

Master of Social Science (Environment & Planning) Master of Social Science (International Urban & Environmental Management)

What are the entrance requirements?	Applicants must have successfully completed a bachelor degree with a grade point average of GPA of 2.5 (65%) or above in social sciences or a discipline related to environment and planning or international development. If your undergraduate studies are unrelated to these areas, you are required to provide further evidence of your capacity to undertake postgraduate study in this field.
How long is the program?	Masters: 1.5 years full-time; incorporates Graduate Diploma: 1 year full-time or 2 years part-time and Graduate Certificate: 0.5 yr full-time or 1 year part-time.
How many contact hours per week?	Off-campus students are advised to spend approximately 10 hours of study per week per unit. For on-campus students, most units require three contact hours per week, plus up to seven hours per week of individual study time.
How many students in the program?	Approx 300 Environment & Planning Approx 150 IUEM
Can I enrol in the Master's program and decide to exit at the Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma level?	Yes.
Can I enrol in the Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma program only?	Yes.
Are any of the courses (subjects) offered as an intensive?	Yes.
When are classes conducted?	Classes are held in the evening from 5.30pm.
Can the program be done on-line?	Yes. The courses are a mixture of on-line and face-to-face mode.
Does the program provide an opportunity for students to undertake professional practice?	Yes. The program has introduced a work practice elective for Masters students in the final semester of their studies.
What employment prospects are there?	They are excellent in all three levels of government and private consultancies both in Australia and overseas.
Is there a thesis component to the program?	Yes, as a 12 or 24 credit point elective.
Are there any exams?	No.
Is it possible to receive exemptions for previous study and/or work?	Yes, but only after six courses have been successfully completed.
What are the fees for 2012?	As this program is not subsidised by the Australian Government, students are required to enrol in a fee-paying place (FPP). The fee for local students is \$1620.00 per 12 credit points; for international students - \$2460.00 per 12 credit points. In addition to tuition fees, you may be required to purchase items for field trips, excursions, or specified textbooks. These fees are not compulsory.
Is this program accredited?	Yes. This program is accredited by the Planning Institute of Australia (PIA). To gain professional recognition from the PIA you must complete four core courses from the Planning stream and four electives from a range of choices plus four additional electives.

Please note: Information supplied in this document was correct at the time of publication, August 2011. Every effort has been made to ensure that information is accurate. Prospective students are advised to confirm details with the appropriate school or area prior to application.