



Graduation Information Guide

Congratulations to
our 2025 graduates!



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Information for graduates

Ceremony timelines

Geelong ceremonies – Costa Hall, Geelong Waterfront Campus

Details and location	Ceremony times	
	11am	4pm
Your arrival time – registration and robing in your regalia. <i>Please ensure you bring your student ID card for registration</i>	8.30am	1.30pm
Pre-ceremony graduate briefing – all graduates must be seated inside the theatre at this time	10.15am	3.15pm
Graduation ceremony commences	11am	4pm
Graduation ceremony concludes and post-ceremony function commences in marquee in John Hay Courtyard	12.15pm	5.15pm
Post-ceremony function concludes, graduates must de-register and return their robes	1.15pm	6.15pm

Warrnambool ceremony – Lighthouse Theatre

Details and location	11am ceremony
Your arrival time – registration and robing in your regalia. <i>Please ensure you bring your student ID card for registration</i>	9.30am
Pre-ceremony graduate briefing – all graduates must be seated inside the theatre at this time	10.40am
Graduation ceremony commences	11am
Graduation ceremony concludes and post-ceremony function commences	12pm
Post-ceremony function concludes, graduates must de-register and return their robes	1pm

What to wear

You should wear smart, neat or professional business attire as a minimum dress standard. Shorts, t-shirts, jeans, bare feet, thongs or sneakers are not considered appropriate.

Graduates who are dressed inappropriately may be asked to change their attire, or they will not be permitted to participate in the ceremony.

Guest tickets

Each graduate is allocated two guest tickets (PhD students receive 4 guest tickets) as part of their graduation fee. Graduates can register for their guest tickets and purchase additional tickets online (subject to availability) with Reed Events.

Graduates will receive an email from Deakin Graduations when the guest ticket portal opens for registrations, usually 4-6 weeks prior to the graduation round.

Extra tickets cost \$45 per ticket (subject to availability) and will be available online and from the box office on the day of your ceremony. Please Note: Purchased tickets are non-refundable if less than four weeks' notice from the commencement of the ceremony round is given by students who are unable to attend their graduation.

Children age 4 and over will be required to sit in their own seat and will require a ticket. Children aged 3 and under who can be accommodated on a parent or guardian's lap do not require a ticket.

Due to OH&S regulations prams cannot be brought into the hall/theatre, but may be parked in the designated area in the foyer.

Special assistance for you or your guests

As a graduate, you can request any special assistance required for you or your guest(s) when registering via StudentConnect or alternatively by emailing Student Graduations and Events at graduations@deakin.edu.au.

If either graduate or guest needs to bring along a carer, we'll provide them with a ticket at no cost.

Inability to attend graduation

If you are unable to attend your graduation ceremony please advise the **Graduations Office** as soon as possible.

On the day of your ceremony, if you are no longer able to attend please advise Student Central on 03 9244 6333. Please refer to the **Graduations website** for details of the refund policy.

Ceremony live streaming

All ceremonies will be streamed live via our **website**.

Live sites will also be available at the Waterfront Campus during the Geelong ceremonies.

Ceremony recording

The ceremony will be recorded. USBs can be purchased on the day of your graduation or **online** after your graduation.

Photography and graduation day services

Photography and other services are available before and after the ceremony. Please refer to the advertisements within this guide for further information.

Digital Documents – My eEquals

Deakin will provide you with free certified academic documents digitally via **My eEquals**, the official online platform of Australian and New Zealand Universities. My eEquals allows you to securely view and share your digital certified academic documents.

Your academic transcript will be provided to you at course completion and your award certificate (testamur) and Australian Higher Education Graduation Statement (AHEGS) will be issued following your Graduation. Your transcript and testamur will also be provided in print.

Transcripts

Your academic transcript will be issued to you following completion of your course **free of charge**.

You will receive a digital version via the My eEquals online portal with a notification sent to your Deakin email.

Testamurs

Your testamur (graduation certificate) will be issued to you as part of the ceremony. You will receive a digital version of your testamur following your ceremony. A link to access your digital testamur will be sent to your Deakin student email up to 72 hours after your ceremony. Both versions of this document are provided **free of charge**. You should not store your testamur in the presentation pocket long term as this may cause some deterioration of the print.

Australian Higher Education Graduation Statement (AHEGS)

Your Graduation Statement includes details of your award, academic results, any prizes and/or merit-based scholarships, details about the awarding institution and the Australian Higher Education system.

You will receive a digital version of your AHEGS following your ceremony. A link to access your digital AHEGS will be sent to your Deakin student email up to 72 hours after your ceremony. This document is provided **free of charge**.

Useful websites

For general information about your graduation ceremony please visit the **Graduations website**.

Getting to the venue



Costa Hall

1 Gheringhap Street, Geelong

Costa Hall is a concert hall of international standard located at Deakin University's Geelong Waterfront Campus, 72 km south west of Melbourne.

Train

V/Line trains operate regularly between Southern Cross Station in Melbourne and Geelong. The Geelong Waterfront Campus is only a short five minute walk from Geelong train station. Contact V/Line for fare and timetable information on 1800 800 007 or visit vline.com.au.

Bus

The centrally located Geelong Waterfront Campus is well serviced by suburban bus lines which operate from the coastal towns through to areas on the outskirts of the city.

All Geelong bus services stop in Geelong city, which is a short five minute walk to the campus.

mcharrys.com.au

cdcvictoria.com.au

gull.com.au (airport transfers)

Coach

V/Line coaches run from many regional centres, including the Great Ocean Road and Ballarat, to Geelong city and Geelong station. Contact V/Line for fare and timetable information on 1800 800 007 or visit vline.com.au.

Car

You can drive from Melbourne to Geelong via the Princes Freeway. Deakin has a small car park (CP3) and new Multideck Carpark (CP2) found on Smythe Street that will be available on the day with **limited spaces available**.

Westfield Geelong Shopping Centre will be extending their parking operating hours at their parking lot located at 76 Brougham Street, Geelong. Please Note: Extended hours are only applicable to this parking lot, all other Westfield parking will close as normal at 7pm (daily parking rates apply).

Air

Avalon Airport is conveniently located 15km north-east of Geelong and has daily flights to and from Sydney and Brisbane. For travel from all other Australian cities and from overseas, the nearest airport is Melbourne Airport.



Lighthouse Theatre

185 Timor St, Warrnambool

Warrnambool is located 279 km west of Melbourne and 188 km west of Geelong.

Train

V/Line trains operate regularly between Southern Cross Station in Melbourne and Warrnambool. Contact V/Line for fare and timetable information on 1800 800 007 or visit vline.com.au.

Bus

Buses operate a regular service throughout Warrnambool. Local bus timetables are available from the Warrnambool Visitor Information Centre on 03 5559 4620 or visit transitsw.com.au.

Car

You can drive from Melbourne to Warrnambool along the Princes Highway through Geelong, Colac and Camperdown. Street parking is available in the streets surrounding the Lighthouse Theatre (parking restrictions on some streets may apply).

Air

Sharp Airlines runs daily flights from Melbourne (Essendon Airport) to Warrnambool. For more information visit sharpairlines.com or phone 1300 55 66 94.

Get Social! #DeakinGrad

Share your graduation highlights on social media

- Follow Deakin University on Facebook, TikTok and Instagram, and share your graduation highlights for all to see
- Share your photos on social media with #DeakinGrad and tagging @Deakinuniversity

Please ensure your Instagram and TikTok profiles are set to 'Public' before using the #DeakinGrad hashtag.





Welcome to the Deakin alumni community

Congratulations on completing your degree! You're joining a global alumni community of over 358,000 Deakin graduates, and we are delighted to welcome you.

We recognise the dedication it has taken to reach this important milestone and are proud of your accomplishments. And as you embark on your journey into your future careers, further studies and home life, Deakin will be here for you.

Scan the QR code or go to **deakin.my/university** to find out more about our alumni program, including how you can:

- Access Deakin's award-winning career service DeakinTALENT, available to you for free, for life.
- Continue your lifelong learning journey through our programs and benefits.
- Get involved and make a difference for current and future Deakin students.

You will always be welcome at Deakin, and we can't wait to see what you accomplish next.

Sarah Banks
Director, Alumni Engagement
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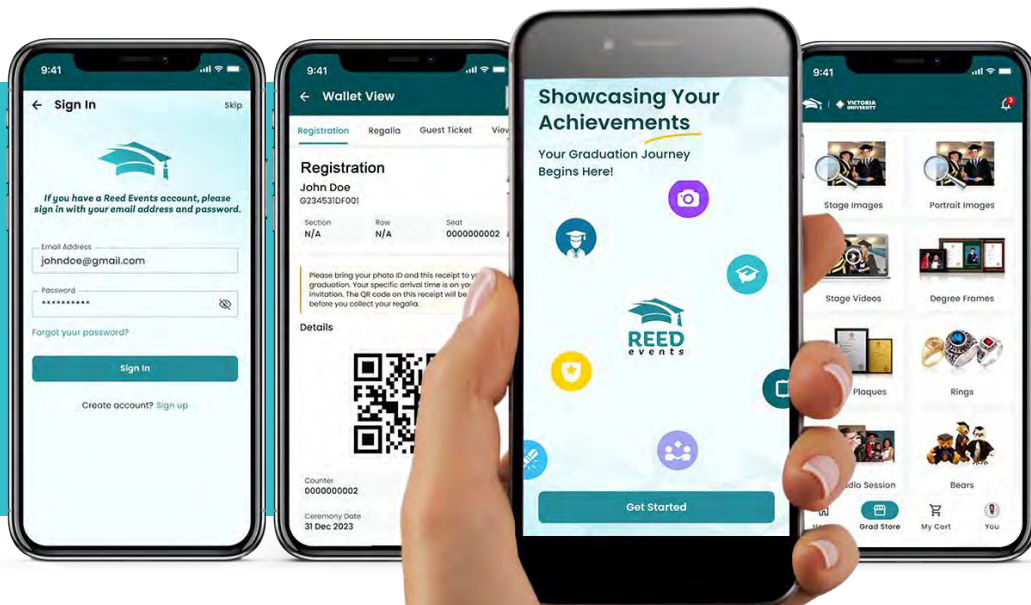


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CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR GRADUATION!

Reed Events is your one-stop shop for all things graduation! From stunning photography and exciting video services to memorable graduation keepsakes, we have everything to make the big day unforgettable!



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EVENTS APP
IN YOUR APP
STORE**



deakin.reedgraduations.com.au

STUDIO PHOTOGRAPHY

Pre-book a studio sitting before graduation day to unlock savings on various products! During the session, you'll spend time with one of our professional photographers who will capture a variety of portraits and group shots.

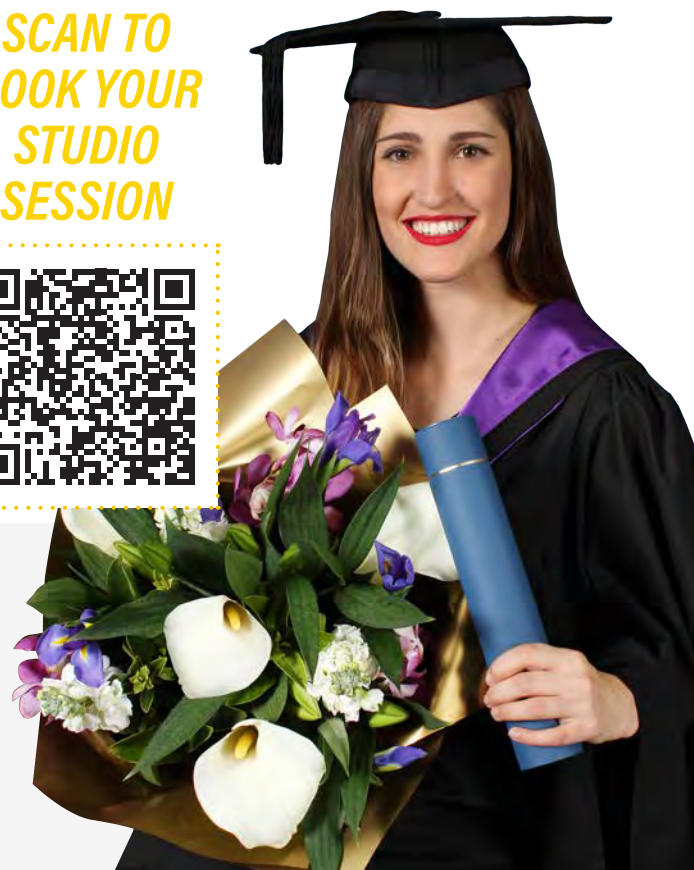
Shortly after your studio session, you can instantly view and purchase your studio images via the intuitive Reed Events App or on our website: deakin.reedgraduations.com.au.

We provide printed, canvas, and digital copies of the images. All printed and canvas options are professionally retouched before being meticulously packaged for delivery. Digital images are available for immediate download after purchase.

HOW TO BOOK

1. To book your studio sitting, go to deakin.reedgraduations.com.au
2. Click '**PRE BOOK PORTRAIT SESSION**'
3. Select your ceremony date and time and proceed to checkout

SCAN TO BOOK YOUR STUDIO SESSION



**FREE SESSION IF YOU PRE-BOOK
BEFORE YOUR GRADUATION DAY!
(\$25 ON GRADUATION DAY)**

'FIND MY PHOTOS' FEATURE

STEP 1

Graduates download the Reed Events APP
clients login using their Reed credentials



STEP 2

Upload or take a picture
Our intelligent app will locate the graduate's studio and stage images



STEP 3

View & purchase in APP
Digital and Print products available



STAGE PHOTOGRAPHY

Pre-book your stage photo and receive a highresolution digital copy and a 20x25 cm Print

Our photographer captures each graduate as they receive their degree on stage, so be sure to look up and smile!

Available immediately after the ceremony via
the *Reed Events App*

Prebooked Stage Photos can be claimed via the
App after your ceremony



**PRE-BOOK
ONLINE
AND SAVE!**

**DOWNLOAD THE *REED EVENTS APP*
TO ORDER YOUR STAGE PHOTO**



CEREMONY LIVE STREAMING & VIDEO

The digital download of the ceremony video will be available to purchase immediately after the ceremony
via the Reed Events App or our website:

deakin.edu.au/life-at-deakin/graduations

Prebooked Stage Videos can be claimed via the App

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YOUR
CEREMONY
LIVE!**

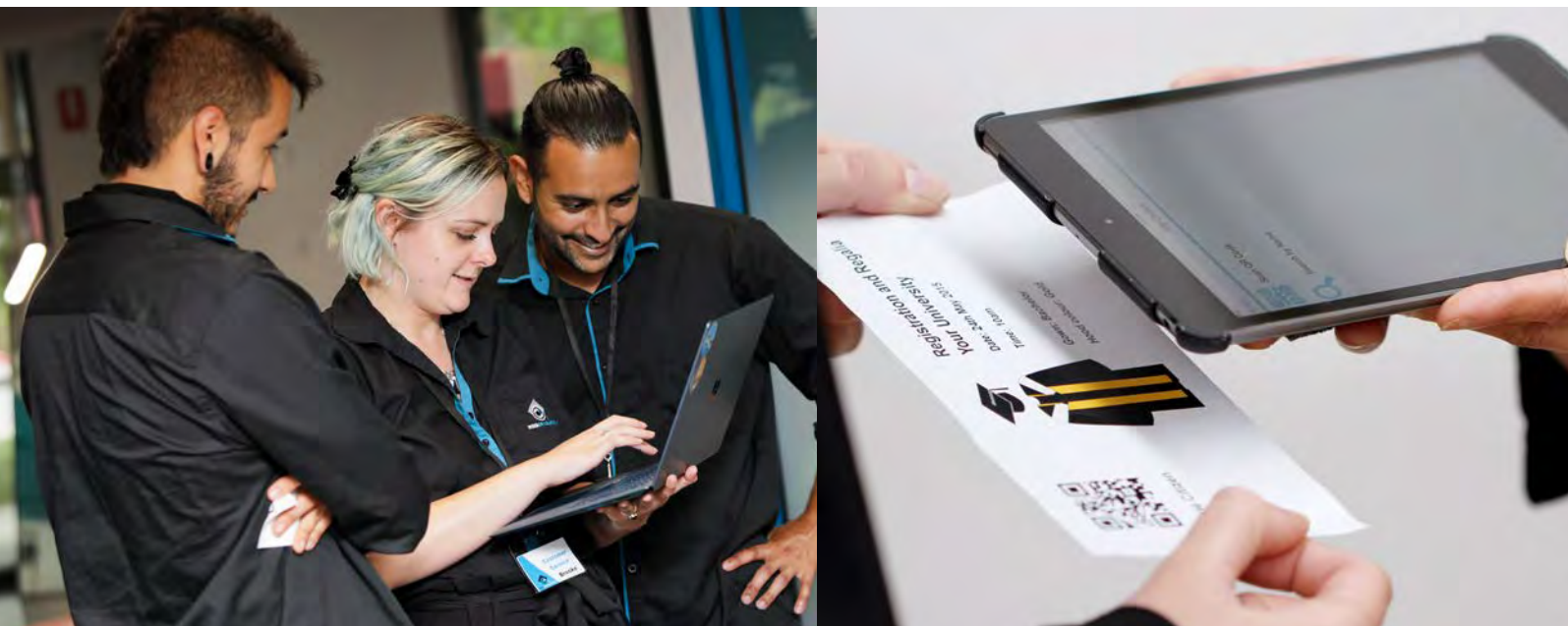


GUEST TICKETING

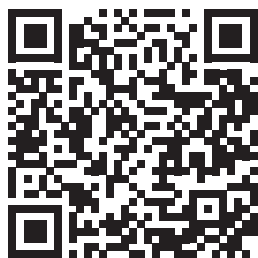
All guest tickets, including complimentary ones, must be reserved through the Reed Events website:

deakin.reedgraduations.com.au

Please make sure all guests have their tickets accessible for scanning by Reed Events personnel on graduation day. They can be shared via the Reed Events App or printed out for convenience



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For more information about our services, please visit our website:

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or call us on: 1300 361 806

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9K, 10K, 14K OR 18K GOLD*



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GRADUATION
RING AND SAVE*

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R & J FRAMING AND PLAQUES



Your university certificate specialists

R & J Framing and Plaques provide certificate framing and plaque services for Deakin University.



Graduates can select from a variety of colours and finishes and have their certificate professionally framed in a preservation frame, on the spot, on the day. Photo frames are also available.

Certificate plaques are also available through R & J Framing and Plaques. Graduates can select from a range of sizes and backings with gold or silver plaques, printed or laser engraved as a special memento of their graduation day. Certificate plaques enable graduates to keep their original parchment safe and secure by creating a quality replica.



Take advantage of our early bird discount!

Only for pre-ordered frames for collection on graduation day.

Frames can be pre ordered for collection at a discounted price using this link:

www.rjframing.com.au/collections/deakin-university

Use the code **DEAKIN10**

Stock is available on the spot on the day of graduation for purchase or order. Our full range of frames and plaques can also be purchased online and posted with **free delivery Australia wide** anytime.



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Buy a souvenir from our great range of gifts and clothing.

On your graduation day, the Deakin Merchandise stall will operate both before and after the ceremony and will offer you a wide range of memorabilia.

Choose from our range of stylish and fun gifts. Popular items include our graduation teddy bears, branded keyrings, pens, picture frames and more. You might also like to finally pick up that Deakin hoodie you've always wanted!

Browse our online shop before the big day or give a few hints to your guests on what would be the best gift to celebrate your achievement.



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WAURN PONDS ESTATE

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Waurn Ponds Estate, established in 1993 and renovated in late 2016, is a contemporary sixty accommodation room conference and events venue in a rural setting on Deakin University's campus.

It provides eight light filled conference rooms, all with large windows, views and a balcony or terrace.

Multiple indoor and outdoor spaces are available as well as an outdoor heated pool and spa and 5km walking track.

- Complimentary WiFi
- Complimentary car parking
- Outdoor pool & spa



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Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus

75 Pigdons Road
Waurn Ponds Victoria
Australia 3216

Geelong Waterfront Campus

1 Gheringhap Street
Geelong Victoria
Australia 3220

Melbourne Burwood Campus

221 Burwood Highway
Burwood Victoria
Australia 3125

Warrnambool Campus

Princes Highway
Warrnambool Victoria
Australia 3280

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