

Humanitarianism and Development

Graduate Diploma of Humanitarianism and Development
Master of Humanitarianism and Development



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Deakin has an exceptional reputation with over 40 years of teaching and research in international and community development, as well as pioneering the first graduate program in humanitarian assistance. Humanitarianism and development courses are designed with industry consultation and taught by pioneering academics.

Master of Humanitarianism and Development

Deakin code: A756

Location: Burwood (Melbourne), Online

Intakes: T1 (March), T2 (July), T3 (November)

Duration: 1-year full-time (2-years part-time) - 8 credit points; 1.5-years full-time (3-years part-time) - 12 credit points; 2 years full-time (combined Graduate Diploma and Master)

Study the Master of Humanitarianism and Development to develop a deeper understanding of the challenges facing the planet. Extend your theoretical knowledge and enhance your specialist and practical skills in international development, humanitarian responses, and community development.

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Studying the Graduate Diploma of Humanitarianism and Development gives you an introduction to community development, international development, and the humanitarian sector.

Throughout this course, you'll gain a broad overview of the causes, impacts, and solutions of human development to the many crises the world is facing. Core units include Food and Water Security, Disaster Risk Reduction and Community Led Recovery.

The Graduate Diploma is a guaranteed pathway to the Master of Humanitarianism and Development (8 credit points course).

Careers to change the world

No matter your qualification level or background, Deakin's humanitarianism and development courses will equip you with the skills and knowledge to make your mark on a range of private and public sectors – both nationally and internationally.

Some of the areas that you might obtain work as a graduate of the masters course include:

- Private sector
- Crises and emergency management
- Social enterprise
- Not-for-profit organisations
- Consultant
- UN and associated agencies, including UNICEF, UNDP, UNOCHA, World Food program, and many other agencies
- Military and civil/military partnerships
- Universities.

Completing a Master of Humanitarianism and Development or a Graduate Diploma of Humanitarianism and Development will ensure you have a solid foundation with which to progress your career.

Or if you're already in the humanitarian field, your acquired skills, knowledge and qualifications will improve your career standing and equip you for senior roles.



Course structure

Master of Humanitarianism and Development

To be awarded a Master of Humanitarianism and Development, you must successfully complete 8 or 12 credit points as follows:

- DAI001 Academic Integrity Module (0-credit-point compulsory module)
- 1 credit point core unit - Community, Development and Humanitarianism in An Era of Climate Crisis
- 7 or 11 credit points of study from one of the Minor Thesis, Research Paper, or Professional Experience Pathways.
- Course Elective units must be used to form a stream. To complete a stream you must complete 3 out of 4 elective units within a stream. You may complete more than one stream.

Stream 1: Disasters and Community Resilience

Stream 2: Community Development

Stream 3: International Development

Stream 4: Humanitarianism

Stream 5: Professional Practice.

Graduate Diploma of Humanitarianism and Development

To be awarded a Graduate Diploma of Humanitarianism and Development, you must successfully complete 8 credit points as follows:

- DAI001 Academic Integrity Module (0-credit-point compulsory module)
- 2 credit points of core units
- 6 credit points of course electives.

Core Units

- Food and Water Security
- Disaster Risk Reduction and Community Led Recovery

Indicative Electives

- Monitoring and Evaluation
- Program Design
- Climate and Sustainability
- Community from Participation to Activism
- Refugees and Forced Migration
- Humanitarian Knowledge and Principles
- Principles and Practice of Public Health
- Health Promotion
- Arts and Sports Based Approaches to Development
- Governance and Accountability
- Human Rights in World Politics.

Your pathway into a PhD

The masters degree provides a direct pathway to PhD study through research design and a two-credit point research minor thesis. You'll have the opportunity to develop foundational research skills and a highly-engaged network of academic peers.

Study when and where it suits you

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

Expand your professional network

A well-developed professional network provides lifelong benefits and is essential for career growth. Through networking opportunities that Deakin facilitates you'll meet and connect with industry leaders, fellow students, employers, mentors and experts in the field.

Recognition of prior learning (RPL)

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

Find out more at deakin.edu.au/rpl

Scholarships for all types of students

Deakin offers more than 20 postgraduate scholarships recognising and rewarding you for your achievements. For Deakin alumni, their spouses and immediate family we offer a postgraduate bursary for full-fee paying students – a 10% discount on fees. Competitive external scholarships for international students are also available. We also offer other ways to make postgraduate study more accessible, such as allowing you to defer payment so you can focus on your studies.

Find out more at deakin.edu.au/scholarships

Applying to Deakin

Find out how to apply, ask a question or get help with your application at deakin.edu.au/how-to-apply

If you are ready to apply, you can submit your application directly to Deakin at apply.deakin.edu.au

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We're here to help

Deakin is here to support you. From your application through to graduation, we offer many support services to ensure you feel confident throughout your studies.

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- **career services**
- **online study experience**
- **fees and scholarships**
- **health and wellbeing.**

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¹QS World University Rankings by Subject 2022

²Australian Graduate Recruitment Industry Awards, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 winner for most popular career service in Australia; Employability award, 2021 Australian Financial Review Higher Education Awards

³ARWU Rankings 2023

⁴According to the Voice Project IT Service Quality Support Benchmark Survey

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