

UCT aims to produce graduates with internationally recognised and locally applicable qualifications, underpinned by values of engaged citizenship and social justice. We strive to provide a high-quality educational experience through

- inspired and dedicated teaching and learning
- exposure to the creation of new knowledge
- cultivating competencies for global citizenship
- stimulating social consciousness
- attracting a diverse community of scholars.



Did you know?

- 1 UCT is the leading university in Africa and is ranked among the top 200 in the world.
- 2 It is also in the top 100 clinical, pre-clinical and health universities globally and in the top 10 for development studies.
- 3 UCT has the highest number of postdoctoral fellows (340 in 2016) of any university in Africa.
- 4 In 2016 UCT joined the International Alliance of Research Universities (IARU), a network of 11 top-ranked research universities, including Yale, Oxford and Cambridge.
- 5 UCT is a member of the African Research Universities Alliance (ARUA), a network of 16 African universities that is strengthening research and postgraduate training.
- 6 UCT's Hasso Plattner Institute of Design Thinking is one of only three in the world.
- 7 The UCT Knowledge Co-op links postgraduates who want to make a difference to community partners with research needs.



“Postgraduates are the engine room of research at UCT and are pivotal to our future success. UCT is committed to creating a research environment that enables young researchers from diverse backgrounds to develop their skills and make a meaningful contribution in whatever discipline they choose.”

PROFESSOR MAMOKGETHI PHAKENG

Deputy Vice-Chancellor for Research and Internationalisation (@FabAcademic)



“As a postgraduate student you will benefit directly from a community of students striving for excellence and the latest scholarly work and discoveries made by our distinguished researchers.”

PROFESSOR PETER MEISSNER

Director of Postgraduate Studies and Researcher Development

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Postgraduate studies at UCT
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Four postgraduate qualifications are available at UCT



Doctorate (PhD and others)

A degree requiring research at the most advanced levels, culminating in the acceptance of a doctoral thesis



Master's degree Either a research master's by full dissertation, a research master's by coursework and dissertation, or a professional master's degree



Honours degree A one-year degree consolidating and deepening expertise in a particular discipline



Postgraduate diploma (PG dip) Enables professionals to undertake advanced reflection and development in a particular discipline or profession

UCT postgrads in numbers

Every year approximately 10 500 students (36% of total enrolment) embark on postgraduate studies at UCT, including roughly

2 000 doctoral students	5 200 master's students	1 500 honours students	1 800 PG dip students
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UCT is also home to 2 600 international postgraduate students from more than 100 countries.

UCT has a wide network of international partnerships across Africa and the rest of the world, including joint doctoral and master's programmes.

Postgraduate support

The Postgraduate Centre and Funding Office provides a communal space where postgraduates can meet. At the Blue Desk (a one-stop information service) they can enquire about all aspects of funding and administration.

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The Office for Postgraduate Studies addresses the academic and professional needs of postgraduates. Here, they can enquire about any aspect of postgraduate affairs and discover a range of opportunities and activities designed to support them.

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The Faculty Postgraduate Student Associations are run by students and foster a vibrant and diverse postgraduate culture.

The International Academic Programmes Office (IAPO) provides specialist services for international postgraduates and help with immigration issues and advising on study visa issues. IAPO also offers information on international postgraduate mobility programmes.

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The Careers Office ensures that UCT's graduates are equipped with the skills they need to fulfil their career ambitions by providing advice, information and resources, and facilitating engagements between students and employers.

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The Student Wellness Service is staffed by medical practitioners and nurses who are dedicated to helping students remain healthy. Services include a 24-hour toll-free helpline, clinical consultations and psychological support.

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How to apply

UCT offers a full range of postgraduate programmes in six faculties: Commerce (including the Graduate School of Business), Engineering & the Built Environment, Health Sciences, Humanities, Law and Science.

Find out about postgraduate degree requirements: www.uct.ac.za/students/postgraduates/administration/

Four facts about postgraduate funding

- 1** All full time honours, master's and doctoral students are eligible to apply for funding to supplement their studies.
- 2** UCT does not offer full-cost fellowships, but it does have a range of scholarships and bursaries that offer supplementary funding.
- 3** Most UCT postgraduate scholarships and bursaries allow students to undertake limited part time work.
- 4** Applications for funding must be submitted before the advertised closing dates, so apply as soon as possible. (Don't wait until you have been accepted for your course.)

To find out how to apply for postgraduate funding, contact the Postgraduate Centre and Funding Office.

