Postgraduate programs in
Information Technology
Project Management

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OWN PROJECT
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Swinburne’s postgraduate program in Information Technology Project Management has been developed with direction from IT industry professionals to ensure the course brings you the knowledge and skills to succeed in the IT industry. Real-time wisdom brought to you by the professionals who live and breathe IT everyday.

**Program overview**

Designed in consultation with industry this program aims to meet an expected growth in demand for qualified IT project managers. You will develop competencies and expertise in the major domains of IT project management, and an appreciation of factors contributing to the overall management of IT projects.

Key areas covered in the program include project management, project productivity and success, portfolios in organisations, IT business strategy and alignment, managing IT-driven change, relationship/alliance building, management of multiple vendors, managing IS risk and complexity, and understanding the value of IS/IT investments in organisations.

The Master of Information Technology Project Management program is part of a nested suite of programs, which includes the Graduate Certificate of Information Technology Project Management and the Graduate Diploma of Information Technology Project Management.

**Admission requirements**

Applications are encouraged from people with a recognised bachelor degree in IS/IT or from a non-ICT discipline (such as business, engineering, etc). Up to four units of advanced standing may be granted to those with a bachelor degree in IS/IT.

Applicants who do not hold a recognised bachelor degree, but who do have substantial relevant work experience in industry are encouraged to apply. They would normally be admitted to a suitable Graduate Certificate, and on successful completion of those four units, would be encouraged to continue onto the Graduate Diploma or Master of IT Project Management.

**Program details**

The Information Technology Project Management program is designed to:

- Deliver high-quality, industry relevant education to prospective IT project managers
- Develop an appreciation of factors contributing to IT project productivity and success
- Develop the knowledge and skill sets required in the practice of IT project, portfolio and program management, with a sound conceptual understanding of the key issues involved

**Location**

Hawthorn campus or online

**Program length**

Graduate Certificate
Six months full-time or equivalent part-time

Graduate Diploma
One year full-time or equivalent part-time

**Master**

One and a half years full-time or equivalent part-time

If you are in employment we strongly recommend you study part-time. The flexibility of the program enables you to vary your study load to accommodate changing employment and personal commitments.

**Time commitment**

Formal contact hours for each unit are 3 hours per week.

**Assessment**

Assessment methods vary for each unit, however they usually consist of assignments, group work and examinations.
Program structure

The Master of Information Technology Project Management consists of 12 units of study (150 credit points) to be completed over either 1.5 years or 2 years full-time or either 3 years or 4 years part-time dependant on the enrolled load of the student.

Students can enrol in the Graduate Certificate (50 credit points) and Graduate Diploma (100 credit points) programs and upon successful completion of these programs progress to the Masters program, as part of the nested suite.

Total contact hours for a full-time student, including lectures, classes, tutorials and laboratory sessions, will normally be 9-12 hours per week. The program is available in both full-time and part-time (5.30pm to 9.30pm) modes. Part-time mode includes the possibility of studying one unit of study at a time. Evening classes are available in most units of study. Entry is possible in both Semester 1 (February) and Semester 2 (August).

Please note: Some units of study are subject to quotas and minimum enrolment requirements. Not all units of study are available every semester, and changes in program structure occur from time to time.

Units of study

The Master of Information Technology Project Management consists of 12 units of study taken over 18 months as follows:

### CORE UNITS

- HIT7407 Information Systems Project Management
- HIT7406 Enterprise Systems OR
- HIT8425 Information Systems in SMEs
- HIT8408 Information Systems Risk and Security
- HIT8410 Systems Acquisition and Implementation Management
- HIT8434 Global ICT Practice
- HIT8430 IT Project Resource Management
- HIT8431 IT Portfolio and Program Management
- HIT8432 IT Project Management Internship Project OR
- HIT8433 IT Project Management Research Project

### SUPPLEMENTARY UNITS

Students select four units, depending on previous studies, in order to meet prerequisite knowledge of core units.

- HIT5401 Introduction to Business Information Systems OR
- HIT8424 Information Systems Management OR
- HIT8036 Business Information Systems for a Rapidly Changing World *
- HIT6402 Database Analysis and Design
- HIT6405 Requirements, Analysis and Modelling
- HBC246N Advanced Financial Information Systems (new) OR
- HBC606 Accounting Principles **
- HIT7406 Enterprise Systems OR
- HIT8425 Information Systems in SMEs
- HIT7412 Business Information Systems Analysis
- HIT8409 Process Modelling
- HIT8423 Enterprise Systems Management
- HIT8044 Professional Issues in Information Technology

*Students with no background in IS will be required to study HIT5401 Introduction to Business Information Systems. Students who have studied basic IS in previous undergraduate courses, but who do not hold a degree in IS, would be expected to study HIT8424 Information Systems Management. Students with a degree (not necessarily in IS/IT), but who have at least three years relevant work experience in a substantial organisation would be encouraged to take HIT8036 Business Information Systems for a Rapidly Changing World.

** Students with no background knowledge or study in accounting should study HBC606 Accounting Principles. Those with some background knowledge should study HBC246N Advanced Financial Information Systems.

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INFORMATION SESSIONS

Information sessions are held regularly throughout the year. They are a great opportunity to meet and talk to staff about your postgraduate study options. The sessions help you understand what your chosen postgraduate program entails – what you can learn and what your study options are and where your qualification may take you.

For session dates visit www.swinburne.edu.au/postgrad

Fees

In 2011, tuition fees for this program are based on $2150 per 12.5 credit point unit of study. In the event that a unit of study is derived from another program, the applicable fee will be that of the other program. All fees are reviewed each year and may increase without notice.

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For all fee enquiries and up-to-date information, go to: www.swinburne.edu.au/studentoperations/fees

FEE-HELP

FEE-HELP is a government-funded loan that helps eligible fee-paying students pay their tuition fees.

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For further information visit: www.goingtouni.gov.au

Application procedure

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International students

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Where we are

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Hawthorn Vic 3122

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144 High Street,
Prahran Vic 3181

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For information on postgraduate events visit:
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Recognition of Prior Learning

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) is a process where a student may be granted credit or partial credit towards a qualification in recognition of skills and knowledge gained through work experience, life experience and/or formal training.

Further details for students considering Higher Education courses: www.future.swinburne.edu.au/pathways/rpl/higher-ed/

Further information

Telephone: 1300 275 794
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Application closing dates

Semester 1 – 4 February 2011
Semester 2 – 15 July 2011

Please note these dates were correct at the time of printing but are subject to change. Visit www.swinburne.edu.au/studentoperations/calendar for current semester dates.

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