Charles Darwin University
Undergraduate & Postgraduate Degrees Counselling Guide 2022
International Edition
Your New World University
We believe it’s the unique experiences, perspectives and opinions you bring that help make us a new world university.
2nd in Australia
for undergraduate full-time employment outcomes
(Good Universities Guide 2022)

1st in Australia
for postgraduate full-time employment outcomes
(Good Universities Guide 2022)

Top 100 in the Asia-Pacific region
(Times Higher Education Asia-Pacific University Rankings 2019)

82% Research at world standard
(ERA Research Excellence Rankings 2018)

=30th in the 'Millennial universities'
(Times Higher Education 2020)

Multicultural
2,000 international students from more than 70 different countries

Leader in online study

=99th in the world for global impact
(Times Higher Education 2020)
"Being part of CDU's tight-knit community meant that, by the end of my first year, I had got to know all the students in my field. Also, because the student to teacher ratio is small, lecturers are more like mentors who support us to reach our study and career goals."

- Sulav (Nepal), Master of Information Technology (Information Systems and Data Science)
Charles Darwin University acknowledges and pays respect to the Elders both past and present of all Indigenous groups upon whose lands CDU campuses and centres are located.

All information contained in this guide is correct at the time of printing but is subject to change as information is reviewed and updated throughout the year. When considering a course, we recommend checking the CDU website for the most up-to-date information cdu.edu.au/international.

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Why choose CDU?

Why Charles Darwin University?

High graduate salaries – CDU is ranked the number one Australian university for postgraduate employment outcomes.*

*Good Universities Guide 2022

Leader in online learning – CDU is a pioneer in e-learning and has been delivering courses online for almost 20 years. While you are studying online with CDU, you’ll be studying with an innovative multi-sector university that is a leader in research and online study delivery.

Personal – with small class sizes, lecturers know your name and provide personalised support and advice.

Supportive – you will receive support from academic staff and the dedicated International Student Support team, who will work with you throughout your studies to ensure your success.

Convenient – our main campus in Casuarina is surrounded by nature, with bike paths linking the University to the tropical surrounds, including a beautiful beach a few minutes away. Affordable public transport connects the campus to the Darwin Central Business District (CBD).

Dual-sector university – is a pathway for everyone, from VET and undergraduate courses to postgraduate and higher degrees by research.

Why Darwin? Australia’s best-kept secret

Multicultural – almost one-quarter of the Darwin population speaks a language other than English at home. Enjoy the many multicultural community groups, markets, and international festivals.

A laid-back lifestyle – a population of 140,000 with a median age of 32 years, wide-open spaces, beautiful beaches, good public transport and little traffic.

Tropical weather – Australia’s only tropical capital city, Darwin’s weather is similar to its Asian neighbours.

Nature – Surrounded by world-class national parks, including Kakadu and Litchfield, you can experience stunning Australian wildlife and outback adventures.

Indigenous culture – Approximately 30% of the Northern Territory’s population is Indigenous. More than 4,000 Indigenous students study at CDU each year, and there are many opportunities to experience and celebrate local culture.

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Our study locations

CDU has approximately 22,000 students, with approximately 2000 international students from more than 70 different countries. This sets the scene for a truly inclusive multicultural environment for study and career development. Our main campus is located in the suburb of Casuarina in Darwin, with study locations also in Palmerston, the Darwin Waterfront, Alice Springs, Sydney, Melbourne and Perth.
Our vibrant
Northern Territory

Casuarina, Northern Territory

The Casuarina campus is our main campus, just a 15-minute drive from the Darwin CBD. Set among 56 hectares of lush tropical gardens, the campus is comprised of state-of-the-art facilities including specialised science, engineering, health and medical laboratories, library, and on-campus student accommodation. Casuarina campus is close to the beach as well as Darwin’s largest shopping precinct, Casuarina Square. It is serviced by regular, affordable public transport and is connected to the suburbs and city centre by extensive bicycle tracks.

You will enjoy:
- cafés and dining venues
- student lounges
- state-of-the-art library
- IT service kiosk
- sports facilities and undercover basketball courts
- art gallery
- book shop
- ATM services
- post office
- transport services, including an on-campus bus stop and bike racks
- prayer room onsite
- student accommodation
- bike lock up and shower area
- Confucius Institute
- Chinese Gardens
- Indonesian Gardens

Nature - Surrounded by world-class national parks, thousands of species of flora, native wildlife and birds.

Adventure - Walk, swim, sail or fly to experience the region’s dramatic landscapes - this is the great outdoors.

History - The Northern Territory tells a unique story of ancient art and culture, wartime heroics and pioneering resilience.
The Waterfront campus offers the latest, state-of-the-art facilities right in the heart of Darwin’s exciting Waterfront precinct and a five-minute walk from the Darwin city centre. It is situated near the Darwin Convention Centre, shops and the Waterfront wave pool and lagoon, where you can swim all year round. In addition, the campus is home to the Asia Pacific College of Business & Law and the CDU International College and enjoys easy access to business, industry and Government located in Darwin’s CBD.

You will enjoy:
- cafés and dining venues in close walking proximity
- student lounges
- library access services
- transport services, including a bus stop and bike racks at the campus
- prayer room

The Palmerston campus is located 20 minutes from Darwin’s city centre and within easy walking distance of Palmerston city centre. The campus has modern facilities, including an extensive training kitchen, bakery and bar, and a commercial training restaurant.

You will enjoy:
- a library
- a café
- transport services, including a bus stop and bike racks at the campus

The Alice Springs campus is the major commercial cookery and hospitality hub for students in Alice Springs. The campus has modern facilities, including an extensive training kitchen, bakery and bar, and a commercial training restaurant.

You will enjoy:
- on-campus student accommodation
- a café
- student lounges
- a library

Your New World University
Study at CDU Sydney

At CDU Sydney campus, you can choose to study and live in one of the world’s most liveable and exciting cities - Sydney. World-renowned for its fabulous harbour, the Sydney Opera House, beaches and friendly locals, Sydney is a city bursting with life.

Sydney, New South Wales

Sydney is ranked the fourth safest city in the world*, and our Sydney campus is right in the heart of the central business district in Haymarket. This location allows you to be part of the day-to-day business world in a major capital city while studying. In addition, our Sydney campus specialises in nursing and midwifery courses for international students, offering programs at undergraduate and postgraduate levels.

By studying in Sydney, you will have contact with a diverse student body to enrich your learning environment. In addition, you will be taught by leading scholars with experience across Australia, the Asia-Pacific and beyond, in small class sizes for an enhanced learning experience.

* Safe Cities Index, 2021

CDU Sydney Facilities

- 13 state-of-the-art classrooms with collaborative equipment
- Library
- Clinical simulation suite
- Prayer room
- Student kitchenette
- Student computer and study areas
- Student lounge

CDU Student Support

CDU Sydney offers a range of services to help you gain the most from your studies.

- Counselling
- Accommodation support
- Access and inclusion
- Study support
- Library support
International student scholarships

A CDU scholarship provides you with incredible opportunities and support to reach your full potential.

CDU offers a range of scholarships to international students who have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement, making their dreams to study in Australia come true. Many of our scholarship recipients have gone on to make a positive impact around the world and in their local communities. If you have a record of academic excellence and high personal achievement, you may be eligible for one of these life-changing scholarships.

Vice-Chancellor’s International High Achiever Scholarship
CDU offers a limited number of scholarships for international students who have a record of academic excellence and high achievement. This scholarship applies to an undergraduate or postgraduate coursework degree, covering either 50% or 25% of the tuition fee for the full duration of the course*.

CDU Global Excellence Scholarship**
This scholarship applies to an undergraduate or postgraduate coursework degree, covering 50% of the tuition fee for the first year of study (compulsory semesters only) and 10% in subsequent years*.

CDU Global Leader Scholarship**
This scholarship applies to an undergraduate or postgraduate coursework degree, covering 25% of the tuition fee for the first year of study (compulsory semesters only) and 10% in subsequent years*.

Online overseas international student scholarship**
This scholarship is a 25% fee scholarship which will be applied on acceptance of your offer. For current online international students, a 25% scholarship will be applied to your Semester 1, 2022 tuition fees.

* Ongoing scholarship requirements must be met in order to continue receiving the scholarship in subsequent years.
** There is no separate application process for this scholarship.

For more information regarding our scholarships, go to www.cdu.edu.au/international/how-apply/scholarships

"Attaining the scholarship meant I was able to continue my coursework with stellar performance and undertake meaningful work with a focus on regional communities, without having to make compromises in the short and medium term due to financial obligations."

- Hasan, Bangladesh, Master of Teaching (Secondary)

Learn more about Hasan’s story online:
You will receive all the support in the world

As a CDU student, you will have access to a wide range of free services, including accommodation assistance, careers advice, study support and personal support. Dedicated staff can also give you assistance to develop your study plan and can support you to progress with your studies.

International student support

CDU’s International Student Support team is here to support you in all aspects of your student experience. For more information, go to:

www.cdu.edu.au/international/current-international-students

Studying online

CDU is a pioneer in e-learning and has been delivering courses online for almost 20 years. If you are unable to study with us on campus while offshore, you can choose to study an online course at CDU.

While you are studying online with CDU, you’ll be studying with an innovative multi-sector university that is a leader in research and online study delivery.

The world is changing faster than ever, and technology is in a constant state of evolution. In Semester 1, 2020 CDU launched the Ultra experience - the next generation in online learning. A clear, simple and responsive design gives Ultra the edge.

You’ll find plenty of help online with access to free academic support. Online tutoring is available to students through their Learnline account for both subject-specific and literacy help. Access is available to a free online tutor 24 hours 7 days a week, in more than 40 subjects, including Math, Science, Social Studies, Business, and English. You can also access our CDU Library online which has lots of resources and support for you.

Academic and English language support

The assessment and teaching style in Australia may be different to your home country. You may even be studying in a different language. As an international student, you can access free online tutoring, workshops, and individual consultations for assistance with English language for your course. These activities are available to support you with understanding the requirements of your assignments, academic writing, critical thinking, referencing, research and reading. Set yourself up for success by attending workshops and Language and Learning Support services. For more information on Language and Learning support, go to:


24/7 Online tutoring

Get access to a free online tutor through your Learnline account, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, with no appointment necessary. This service is available in more than 40 subjects, including Maths, Science, Business and English. Simply enter your topic, subject and question, and the online platform will connect you with someone who can help. Look for ‘Online Tutoring’ under the Help and Support tab in Learnline.

Individual consultations and workshops

CDU runs a series of workshops covering academic skills and topics to help you develop the skills to succeed at University. Individual consultations can also be booked for a specific study issue. Alternatively, for help with a quick question, 20-minute drop-in sessions are available with no booking required.

Peer Assisted Study Sessions

Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS) are useful if you want to improve your grades, meet other students and study your unit content in a relaxed, friendly and focused way. These study sessions are conducted by PASS leaders, who are current CDU students who have successfully completed the targeted unit and have been trained to run group study sessions. For more information, go to:


Free airport pick-up

CDU offers free pick up from Darwin International Airport for new international students.
Orientation

Students joining CDU at the Casuarina, Palmerston, Waterfront, Alice Springs, and Sydney campuses can join the fun and excitement of Orientation. You will receive information about life in your new city and an introduction to CDU, including:

- Meet and greet with CDU staff
- Enrolment advice
- Overview of your student visa conditions
- Information about student support services
- Campus tours
- Lots of fun activities to get to know your new University and fellow students

You can also join the virtual Orientation if you are unable to attend an on-campus orientation event.

Careers and employment support

Improve your chances of securing the career that you want by talking with our expert staff and accessing resources that will build your skills and knowledge to help you in the job market. For more information, go to www.cdu.edu.au/current-students/life-wellbeing/careers-employability

Access and inclusion

We are committed to providing you with an accessible, supportive, safe, inclusive and respectful learning environment. For more information, go to www.cdu.edu.au/current-students/life-wellbeing/access-inclusion

Student counselling

CDU provides professional, confidential and free counselling services. You can book a session to discuss anything that may be affecting your wellbeing. For more information, go to www.cdu.edu.au/equity-services/counselling

CDU Buddy Program

CDU runs a Buddy Program designed to assist new commencing international students with their transition to study at university. Current students (Senior Buddies) are paired with new commencing students (Junior Buddies) to provide friendly, practical and competent assistance or advice, establishing a supportive network for new students and helping them integrate into the CDU community.

CDU Library

CDU Library has a specialist team of librarians to help with research and referencing for your study area. Use the modern facilities to study with your friends or on your own, and use computers, printers and online materials. For more information, go to www.cdu.edu.au/library

Health and wellbeing

Many things cause stress in our daily lives, such as study, finances, work and family. It is important to find the right tools to support you during these times and as circumstances change around you. Find out more information about staying well here: www.cdu.edu.au/current-students/life-wellbeing/staying-well

Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) is a compulsory requirement for all international students studying in Australia on a student visa. CDU’s preferred OSHC provider is Allianz Global Assistance (AGA).

They provide additional benefits to OSHC policyholders who purchase their policy through the University. These benefits include access to AGA’s on-campus staff members to assist with healthcare information. Learn more at: www.allianzassistancehealth.com.au/en/student-visa-oshc

Respect.Now.Always

CDU is committed to providing a safe, inclusive and respectful learning, working and living environment for all students, staff and visitors. For more information, go to www.cdu.edu.au/about-cdu/values-and-culture/respect-now-always

"The student community and CDU staff welcomed me with open arms, conditioning such a positive experience."

- Hema, Nepal, Bachelor of Nursing
Live on or off campus

At CDU you have a range of accommodation choices to suit your budget and lifestyle. You may like to live on-campus within the grounds of our Casuarina campus at International House Darwin (IHD). IHD is just a short walk to the library, to other campus amenities and just a short bus ride to Casuarina Square shopping centre.

On-campus accommodation

Living on-campus will give you the chance to meet new people from across Australia and all over the world and to get involved in campus life while having easy access to campus facilities.

International House Darwin (IHD)

International House Darwin (IHD), surrounded by lush gardens in the vibrant tropical environment of Darwin, is located on the Charles Darwin University Casuarina campus. Boasting a vibrant and close-knit community amidst the Territory’s outdoor lifestyle, IHD is a caring environment.

IHD residents have the privilege of utilising a variety of onsite facilities, including WiFi, an outdoor swimming pool, games room, BBQ area, bicycles and a complimentary shuttle bus service to locations around Darwin.

IHD welcomes all CDU students to become part of the IHD community with short-term and long-term options and various room types available. To learn more, please visit https://ihd.cdu.edu.au/

Alice Springs student accommodation (ASSA)

ASSA provides accommodation for CDU students, students from other universities undertaking placements, CDU staff, and visiting guests and groups. You can choose from twin share and sole occupancy rooms across two houses and take advantage of communal kitchen areas, a self-service laundry, and access to WiFi via the CDU/ Eduroam network. To learn more visit: www.cdu.edu.au/locations/alice-springscampus/alice-springs-accommodation

Accommodation support

CDU’s off-campus accommodation service is designed to assist new, and continuing students find appropriate accommodation while studying at CDU. This free and confidential service provides information and advice on housing options, tenancy advice, and support and assistance with accommodation problems: www.cdu.edu.au/equity-services

"I've been able to socialise because of International House Darwin (IHD) events and IHD staff. Other students are all very friendly and welcoming. It really does feel like home."

- Srijana, (Nepal), Master of Engineering
Off-campus accommodation

Off-campus accommodation options include purpose-built student accommodation at UniLodge or private rental accommodation.

UniLodge

UniLodge Darwin student accommodation is a convenient option for students studying at Casuarina. It neighbours the Casuarina Square shopping centre and is only a ten-minute walk to the Casuarina campus. Learn more at: www.unilodge.com.au/student-accommodation-darwin/darwin

Private rental accommodation

Several organisations advertise available accommodation. Please note some of these organisations are external to CDU, and the University cannot take responsibility for the information provided by such organisations:

- www.cdu.studystays.com.au
- The NT News (The Saturday edition has the biggest number of accommodation rentals)
- Websites
  - realestate.com.au
  - domain.com.au
  - gumtree.com.au
- Facebook
  - Top End Buy, Swap, Sell

Visit our website for more information about off-campus accommodation options: www.cdu.edu.au/accommodation-services

"You will be able to make some great friends, create a good network and feel inspired to make the most of your journey at CDU."

- Sushan, Nepal, Master of Business Administration

Learn more about Sushan’s story online:
How much does it cost to live in Australia?

The cost of living in Australia varies from city to city, and students should not expect to fund their studies or living costs in Australia through part-time employment only.

The Department of Home Affairs has financial requirements you must meet to receive a student visa for Australia. From October 2019, the 12-month living cost (per person) was listed as:

- **Individual student** - $21,041
- **Partner or spouse** - $7,362
- **Child** - $3,152

However, costs will vary from person to person depending on where you live and your lifestyle choices.

If you are bringing school-aged dependants with you to Australia, you will need to consider the cost of schooling, including school fees. In the NT and NSW, children are required to be in school from six years of age. For more information, visit the following websites:


The table below indicates Darwin and Sydney’s estimated living expenses (note: Figures included are an approximate guide only).

### Estimated living expenses

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<td><strong>Groceries and eating out</strong></td>
<td>$80 to $280 per week</td>
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<td><strong>Gas, electricity</strong></td>
<td>$20 to $140 per week</td>
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<td><strong>Phone and Internet</strong></td>
<td>$15 to $30 per week</td>
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<td><strong>Public transport</strong></td>
<td>$7 per week</td>
<td>$30 to $55 per week</td>
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<td><strong>Car (after purchase)</strong></td>
<td>$150 to $260 per week</td>
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<td><strong>Entertainment</strong></td>
<td>$80 to $150 per week</td>
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<td><strong>On-campus accommodation</strong></td>
<td>Standard room at IHD is $175 per week through to a large room with ensuite for $227.50 per week.  [*]</td>
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<td><strong>Off-campus accommodation</strong></td>
<td>$150 - $350 per week in a shared rental. $360 - $650 per week in a private rental.  [*]</td>
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*Subject to change. Correct at the time of printing.

During your studies, you will need to purchase textbooks and other items required to study. Textbooks can vary from $200 - $500 per semester, depending on the course you are taking. If you have the opportunity to complete an interstate placement, there are additional costs for travel and accommodation that you need to budget for. Other expenses might include stationery, printing, purchasing a laptop or computer, protective clothing, work materials, travel and accommodation for placement, working with children clearances and computing programs. These will depend on your course.

Learn more about fees and payments online: https://www.cdu.edu.au/international/how-apply/international-fees-and-payments

The Australian Government provides information and guidance on managing your finances. You can read more at www.moneysmart.gov.au
Student life

There is something for everyone at CDU, and student life can be whatever you make it. You can feel confident in knowing whatever your journey or interests may be; you can find support and friendship through our many social, cultural, and personal development programs. Find more information about CDU Student Life here: www.cdu.edu.au/study/student-life

Get involved

Connecting with other students can provide friendship and support and a way of managing the stress of completing assignments and exams. In addition, students located in Darwin can make life-long social and professional connections through some of CDU’s associations, clubs and societies, or the student ambassador program. CDU hosts a number of both virtual and in person events for students, so you can get involved no matter where in the world you are.

CDU Student Ambassador Program:

CDU Students Association, clubs and societies:
www.cdu.edu.au/current-students/life-wellbeing/student-groups

Build relationships

Take the time to build relationships with staff and other students; having good relationships with your lecturers is one of the best ways to get the most of your university experience. www.cdu.edu.au/launchpad/student-life/how-build-strong-relationships-your-lecturers

Making friends at CDU will not only create enjoyable shared experiences, but these members of your support network can also help improve your academic performance. Your friends are your study buddies who keep you accountable and on track with your studies. Try finding friends in your classes and turn it into a regular study group.


Volunteering

Volunteering is a great way to use your skills, give back to your community, and meet new people. There are many opportunities to volunteer your time, either through a student association or in the greater community. For information on how to volunteer with a CDU student association, go to www.cdu.edu.au/current-students/life-wellbeing/student-groups.

More information on volunteering options in the wider Darwin community can be found at www.volunteeringsa-nt.org.au/.

Exchange and short-term programs

Participating in an overseas program is one of the best experiences you can have at University. You can spend as little as one week, or as long as one year in destinations around the world. We offer a Semester or year-long exchange program, as well as short-term options including global internships, volunteering, service-learning, academic-led study tours, clinical placements and research practicums.*

* Opportunities to participate in overseas programs are not currently available due to COVID-19 travel restrictions.
Leading the return of International students to Australia

CDU was the first University to welcome a flight of international students back to Australia. We are continuing to work with the Northern Territory and Australian Federal Government to plan for the arrival of future flights. We are currently awaiting Government approval. We will provide you with updates as our plans progress.

Learn more about future charter flights here:
www.cdu.edu.au/international/cdu-charter-flight

"After my family witnessed how much effort CDU put into the pilot program, they were truly impressed by how well it was prepared and organised within such a short period of time."

- Heather, China, Master of Professional Accounting (Professional Practice)
Academic and English entry requirements

As part of your application, you must meet the minimum academic and English language entry requirements. For a full list of requirements and equivalencies please visit: www.cdu.edu.au/international/how-apply/entry-requirements.

If you do not meet the entry requirements listed here, we offer alternative pathways that may be suitable for you.

Academic requirements

| VET | For Certificate-level programs you will need a qualification equivalent to an Australian Year 10 high school certificate. For Diploma programs, you will need a qualification equivalent to an Australian Year 12 high school certificate. |
| CDU International College | Pathways - Foundations You will need a qualification equivalent to an Australian Year 11 high school certificate. Pathways - First year Diplomas A full list of academic requirements for the CDU International College can be viewed on our website. Pathways – Pre-masters programs Masters Preparation Program (MPP) The student must hold a Bachelor’s degree Masters Qualifying Program (MQP) Standard The student must have completed three years of post-secondary study Masters Qualifying Program (MQP) Accelerated The student must have completed three years of post-secondary study Please note: Additional postgraduate entry requirements from pre-masters programs may be required. For more details visit our website. |
| Undergraduate | The minimum academic entry requirement for admission to an undergraduate degree is the completion of a qualification deemed equivalent to an Australian Year 12 high school certificate by the University’s qualification assessment references. Applicants may also be required to satisfy specific course requirements, such as a minimum overall grade score or prerequisite knowledge. For a full list of common equivalencies by country, please visit our website. |
| Postgraduate Coursework | The minimum academic requirement for admission to a postgraduate or graduate-entry degree is the completion of a Bachelor’s degree which is deemed equivalent to an Australian Bachelor’s degree. Applicants may also be required to satisfy specific course requirements such as a minimum overall grade score, prerequisite knowledge or work experience. |
| Higher Degree by Research | Master by Research (MRes) To be eligible for entry to an MRes you should have completed either: 1. a Bachelor Honours degree with first- or second-class honours; or 2. a Master by coursework or Extended Master, which contains a substantial research component. Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) To be eligible for entry to a PhD you should have completed either: 1. a Bachelor Honours degree with first-class honours or second-class honours division A, or 2. a Master’s qualification that contains a substantial research component. |

The CDU Global team are here to help, so if you have any questions, please email international@cdu.edu.au.
English language requirements

We accept the following English tests for entry into VET, undergraduate and postgraduate courses:

- IELTS Academic
- Cambridge Advanced English (CAE)
- Pearson Test of English (PTE) Academic module
- TOEFL Internet based Test (iBT)
- Common European Framework Certificate of English Proficiency

Students who have studied in English or studied English in their previous studies may meet the English language entry requirements if they have achieved the required grades and qualifications. Some courses may require higher levels of English or only accept specific English language tests. All tests are valid for three years from the test date to the date of commencement at CDU, unless otherwise specified.

Due to COVID-19, many English language testing facilities are closed. As such, the University has been able to approve alternative English language tests to ensure international applicants can commence studies for 2022. For more information, please go to: www.cdu.edu.au/international/how-apply/entry-requirements
Pathways to study with CDU

No matter what level of study you have completed, our study pathways can help you achieve your study goals.

**CDU Vocational Education and Training (VET) pathways**

As one of the only Australian universities with dual-sector status, CDU offers university VET and HE courses. We believe every learner should be provided with alternative pathways to access education and acquire globally applicable skills and experience. Students can qualify for entry into some CDU Bachelor degrees by completing a CDU VET qualification. CDU offers many pathways and options for your career. For more information about CDU’s VET offerings, go to www.cdu.edu.au/international/international-vet-packages

**Advanced standing**

Advanced standing is a credit applied to your current course of study based on prior achievement. It can either be a credit transfer or recognition of prior learning (RPL). To apply for advanced standing, you must first complete an application to study with CDU.

For more details about advanced standing, visit www.cdu.edu.au/student-central/advanced-standing

“I’ve had the chance to meet senior students and some other amazing chefs from whom I gained a lot of information about Darwin’s hospitality industry, which is very helpful for my future career.”

- Juan Zhao (Samantha), China, Commercial Cookery

Learn more about Samantha’s story online
Charles Darwin University
International College

CDU International College integrates international students into CDU student life from day one. The rigorous academic standards, modern waterfront facilities and comprehensive student support are available to all enrolled students.

Specialised language development, a well-rounded curriculum and small classes provide the support for students to thrive.

International Foundation Studies Program

Foundation studies provide international students with a great start to university life. With smaller class sizes and close academic and pastoral care support, students are well prepared and confident in their academic and English ability after successfully completing a foundation program.

The program is a bridging course for international students who wish to study a university undergraduate degree but don’t yet meet the academic requirements or have the English language proficiency required for tertiary study.

The Foundation Studies Program is a direct academic pathway to a first-year undergraduate degree. You can find a list of the degrees this course leads into on our website.

CRICOS course code: 0101533
Fee: $20,800

First-year Diploma Programs

Our first-year diploma programs are two-semester courses that function as an alternative first year of an undergraduate degree at CDU. The programs are for students who are close to meeting academic and English entry requirements but require additional support in their first year of study. These programs immerse students in an environment with other international students also striving to improve their English.

Successful completion of a Diploma Program allows for direct entry into the second year of an undergraduate degree in Business, Accounting or IT.

CRICOS course codes:
Business Studies: 0100739
Fee: $25,500
Information Technology: 0100740
Fee: $28,000
Diploma of Health (Pathway): 106621A
Fee: $29,500

Pre-master Programs

Pre-master programs develop advanced knowledge and skills in academic writing, research, critical thinking and intercultural communication to successfully undertake postgraduate study at CDU.

The MPP is for students with a Bachelor’s degree from their home country who find their English language level a barrier to postgraduate study in an English speaking country. The MPP allows these students to transition smoothly into a highly regarded English language Master’s program in one semester.

CRICOS course code: 0100442
Fee: $4,500*

International Masters Qualifying Program (MQP)

The MQP is for students who have already completed three years of post-secondary study in their home country but find their English language level is not yet suitable for postgraduate study in an English-speaking country. These students can now transition smoothly into a highly regarded English-language Master’s program in just one or two semesters.

CRICOS course codes:
Accelerated - one semester: 0100444
Fee: $12,990*
Standard - two semesters: 0100443
Fee: $25,800*

Learn more about courses offered by CDU International College
How to apply

Follow our simple 8-step process to apply to study as an international student with CDU.

1. Choose your course
   www.cdu.edu.au/study

2. Check the entry requirements and application dates

3. Apply online or through a registered CDU Education agent

4. Application assessment

5. Receive an offer

6. Accept your offer

7. Apply for your student visa

8. Enrol

For more information, please visit our website:
www.cdu.edu.au/international/how-apply
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Research

At CDU’s heart lies our commitment to the perpetual evolution of knowledge through world-class, innovative and valuable research studies. Harnessing our unique environment, we continue to attract global recognition for research excellence in areas including tropical and desert knowledges, Indigenous knowledges, human health and wellbeing, tropical health, social and public policy, environment and livelihoods and engineering and resources.

Our research makes a real, positive difference to people’s lives and regularly contributes to the development of public policy, private sector decision-making, and the work of non-government organisations and communities. Our key partnerships with national and international universities ensure that our research capacity and capability continue to grow.

Located in the far north of Australia, research is central to the purpose of CDU, and closely tied to the needs of the Northern Territory and our immediate region including Timor-Leste, Eastern Indonesia and the Arafura Sea.

Institutes

- Energy and Resources Institute
- Menzies School of Health Research
- The Research Institute for Environment and Livelihoods
- Northern Institute

Centres

- The Molly Wardaguga Research Centre
- The Australasian Centre for Resilience Implementation for Sustainable Communities

Indigenous research

CDU is dedicated to promoting Indigenous knowledges and perspectives into all aspects of the University; by participation in ethical research, providing expert analysis of research projects to develop sustainable livelihoods, and preservation of knowledge.

"I chose Charles Darwin University, because it had one of the best scholars to supervise my research about Multi Hazard Early Warning Systems."

- Mujiburrahman (Indonesia) PhD of Humanitarian, Emergency and Disaster Management Studies

Learn more about Mujiburrahman’s story online
University partners

Researchers at CDU collaborate through partnerships and alliances with other universities and research agencies nationally and internationally in Australia, Indonesia, China, Hong Kong, United States, Canada, Vietnam, Philippines, Malaysia, Japan, Timor-Leste, India, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Norway, UK, France, Germany and Brazil.

*82% of CDU’s research is rated at world standard and above according to the ERA (Research Excellence Rankings Analysis).

Strong partnerships

CDU is a member of the Innovative Research Universities (IRU) Group, comprising six research-based, progressive universities established in Australia in the past 50 years. The IRU members are CDU, Griffith University, La Trobe University, Flinders University, James Cook University and Murdoch University. For more information about the IRU, go to www.iru.edu.au

Learn more about Research at CDU
sustainability@cdu

At CDU we have a passion and a vision to use our skills and knowledge to help shape a brighter future - one where we minimise our impact on the environments in which we operate and contribute to a more sustainable world.

By 2025 CDU aims to achieve local, regional and international recognition as a true champion of sustainability: we will create a brighter future by championing the three pillars of sustainability – Environment, Society and Economy – and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. CDU will become a celebrated innovator in sustainability education, research and community engagement, leading the way in:

- Addressing the non-sustainable impacts of human activity on our environment
- Inspiring positive outcomes for people, communities and society
- Promoting environmentally and socially responsible business practice and governance

For more information about sustainability@cdu, go to www.cdu.edu.au/sustainability

How you can get involved as a student

The EnviroCollective provides a voice for students and staff at CDU to advocate for improved sustainability and environmental management of our campuses. For more information, go to www.facebook.com/EnviroCollectiveCdu

Lakeside Drive Community Garden is a community garden located at CDU Casuarina campus on a two-acre site on Lakeside Drive. The garden is driven by a dedicated team of volunteers and supported by the City of Darwin and the University. For more information, go to ldcg.cdu.edu.au

"There is a diversity here that is out of this world. It is one of the most bio-diverse places on earth. For me, that was one of the biggest reasons to come here."

- François, Canada, PhD Candidate

Learn more about François’ story online
Life after CDU

Your connection with the University does not end with the completion of your qualification. As a graduate, your knowledge, expertise and success can continue to be supported or shared to develop others.

As an alumnus of CDU, you will be part of a growing group of highly regarded professionals, knowledge brokers and change-makers – connections you can foster for a lifetime. Some of these rewards include:

- access exclusive opportunities to impact teaching and to learn in your industry
- develop and maintain rewarding personal and professional connections
- contribute to leading research and knowledge development
- have a positive impact on future generations through the power of education.

Exclusive benefits to CDU Alumni include:

- **CDU Alumni account**: CDU alumni computer account is available to all graduates of the university. The account enables you to access selected CDU online services through the CDU Portal upon your (conferral) graduation.

- **Career transitions**: Make an appointment for a 1-on-1 free counselling session with a Career Counsellor to help identify your career goals and plan your career path.

- **Library access**: Access to a select range of CDU Library’s online resources with an alumnus account. This includes access to a growing number of high-quality databases, e-journals, and e-books. You are always welcome to borrow physical materials from any of our campus libraries.

- **LinkedIn Learning**: Access over 15,000 courses, delivered in 7 languages. You can learn a wide range of new skills, anywhere and at any time. You can learn a new language, learn how to build a website or app, become an expert user of Microsoft Office, learn how to play a musical instrument or improve your leadership skills. The choices are endless.

- **Chinese language**: Master the most widely spoken language in the world with a 40% discount on courses offered by the CDU Confucius Institute.

To find out more about CDU Alumni, go to cdu.edu.au/alumni

"Without CDU’s MBA, I do not think I would have had such incredible opportunities."

- Ellie, Vietnam, Master of Business Administration

Learn more about Ellie’s story online:
Key dates and deadlines

Higher Education Application Dates

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Vocational Education and Training dates can be found online: https://www.cdu.edu.au/international/how-apply
Quality assurance

CDU adopts a quality assurance and enhancement strategy that reflects our recognition and understanding of our obligations to maintain quality practices, systems and processes that comply with the relevant Standards, and support diversity, innovation and excellence.

As a dual-sector Australian higher education provider, CDU is regulated by, and our performance is regularly evaluated against the following National Standards:

> Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA): www.teqsa.gov.au
> Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF): www.aqf.edu.au
> Australian Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS): www.cricos.education.gov.au
> Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA): www.asqa.gov.au

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