

Deep work.

Do you want to:

- initiate change in your professional context?
- engage in research?
- explore theological and spiritual perspectives?
- tackle complex problems?
- integrate critical praxis?

Deepen your practice *and* knowledge with the Doctor of Professional Practice.

Consistently Ranked #1 in Australia for: **STUDENT SATISFACTION**

In 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2022 the federal government's Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT) Student Experience Survey ranked us #1 out of all universities in Australia. This includes metrics such as learner engagement, teaching quality and student support.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST



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The Doctor of Professional Practice is designed for experienced practitioners to develop advanced knowledge and skills relevant to their professional context.

Integrating critical thinking, spiritual awareness and theological engagement with knowledge and lived experience, the program equips mature professionals to develop their research competency and make impactful contributions in their fields.

Graduates of the program are innovative and collaborative practitioners who integrate understandings of self, profession, systems and context. As thought leaders, they model what it is to do deep work.

WHO CAN APPLY?

You are eligible to apply if you have:

1. at least 5 years of work experience in your chosen field of practice,
2. completed the equivalent of 4 years of tertiary study relevant to your professional practice, and
3. an interest in and the ability to undertake research that makes an original contribution to a field of practice.

HOW IS THE PROGRAM OFFERED?

Candidates in the Doctor of Professional Practice undertake 2 years of advanced coursework (part-time), followed by a research project related to an area of professional practice (part-time or full-time).

Designed with working professionals in mind, coursework units are delivered through a combination of online material and intensive and/or regular seminars (online and/or in-person).

Throughout the course, candidates work within a cohort of learners, fostering supportive and collaborative peer engagement.

Note: The Doctor of Professional Practice can only be taken on a part-time basis during the coursework phase.

Minimum duration	2 years
Standard full-time	3 years
Maximum part-time	8 years

FEES

In 2025, the tuition fee for a year of study in the Doctor of Professional Practice is \$19,608 (full-time) or \$9,804 (part-time).

Fees are subject to change from year to year.

For more information about fees, including FEE-HELP, please visit the [Fees page](#).

HOW DO I APPLY?

The first step is to contact the Doctor of Professional Practice Program Director, to discuss your eligibility, including your professional experience, previous study and area of research interest.

Admission is by written application and interview.

Applicants must submit a completed **Admission Form for Higher Degree by Research Students**, including:

- **details of two referees** who know your professional and/or academic ability
- **a letter of support** from your employer, where relevant/appropriate
- **a statement** (1000-1500 words) that outlines your professional experience, general area of research interest and how the DPP might help you develop your career and make an impactful contribution to knowledge and practice in your field
- **a portfolio** of 3 substantial pieces of your work (from the last 5 years)
- **your CV** (no more than 5 pages)

See the **Admission Form for Higher Degree by Research Students** for more details. These Admission Form requirements will help us assess your suitability for the Doctor of Professional Practice program, including your capacity to deal with complex ideas, communicate clearly and think creatively and innovatively.

CLOSING DATE

There is one intake per year, in February.

There is no closing date for submissions. You can apply any time. For a timely outcome before the new year, **please submit your application by COB on the first Friday in October** of the year before you wish to start.

CONTACT

For further information, visit the University website: <https://divinity.edu.au/courses/doctor-of-professional-practice>

To make an appointment to discuss your interest and eligibility for the Doctor of Professional Practice, please contact **Dr Rebekah Pryor, DPP Director**: rpryor@divinity.edu.au