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# POSTGRADUATE BUSINESS AND GOVERNMENT



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At the time of printing this publication, the University was working through a change process that may impact some of our academic programmes and course offerings. Note that the majority of our courses will not be affected. You are encouraged to discuss your study options with one of our Future Students advisers and they will be able to provide you with up-to-date information and advice. To set up an appointment, phone 0800 04 04 04 or email [future-students@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:future-students@vuw.ac.nz)



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score of 966 out of a possible 1,000 points across eight audited categories, including maximum points for the employability and inclusiveness categories. Maximum points were awarded for 25 of the more than 30 indicators, including overall student satisfaction; further study; graduate employment rate; international diversity, support, and collaborations; academic reputation; satisfaction with teaching; campus facilities; accreditations; art and cultural investment and facilities; disabled access; scholarships and bursaries; low-income outreach; and student cohort diversity.

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# WELCOME



Tēnā koutou kātoa.

At Ōrauariki—Wellington School of Business and Government, we stand in the geographic, political, and cultural heart of Aotearoa New Zealand, and at the centre of a vibrant capital city with a truly international perspective. We benefit from strong connections with government, business, and the country's top scientific, cultural, and creative organisations.

We offer a range of flexible, tailored professional certificate, diploma, and Master's programmes that provide immense value to our students, in terms of both professional development and financial return on investment of time and money. Our degrees are designed to provide a broad educational foundation, creative and critical thinking skills that are crucial in today's business world, and specialist expertise in your chosen field.

We work closely with employers to design professional qualifications that provide our students with the breadth of tools and knowledge, and the global perspective, that they need to stand up and lead the way in business and government.

We are delighted that you are considering postgraduate study at the Wellington School of Business and Government. We hope you will look back on your experience with us as a rewarding time in which you followed your passion, broadened your career prospects, and stood up for meaningful change in Aotearoa New Zealand and globally. Use this publication to help you explore your options, decide your next steps, and begin your journey with us.

Hei konā mai.

**Professor Jane Bryson**

Dean

# UNDERSTANDING OUR POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

At the Wellington School of Business and Government (WSBG), we have several pathways for postgraduate study: research-focused programmes and professional programmes delivered by WSBG, and a range of short courses and micro-credentials delivered by our sister organisation Kāpuhipuhi Wellington Uni-Professional.

Research-focused programmes are for students who want to take a deep dive into a topic of interest through researching and developing certain ideas within their chosen field. On the other hand, our professional programmes are targeted to people in a range of career stages, with a focus on practicality and career progression.



## PROFESSIONAL

Our flexible, tailored professional postgraduate certificate, diploma, and Master's programmes are designed for recent graduates and working professionals.

You will have numerous opportunities to bring your past experiences and current challenges from the workplace into the classroom and to work with a like-minded cohort. You'll gain a broad understanding of the global business environment, leading to opportunities not just in New Zealand but globally.



## RESEARCH

The Bachelor of Commerce with Honours (BCom(Hons)) and Master of Commerce (MCom) will give you the opportunity to undertake advanced study and conduct independent research in your undergraduate study area and to engage with contemporary issues in organisations and society. By the end of your degree, you'll be equipped to be the go-to expert in your field.



## SHORT COURSES AND MICRO-CREDENTIALS

For short courses or micro-credentials, Kāpuhipuhi Wellington Uni-Professional offers a range of constantly evolving modules that can be combined and tailored to address contemporary business needs.

With online, one-day, or multi-week courses, WSBG's sister organisation makes skills development accessible and supportive, as students complete and collaborate in courses led by specialist facilitators and relevant industry experts.

 [www.wellingtonuni-professional.nz](http://www.wellingtonuni-professional.nz)

## TŪRIA—THE WSBG BLOG

For more resources to help you with your postgraduate study, visit our WSBG blog.

Tūria, a te reo Māori word that translates to 'journey', is a place for you to find advice, resources, and stories from our students.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/business/turia](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/business/turia)



# PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMMES

Our postgraduate professional programmes are for people at all stages of life, from recent graduates looking to start their career in business or government to working professionals looking for that next step to enhance their leadership qualities.

START CAREER	CHANGE CAREER	ENHANCE CAREER
Master of Global Business		
Master of Professional Accounting		
Master of Professional Business Analysis		
Master of Actuarial Science		
Master of Information Studies		
		Executive MBA
		Master of Public Management
		Master of Public Policy


## ACCELERATE YOUR CAREER

Our professional programmes combine academic knowledge and practical and professional experience, with a focus on career progression. You'll develop practical skills that you can immediately put to use in your professional life and build a bank of knowledge and tools that will maximise your career potential. As well as subject-specific knowledge, you will develop capabilities you can transfer to everyday life, such as negotiation, presentation, and problem solving.

Over the course of your programme, you'll build a strong network of fellow students, leading academics, and industry leaders through regular group work, internship opportunities, and consultancy projects.

## STUDY THAT FITS AROUND YOU

All our programmes have been designed with the flexibility to fit around your work and life commitments and goals. Most programmes can be completed in just over a year of full-time study for those looking for an intensive pathway to launch their career and for international students looking to travel to New Zealand. However, many of our students will choose to study part time, taking just one or two courses per trimester, as a way to balance their studies with their other commitments. This ensures pursuing your career goals doesn't have to mean sacrificing the things that are most important to you. The total workload for each 15-point course is about 10–12 hours per week, including contact time on the weeks you have lectures.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/professional](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/professional)





# Stand up ▶ and lead the way

“Women getting to see women in leadership roles—and particularly Māori women in leadership roles—is of huge value, and I personally believe that an Executive MBA can contribute to accelerating that leadership journey. The Executive MBA is quite broad, so you develop several skill sets of value and use as a leader. In that sense, it is the perfect path of study.”

**Jennie Smeaton**  
Student, Executive MBA

# RESEARCH-FOCUSED PROGRAMMES

## BACHELOR OF COMMERCE WITH HONOURS AND MASTER OF COMMERCE

Gain thorough training in independent research and explore a topic you are passionate about with the Bachelor of Commerce with Honours (BCom(Hons)) and the Master of Commerce (MCom). Through these programmes, you will be exposed to a diverse range of methods of data collection, analysis, and interpretation, including surveys and focus groups, experimental research, critical theory, statistics, complexity and network science, design thinking, and Indigenous methodologies.

You will receive an unparalleled classroom experience with one-on-one mentoring and supervision by leading academics, small highly interactive classes, and frequent presentations. You will gain advanced professional skills in analysis, synthesis, and communication, and become part of a community of students who have a profound and critical voice that is heard across all sectors of society.

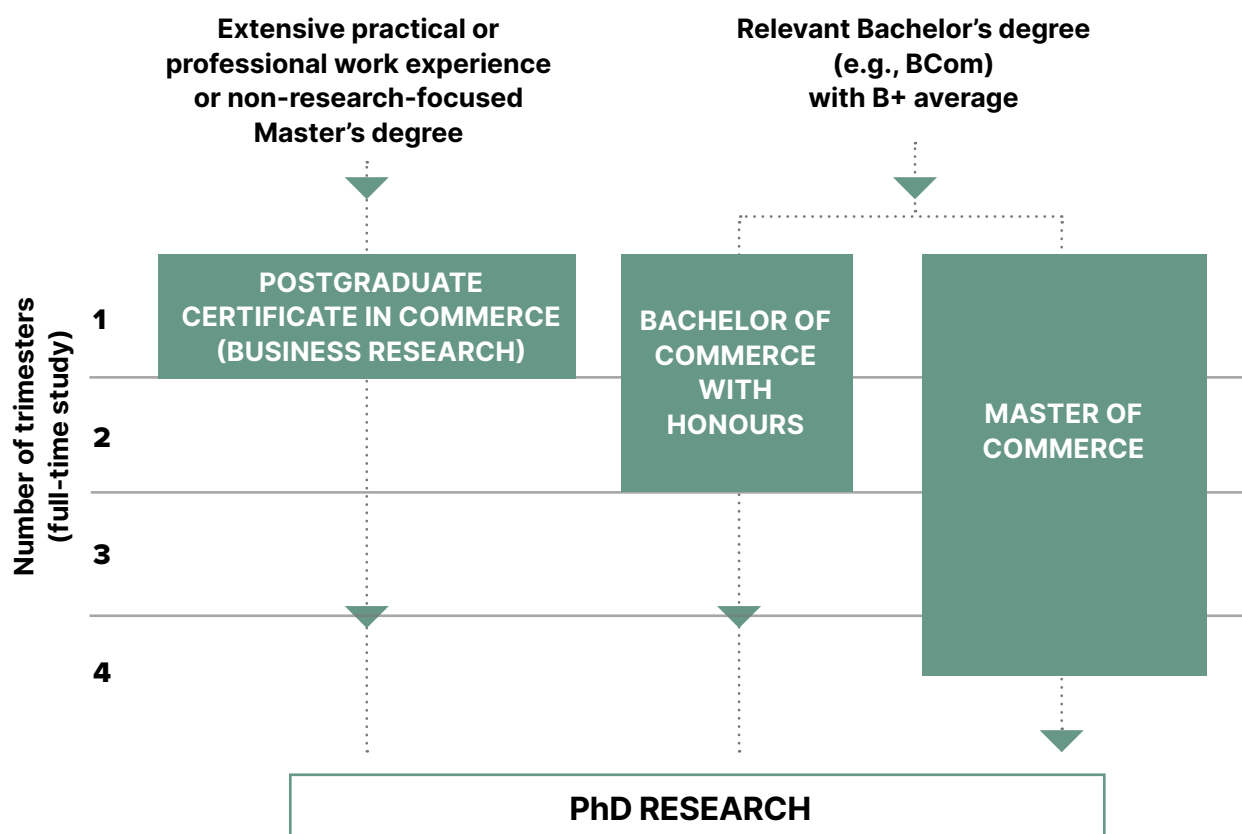
 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/bcom-hons](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/bcom-hons)

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/mcom](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/mcom)

## SPECIALIST KNOWLEDGE AND INTERDISCIPLINARY THINKING

Depending on your undergraduate major and your course of study at Master's level, you can be awarded a BCom(Hons) or MCom with a specialisation in one of the following areas:

- Accounting
- Economics
- Finance
- Governing for the Future
- Human Resource Management and Employment Relations
- Information Systems
- International Business
- Management
- Marketing.





## RESEARCH YOUR PASSION

It is important that you bring your own experiences and interests into your postgraduate research and work on topics that matter to you. Some examples of the topics our students and staff are researching include:

- What can we learn about sustainable management from Māori businesses?
- How can we make bad bosses less common in our workplaces?
- How can we make Aotearoa a better place to work for marginalised communities?
- How can computer-based modelling enhance our healthcare system?
- How do computer algorithms influence how we live and work?
- What role does branding play in driving consumer behaviour?
- What mechanisms underpin the spread of misinformation online?
- Can humour be used in social marketing to encourage young males to stop their friends drink-driving?

## PhD STUDY

A Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree represents the highest academic achievement. It involves original and sustained research under academic supervision, and demands considerable self-discipline and dedication. Completing a PhD is a significant undertaking and takes at least three years of full-time study.

Prospective students with a non-research-based Master's degree, or extensive practical or professional work experience, may be admitted to the Postgraduate Certificate in Commerce with a specialisation in Research (PGCertCom(Rsch)), which can be used as a stepping stone into the full PhD programme.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/business-phd](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/business-phd)

## SHOWCASING STUDENT RESEARCH

Once a year, we celebrate our students' research by holding a postgraduate showcase event. Stakeholders from a range of organisations are invited to an afternoon event at Rutherford House where the current cohort of postgraduate students present their research as posters and a series of lightning talks. There is time to engage, discuss the research, and develop new professional networks.





# Stand for

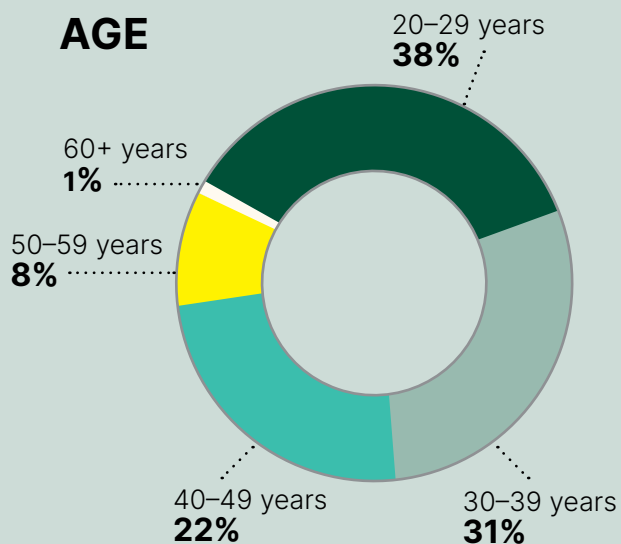
## ▶ making meaningful change

“Through my study, I was able to work with two non-profits (Shakespeare Globe Centre New Zealand and Age Concern Kāpiti), to improve their outreach to the right audiences, generating ideas around getting more members and funding to support their causes. I am now volunteering part time with both, helping them implement the solutions that I designed during the course.”

**Ankur Grover**

Graduate, Master of Professional Business Analysis

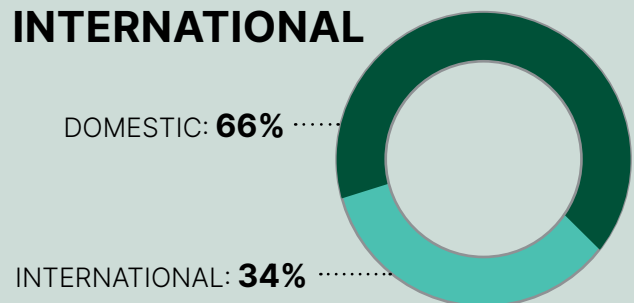
# OUR POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS



YOUNGEST: **20 YEARS**

OLDEST: **65 YEARS**

## DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL



## PART TIME AND FULL TIME

PART TIME: **83%**



FULL TIME: **17%**





# WHY WELLINGTON?



As a postgraduate student at the Wellington School of Business and Government, you will study with us at our Pipitea campus in the heart of Wellington's legal, government, and business district. The Pipitea campus is home to a modern hub that includes a library, teaching spaces, and a dedicated postgraduate study space.

The capital city is a great place to study, and you will relish being part of, and contributing to, Wellington's vibrant and creative innovative environment. You will also have the chance to develop your business acumen and grow alongside the leaders, creators, and thinkers who thrive in Wellington.

Experience the benefits of the University's strong connections with government and business. As the capital city, Wellington is home to many national organisations and treasures, including Parliament, Te Papa Tongarewa, the Supreme Court, the National Library, and the Treasury, as well as being the entrepreneurial capital of New Zealand.

The University operates at the intersection of business and government. We have strong connections with political, public sector, legal, diplomatic, cultural, scientific, corporate, community, media, and non-governmental organisations. Our capital-city connections mean students have excellent opportunities for engaging with and learning from real-life experiences on and off campus.

## INDUSTRY CONNECTIONS AND WIDER OPPORTUNITIES

Many of our programmes offer opportunities to work directly with New Zealand companies and not-for-profit organisations to gain strong insights into domestic and global business. You could provide advice to a New Zealand organisation through a consultancy project, attend an international business conference hosted at the University, attend regular talks from professional leaders, be taught by leading experts in your field, attend career expos and presentations from recruitment agencies to network with staff from local organisations, or undertake an internship with a local employer.

We are proud to have partnered with many organisations, including the following:

- Accor
- Age Concern Kāpiti
- Aotearoa Food Rescue Alliance
- FNT Motion
- Trade Me
- Wellington City Council
- WellingtonNZ
- Worksafe.

# MANAGING YOUR STUDY

Furthering your education can be a daunting prospect, especially if you're balancing work commitments or it's been a while since you studied. The capability boost you will get from further study is also a big investment to make, both financially and time-wise. At the Wellington School of Business and Government, we offer different ways for students to make postgraduate study more manageable, including flexible, shorter study options, scholarships, and resources to help ask your employer for support.

## STAIRCASING WITH CERTIFICATE AND DIPLOMA OPTIONS

If you're not ready to enrol in a full Master's degree, then a postgraduate certificate or postgraduate diploma could be the right choice. You will get to experience some of the courses included in the full Master's degree and decide if that programme is right for you. Certificates and diplomas can also be used to 'staircase' into a full Master's degree. With the staircasing approach, you have the option to credit shorter qualifications such as a postgraduate certificate or diploma towards a full Master's degree if you decide to continue studying.


To learn more about staircasing, read Susan Narayan's story on our WSBG blog.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/narayan](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/narayan)

## EMPLOYER SUPPORT

Another way that many of our students make their study more manageable is by seeking support from their employer, both financially and through time off work. Investing in yourself and developing advanced skills is one of the best decisions you can make, and your employer may agree. Many organisations offer tuition reimbursement programmes or other forms of financial support for their employees' education. This can reduce some of the pressures of postgraduate study and make it easier for you to focus on your education.


For more tips and advice on asking your employer for support, go to our WSBG blog.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/turia-employer-support](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/turia-employer-support)

## SCHOLARSHIPS

We offer a range of scholarships to help cover the costs of tuition and other expenses. Our scholarships are available to both domestic and international students and are awarded based on academic merit, financial need, and other factors.

Everyone should have access to the education they need to achieve their career goals, and scholarships are one way to make that a reality.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/business-and-government-scholarships](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/business-and-government-scholarships)



“I started with the intention of completing the EMBA programme but staircasing was the best option for me. It was challenging at first, but then you get into a rhythm and it becomes part of your life. I am more confident because of the skills and experiences that I have gained through my studies.”

**Susan Narayan**  
Student, Executive MBA

# EXPLORE OUR PROGRAMMES



## BACHELOR OF COMMERCE WITH HONOURS

### RESEARCH

The Bachelor of Commerce with Honours (BCom(Hons)) is a postgraduate research programme that allows you to add the distinction of a short independent research project to your undergraduate qualification. You'll gain valuable research skills under the supervision and mentorship of one of the world-class scholars at our faculty. Studied full time, it can be finished within two trimesters and allows entry into the PhD programme at universities in New Zealand and other countries that have accredited Honours degrees.

The BCom(Hons) differentiates you from other professionals as an expert with a focus on developing an evidence base for decisions and recommendations. Your research will conclude by writing a 10,000-word research report, and you will have the opportunity to present your work to a variety of stakeholders at our annual postgraduate showcase.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/bcom-hons](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/bcom-hons)

## EXECUTIVE MBA

### ENHANCE CAREER

The Executive MBA is an internationally recognised senior management qualification that sends a powerful message to your professional peers and future employers about your intellectual ability, professional experience, and executive problem-solving skills to take on leading roles in public and private sectors.

You will master tools and models that improve strategic thinking, decision-making, and leadership, and build powerful professional networks with leading academics, fellow students, and other members of the business community.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/emba](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/emba)



## MASTER OF ACTUARIAL SCIENCE

START  
CAREER

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CAREER

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CAREER

Gain a competitive edge in the job market with our Master of Actuarial Science (MActSc), the only Master's-level actuarial science qualification available in New Zealand. You'll learn how to apply rigorous mathematics to industries that carry a high level of uncertainty such as insurance. You will be prepared to pursue a career as an actuary—whether in a traditional role at an insurance company or as an insurance consultant, or in a non-traditional role in areas such as financial services and data analytics. Our MActSc courses will give you exemptions from Actuaries Institute (Australia) examinations, allowing you to become an accredited actuary faster.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/mactsc](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/mactsc)

## MASTER OF COMMERCE

RESEARCH

The Master of Commerce (MCom) will set you apart from other professionals in your field as an expert who can challenge current practices or propose new directions by providing rigorous evidence. An MCom gives you the necessary qualification to apply for admission into a PhD programme anywhere in the world.

The MCom is best suited for those who want to undertake an independent and significant research project about a topic of interest. You will also receive supervision and mentorship by one of our leading academics. Your research will finish with the writing of a Master's thesis that will be officially published in the University library, and you will have the opportunity to present your work to a variety of stakeholders at our annual postgraduate showcase.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/mcom](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/mcom)

## MASTER OF GLOBAL BUSINESS

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CAREER

The Master of Global Business (MGBus) is a professionally focused programme that allows you to build on an undergraduate degree in any field of study and gain valuable skills in global business strategy and analysis. The programme is coursework-based and includes an industry consultancy project, where you'll work with a New Zealand or international organisation to gain real-world experience. This programme is best suited to recent graduates who are looking to launch their careers in global business and strategy.

You'll have access to a range of courses offered at the Wellington School of Business and Government and gain a broad foundation in modern business, exploring how global connectivity impacts and influences the way business is done.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/mgbus](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/mgbus)

## MASTER OF INFORMATION STUDIES

START  
CAREER

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CAREER

The Master of Information Studies (MIS) helps you to become an expert in managing information in today's fast-changing world. Government departments, businesses, libraries, museums, marae, iwi, and archives all need people who can identify relevant information, retrieve it, organise it, and make sure people can use it in an ethical way.

You'll learn about information literacies, services, storage, and retrieval, while gaining skills in management and communication, information technology, and research methods. You'll gain a thorough, technology-focused, and research-based education in information organisation, oriented to the needs of Aotearoa New Zealand information professionals and national aims to improve digital literacy and equity.

The MIS is taught entirely online, giving you the flexibility to study from anywhere in New Zealand, and to balance study with your other commitments.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/mis](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/mis)

## MASTER OF PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTING

START  
CAREER

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CAREER

The Master of Professional Accounting (MPA) will enable you to make the move into accounting or get the certification you need to take the next step in your accountancy career. The chartered accountants (CA) pathway allows you to become a provisional member of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CA ANZ) as part of your MPA during your study. You're then eligible to apply for full CA ANZ membership after you have successfully completed three years of approved employment in New Zealand, Australia, or any other recognised global location.

You don't need to have an accounting qualification or a background in the field to study. This makes the MPA ideal for both recent graduates and working professionals who want to add accountancy to their skill set.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/mpa](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/mpa)

## MASTER OF PROFESSIONAL BUSINESS ANALYSIS

START  
CAREER

CHANGE  
CAREER

The Master of Professional Business Analysis (MBusAn) is designed to equip people from any background with a strong industry-focused qualification. You will gain skills in business and systems analysis, databases and analytics, management and consulting, and digital strategies and innovations, building on your existing talents and expertise. The MBusAn provides hands-on experiences and real-world projects to prepare you to launch your career as a business analyst.

The MBusAn is closely linked with industry requirements, and courses are offered with industry collaboration. Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington partners with local tech businesses to provide guest lectures, workshops, real-world projects, and more for our students so they can gain the experience needed to hit the ground running.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/mbusan](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/mbusan)

## MASTER OF PUBLIC MANAGEMENT

ENHANCE  
CAREER

A Master of Public Management (MPM) enhances your performance as a manager with advanced knowledge of the theory and strategies behind best practice public management. Become a more effective public manager and build your ability to influence the strategic and operational direction of public sector organisations.

Learn about governance and public sector reform, and how to manage budgets, finances, and organisational capital. Gain the knowledge and skills to design and implement innovative and effective programmes and services, including planning, service delivery, and resource management. Our engagement with government agencies will offer you a window into the management processes that influence the strategic and operational direction of public sector organisations.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/mpm](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/mpm)

## MASTER OF PUBLIC POLICY

ENHANCE  
CAREER

The Master of Public Policy (MPP) equips you with the knowledge, skills, and competencies to provide high-quality policy advice and creative policy and programme design underpinned by a strong sense of public purpose and integrity. Gain the expertise that policymakers need to create strategic and operational policies to make life better—locally, nationally, and internationally.

Our MPP provides an excellent avenue for professionals in the public and non-governmental sectors to acquire a nuanced understanding of policy design, analysis, and implementation in the real world. You will develop practical problem-solving skills and learn techniques that draw on concepts from several disciplines. Our association with key players in government means that you will learn from policymakers and advisers involved in strategic and operational decision-making.

 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/mpp](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/mpp)



# Stand out ▶ with creativity

“Being tasked with designing a social media strategy for Age Concern Kāpiti was a great exercise in getting creative with the types of content that can be created out of even just one event and seeing how this increases awareness for the organisation. We were able to design a new strategy from the ground up.”

**Conner Schuller**

Graduate, Master of Professional Business Analysis



# PROGRAMMES OVERVIEW

Programme	Minimum duration	Location	Starting dates	Complete	Entry requirements
Postgraduate Certificate in Actuarial Science	4 months, 1 trimester	Wellington campuses	February	60 points (4 courses)	A Bachelor's degree with a major in Actuarial Science, Finance, Statistics, or a related field, with at least a B+ average.
Postgraduate Diploma in Actuarial Science	8 months, 2 trimesters	Wellington campuses	February	120 points (8 courses)	A Bachelor's degree with a major in Actuarial Science, Finance, Statistics, or a related field, with at least a B+ average.
Master of Actuarial Science	12 months, 3 trimesters	Wellington campuses	February	180 points (11 courses)	A Bachelor's degree with a major in Actuarial Science, Finance, Statistics, or a related field, with at least a B+ average.
Postgraduate Certificate in Business Administration	4 months, 1 trimester	Wellington campuses	February, July	60 points (4 courses)	A Bachelor's degree with at least a B average. Five years of relevant work experience.
Executive MBA	16 months, 4 trimesters	Wellington campuses	February, July	180 points (12 courses)	A Bachelor's degree with at least a B average. Five years of relevant work experience.
Bachelor of Commerce with Honours	8 months, 2 trimesters	Wellington campuses	February, July	120 points	A Bachelor's degree with at least a B+ average in the subject area you intend to study.
Master of Commerce	12–16 months, 3–4 trimesters	Wellington campuses	February, July	180 points	A Bachelor's degree with at least a B+ average in a relevant subject area.
Postgraduate Certificate in Commerce specialising in Research*	1 trimester	Wellington campuses and online	February	60 points (3 courses, including a research project)	A Bachelor of Commerce degree or equivalent qualification.
Master of Global Business	12 months, 3 trimesters	Wellington campuses and online	November	180 points (11 courses)	A Bachelor's degree in any discipline with at least a B average.
Postgraduate Certificate in Information Studies	4 months, 1 trimester	Online	February, July	60 points (4 courses)	A Bachelor's degree, or extensive professional experience.
Postgraduate Diploma in Information Studies	8 months, 2 trimesters	Online	February, July	120 points (8 courses)	A Bachelor's degree, or extensive professional experience.
Master of Information Studies	16 months, 4 trimesters	Online	February, July	180 points (11 courses)	A Bachelor's degree with Honours or a Master's degree, or extensive professional experience.

Programme	Minimum duration	Location	Starting dates	Complete	Entry requirements
Postgraduate Certificate in Professional Accounting (Chartered Accounting)*	8 months, 2 trimesters	Wellington campuses and online	February, November	60 points (7 courses)	A Bachelor's degree in any discipline.
Master of Professional Accounting	12 months, 3 trimesters (traditional pathway) 20–24 months, 5–6 trimesters (CA pathway)*	Wellington campuses and online	February, November	180–225 points (12–18 courses)	A Bachelor's degree in any discipline.
Master of Professional Business Analysis	16 months, 4 trimesters	Wellington campuses and online	February, November	180 points (11 courses)	A Bachelor's degree with at least a B- average.
Postgraduate Certificate in Public Management	4 months, 1 trimester	Wellington campuses	February, July, November	60 points (4 courses)	A Bachelor's degree and two years' work experience in the public sector, or extensive work experience.
Postgraduate Diploma in Public Management	8 months, 2 trimesters	Wellington campuses	February, July, November	120 points (8 courses)	A Bachelor's degree and two years' work experience in the public sector, or extensive work experience.
Master of Public Management	16 months, 4 trimesters	Wellington campuses	February, July, November	180 points (12 courses)	A Bachelor's degree and two years' work experience in the public sector, or extensive work experience.
Postgraduate Certificate in Public Policy	4 months, 1 trimester	Wellington campuses	February, July, November	60 points (4 courses)	A Bachelor's degree and two years' work experience in the public sector, or extensive work experience.
Postgraduate Diploma in Public Policy	8 months, 2 trimesters	Wellington campuses	February, July, November	120 points (8 courses)	A Bachelor's degree and two years' work experience in the public sector, or extensive work experience.
Master of Public Policy	16 months, 4 trimesters	Wellington campuses	February, July, November	180 points (11 courses)	A Bachelor's degree and two years' work experience in the public sector, or extensive work experience.

All programmes can be studied either part time or full time.

Unless noted as fully online, all programmes are designed for some in-person classes.

\*Students can combine a PGCertCom(Rsch) with a professional programme to qualify for entry into the PhD programme.

\*Available only to graduates of the Master of Professional Accounting programme at Victoria University of Wellington.

\*Duration is dependent on the CA ANZ timetable and is subject to change.

# ACCREDITATION



The Wellington School of Business and Government is one of an elite group worldwide to be accredited by the world's most highly recognised international business accreditation agencies.



## MASTER OF ACTUARIAL SCIENCE

Actuarial Science is a fully accredited programme with the Actuaries Institute of Australia. Students seeking to become an actuary may be granted exemptions from some institute foundation- and actuary-level subjects.

## MASTER OF INFORMATION STUDIES

The Master of Information Studies is recognised by these local and international professional bodies:

- Library and Information Association New Zealand Aotearoa, for those with a specialisation in Library Science (recognised by the American Library Association).
- Records and Information Management Professionals Australasia, for those with a specialisation in Archives and Records Management.

## MASTER OF PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTING

The Master of Professional Accounting meets the academic requirements for certification from the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, CA ANZ, the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants, and CPA Australia. If you complete the CA pathway you will also meet the technical requirements for certification from CA ANZ.





# Stand on ▶ the edge of discovery

"The Master of Commerce has accelerated my career path into research. My thesis blended marketing with social issues I am passionate about—something I never thought I could do as an undergraduate student."

**Maria Kerstens**  
Graduate, Master of Commerce

# WHO TO CONTACT



## PROGRAMME SUPPORT

### Professional programmes

If you have any questions regarding our professional programmes, contact our Professional Programmes Office.

✉ [ppo@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:ppo@vuw.ac.nz)

### Research-focused programmes

If you have any questions regarding our Bachelor of Commerce with Honours or Master of Commerce, go to the relevant degree page below and select your desired area of study for a full list of contacts.

📄 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/bcom-hons](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/bcom-hons)

📄 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/mcom](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/mcom)

### Short courses and micro-credentials

If you're considering short courses or micro-credentials alongside postgraduate study, contact one of Kāpuhipuhi Wellington Uni-Professional's programme advisers.

✉ [profdev@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:profdev@vuw.ac.nz)

## STUDENT SUPPORT

### Admission

There are various ways you can gain admission to Victoria University of Wellington. Find all our admission and enrolment requirements online.

📄 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/apply](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/apply)

### Careers and employment

Te Ratonga Rapu Mahi—Wellington Careers and Employment's team connects you with employers and the business community and prepares you for future employment. They can help you explore your study and work options, apply for jobs and internships, and establish a career path by providing advice for ongoing career development.

✉ [careers-service@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:careers-service@vuw.ac.nz)

📄 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/careers](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/careers)

### Disability services

Victoria University of Wellington strives to create an environment that values diversity. If you are Deaf, have an impairment, mental distress, injury, medical condition, or specific learning disability that affects your learning, participation, or enjoyment at university, you can get tailored assistance.

📄 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/disability](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/disability)

### Fees

Fees for domestic and international students are listed on the individual professional programmes pages on our website. Tuition fees are charged each academic year on a per-point basis and vary by programme. International students are charged a different rate to domestic students, with the exception of PhD students, who pay domestic fees.

📄 [www.wgtn.ac.nz/professional](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/professional)

## International students

If you are an international student, your first point of contact for information and advice about studying in Wellington is the University's international team, Wellington University International. They will help you apply and enrol, and will provide you with student support services throughout your studies.

You can also talk to some of our international students and hear about their experiences in Wellington through our ambassador programme.

[www.wgtn.ac.nz/international](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/international)

[www.wgtn.ac.nz/meet-our-students](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/meet-our-students)

## Māori students

Āwhina is the support team for Māori students. Their experienced staff offer one-on-one advising and mentoring sessions, study tutorials and wānanga, and a range of workshops to help you achieve your study and work goals.

[www.wgtn.ac.nz/awhina](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/awhina)

## Pasifika students

The University is committed to assisting Pasifika students and has staff, support services, and resources available to ensure your success. There are many opportunities facilitated by the Office of the Assistant Vice-Chancellor (Pasifika) and others to network within the University and wider Wellington communities, and the private and public sectors.

[www.wgtn.ac.nz/pasifika](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/pasifika)

## Postgraduate students

The Postgraduate Students' Association is managed by a group of student volunteers who represent fellow students, encourage excellence, and build community among postgraduate students at Victoria University of Wellington. They work to ensure you have the best possible academic experience.

[www.vuwpgsa.ac.nz](http://www.vuwpgsa.ac.nz)

## Rainbow students

We offer a range of services and resources for students who identify with diverse sexual orientations and sex and gender identities.

[www.wgtn.ac.nz/rainbow](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/rainbow)

## Refugee-background students

We offer information, support, and advice tailored specifically to students with a refugee background.

[www.wgtn.ac.nz/refugee-background-students](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/refugee-background-students)

## Returning to study

Many students pick up postgraduate study after several years away, and some haven't studied at tertiary level before. Our liaison officers can help you get into university life.

[www.wgtn.ac.nz/student-learning](http://www.wgtn.ac.nz/student-learning)







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