



# Deakin University

## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM

### To undertake a PhD in the Faculty of Business and Law

Thank you for your interest in undertaking a PhD at Deakin University. Before proceeding, we need some information from you to enable us to adequately evaluate your background, academic standing, and research interests. Submission of this form and accompanying documentation is **not a formal application** for a PhD at Deakin University.

**T1 2019 Applications Close: 30 Sep, 2018** Email EOI and enquiries to: [bl-phd@deakin.edu.au](mailto:bl-phd@deakin.edu.au)

**T2 2019 Applications Close: 17 Feb, 2019** Email EOI and enquiries to: [bl-phd@deakin.edu.au](mailto:bl-phd@deakin.edu.au)

It is standard practice for the Faculty to check all research proposals for plagiarism before they are processed.

An 'Invitation to Apply' will be required from the Faculty to progress to the formal application stage. If your Expression of Interest is suitable you will be sent an Invitation to Apply. The Invitation to Apply does not guarantee an offer of admission and will be subject to any conditions stipulated on the Invitation.

#### I CONFIRM I MEET ENTRY REQUIREMENTS (CHECKLIST)

Please 'click' in the appropriate box. This confirms you have met the entry requirement concerned.

- I have completed a research thesis/dissertation as part of a previous Masters or Honours degree.
- My thesis/dissertation comprised 25% or more of a year's full time study in my Masters or Honours degree.
- I received an H1 mark on my thesis (which is equivalent to a Deakin grade of 80% or more) OR I received an ungraded pass for my thesis.
- I have attached a copy of my thesis.
- I currently meet the English language requirements for a PhD Deakin University (see Section 7 below) and can provide the required documentation.
- I have provided a Research Proposal in accordance with the guidelines provided at the end of this document.

#### 1. PERSONAL DETAILS

Title Mr  Mrs  Ms  Dr  Other

Family Name

Given Name

Email Address

Date of Birth (dd / mm / yy)

Country of Birth

Country of Citizenship  
or Permanent Residency

Country of Current  
Residence

Have you previously applied for – or completed – a course at Deakin University?

No

Yes

Deakin student ID number

**International students:** Please refer to <http://www.deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/international-students/research-at-deakin> for information regarding visa requirements, international student fees and English language proficiency requirements.

## 2. ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

Please list the degrees (undergraduate and postgraduate) you have completed.

When providing your Grade Point Average please indicate whether your University reports Grade Point Averages out of 4 (for example, 3.5/4) or 5 (for example 3.5/5)?

Degree (e.g., BCom, LLB, MBA, MSc)	Institution and its location	Year completed	Major or discipline	Language of instruction	Grade point average

## 3. ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPTS

Please attach to your EOI email, scanned copies of your academic transcripts for the degrees (undergraduate and postgraduate) you have completed. Include the grading page of your transcript so that your results can be compared to Deakin requirements.

## 4. PUBLICATIONS

You do NOT need to have published to be a successful PhD applicant, but quality peer-reviewed journal publications support your case for admission/scholarship.

Please list any peer-reviewed journal publications, conference presentations, or industry reports you have written. For any publications you list, please provide full citation details.

## 5. THESIS / DISSERTATION

Please complete the following table for each Master's or Honour thesis/dissertation you have completed. Please also attach a copy of this thesis when you submit this EOI form.

Title of thesis:			
Language used		Word Count	
Mark or grade received: If your university only marks theses with a 'pass/fail' grade, please indicate this here.		Percentage of one year's full time study your thesis comprised	

Degree this thesis was completed in:			
<p><i>Please describe the requirements of the thesis/dissertation including the period of research project, the required length of thesis/dissertation, how it was examined, etc. The more details you provide, the better we are able to assess your enquiry. <u>This information must be provided.</u> If these details are available online, please <u>also</u> provide the web address.</i></p>			

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## 6. GRE RESULTS

GRE scores are recommended but not formally required.

If you have previously completed the GRE, please provide your results here.

Test score (verbal reasoning)	<input type="text"/>	Percentile	<input type="text"/>
Test score (quantitative reasoning)	<input type="text"/>	Percentile	<input type="text"/>

## 7. ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

If English is not your first language, you need to meet our English language proficiency requirements.

**NOTE:** IELTS and TOEFL results are valid for two years after the test date.

I currently have one of the following:

- **IELTS (Academic)** overall band score no lower than 7.0 (with no individual band less than 6.5)
- **Paper-based TOEFL** score no lower than 600 (with a writing score of at least 5)
- **Internet-based TOEFL** score no lower than 94 (with a writing score of at least 24)

Yes  No

## EXEMPTION FOR DEMONSTRATING ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

If English is your first language, you may be exempt from having to demonstrate English language proficiency. If you are seeking an exemption, please indicate which of the following applies to you:

- 1 Completed my entire secondary and post-secondary studies in English and, since graduation, have resided in a specified country where English is the official language\*. Yes  No
- 2 Completed a university degree of at least three years duration (full-time equivalent) within a specified country where English is the official language\*, **no more than two years prior to my proposed enrolment at Deakin.** Yes  No

\*Specified English speaking countries: Australia, Canada, Fiji, Ireland, Kenya, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, South Africa, United Kingdom (including Northern Ireland), United States of America, Zambia.

## 8. PROPOSED ENROLMENT

*Note: The Departments of Economics and Finance only accept commencing students in Trimester 1 of each year*

Trimester 1, 2019 (March)

Trimester 2, 2019 (March)

**b) Proposed candidature** (please indicate either full-time or part-time candidature **AND** either on- or off-campus location)

Full-time  Part-time  **AND** On-campus  Off-campus

**c) Proposed Area of Study** - Please provide a response to all sections.

**(i) Please select the School/Department best aligned with your research. Further details about Deakin Law School or the Departments within the Deakin Business School can be found at <http://www.deakin.edu.au/buslaw>**

Deakin Law School

Department of Accounting

Department of Economics

Department of Finance

Department of Information Systems and Business Analytics

Department of Management

Department of Marketing

**(ii) Have you been in contact with or identified any prospective supervisors from the Faculty of Business and Law?**

Yes (provide names below)  No

<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b>	

## 9. REASONS FOR WANTING TO UNDERTAKE A PHD

Please outline in 100 words or less the reasons you wish to undertake a PhD at Deakin University.

## 10. REASONS FOR WANTING TO CONDUCT RESEARCH ON YOUR PROPOSED TOPIC

Please outline in 100 words or less the reasons you wish to conduct research on your proposed topic area.

## 11. YOUR PREFERRED MODES OF COMMUNICATION

In the event that we need to contact you, please indicate your time zone and your preferred modes of communication (e.g., email, Skype, phone) **AND** the details relevant to your preferred mode of communication (e.g., email address, Skype name, phone number).

Your time zone: ..... (<http://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/>)

Melbourne time zone: Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST): UTC/GMT +10 hours  
Australian Eastern Daylight Time (AEDT): UTC/GMT +11 hours

<u>Preference # 1</u>	Mode: .....	Details: .....
<u>Preference # 2</u>	Mode: .....	Details: .....

## 12. SCHOLARSHIP/SPONSOR DETAILS

Do you hold any scholarships or other awards, or are you sponsored by an outside body (e.g., industry or government-sponsored awards)? Yes  No

If yes, please give name of scholarship, award or sponsoring body

Are you applying for any scholarships or awards, either at Deakin University or elsewhere? Yes  No

If yes, please give name of scholarships or awards (including, if relevant, a Deakin scholarship. Deakin scholarship details can be found at <http://www.deakin.edu.au/courses/scholarships/find-a-scholarship>)

**13. OTHER RELEVANT DETAILS** Are there any other details that are relevant to this enquiry? For example, are you currently enrolled in a research degree or have you partially completed a research degree that you are no longer enrolled in?

#### 14. WHERE DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE DEAKIN PHD PROGRAM?

Please share with us where you saw our advertisement for the Deakin PhD program?

Online ad: PhD portal

Times Higher Education: Uni Jobs Website

Other website:

Personal contact with:

#### 15. THESIS PROPOSAL TEMPLATE

**PROPOSAL MUST BE INCLUDED: It should not exceed 700 words, excluding references**

Please note that your initial research proposal should be viewed as a starting point or work in progress. In your first year of candidature your research proposal will be refined on the basis of the training you receive in the coursework units, the input of your supervisors and other academic colleagues, and on further reviews of the literature that you undertake.

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**Proposal title:**

##### **Background**

[Provide some context to your research. For example, what is currently known about your research topic area, and what are the research gaps you are seeking to fill?]

##### **Aims**

[Describe the specific aims of your research project.]

##### **Methodology**

[Describe how you plan to answer your research aims. Also describe any specific resources (e.g., equipment, software) you may require to conduct your research.]

##### **Expected outcomes or implications**

[Describe why your research is important as well as the theoretical/managerial/social outcomes likely to emerge from your research.]

##### **References**

[Provide relevant references here.]

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**THIS IS NOT A FORMAL APPLICATION.**

Please lodge this 'Expression of Interest' form and scanned copies of supporting documents by email to [bl-phd@deakin.edu.au](mailto:bl-phd@deakin.edu.au)

It is in your interest to provide **ALL** information requested in this form, as incomplete information may result in your Expression of Interest not being evaluated.

**Privacy Statement:**

*The information on this form is collected for the primary purpose of assessing whether you are to be provided with an invitation to apply for a research degree at Deakin University. In submitting this information you give your consent for it to be shared with Faculty staff who will make this decision.*

*You have a right to access personal information that Deakin University holds about you, subject to any exceptions in relevant legislation. If you wish to seek access to your personal information or inquire about the handling of your personal information, please contact the University Privacy Officer via email at [privacy@deakin.edu.au](mailto:privacy@deakin.edu.au).*