



Master of Professional Supervision

AWARD SUMMARY

CRICOS: None

Nomenclature: MProfSup

AQF Level 9 Masters (Coursework)

Entry Requirements Satisfactorily completed an AQF 8 Graduate Certificate in Professional Supervision (or equivalent) from an institution recognised by the Academic Board;

AND

Satisfactorily completes a pre-enrolment interview with a relevant course advisor.

Duration: 1 year (2 Semesters) full-time or 4 years/8 Semesters (maximum) part-time.

Attendance Type: Full-time, part-time.

Delivery Mode: Online, face-to-face, or multi-modal

Structure: 72 credit points (8 units)

English Proficiency

Applicants whose entry qualifications were obtained in an institution where English is not the language of instruction normally require a minimum IELTS (or equivalent) overall score of at least 7.0 with no subtest below 6.5.

Enrolment

Contact the Registrar of the Member Institution with whom you intend to study for enrolment and fee details.

Graduate Profile and Rationale

The Master of Professional Supervision is designed for those possessing an AQF 8 Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Supervision who wish to pursue a further qualification in the area of supervisory practice as part of their continuing education. The Master of Professional Supervision focuses on building supervisory leadership capacity for people involved in a wide scope of religious and/or, non-profit and/or, community-focused enterprises. Students may be working for denominationally based organisations in education, welfare, aged care, local church or other ministries requiring specific leadership training for ministry or mission.

Course Outcomes

Graduates will have added specialised knowledge and skills in supervisory leadership to their theological education to enhance their work in the religious sector.

Knowledge

Graduates will have:

- specialised theoretical and technical knowledge related to the practice of professional supervision to aid in the development of high quality, ethical and safe practitioners in ministry, community work and allied people helping professions
- an advanced and integrated understanding of the principles of inquiry and methods applicable to supervision theory and their application to real-world professional practice

Skills

Graduates will demonstrate specialised cognitive and technical skills in supervisory leadership within a ministry-related body of knowledge, so that they are able independently to:

- analyse critically, reflect on and synthesise complex problems, concepts and theories information to complete a range of activities associated with supervision in a ministry-related context
- research and apply established theories to provide solutions to complex problems to guide the effective supervision of employees or volunteers in a religious, non-profit, community organisation
- interpret and transmit knowledge, skills and ideas through coherent and sustained leadership to specialist and non-specialist audiences

Applications of Knowledge and Skills

Graduates will have the ability to:

- apply knowledge and skills in a way that demonstrates autonomy, well developed judgment, adaptability, and responsibility assume and effective supervisors in religious, non-profit, and/or community-focused enterprises
- plan and execute a substantial research or field-based project in an area of work-based supervisory practice

Exit Points

Students enrolled in the Award Name may exit with the Master of Professional Supervision provided they have completed at least 72 credit points.

Academic regulations for the Master of Professional Supervision

1 Admission to Candidature

- 1.1 An applicant for admission to candidature into the Master of Professional Supervision shall:
- 1.1.1 Satisfactorily completed an AQF 8 Graduate Certificate in Professional Supervision (or equivalent) from an institution recognised by the Academic Board, or
 - 1.1.2 hold, from a university or other tertiary institution, qualifications approved by the Student Support and Administration Committee as equivalent to such an award; AND
 - 1.1.3 Satisfactorily completes a pre-enrolment interview with a relevant course advisor.
- 1.2 Notwithstanding the provisions of this regulation the Student Support and Administration Committee may require an applicant to demonstrate fitness for admission as a candidate for this award by carrying out such work and/or sitting for such examinations as the Student Support and Administration Committee may determine.
- 1.3 In exceptional cases an applicant may be admitted as a candidate for a Master of Professional Supervision, if the applicant submits evidence of other academic and professional attainments to the Student Support and Administration Committee.
- 1.4 A candidate for the Master of Professional Supervision shall be designated as full-time or part-time. A student is designated as a full-time if enrolled in three units (27 credit points) or more in a semester or part-time if enrolled in less than three units (27 credit points) per semester.
- 1.5 No candidate for the Award Name may be concurrently enrolled in any other undergraduate or postgraduate course within the University College or any other tertiary institution unless approval has been granted by the Academic Board.
- 1.6 Applicants whose entry qualifications were obtained in an institution where English is not the language of instruction normally will be required to demonstrate competency in English by:
- 1.6.1 achieving an IELTS (or equivalent) result of 7.0 with no score below 6.5 in all bands of the test.
- 1.7 Application for enrolment in the Master of Professional Supervision is made to the Registrar of the appropriate Member Institution offering the course.

2 Course Structure

- 2.1 The Master of Professional Supervision requires the completion of 72 credit points (8 units) which shall include:
- 2.1.1 two compulsory units (18 credit points)
C8102 Pastoral Counselling in Ministry

P9278 Advanced Skills in Professional Supervision

Note: If compulsory units have been completed in the award used for admission into the Graduate Certificate in Professional Supervision, they are to be replaced with one or two appropriate elective units; and

- 2.1.2 an additional three units (27 cps) from the Counselling sub discipline; and
- 2.1.3 one unit (9 or 18 cps) focused on research into supervisory practice in the context of a place of work, ministry or mission through a capstone unit, research project, research essay, or action research project); and
- 2.1.4 additional elective units from the 8100 and 9200 series as required to complete the award from the suite of available SCD units.

2.2 All course units will be taken from the University College Schedule of units of study coded within the 8100 and 9200 series units series and above.

2.3 The course must include at least two 9200-series units.

2.4 Students completing the required units will have completed at least 54 credit points in the Counselling sub-discipline thus qualifying for a specialisation in Counselling.

2.5 Units from the entry Graduate Certificate if equivalent, to units required for the award will be included in the forming of a specialisation (54 credit points) within the Master of Professional Supervision.

2.6 Units coded "A" are not counted towards a concentration or specialisation in any discipline or subdiscipline.

2.7 Candidates who have previously studied a University College course may not enrol in units with content similar to those covered in their previous studies.

3 Period of Candidature

3.1 The period of candidature for the Award Name shall normally be 1 year full-time and up to 4 years part-time.

3.2 In certain circumstances the Student Support and Administration Committee may grant course extensions.

4 Leave of Absence

4.1 The Student Support and Administration Committee may grant leave of absence from the Master of Professional Supervision. The period of leave shall not be counted as part of the period of candidature for the award.

4.2 The period of leave shall normally be one semester after which a candidate may apply for a further period of one semester or will be required to complete candidature.

5 Assessment

5.1 The assessment of units shall be in the manner approved by the Academic Board in line with the University College's established guidelines for assessment packages at the postgraduate level.

5.2 Students may be required by the Academic Board to present themselves for oral examination.

5.3 Academic and non-academic misconduct will be penalised in accordance with the Policies and Regulations of the University College, whose stipulations are severe.

6 Credit

6.1A candidate may seek credit for previous accredited study and/or Recognised Prior Learning up to a maximum of 36 credit points in the Master of Professional Supervision.

6.2Credit will be granted for units that are from an equivalent award or institution and have outcomes, content, demand hours, and assessment equivalent to that of units in the Master of Professional Supervision.

6.3Credit for Recognised Prior Learning may be granted subject to a successful application.

7 Saving Clause

7.1Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the Academic Board of the University College may, in any case in which it may deem it appropriate to do so, vary, dispense with, or suspend any requirement or prescription by these regulations, and report forthwith to the Council of the University College.

Version	Date and Governance	Changes
1.0	3 September 2018 Academic Board	Accredited
2.0	4 March 2024 Academic Board	English Language Admission requirements