Postgraduate tuition fees

Postgraduate courses attract fees for both domestic and international students. A different fee is charged to domestic and international students. Fees quoted are subject to change and are indicative only.

Details of course fees can be viewed at: monash.edu/fees

Domestic students

There are two payment options, a deferred payment through a government loan or an upfront payment. The fee paid is in full unless the student has been offered a Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP). Each year, the Faculty of Arts is offered a limited amount of CSPs for postgraduate study. CSP offers are based on academic merit and are available to Australian citizens and permanent humanitarian visa holders.

CSP students in a CSP pay a lower course fee called the Student Contribution Amount (SCA). A CSP may be available to:
- Australian citizens and permanent humanitarian visa holders
- Australian permanent residents (must pay the lower course fee (SCA) upfront)
- New Zealand citizens (must pay the lower course fee (SCA) upfront)

Government loans

There are two types of government loans and both are available to Australian citizens and permanent humanitarian visa holders.

HECS-HELP – is a loan to cover the SCA and is available to CSP holders

FEE-HELP – is a loan for 100% of the tuition fee. Students who take up a CSP will only pay full course fees upfront unless they have a FEE-HELP loan.

For more info visit: monash.edu/enrolments/loans/domestic-full-fee

International students

Our courses are offered as full-fee places. Students in these courses pay the full tuition cost of the course and must make the payment upfront each semester.

Scholarship opportunities

A variety of scholarships and bursaries are available for prospective and continuing postgraduate students. The number of scholarship and bursary offers made in any one year varies. Scholarships are available from Monash University, the Australian Government and other organisations. Prospective students should check the information on scholarships for further details.

For more info on domestic scholarships visit: monash.edu/study/scholarships

International students

Monash International Leadership Scholarship: 100% course remission for high-achieving international coursework students. Selection is based on academic achievements, application statement and the student’s potential to be a Monash University ambassador.

For more info visit: monash.edu/new-scholarships

Monash International Merit Scholarship: A$10,000 Funding per year to high-achieving international coursework students. More info: monash.edu/new-scholarships

Australia Awards

The Australia Awards are an initiative of the Australian Government to promote knowledge, education links and inducing ties between Australia and our neighbours through Australia’s extensive scholarship programs. Monash University offers a range of courses suited to the development needs of the Australia Awards and its scholarships holders.

For more info visit: monash.edu/australia-awards

Canada

English language requirements

IELTS 6.5 overall with a minimum of 6.0 in reading, writing, speaking and listening.

TOEFL 550 with a TWE of 4.5; or an Internet TOEFL score of 79 with 21 in writing, 13 in listening, 13 in reading, and 20 in speaking.

Pearson Test of English (PTE) overall score of 58 with minimum of 50 in listening, reading, speaking and writing.

Cambridge English Proficiency (CPE) score of 58 or above (each skill must score weak or above) or advanced (CAE) score of 58 or above (each skill must score borderline or above).

Can I receive credit for previous study?

You may be eligible to receive up to 48 credit points for previous honours or graduate level studies in the areas of social sciences/humanities or up to 24 credit points for previous undergraduate studies in the areas of social sciences/humanities or honours studies in an unrelated area. Applications for credit are assessed on a case by case basis. Studies must have been completed within ten years prior to the year of application for credit.

For more info visit: monash.edu/admissions/credit

International students who complete a two year course may be eligible for a post-study work visa.

For more info visit: www.immi.gov.au

How to apply

Apply online at: monash.edu/admissions

Application Dates

Applications for Semester 1 (March) – 30 November

Applications for Semester 2 (July) – 30 June

Postgraduate study

The Master of Bioethics course, which is available both on-campus mode and by distance education, is an integral part of those outreach activities.
About the course structure
Course code
A6052

Duration
This course is 2 years full time and 4 years part time. Students with relevant qualifications or prior learning may be eligible for credit towards the degree and can complete the course in 1 year or 1.5 years full time equivalent.

Example of subject offerings
This course consists of core and elective subjects.

AT52490
Advanced professional writing

AT32637
The human body and the international marketplace

AT32875
The moral psychology of evil

AT39387
Philosophical issues in applied ethics

APG5044
Professional internship

APG5051
Special topics in bioethics

APG5856
Research project

APG5393
Ethics

Example of electives
APG5394
Questions of life and death

APG5617
Human research ethics

APG5729
Clinical ethics

APG5730
Bioethics, public policy and the law

APG5732
Ethical issues in professional life

Course strengths
A key strength of the Master of Bioethics is its development in graduates of a deeper understanding of ethical frameworks and their applications to real-world issues in health care practice and related fields.

Industry relevance
Many students in the Master of Bioethics course are already engaged in health care professions, policy development, biomedical research, and the pharmaceutical industry. The Master of Bioethics course also features an internship subject, which provides students with an opportunity to gain experience working on a substantive project, or series of projects, during internships with industry partners involved in bioethics. A range of such projects and/or industry partners are made available to students to choose from.

Industry integration
The Master of Bioethics course develops skills in translational bioethics, providing students with training which is directly relevant to health care practice and policy. The course is committed to high levels of industry engagement.

Internships
Master of Bioethics students who have completed at least one semester of the course are eligible to apply for an annual fellowship of $8000 to work during the Australian summer as an intern in the Department of Ethics, Equity, Trade, and Human Rights at the World Health Organisation in Geneva.

Monash-WHO Fellowship
The Centre for Human Bioethics has a longstanding—and growing—collaborative research relationship with the World Health Organisation (WHO). As of July 2014, the Centre for Human Bioethics has been designated as a World Health Organisation Collaborating Centre for Bioethics, one of just 6 such centres worldwide.

Career outcomes
- Clinical ethics and research ethics within hospitals and health care facilities
- Public policy development
- State guardianship boards
- Disability advocacy
- Tertiary teaching of ethics within health care profession

Excellence in teaching
Students in the Master of Bioethics have the opportunity to be taught by staff with strong national and international reputations for their research and teaching in bioethics, and who are active and prominent contributors to public debate and professional discussions about a variety of issues in bioethics.

Dr. Ryan Tonkens
Ryan is Lecturer in Human Bioethics, and the course coordinator for the Master of Bioethics. Ryan’s current research interests lie at the intersection of applied ethics and advances in technology, especially biotechnology (e.g. the ethics of human prenatal genetic alteration), reproductive technologies (e.g. the ethics of embryo abandonment), and artificial intelligence (e.g. the ethics of robotic warfare).

Professor Michael J. Selgelid
Director of the Centre for Human Bioethics, Michael’s research focus is on public health ethics with an emphasis on ethical issues associated with biotechnology and infectious disease.

Associate Professor Justin Oakley
Deputy Director of the Centre for Human Bioethics, Justin has published articles in international journals on the ethics of clinical trials, reproductive cloning, informed consent and surrogate motherhood.

Associate Professor Catherine Mills
Catherine joined the Centre at the beginning of 2012 and her research field concentrates on issues in reproductive ethics.

Professor Julian Savulescu
Qualified in medicine, bioethics and analytic philosophy, Director of the Oxford Centre for Neuroethics, and Director of the Program on the Ethics of the New Biosciences. Julian is the Sir Louis Matheson Distinguished Visiting Professor at Monash University.

"I found the Master of Bioethics course to be immensely satisfying, both because of its deep intellectual stimulation and its thought-provoking relevance. It raised many issues throughout the field of medicine and its associated disciplines, and requires one to examine them through the spectrum of reason, logic, and justice.”

CLAIRE WALDRON, Dialysis Coordinator

What makes Monash one of the World’s leading universities?
According to the Times Higher Education rankings 2013-2014
- Ranked in the top 1% of universities globally
- Among the top 50 universities in the world for Arts and Humanities
- Regarded as a world-class research institution by independent organisations such as the Australian Research Council

International opportunities
Monash University has many affiliated international networks. You may wish to participate in an International student exchange semester at one of our partner universities. Studying overseas is easy with the Monash Abroad travel scholarship. Travelling while studying is a valuable opportunity to advance skills and develop amazing international connections. To find out more visit:

www.monash.edu/studyabroad

International industry engagement
Bioethics has a significant role to play in ensuring that public health policy promotes justice and human rights. The Monash University Centre for Human Bioethics is now an officially designated World Health Organisation Collaborating Centre for Bioethics. The centre’s international partners include University of Toronto, Columbia University, University of Miami, University of Zurich, and National University of Singapore.

For a full list of subjects visit:
future.arts.monash.edu/master-bioethics/