

Master of International Journalism

Coursework or coursework and dissertation



THE UNIVERSITY OF
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About the course

The Master of International Journalism at The University of Western Australia (UWA) aims to produce the best student journalists across all media formats – print, broadcast and digital. This master by coursework degree will give students the ability to generate original journalism to a high industry standard while at the same time encouraging them to think critically about journalism in a global context. This focus on the international and domestic contexts, means that graduates will be equipped to work in the global environment.

Students will study in a setting that simulates industry, produce work for a real audience and on successful completion of the degree will have a portfolio of published pieces that will aid in their transition to professional practice.

Prominent and experienced journalists teach the course

Both prominent journalists and expert academics are involved in teaching the course to give students the best possible combination of practical, skill-based learning that leaves graduates ready to enter the workforce and intellectual knowledge that enables graduates to negotiate the current and future state of journalism and its related industries globally. Our high-profile team includes acclaimed industry and academic professionals, such as prominent political journalist and commentator Professor Peter van Onselen.

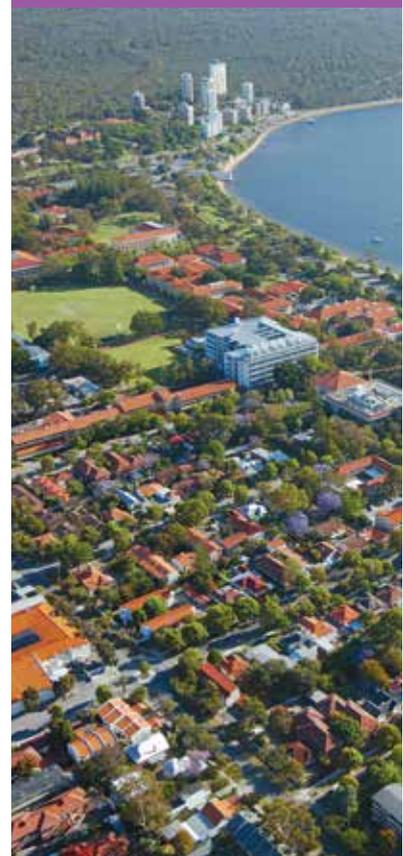


Professor Peter van Onselen

About UWA

Located on the beautiful Swan River in Perth, Western Australia, UWA is proud to have scored five star rankings in the Good Universities Guide 2015 and is recognised internationally as being a leading university, ranked in the top 100 in the world in the highly respected Shanghai-JiaoTong University's Academic Ranking of World Universities.

It is the only Western Australian university to belong to the Group of Eight – a coalition of the top research universities in Australia – and it is one of only two Australian members of the Worldwide Universities Network.





Who is this course for?

This course is available to both domestic and international students.

The course is designed for graduate students wishing to pursue a career in journalism. It will also greatly enhance the career prospects of those already working in the field. In addition, it is an excellent grounding for those professions related to journalism, including media advisors, and staff involved in communications and media strategy in government and business.

Depending on the pathway chosen, it may be a means of qualifying for entry to higher degree research programs such as the PhD.



Course structure

The course will run over a tri-semester within one year (i.e. semester 1, semester 2 and a summer semester). Entry to the course is in February (semester 1) only and it is possible to complete the course as a full time or part time student. To complete, students will need a passing grade in 12 units of six points each (i.e. a total of 72 points).

Topics that are taught as part of the Master of International Journalism include:

- Media Law and Ethics
- Issues in Contemporary Global Journalism
- Investigative Reporting
- News Gathering: Technique and Timing
- Global Media and Cross Cultural Communication
- Online Journalism
- Sexuality, Media and Culture
- iGeneration
- Applied Professional Business Communications
- Integrated Marketing Communications
- Marketing and Society
- Communication Strategies for Change
- Science and the Media.

Students also have the opportunity to take a workplace unit as follows:

• Work Placement (12 points)

This unit gives students the opportunity work in a professional media context over an eight-week period (three days per week.) The objectives are to give students the practical context in which to develop the skills obtained over the first two semesters of the degree, to enable them to make a direct contribution to publication within the industry, and to provide an entry-way into the profession.

How do I apply?

Admission requirements

Applicants for the Master of International Journalism must have a relevant bachelor's degree with an average mark of at least 65 per cent in Level 3 units of the major, or equivalent as recognised by the Faculty.

Domestic students

Current students or recent graduates can apply via StudentConnect. New students can apply on line via studyat.uwa.edu.au/postgraduate/apply

International students

International students can find out more about living in Perth and other relevant information including how to apply at studyat.uwa.edu.au/international-students

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