT, Media, and Communications with sound and television studios, Mac labs, editing suites, and the latest film and recording technology
- state-of-the-art creative music production facility for music students, as well as a 500-seat concert hall
- the Forum at Callaghan, home to a 50-metre indoor heated pool, modern gymnasium, one of the highest indoor climbing walls in Australia, and two indoor basketball courts.

## Real-world study experience

90% of the university's degrees incorporate work-integrated learning. University of Newcastle graduates hit the ground running, which makes them highly employable. Students of all disciplines have the opportunity to get involved at a professional level with hands-on learning. Internships and work placements are integrated into the curriculum of the majority of bachelor's degree programs.

## Callaghan campus map





# Preparing you for success at university

**NEWCASTLE INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE (NIC) OFFERS INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS A CLEAR PATHWAY TO AN UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE. STUDY WITH US TO ENJOY A LOWER COST OF LIVING AND VIBRANT COASTAL LIFESTYLE WHILE WORKING TOWARDS A DEGREE FROM ONE OF AUSTRALIA'S TOP UNIVERSITIES.**

## Your advantages

### **FAST TRACK**

NIC's programs can take students directly into year 1 or year 2 of a bachelor's degree at the University of Newcastle and can be completed in either 2 semesters or 3 trimesters.

### **PACKAGED OFFER**

Allows students to obtain a single student visa covering the duration of their undergraduate studies.

### **SMALL CLASS SIZES**

More one-on-one time with lecturers and ongoing academic support for students.

### **VALUE FOR MONEY**

NIC programs are competitively priced, and the cost of living in Newcastle is lower than that of Australian capital cities.

### **MODERN FACILITIES**

NIC is in the heart of the Callaghan campus, with Wi-Fi and advanced teaching equipment in the classrooms, as well as easy access to computer labs, printing, and online study materials.

## NIC programs

NIC has a number of flexible programs to suit every student. There are three intakes each year: February, June, and October.

### **FOUNDATION PROGRAM (FP)**

This is a pre-university program designed for progression into the first year of a bachelor's degree at the University of Newcastle or an NIC Diploma program. Duration is three trimesters (standard track) or two semesters (fast track).

### **EXTENDED FOUNDATION PROGRAM**

This program is designed for students who have an IELTS (or equivalent) overall score of 5.0\* and wish to commence studies in an academic environment. Students in the extended FP will undertake one additional trimester of study. Duration is four trimesters (standard track) or three trimesters (fast track).

### **FOUNDATION PROGRAM FOR MEDICINE (FPM)**

On successful completion of this program, students may be considered for entry to the Bachelor of Medical Science and Doctor of Medicine degree. (Note: this is a special two-semester option commencing in April only.) Please refer to Page 12 for more information.

## DIPLOMA PROGRAMS

NIC's specialised Diploma programs consist of eight academic courses and are equivalent to the first year of a bachelor's degree at the University of Newcastle. Successful completion of a Diploma program allows students to progress into the second year of an undergraduate degree. Available Diploma pathways:

- Diploma of Business and Commerce
- Diploma of Engineering
- Diploma of Information Technology
- Diploma of Media and Communication

## PROVISIONAL ENTRY PROGRAM (PEP)

Students who qualify academically for a Diploma but have an IELTS of 5.5 can begin Diploma studies + PEP, and will enrol in a Communication and Literacy course focusing on academic literacy and study skills. This module is additional to the standard eight courses and is completed concurrently during the first trimester of study.

\* Health science programs require an IELTS overall score of 5.5 for the Extended Foundation, and 6.0 for the Standard Foundation Program.



**"The best thing about NIC is meeting and making friends with students from different countries, and learning about their cultural background whilst studying. For me, the best part of living in Newcastle is the beach!"**

Sara Kaneko, Japan,  
Bachelor of Social Science

# Study plans

## TRIMESTERS

Program	IELTS	Trimester 1	Trimester 2	Trimester 3	Trimester 4	NIC program duration	UON program duration
<b>Fast Track</b>							
Foundation Program (FP)	5.5 6.0 (Health stream)	4 FP courses	4 FP courses	N/A	N/A	8 months	3–5 years†
Extended Foundation Program	5.0 5.5 (Health stream)	4 Extended FP courses	4 FP courses	4 FP courses	N/A	12 months	3–5 years†
Accelerated Progression (70% average)*	5.5	4 FP courses	4 Diploma courses	4 Diploma courses		12 months	2–3 years‡
Diploma	6.0	4 Diploma courses	4 Diploma courses	N/A	N/A	8 months	2–3 years‡
<b>Standard track</b>							
Foundation Program (FP)	5.5 6.0 (Health stream)	3 FP courses	3 FP courses	2 FP courses	N/A	12 months	3–5 years†
Extended Foundation Program	5.0 5.5 (Health stream)	4 Extended FP courses	3 FP courses	3 FP courses	2 FP courses	16 months	3–5 years†
Diploma	6.0	3 Diploma courses	3 Diploma courses	2 Diploma courses		12 months	2–3 years‡
Diploma + PEP§	5.5	2 Diploma courses + NNIC1000	3 Diploma courses	3 Diploma courses		12 months	2–3 years‡

\* Accelerated Progression applies to students who have completed year 12 (or equivalent). Students may apply to transfer from the standard FP to Diploma after 1 trimester if a 70% grade average is achieved in each of the 4 courses in the first trimester of study.

§ Diploma + PEP option is only available in the February and June intakes

† Duration will be 5 years for joint LLB/bachelor's degree programs.

‡ Duration will be three years for Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) programs.

## SEMESTERS

Program	IELTS	Semester 1	Semester 2	NIC program duration	UON program duration
Foundation Program for Medicine (FPM)	6.0	4 FPM courses	4 FPM courses	12 months	5 years





# Your student life on campus

**HERE AT NIC AND THE UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE WE WANT YOU TO SUCCEED. THAT'S WHY WE PROVIDE A RANGE OF SUPPORT SERVICES AND PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO HELP YOU REACH YOUR ACADEMIC POTENTIAL. LIFE ON CAMPUS IS EXCITING AND VARIED, AND WILL HELP YOU GROW INTO A TRUE INDEPENDENT LEARNER.**

## **AIRPORT PICKUP**

NIC offers a complimentary airport transfer for any commencing students flying directly into Newcastle (Williamstown) Airport. Airlines fly into Newcastle Airport from Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne, Gold Coast and even Sydney. This service must be booked in advance. For more information please email [admissions@nic.nsw.edu.au](mailto:admissions@nic.nsw.edu.au). Newcastle is about a 2.5 hour train journey from Sydney Airport Train Station via Sydney Central Train Station.

## **ACCOMMODATION SERVICES**

The university's accommodation services can help students find accommodation both on and off campus. UON Student Living is the on-campus residential precinct, which includes five different residence options. Students can also choose Homestay, where they can live with an Australian family that has been approved by the university. For more information on accommodation options, visit [nic.nsw.edu.au/accommodation](http://nic.nsw.edu.au/accommodation).

## **COUNSELLING**

NIC's Student Services team is available to provide academic and student support. Students can make an appointment to see a member of the team for help with their study plan or other student welfare issues. A counselling referral service is also available on the Callaghan campus for students who need further support with personal or mental health matters.

## **FACILITIES**

The university provides Wi-Fi across campus. All NIC students are provided with a university email account. Students can also access internet services at university libraries and student hubs. The libraries provide access to more than 1.3 million items, 380,000 e-books, and 80,000 electronic journals.

## **FESTIVALS AND EVENTS**

The University of Newcastle hosts a number of festivals and special events throughout the year, and NIC students are invited to take part. This includes Harmony Week in March, which celebrates cultural diversity in Australia, and the annual Festival of Autonomy in August to commemorate the university's independence.





## HEALTH SERVICES

Doctors and nurses are available on campus at the university's medical centre. Students can get help with general health issues, immunisations, prescriptions, medical tests, and referrals to specialists, as well as visit a pharmacy on campus. All international students are required to purchase overseas student health cover, which meets the full costs for most basic consultations.

## UON GLOBAL

When it comes time to transition from NIC to the University of Newcastle, students will receive support from both NIC and UON Global. UON Global runs social programs, regular meet-ups, and events during the university's orientation week. Students can also get information about what is happening on campus and in Newcastle.

## NIC ORIENTATION

NIC conducts special orientation days each term in the week before classes start. Attendance is compulsory as students will receive important information, set up relevant accounts, and enrol in their classes. Orientation helps students get a good start to their study experience.

## PEER MENTORS

What better way to learn about studying at NIC than from someone who has been in your shoes? During the first few weeks at NIC, new students are welcomed by an experienced senior student who has been trained as a mentor. Our mentors provide information about life on campus and in the classroom.

## SECURITY SERVICES

Student safety is a top priority at the University of Newcastle. There are emergency phones and well-lit walking routes between buildings, as well as a free shuttle service on campus during term time. Campus security services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

## STUDENT EXPERIENCE

NIC's dedicated student experience coordinator helps students get involved with activities and events year-round, both on campus and in Newcastle. We encourage students to take every opportunity to experience their new community.

## NIC WORKSHOPS

NIC offers additional academic support in the form of workshops. These vary in topic depending on demand, such as free English skills workshops for improving writing and grammar skills, along with referencing, essay preparation, and more. Students can also receive extra support for select courses or guidance on preparing for assessments.

## CONNECT WITH NIC ONLINE

Students will receive important updates through their student portal, but you can also connect with NIC on social media. This will keep you up to date on any social activities and allow you to share information and ideas with fellow students.

Facebook: [facebook.com/NICstudents](https://facebook.com/NICstudents)

Twitter: [twitter.com/StudyNIC](https://twitter.com/StudyNIC)

Instagram: [instagram.com/StudyNIC](https://instagram.com/StudyNIC)



**"The most valuable part of my NIC experience was the small class sizes and the close relationship with the lecturers and staff"**

Sarah Nylen, Sweden  
Bachelor of Business



# Your life in Newcastle

**IT'S AN EXCITING TIME TO LIVE IN NEWCASTLE; AUSTRALIA'S SECOND OLDEST CITY AND SECOND LARGEST IN NEW SOUTH WALES. IN THE MIDDLE OF EXTENSIVE URBAN RENEWAL, NEWCASTLE BOASTS THE CONVENIENCE OF A SMALLER SIZED CITY WITHOUT LOSING ANY OF THE BENEFITS OR VIBRANCE OF AUSTRALIA'S STATE CAPITALS. ONLY 50KM FROM THE CITY CENTRE IS THE HUNTER VALLEY, HOME TO MORE THAN 120 WINERIES, GOURMET RESTAURANTS, SPA RETREATS AND CONCERTS IN THE VINEYARDS.**

Newcastle has efficient bus, ferry and train services, as well as its own airport. The Newcastle Airport is 25 minutes from the city centre and offers regular flights to Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and the Gold Coast. Sydney is less than two hours away by car.

## Things to do and see

Newcastle's generous parkland and prime beachside location make it a favourite for festivals, concerts, markets, and more. There's always something to do in town and you never know when you might stumble upon an exciting event.

- Bathers Way, a 5km coastal walk stretching from the lighthouse at Nobbys headland to Glenrock Reserve.
- Honeysuckle, Newcastle's harbourside dining and entertainment precinct, a great spot for hosting the city's many celebrations.
- Darby Street, Beaumont Street, and Hunter Street for international dining, boutique shopping, or a gourmet coffee fix.
- The Hunter Valley, one of Australia's leading wine regions, an easy day trip for those who love cheese, wine, and chocolate.
- Blackbutt Reserve for your chance to see native animals like kangaroos, koalas, and wombats in a natural habitat. Entry is free.

## Climate

Newcastle enjoys a subtropical climate, with long, warm summers and mild winters.

Season	Period	Average daily temperature
Summer	December to February	19°C to 28°C
Autumn	March to May	16°C to 23°C
Winter	June to August	10°C to 18°C
Spring	September to November	14°C to 24°C



**Ranked  
best climate  
of any city  
in Australia\***





# Fast facts about Newcastle

## POPULATION

650,000  
(Hunter Region)

## TIME ZONE

GMT/UTC +10

## STATE

New South Wales  
(NSW)

## CURRENCY

Australian Dollar (\$)



**Ranked Most Livable City  
in New South Wales\***



**Housing rental cheaper  
than all state capital cities.†**



\*The Property Council of Australia

†numbeo.com



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information visit  
**visitnewcastle  
.com.au**  
**newcastle.nsw  
.gov.au**

# Foundation Program

**Duration** Two or three trimesters

**CRICOS code** 089333K

**Fee** A\$19,320 (2017) | A\$20,680 (2018)

NIC delivers a pre-university program for students seeking entry to a bachelor's degree. Successful completion of the Foundation Program (FP) enables students to enter an NIC Diploma, or qualify for direct entry to the first year of a range of bachelor's degrees offered by the university. Progression rules apply, including some programs subject to a quota.

## Progression rule to NIC Diploma

An average mark of 50 percent and a passing grade in FCOM201 Academic Communication Skills II.

## Progression rule to bachelor's degrees

Admission to undergraduate programs is dependent upon students achieving the required average mark, a passing grade in FCOM201 Academic Communication Skills II and satisfying any other conditions listed for that program.

The average mark is calculated from the average of all eight courses attempted during a full year of the FP and is expressed as a percentage.

Students will be required to complete a total of eight courses: four core courses, at least one stream (specialisation) course and the balance with elective courses.

## Core courses (compulsory)

- FCOM200 Academic Communication Skills I
- FCOM201 Academic Communication Skills II
- FICS001 Intercultural Studies
- FINT001 Information Technology

## ELECTIVE STREAMS

### Business, Law and Commerce

(courses may include)

- FBUS100 Accounting
- FBUS103 Economics
- FBUS104 Mathematics
- FBUS105 Statistics
- FBUS110 Legal Studies
- FCOM100 Information Design

### Education and Arts (courses may include)

- FBUS103 Economics
- FBUS104 Mathematics
- FBUS105 Statistics
- FBUS110 Legal Studies
- FCOM100 Information Design
- FCOM106 Creative Cultures

## Engineering, Science and Information Technology

(courses may include)

- FBIO001 Biology
- FCOM100 Information Design
- FCOM101 Programming
- FHBI001 Human Biology
- FMTH001 Advanced Mathematics I
- FMTH002 Advanced Mathematics II

## Health Science<sup>§</sup> (courses may include)

- FBIO001 Biology
- FBUS105 Statistics
- FHBI001 Human Biology
- FSCN100 Health Science

## SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

### English language requirement for the University of Newcastle bachelor's degree programs offered by the Faculty of Health and Medicine

Students will be required to meet the English language competency requirement for government registration as a practitioner in the chosen health discipline in most states of Australia. This requires students to achieve an Academic IELTS test score of 7.0 (with no subtest score less than 7.0), or an overall pass in the Occupational English Test (OET) with grades A or B only in each of the four components (reading, writing, listening and speaking).

### Foundation Program leading to year one of the Bachelor of Nursing

Students are advised to consult the website of The Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) to obtain updated information regarding registration as a nurse in Australia and English language requirements.

For further information please refer to [nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au](http://nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au) and the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Authority website [ahpra.gov.au](http://ahpra.gov.au).

### Clinical placement information

Students on clinical placement must have a Vaccination Record Card detailing all screening test and vaccinations administered, including date, batch number, type/brand name of each vaccine. You will need to be screened or vaccinated either before or after your arrival for Diptheria, Tetanus, Pertussis, Hepatitis B, Influenza, Measles/Mumps/Rubella, Varicella and Tuberculosis.

Please refer to the following university website for further information: [newcastle.edu.au/about-uon/governance-and-leadership/faculties-and-schools/faculty-of-health-and-medicine/resources/for-students/student-placement-information](http://newcastle.edu.au/about-uon/governance-and-leadership/faculties-and-schools/faculty-of-health-and-medicine/resources/for-students/student-placement-information)

Please seek further advice from NIC Admissions at the time of applying.

<sup>§</sup> Students choosing a Health Science degree will require an IELTS of 6.0 (or equivalent) prior to commencement of the Foundation Program.

## AVERAGE MARK REQUIREMENTS FOR PROGRESSION TO BACHELOR'S DEGREES\*

### Business, IT and Law

- Bachelor of Business **58**
- Bachelor of Commerce **58**
- Bachelor of Business/Commerce (combined degree) **78**
- Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (combined degree) **84**

### Education and Arts

- Bachelor of Arts **55**
- Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science (combined program) **78**
- Bachelor of Communication **70**
- Bachelor of Creative Industries **62**
- Bachelor of Development Studies **65**
- Bachelor of Fine Art **55**
- Bachelor of Music **55** (audition required)
- Bachelor of Natural History Illustration **70**
- Bachelor of Social Science **55**
- Bachelor of Social Work (Honours) **70**
- Bachelor of Speech Pathology (Honours) **78**
- Bachelor of Teaching (Early Childhood and Primary) (Honours) **62**
- Bachelor of Teaching (Primary) (Honours) **62**
- Bachelor of Teaching (Humanities) (Honours) **62**
- Bachelor of Teaching (Fine Art) (Honours) **62**
- Bachelor of Teaching (Health and Physical Education) (Honours) **62**
- Bachelor of Teaching (Mathematics)(Honours) **62**
- Bachelor of Teaching (Science)(Honours) **62**
- Bachelor of Teaching (Technology)(Honours) **62**
- Bachelor of Theology **55**
- Bachelor of Visual Communication Design **65**

### Engineering, Science and Information Technology

- Bachelor of Biotechnology **65**
- Bachelor of Computer Science **65**
- Bachelor of Construction Management (Building) (Honours) **62**
- Bachelor of Design (Architecture) **78**
- Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) **70**
- Bachelor of Environmental Science and Management **55**
- Bachelor of Exercise and Sport Science **70**
- Bachelor of Food Science and Human Nutrition **62**
- Bachelor of Information Technology **62**
- Bachelor of Mathematics **70**
- Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) **70**
- Bachelor of Science **62**

### Health Sciences

- Bachelor of Biomedical Science **78**
- Bachelor of Medical Science and Doctor of Medicine (Joint Medical Program)<sup>†</sup> **90** (interview with faculty also required)
- Bachelor of Medical Radiation Science (Diagnostic Radiography)<sup>†</sup> **90**
- Bachelor of Medical Radiation Science (Nuclear Medicine)<sup>†</sup> **78**
- Bachelor of Medical Radiation Science (Radiation Therapy)<sup>†</sup> **78**
- Bachelor of Nutrition and Dietetics (Honours)<sup>†</sup> **84**
- Bachelor of Nursing<sup>†</sup> **65**
- Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (Honours)<sup>†</sup> **84**
- Bachelor of Oral Health Therapy<sup>†</sup> **84**
- Bachelor of Pharmacy (Honours)<sup>†</sup> **84**
- Bachelor of Podiatry<sup>†</sup> **78**
- Bachelor of Physiotherapy(Honours)<sup>†</sup> **90**

\* Bachelor's degrees and average marks represented are subject to change and are correct at the time of publishing. For the latest updates to program details please refer to the University of Newcastle's Degrees web link at: [newcastle.edu.au/degrees](http://newcastle.edu.au/degrees).

† This degree offered by the University of Newcastle's Faculty of Health and Medicine is subject to a quota and limited places are available. Admission to year 1 is not automatically guaranteed.



# Extended Foundation Program

**Duration** Three or four trimesters

**CRICOS code** 089334J

**Fee** A\$24,020 (2017) | A\$25,400 (2018)

NIC offers an Extended Foundation Program (FP) for students who have an IELTS (or equivalent) overall score of 5.0\* and wish to commence studies in an academic environment. Students in the extended program will undertake one additional trimester of study consisting of four core courses. Successful completion of this trimester is followed by commencement of eight standard FP courses. Progression rules apply.

## Progression rule

Same as standard Foundation Program (please see previous page). Note that the average mark is calculated based on the eight courses undertaken from the standard FP portion of study.

## Core courses (compulsory)

- FCOM010 Introduction to Academic Communication I†
- FCOM011 Introduction to Academic Communication II†
- FMTH010 Essential Mathematics†
- FBUS107 Introduction to Computing†
- FCOM200 Academic Communication Skills I
- FICS001 Intercultural Studies
- FINT001 Information Technology
- FCOM201 Academic Communication Skills II

## Electives (indicative)

Four courses to be completed from a chosen FP stream (see previous page).

\* Health science programs require an IELTS of 5.5

† Compulsory enrolment in the first trimester of study

For additional information, visit

**nic.nsw.edu.au/  
programs**

# Foundation Program for Medicine

**Duration** Two semesters (April start only)

**CRICOS code** 089335G

**Fee** A\$25,360 (2018)

NIC delivers a unique pathway for students seeking entry to the University of Newcastle's Bachelor of Medical Science and Doctor of Medicine degree. The Foundation Program for Medicine (FPM) is taught as a two-semester program. Approximately 30 students are accepted into this program each year, and it is taught as its own separate class. Students will develop additional preparatory skills as part of their studies, such as an introduction to problem-based learning.

Subsequent admission to the Bachelor of Medical Science and Doctor of Medicine (Joint Medical Program) is based on academic performance and an assessment of personal qualities. Admission to the first year of the program at the University of Newcastle is highly competitive and limited places are available. Students will be ranked on specific progression requirements to successfully gain a place at the university.

## Special English language requirements

To be eligible for the FPM, students will be required to demonstrate the English proficiency requirement of an IELTS of 6.0 (with no individual band less than 5.5) or equivalent.



**UON RANKED IN THE WORLD'S  
TOP 150 FOR MEDICINE**

QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017.

## ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Country	Foundation Program for Medicine
Australia	Successful completion of year 12 or the Higher School Certificate and achieving a minimum average of 70% or above
China	Senior Middle 3 with an average of 80% across 4 academic subjects
Hong Kong	HKDSE total score of 12 points across 4 academic subjects (Category A). The English paper is not included in this calculation.
Malaysia	SPM/O Levels with a minimum A average across 5 academic subjects
Mauritius	O Levels with an A average across 5 academic subjects
Pakistan	Cambridge O Levels with an A average across 5 academic subjects
Singapore	Singapore/Cambridge O Levels with an A average across 5 academic subjects. Satisfactory score based on the best 3 H2 level subjects.
Thailand	Matayom 6 with a GPA of 3.0 or higher
UK	Cambridge O Levels with an A average across 5 academic subjects
USA	High School Diploma with a GPA of 3.0 or higher
Vietnam	Diploma of General Education with an average grade of 8
Zimbabwe	A Levels with a minimum B average across the best 3 academic subjects.
All applications from other countries considered on a case by case basis.	



## PROGRESSION RULES TO YEAR ONE OF THE BACHELOR OF MEDICAL SCIENCE AND DOCTOR OF MEDICINE

A minimum of four places in the Bachelor of Medical Science and Doctor of Medicine (Joint Medical Program) program are available each year through the FPM pathway. In order to gain admission to the Bachelor of Medical Science and Doctor of Medicine, students must:

- pass all eight courses in the FPM with an average mark of 90%, and
- satisfy the Bachelor of Medical Science and Doctor of Medicine (Joint Medical Program) Multiple Skills Assessment and online psychometric test (Personal Qualities Assessment).

Students will be required to complete eight courses:

## Core courses (compulsory)

- FBI0001 Biology
- FBUS105 Statistics
- FCOM200 Academic Communication Skills I
- FCOM201 Academic Communication Skills II
- FHBI001 Human Biology
- FICS001 Intercultural Studies
- FINT001 Information Technology
- FSCN001 Health Science

## Additional information

Specific information regarding additional conditions for enrolment in the University of Newcastle's Bachelor of Medicine degree may be located at **nic.nsw.edu.au/programs/foundation-program-in-medicine**.

DIPLOMA OF

# Business and Commerce

**Duration** Two or three trimesters

**CRICOS code** 074637F

**Fee** A\$22,100 (2017) | A\$23,880 (2018)

## Average graduate salaries

Accounting: AU\$51,106

Human Resources: AU\$60,252

Marketing: AU\$46,009

\*payscale.com/research/AU



This program helps students develop job-ready skills like critical thinking, creative problem solving, and teamwork. Students can take advantage of the university's strong connections with the local business community and understand global citizenship by engaging with international case studies and cross-cultural learning.

The Diploma of Business and Commerce prepares students for second-year degree study in many areas within the business and commerce disciplines. These studies open doors across a wide range of industries and professions. Graduates of the Diploma of Business and Commerce will be among the first students to study at the University of Newcastle's new \$95 Million Business School. A shuttle bus will operate to and from the main Callaghan campus.

## Employment and career options

Accounting, banking and finance, business consulting, finance and securities analysis, foreign relations, human resource management, investment management, marketing, taxation economics and more.

With a growing need for graduates in these areas, degrees in business and commerce provide exciting opportunities for students.

## Progression rule to bachelor's degree

Minimum 50 percent pass in all courses

### Courses

Select eight courses comprising of the following core and specified courses:

#### Core courses (Business and Commerce)

- NICACFI1001 Accounting for Decision Makers
- NICACFI1003 Introduction to Finance
- NICECON1001 Microeconomics for Business Decisions
- NICECON1002 Macroeconomics in the Global Economy
- NICLEGL1001 Foundations of Law
- NICMNGT1001 Introduction to Management
- NICSTAT1060 Business Decision Making

#### Specified courses

Courses must also be selected for the chosen specialisation:

#### Business

- NICMKTG1001 Foundations of Marketing

#### Commerce

- NICACFI1002 Accounting Practice

## SECOND YEAR ENTRY TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE

### ▪ Bachelor of Business

Majoring in: Entrepreneurship and Innovation; Governance, Policy and Political Economy; Human Resource Management; International Business; Leadership and Management; Marketing; Sports Management; Tourism Management

### ▪ Bachelor of Commerce

Majoring in: Accounting; Actuarial Studies and Risk Management; Economics; Finance

### ▪ Bachelor of Business / Bachelor of Innovation and Entrepreneurship

### ▪ Bachelor of Commerce / Bachelor of Innovation and Entrepreneurship

## Professional recognition

University of Newcastle graduates can apply for professional memberships with a wide variety of organisations such as:

- Australian Human Resource Institute (AHRI)
- Australian Marketing Institute (AMI)
- Australian Society of Certified Practising Accountants (CPA Australia)
- Australian Securities and Investment Commission (ASIC)
- Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia (ICAA)

† [newcastle.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-business-commerce](http://newcastle.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-business-commerce)

For additional information about this Diploma, visit  
**[nic.nsw.edu.au/programs/diploma-business-and-commerce](http://nic.nsw.edu.au/programs/diploma-business-and-commerce)**

**91%** Employed within four months of graduating†



DIPLOMA OF

# Engineering

**Duration** Two or three trimesters

**CRICOS code** 074638E

**Fee** A\$26,460 (2017) | A\$28,320 (2018)

## Average graduate salaries

Civil Engineer: AU\$66,841\*

Mechanical Engineer: AU\$64,660\*

Electrical Engineer: AU\$67,942\*

Structural Engineer: AU\$63,782\*

Software Engineer: AU\$66,418\*

\*payscale.com/research/AU



The University of Newcastle's engineering programs offer excellent job prospects by producing industry-ready engineers. Studies focus on academic and professional training to prepare students for the real world. Each engineering degree requires students to seek a minimum of 12 weeks of industrial experience relating to their area of specialization.

## Employment and career options

Engineering graduates will have access to employment opportunities in a wide range of areas, including: biomedical instrumentation, computer engineering systems, defence, design and construction, industrial automation, infrastructure development, mining, manufacturing, power generation, robotics, systems management and telecommunications. Surveying graduates will be able to seek opportunities in environmental management, hydraulic studies, mapping and photogrammetry, satellite imagery and surveying, and spatial data systems.

# 93%

**Employed within  
four months of  
graduating†**

## Progression rule to bachelor's degree

Minimum 50 percent pass across eight courses

### Courses

Select eight courses comprising of the following core and specified courses:

#### Core courses (all specialisations)

- MATH1110 Mathematics 1
- MATH1120 Mathematics 2
- ENGG1500 Introduction to Professional Engineering

#### Specified courses

plus five courses for the chosen specialisation:

#### Civil Engineering, Surveying

- CIVL1100 Fundamentals of Engineering Mechanics
- ENGG1002 Introduction to Engineering Computations
- PHYS1210 Advanced Physics 1
- SURV1200 Introduction to Surveying
- CIVL1200 Earth Systems

#### Electrical and Electronic Engineering/ Computer Systems Engineering

- ELEC1710 Digital and Computer Electronics 1
- ELEC1310 Introduction to Electrical Engineering
- ENGG1003 Introduction to Procedural Programming
- PHYS1210 Advanced Physics 1
- PHYS1220 Advanced Physics 2

#### Mechanical and Mechatronics Engineering

- MECH1110 Mechanical Drawing/CAD and Workshop Practice
- ELEC1310 Introduction to Electrical Engineering
- CIVL1100 Fundamentals of Engineering Mechanics
- ENGG1003 Introduction to Procedural Programming
- PHYS1210 Advanced Physics 1

## SECOND YEAR ENTRY TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE

- Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (Civil)
- Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (Computer Systems)
- Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (Electrical and Electronic)
- Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (Mechanical)
- Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (Mechatronics)
- Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (Surveying)

## Professional recognition

The University of Newcastle's engineering degrees are accredited by Engineers Australia and other affiliated bodies.

The Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (Surveying) is recognised by the Board of Surveying and Spatial Information of NSW and the reciprocating boards of surveyors in Australia and New Zealand. This qualification can lead to registration through Australia and New Zealand. On completion of the degree students are entitled to membership of the Institution of Surveyors, NSW and its affiliated organisations.

† [newcastle.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-engineering-honours-civil-environmental](http://newcastle.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-engineering-honours-civil-environmental)

For additional  
information about  
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programs/diploma-  
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DIPLOMA OF

# Information Technology

**Duration** Two or three trimesters

**CRICOS code** 074639D

**Fee** A\$25,410 (2017) | A\$27,200 (2018)

## Average graduate salaries

Graduate Software Engineer:  
AU\$54,625\*

\*payscale.com/research/AU



During their IT studies, students work on industry-relevant projects and case studies involving digital media and e-commerce systems. Students learn the principles of excellent design and the technologies behind modern interfaces.

The Diploma of Information Technology enables students to choose from a number of major areas of study, from building commercial applications to creating digital media for entertainment or gaming.

## Employment and career options

Graduates of the Bachelor of Information Technology from the University of Newcastle are employed in: animation and effects coordination, business analysis, database administration, healthcare, help desk and network support, knowledge management, major software applications programming, manufacturing, project management, retailing, system architecture, software development, system analysis, website development.

# 84%

## Employed within four months of graduating<sup>†</sup>

## Progression rule to bachelor's degree

Minimum 50 percent pass in all courses

### Courses

Select eight courses comprising of the following core and specialisation:

#### Core courses

- SENG1050 Web Technologies
- COMP1010 Computing Fundamentals
- INFT1004 Introduction to Programming

#### Specialisations

plus five courses for the chosen specialisation:

#### Interactive Media

- CMNS1230 Foundations of Media Production
- INFT1201 Digital Technologies for Media and Entertainment
- CMNS1000 Introduction to Digital Communication

Two directed electives offered at NIC

#### Business Technology (choose 5)

- NICACFI1001 Accounting for Decision Makers
- NICACFI1002 Accounting Practice
- CMNS1290 Introduction to Public Relations
- NICECON1001 Microeconomics for Business Decisions
- NICMNGT1001 Introduction to Management
- NICSTAT1060 Business Decision Making
- NICMKTG1001 Introduction to Marketing

#### Systems Development

- ENGG1003 Introduction to Procedural Programming

Four directed electives offered at NIC

## SECOND YEAR ENTRY TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE

- **Bachelor of Information Technology** **majoring in:** Interactive Media; Business Technology; Systems Development
- **Bachelor of Information Technology/ Bachelor of Business (combined degree)\***

### Professional Recognition

Students who graduate from the University of Newcastle's Bachelor of IT will be able to apply for membership with the Australian Computer Society (ACS).

\*Remaining duration to complete a combined degree at UON is three years

† [newcastle.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-information-technology](http://newcastle.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-information-technology)

For additional information about this Diploma, visit  
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DIPLOMA OF

# Media and Communication

**Duration** Two or three trimesters

**CRICOS code** 074640M

**Fee** A\$22,890 (2017) | A\$24,520 (2018)

## Average graduate salaries

Public Relations: AU\$56,250\*

Journalist: AU\$49,029\*

Television Production: AU\$52,796\*

\*payscale.com/research/AU



Media and communication students have access to purpose-built facilities such as sound and recording studios of industry standards, as well as Mac and PC labs. The program is designed to foster independent learning and teamwork, which prepares them for on-the-job challenges.

Study topics include professional writing, media production, and communication theory, as well as introductions to journalism, public relations, and digital communication. Initiative and persistence are encouraged to help students produce thoughtful and creative work.

## Employment and career options

Audience research and analysis, audio production and post-production, broadcast journalism, digital video and television, journalism, media research and analysis, media strategy, multimedia production, professional and creative writing, public relations, publishing, radio broadcasting and production, research and policy development.

## Progression rule to bachelor's degree

Minimum 50 percent pass in all courses

### Courses

Select eight courses comprising of the following:

#### Core courses

- CMNS1000 Introduction to Digital Communication
- CMNS1090 Introduction to Professional Writing
- CMNS1230 Foundations of Media Production
- CMNS1234 Introduction to Communication Theory

#### Specialisations

##### Journalism

- CMNS1280 Introduction to Journalism

Three directed electives offered at NIC

##### Media Production

Four directed electives offered at NIC

##### Public Relations

- CMNS1290 Introduction to Public Relations

Three directed electives offered at NIC

##### Media Studies

Four directed electives offered at NIC

## SECOND YEAR ENTRY TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE

### Bachelor of Communication

majoring in: Public Relations; Journalism; Media Studies; Media Production

### Professional recognition

Students who complete the Bachelor of Communication majoring in Public Relations will graduate with a degree accredited by the Public Relations Institute of Australia (PRIA).

† [newcastle.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-communication](http://newcastle.edu.au/degrees/bachelor-of-communication)

For additional information about this Diploma, visit  
**[nic.nsw.edu.au/programs/diploma-of-media-and-communication](http://nic.nsw.edu.au/programs/diploma-of-media-and-communication)**

**89%** Employed within four months of graduating†



# NIC admission requirements

The table below may be used as a guideline to the minimum academic requirements for entry to NIC's Foundation, Extended Foundation and Diploma programs. For academic entry requirements to the Foundation Program for Medicine, please refer to page 12.

NIC welcomes all applications from all countries, and will assess each application on its own merit. NIC will only consider academic subjects when determining average student performance.

## MATURE-AGED ENTRY

Applicants who are aged 21 years or above may be admitted to an academic program at NIC without meeting formal academic qualifications. Evidence of relevant work experience and other acceptable qualifications will need to be submitted at the time of applying.

This may be accompanied with a Statement of Purpose, outlining reasons and motivation for pursuing academic studies at NIC.

## RECOGNITION FOR PRIOR LEARNING

Students who have previously enrolled in post-secondary or tertiary studies may be recognised for their prior learning and may wish to apply for exemptions. Applicants will be required to supply certified copies of all academic transcripts as well as detailed course syllabus information (outlining the content of that particular subject) for an assessment. Official transcripts and syllabus information must be supplied in English.

The list of qualifications outlined below is a guide only. As not all qualifications and countries are listed, students with other credentials are encouraged to apply.

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE PREPARATION

Students who don't meet the minimum English language requirement for their preferred program may be able to enrol at the university's Language Centre. English Language Intensive Courses for Overseas Students (ELICOS) are offered in 10-week blocks and can be included in an NIC packaged offer.

Country	Foundation Program and Extended Foundation Program	Diploma
	Fast track and Standard track*	Fast track, Standard track and Diploma (Provisional Entry Program)
Australia	Completion of Year 11 with acceptable pass grades	Successful completion of the NSW Higher School Certificate (Year 12)
Bangladesh	Completion of the General Certificate of Education with 50% average, or Year 11 (10+1) with a 70% GPA	Higher School Certificate with a GPA of 3.0
Chile	Completion of the Licencia de Educacion, average below 5.0–5.7	Completion of the Licencia de Educacion with an average of 5.7 or better
China	Completion of Senior Middle 2 with an 80% average across 4 academic subjects	Completion of Senior Middle 3 with a 70% average across 4 academic subjects
Colombia	Bachillerato with an average of 60% and below	Bachillerato with an average of 70%
Hong Kong	Completion of Form 5 with acceptable pass grades	HKDSE total score of 8 in the best 4 academic subjects across Category A and Category C subjects (minimum level 2 in each subject)



Country	Foundation Program and Extended Foundation Program	Diploma
	Fast track and Standard track*	Fast track, Standard track and Diploma (Provisional Entry Program)
India	Completion of Year 11– All India Senior School Certificate, Indian School Certificate, Higher Secondary School Certificate with grades of 50% or better	All India Senior School Certificate with an average of 55% across 3 academic subjects
Indonesia	SMU II average with an average of 7.2 across the best 4 academic subjects	SMU III with an average grade of 6.75 across the best 4 academic subjects
Japan	Completion of Kotogakko Year 2 with a GPA of 3.0 or better	High School Graduation with a GPA of 2.5 or better
Kenya	KCSE 'D' average, GCE 'O' levels – passes in 3 subjects	KCSE C average, Minimum of 2 passes in GCE 'A' levels
Korea	Successful completion of year 2 of Senior High School with D grade average in 4 academic subjects	Senior High School Graduation Certificate (Year 3) with a C average (rank 6 or above) across 4 academic subjects
Kuwait	Successful completion of Shahadat Al-Thanawaya Al-Aama (General Secondary Education Certificate) with minimum overall grade of 60%	Completion of Shahadat Al-Thanawaya Al-Aama (General Secondary Education Certificate) with a 75% average or better in final results
Macau	Senior Middle 2 with a 70% average across all subjects	Senior Middle 3–70% average across 4 subjects
Malaysia	Completion of Form 5/SPM/Senior Middle 2 or equivalent with overall pass grade	STPM – 2 passes, Senior Middle 3 – 70% or better (across 4 academic subjects), UEC with a minimum C grade average
Mauritius	GCE 'O' levels with credit in 3 academic subjects	Minimum 2 passes at GCE 'A' levels
Myanmar	Matriculation examination certificate	Assessed individually
Nepal	Higher Secondary School Certificate – Completion of Year 11 with an average of 45%	Completion of the Higher School Certificate (HSC–12th grade) 2nd Division with 55% in 4 academic subjects
Nigeria	Completion of Senior Secondary School examinations (WAEC or NECO) with 5 grades at D7 level	Completion of Senior Secondary School examinations (WAEC or NECO) with 5 grades at C6 level
Pakistan	Completion of Higher Secondary School Certificate (Year 11) with a grade average of 50% or better	Intermediate/Higher Secondary School Certificate–54% average across 4 academic subjects
Papua New Guinea	Higher School Certificate/Upper Secondary School Certificate with a minimum grade average of 60%	Higher School Certificate/Upper Secondary School Certificate with a grade of 70% or better across best 4 subjects
Philippines	Completion of the High School Diploma with an average of 70%	High School Diploma and NCEE with an average of 80% with an additional year of study in a Certificate or Diploma course
Saudi Arabia	Successful completion of the General Certificate of Secondary Education with an average of 50%	General Secondary Education Certificate with an average of 75% or better
Singapore	Successful completion of Sec 4 (Express) or GCE 'O' levels with passes in 3 academic subjects	Minimum 2 passes in GCE 'A' levels
Sri Lanka	Successful completion of Year 11, or GCE 'O' levels	GCE or Sri Lankan 'A' levels – 2 passes
Taiwan	Completion of Senior Middle 2 with an average of 60% across 4 academic subjects	Senior Middle 3 – 65% average across 4 academic subjects
Tanzania	GCE O-Levels or equivalent with passes in 4 subjects	2 passes in GCE A-Levels
Thailand	Matayom 5 with a GPA of 2.5	Matayom 6 with GPA of 2.0 or better
United Arab Emirates	Completion of General Secondary Education Certificate, or American High School Diploma	General Secondary Education Certificate with 70% in final year results, or American High School Diploma with an average grade of 70% in final year results
United Kingdom	GCE 'O' levels with passes in 3 academic subjects, or GCSE	Minimum 2 passes for GCE 'A' levels
USA	Completion of Year 11 or equivalent with pass grades	Completion of USA High School Diploma with a GPA of 2.75
Vietnam	Successful completion of Year 11 (or equivalent) with a GPA of 5.0 or better across all academic subjects	Year 12 with a GPA of 6.0
Zambia	Completion of 'O' levels or equivalent	GCE A levels with passes in 2 academic subjects
Zimbabwe	GCE 'O' levels or equivalent, with passes in 4 subjects	Zim Sec or GCE 'A' levels with a minimum of 2 passes
Global Assessment Certificate	Contact NIC Admissions	Average GPA score of 1.0 (D or 60% or better)
International Baccalaureate	Successful completion of Year 1 of the IB curriculum	IB aggregate mark of 21 over 6 subjects

\* Students applying for admission to the FPM will only be able to enrol in a two-semester option, commencing in April each year.

For details about entry requirements for the Foundation Program for Medicine, please refer to page 12.

# English language requirements

	<b>Extended Foundation Program</b>	<b>Extended Foundation Program (Health stream)*</b> <b>Diploma Program with Provisional Entry Program</b>	<b>Foundation Program</b>	<b>Foundation Program (Health stream)*</b> <b>Diploma Program</b>
IELTS (Academic only)	5.0 (with no band less than 4.5)	5.5 (with no band less than 5.0)	5.5 (with no band less than 5.0)	6.0 (with no band less than 5.5)
TOEFL (ibt)	59	71-78	71-78	79 and above
TOEFL	500/173	527/197	527/197	550 or 213
University of Newcastle English Language Centre	Intermediate Level Minimum 65% in three areas and 60% in the 4th	Upper Intermediate Level Minimum 65% in three areas and 60% in the 4th	Upper Intermediate Level Minimum 65% in three areas and 60% in the 4th	EAP Level Minimum 60% in four areas
NSW HSC (Year 12)	ESL Band 2	ESL Band 3	ESL Band 3	ESL Band 4
SPM C1119	D8	C6	C6	B4
Pearsons Test of English (Academic)	41	49	49	57
GCSE/O Level English	D8	C6	C6	B4
HKDSE Use of English/ HKDSE or Form 5 English	Contact NIC	2	2	3
General Paper	Contact NIC	C or better	C or better	B minimum
IB English	Contact NIC	Grade 3 English A1 or A2 (Higher and Standard levels) or minimum 5 in English B (Higher level)	Grade 3 English A1 or A2 (Higher and Standard levels) or minimum 5 in English B (Higher level)	Grade 4 English A1 or A2 (Higher and Standard levels) or minimum 5 in English B (Higher level)
KCSE English Paper	N/A	N/A	N/A	C or better

\*Excludes Biomedical Science





# Academic calendar

## FOUNDATION AND DIPLOMA PROGRAMS 2017-2018\*

Trimester/ Year	Orientation/ Enrolment	Trimester start	Trimester end	Exam period	Trimester break
Trimester 3 October 2017	16 October	23 October	25 January 2018	29 January – 2 February	3-25 February
Trimester 1 February 2018	19 February	26 February	25 May	28 May – 2 June	3-24 June
Trimester 2 June 2018	18 June	25 June	21 September	24-29 September	30 September – 21 October
Trimester 3 October 2018	15 October	22 October	25 January 2019	28 January – 2 February 2019	3-24 February 2019

\* Dates are subject to change

## FOUNDATION PROGRAM FOR MEDICINE 2018

Semester/ Year	Orientation date	Semester start date	Mid-semester break	Semester end date	Exam period
Semester 1 February 2018	4 April	9 April	28 May – 2 June	13 July	16-21 July
Semester 2 July 2018		13 August	1-5 October	16 November	19-24 November



# Your investment

## FEES AND CHARGES

Program	CRICOS code	Duration	2017 Total program fees	2018 Total program fees
<b>Foundation Programs</b>				
Foundation Program (FP)	089333K	2 or 3 trimesters	A\$19,320	A\$20,680
Extended Foundation Program	089334J	3 or 4 trimesters	A\$24,020 (FP fee + A\$4,700)	A\$25,400 (FP fee + A\$4,720)
Foundation Program for Medicine (FPM)	089335G	2 semesters	N/A	A\$25,360
<b>Diploma Programs (Standard Track and Fast Track)</b>				
Diploma of Business and Commerce	074637F	2 or 3 trimesters	A\$22,100	A\$23,880
Diploma of Engineering	074638E	2 or 3 trimesters	A\$26,460	A\$28,320
Diploma of Information Technology	074639D	2 or 3 trimesters	A\$25,410	A\$27,200
Diploma of Media and Communication	074640M	2 or 3 trimesters	A\$22,890	A\$24,520
Provisional Entry Program	N/A	1 course (NNIC 1000 Communication and Literacy) to be completed in the first trimester	N/A	Diploma fee plus A\$4200
<b>The University of Newcastle's English Language Centre</b>				
English Language		10 week programs	A\$4,100 (10 weeks)	A\$4,250 (10 weeks)

Tuition fees listed are indicative only and are subject to change depending on the year of commencement of studies.

Students may also satisfy the English requirement if a minimum of two years of studies completed (within the last five years) at a secondary or post-secondary institution have been conducted in English as the medium of instruction. This will be assessed on an individual basis.

Program fees include:

- Tuition (a minimum of one trimester/semester's fee is payable on enrolment)
- Attendance at NIC's orientation program
- Access to library, computing and social activities on campus
- Student counselling and academic assistance as required
- Internet access on campus

Program fees do not include:

- Accommodation
- Meals and transport
- Entertainment
- Textbooks, stationery and printing
- Health cover
- Visa processing fees
- Airfares

### OVERSEAS STUDENT HEALTH COVER

All international students applying for a student visa must purchase Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) for the duration of their visa. This is a compulsory visa requirement set by immigration. OSHC fees paid to NIC will be transferred directly to our preferred provider Allianz Global Assistance.

### LIVING EXPENSES

A student's budget for living expenses will depend on individual lifestyle and accommodation choices.

The Australian Government has estimated that a single international student requires a minimum of A\$19,830 per year to cover living expenses. These items include accommodation, meals, incidentals, entertainment and local transport.

This does not include any allowance for costs associated with a student's spouse, partner or dependants.

Any school age dependants accompanying students to Australia will be required to pay full fees if the dependants enrol in a government or non-government school.

Students should also have additional funds to pay for initial costs of getting established, textbooks and where applicable, special equipment, transportation and temporary or additional accommodation.

For more information please refer to **border.gov.au**



# Navitas bursaries and scholarships

## NAVITAS FAMILY BURSARIES

Navitas offers financial support in the form of family bursaries. A bursary applies where two or more students from the same family study with a Navitas member institution.\*

The bursary is equivalent to 10% of the tuition fee for up to 8 units of study within one program only with a Navitas member institution.†

## NAVITAS ACADEMIC MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

Navitas is committed to helping you achieve your career goals by offering scholarships to outstanding students.

Each term, Navitas colleges\* award two students with academic merit scholarships.

For more information, talk to an Advisor at your college about how to apply for a merit scholarship or visit individual college websites and search for 'scholarships and bursaries'.

\* The Navitas family bursary and academic merit scholarships are offered to students studying at ACBT, BCUI, Curtin College, Curtin Singapore, CRIC, Deakin College, Deakin College Indonesia, Edith Cowan College, EIC, Eynesbury, FIC, Griffith College, HIC, ICM, ICP, ICRGU, ICWS, La Trobe Melbourne, La Trobe University Sydney Campus, LBIC, Navitas at FAU, Navitas at UMass Boston, Navitas at UMass Dartmouth, Navitas at UMass Lowell, Navitas at UNH, NIC, PUIC, SAIBT, SIBT,

UC College, UCIC, Western Sydney University International College, and Western Sydney University Sydney City Campus only.

† Certificate programs may also be known or registered as Foundation Studies or University Transfer Program Stage I. Diploma programs may also be known or registered as Undergraduate Pathway, University Transfer Program (UTP), University Transfer Program Stage II or University Pathways Program (UPP). The Navitas bursary is not applicable to any English language program or any component of an English language program offered by a Navitas member institution.

This information is correct as at the time of printing and may be subject to change without notice or at the discretion of Navitas member institutions or Navitas Limited.





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FEES AND LIVING COSTS:**  
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**POLICIES AND PROCEDURES:**  
[nic.nsw.edu.au/policies](http://nic.nsw.edu.au/policies)

**EDUCATION SERVICES FOR  
OVERSEAS STUDENTS ACT 2000  
(ESOS ACT)**  
[https://docs.education.gov.  
au/system/files/doc/other/  
esosstudentfactsheetv3.pdf](https://docs.education.gov.au/system/files/doc/other/esosstudentfactsheetv3.pdf)





# Application form

Please print in BLOCK LETTERS

## Student details

Family name (as per passport):
Given names (as per passport):
Date of birth: DAY / MONTH / YEAR
Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
What is your citizenship? (as per passport):
What is your country of birth?

## Contact details

### Applicant's contact details (Compulsory)

Address overseas:	
Telephone:	
Mobile:	
Email address:	
Address in Australia (if known):	
Telephone:	
Mobile:	

### Agent's contact details

Agent name:	
Agent office code:	
Address:	
Country:	
Post/zip code:	
Telephone:	
Mobile:	
Email address:	

## Education details

Please list your highest education qualification (this may include any program that you started but did not complete after leaving secondary school).

Name of qualification (e.g. Year 12, HKDSE, IB or 'A' Levels):
School/Institution:
Country:
Program length:
Date completed: DAY / MONTH / YEAR
Attach certified copies of academic transcripts for ALL secondary school and post secondary school qualifications. If you believe you have relevant employment experience, please attach details.
Depending on where you studied and on the language of instruction, you may need to show us evidence of your English language ability.
Are you currently enrolled in another institution? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Name of institution: _____

## Request for disability support

Do you have a disability that may affect your studies? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If 'yes', please specify: <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing <input type="checkbox"/> Vision <input type="checkbox"/> Mobility <input type="checkbox"/> Medical <input type="checkbox"/> Learning <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): _____
Please attach relevant information so that NIC can arrange assistance if possible.

## Program commencement

Please specify when you wish to commence your studies with NIC

Year: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> February	<input type="checkbox"/> April*	<input type="checkbox"/> June	<input type="checkbox"/> October
*Foundation Program for Medicine only				

## NIC Program

<b>Foundation Programs</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Foundation Program (FP) <input type="checkbox"/> Extended Foundation Program <input type="checkbox"/> Foundation Program for Medicine (FPM)
<b>Diploma Programs</b> (Please tick program and also circle your preferred stream) <input type="checkbox"/> Diploma of Business and Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> Diploma of Engineering (Civil/Mechanical/Mechatronics/Electrical and Electronic/Computer Systems/Surveying) <input type="checkbox"/> Diploma of Information Technology (Interactive Media, Business Technology, Systems Development) <input type="checkbox"/> Diploma of Media and Communication (Journalism/Public Relations/Media Production/Media Studies)

## University of Newcastle Program

Which degree do you intend to study at the University of Newcastle?
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## Visa

Have you ever had a visa refusal from any country? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, please provide details: _____
Passport number: _____
Do you have a current Australian Visa? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If 'yes' please specify visa type and provide a copy of your current visa with your application. <input type="checkbox"/> Student <input type="checkbox"/> Visitor <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): _____
Disclaimer I grant NIC permission to provide my parent(s), and agents or guardian(s), if requested, with any information pertaining to my application to study, ongoing academic progress, results and attendance. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

## English proficiency

(Please tick and attach documentary evidence where applicable)	
<input type="checkbox"/> English is my first language	
<input type="checkbox"/> English was the language of instruction during my secondary school studies and I gained a satisfactory pass in final-year English (results attached).	
<input type="checkbox"/> I have taken an IELTS or TOEFL test (results attached).	
<input type="checkbox"/> I have obtained a satisfactory mark or score in another examination or test acceptable to NIC (e.g. completion of at least the first year of a post-secondary/tertiary program at a college or university where the language of instruction was English).	
IELTS (Academic) or TOEFL score: _____	
Other English test: _____	Score: _____
Are you currently enrolled in a language school? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
If 'yes', please provide name of school: _____	

Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)

NIC will provide all international students with a policy covered by Allianz Global Assistance

OSHC required: ☐ Single ☐ Family

☐ Please tick if you do not want your email address given to the OSHC provider.

If you DO NOT wish to use the OSHC policy provided, please provide the details of the policy you have arranged.

OSHC provider name:

OSHC number:

Sponsored students only

Name of sponsoring organisation:

Type of sponsorship (e.g. tuition fees, living expenses):

Other information

How did you hear about NIC? (please only tick ONE)

☐ Recommended by a friend or relative

☐ Exhibition/seminar (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Recommended by a school counsellor

☐ Newspaper advertisement

☐ NIC website

☐ Recommended by the University of Newcastle

☐ Recommended/Assisted by an agent (please specify which agent) \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Application checklist

Check that you have:

☐ Completed all sections of the Application form.

☐ Included all certified\* copies of all academic qualifications (school, college, university).

☐ Evidence of meeting English language proficiency.

☐ Included a certified\* translation of any documents that are not in English.

☐ If you have changed your name official documents must be included.

☐ A copy of your passport and current visa (if relevant)

☐ Read and understood the Conditions of Enrolment and Fee information provided at [nic.nsw.edu.au/conditions-of-enrolment](http://nic.nsw.edu.au/conditions-of-enrolment).

\* A certified copy is a photocopy signed by an authorised officer to acknowledge that it matches the original document exactly.  
Authorised officers are:

- The NIC office in Newcastle
- An authorised NIC representative (please visit: [nic.nsw.edu.au](http://nic.nsw.edu.au))
- The institution that issued the documents
- A Justice of the Peace or Public Notary
- An Australian Embassy, Consulate or Education Centre.

Declaration

I declare that the information I have supplied on this form is, to the best of my understanding and belief, complete and correct.

I have read and understood the published course information in the brochure or website and I have sufficient information about NIC to enrol.

I give permission for NIC to obtain official records from any educational institution attended by me and from the University of Newcastle following my studies at NIC.

I authorise NIC to provide my personal information, including my contact details and enrolment details, to third parties in accordance with NIC's Privacy policy. These third parties include education agents who, in some cases, may need to assist students with their applications.

I authorise NIC to provide any relevant personal information to the University of Newcastle and Navitas Ltd to facilitate the issue of a student ID card and the use of the University of Newcastle and Navitas Ltd library resources.

I authorise both bodies to retain my photo image for identification purposes.

I also authorise NIC to supply my contact details and any relevant official records to educational institutions to which I am eligible to gain admission.

I authorise NIC to provide my personal information, including my contact

details, program enrolment details and (if applicable) the circumstances of any suspected breach of student visa conditions, to the following bodies: the Australian Government's designated authorities; the Tuition Protection Service; the ESOS Assurance Fund Manager, and to third party service providers (such as electronic storage providers and organisations which may assist in the processing and finalisation of my application). In other instances information collected on this form and during my enrolment can be disclosed without my consent where authorised or required by law.

I understand that giving false or incomplete information may lead to my application being refused or my enrolment cancelled. It is an offence to submit fraudulent documentation in support of my application. If fraudulent documentation is detected:

- my application will be rejected;
- if an offer has been made, it will be withdrawn; and
- if a visa has been issued to me, the Department of Immigration and Border Protection will be notified; and
- other relevant authorities (such as the NSW Police and the Independent Commission Against Corruption) may also be notified.

I have read and fully understand NIC's privacy policy which is located at [nic.nsw.edu.au/policies](http://nic.nsw.edu.au/policies).

I accept liability for payment of all fees as explained in this brochure or website and I agree to abide by the refund policy as specified. I also understand that additional fees may be incurred if the year of commencement of study varies from the year of application submitted. I agree to abide by the NIC academic rules and policies as published on the website and portal. I have also read the section relating to cost of living in Australia and I confirm that I am able to meet these costs.

I understand that it is my responsibility to maintain my Overseas Health Cover while I am studying in Australia. I also understand that if I am not enrolled at NIC my OSHC membership automatically expires.

I give NIC permission to access my current visa status through the DIBP Visa Entitlement Verification Online (VEVO) website.

Applicant's signature:

(Must be the same signature as in your passport)

Date: DAY / MONTH / YEAR

If you are under 18 years of age, your parent or guardian must also sign this application form.

Parent's/guardian's signature:

Date: DAY / MONTH / YEAR

Application submission

This application form has been submitted in:

City

Country

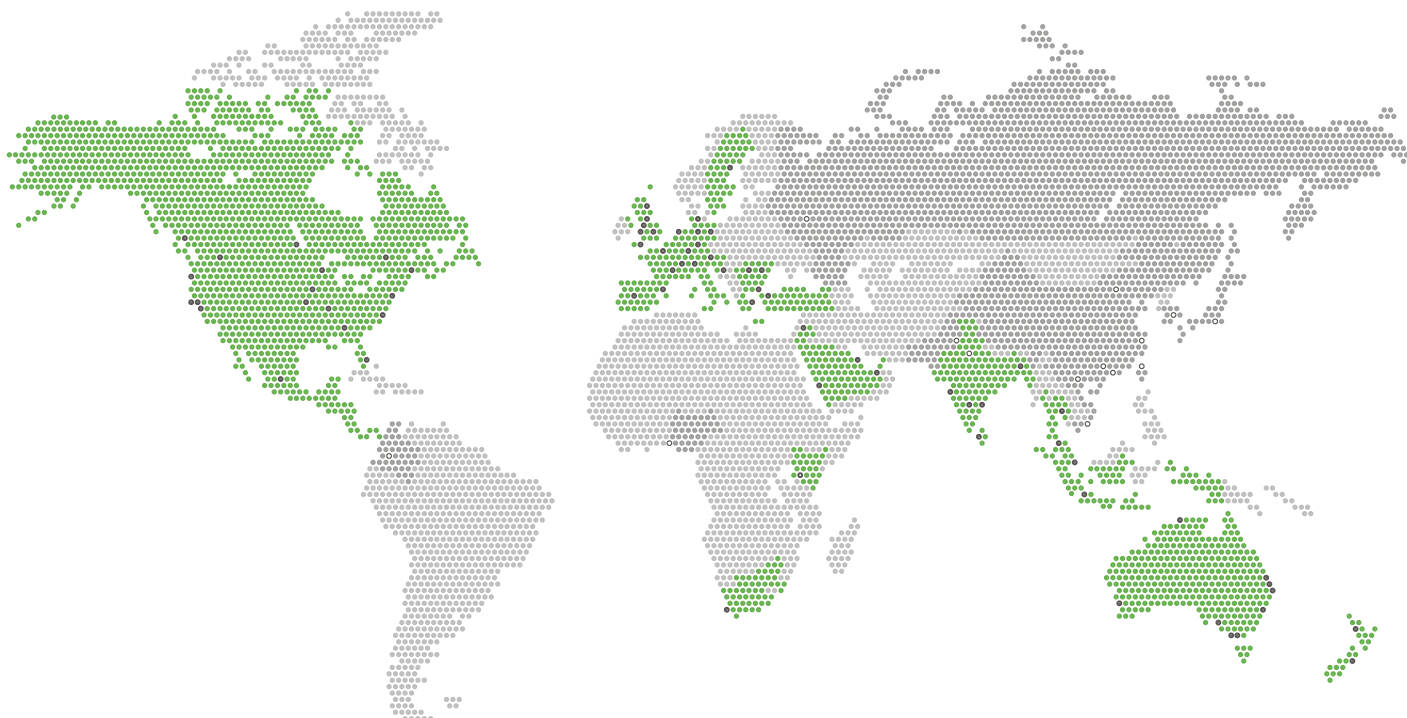
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Agents may not sign on behalf of the applicant.

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