3Ai POSTGRADUATE COURSES

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Where can I find the application pack for the 2019 3Ai postgraduate courses?

- ➢ The application pack is available on our website: 3ainstitute.org. You can also click here to download a PDF version of the application pack directly.

When and how can I apply for the 2019 3Ai postgraduate courses?

- ➢ The call for applications will be launched in September 2018 and the selection process will take place throughout October and November 2018. Download the application pack for all the details.

How will you select the pilot cohort for the 2019 3Ai postgraduate courses?

- ➢ We will review all applications received against the advertised admission requirements (listed under "Student Profile" in the application pack). The admission requirements of the Master of Studies and 3Ai courses **must** be met for you to be eligible to apply. We expect to receive a large number of eligible applications and will rank applications based on competitiveness of eligible applicants. We therefore strongly encourage all applicants to address the "additional elements" (listed under "Student Profile" in the application pack) in their initial application and throughout the later stages of the selection process (ie: interviews).

Who will select the pilot cohort for the 3Ai postgraduate courses?

- ➢ The applications will be reviewed by a selection panel of ANU staff:
  - o 3Ai Course Convenor **(Chair)**
  - o ANU Lecturer working outside of the 3Ai
  - o 3Ai Researcher
  - o 3Ai Research Fellow
  - o CECS Academic
  - o 3Ai Manager
  - o CECS Student Services Manager **(Observer)**

I don't meet all the minimum selection criteria for the 3Ai postgraduate courses but I will by February 2019, should I apply?

- ➢ We encourage you to apply in this situation: after all, we are looking for risk-takers! The selection panel will review all applications received and make informed decisions on the basis of the information provided.

What degree will I be enrolled in?

- ➢ The selected applicants will apply for admission into an ANU Master of Studies, administered by Graduate Studies Select (GSS), and will receive a permission code to enrol into the 3Ai postgraduate courses.

The ANU Master of Studies lets students select courses from across the available graduate course offerings, does that mean I can select other courses while undertaking the 3Ai postgraduate courses?

- ➢ You will **not** be able to select other courses under this initiative and **must** chose to enrol in the four courses designed by the 3A Institute.

You mentioned that 36 out of 96 units of the Master of Studies will be offset through credit, how does this work?

➢ A 96-unit degree typically requires 2 years of study to be completed. Granting 36 units of credit to all participants will enable the pilot cohort to graduate with an ANU Master of Studies upon successfully completing the 3Ai postgraduate courses within the February 2019 – February 2020 period. Under the ANU Master of Studies, Applicants with a Graduate Diploma or Honours in a cognate discipline may be eligible for up to 48 units of credit, which is why completion of a Graduate Diploma or Honours is a minimum requirement to apply to the 3Ai postgraduate courses.

Upon selection into the 3Ai postgraduate courses and enrolment into the ANU Master of Studies, participants will be invited to submit an application for 36 units of credit, to be granted on the basis of their existing qualifications.

What degree will I graduate with upon successful completion of the 3Ai postgraduate courses?

➢ You will be enrolled in the ANU Master of Studies for the duration of the 3Ai postgraduate courses. Upon successful completion of the 3Ai postgraduate courses in February 2020, you will graduate with an ANU Master of Studies in July 2020. Your transcript will mention that you were part of the first intake for the 3Ai postgraduate courses.

Will I need to commit 40 hours a week *every* week between February 2019 and February 2020 to complete the 3Ai postgraduate courses?

➢ While this will be an intensive learning experience, it won't be quite that full on! You will need to commit 40 hours per week to the 3Ai postgraduate courses only during the ANU Semesters 1 & 2 2019, and part of the ANU Summer session 2020, as follows:

40h/week commitment to the 3Ai postgraduate courses required	Academic period
Monday 25 February – Monday 8 April 2019	First half of Semester 1 2019
Tuesday 23 April – Friday 21 June 2019	Second half of Semester 1 2019, including exam period
Monday 22 July – Friday 30 August 2019	First half of Semester 2 2019
Monday 16 September – Friday 15 November 2019	Second half of Semester 2 2019
Wednesday 1 January – Friday 21 February 2020	Summer session period

In addition to the core periods of commitment to the 3Ai postgraduate courses outlined in the table above, granting of permission to continue enrolling in 3Ai courses will require all participants to take part into the following activities:

Period	Activity
Monday 11 February – Friday 15 February 2019	"Introduction week": meet and greet and overview of the 3Ai postgraduate courses
A 2-day block between Monday 24 June and Friday 19 July 2019	Intermediate group reflection exercise on the 3Ai postgraduate courses facilitated by

(exact dates TBC)	3Ai team
Monday 25 November – Friday 29 November 2019 (exact dates TBC)	"conclusion week": group reflection exercise on the courses completed in 2019, facilitated by 3Ai team

I cannot meet all the commitments outlined in the previous answer, is it OK if I miss out on some of the courses or activities?

> It is an admission requirement for the 3Ai courses that all applicants are able to commit full-time between February 2019 and February 2020, in person, on the ANU campus.

What happens if I get sick or am not longer able to commit to the 3Ai postgraduate courses due to an unforeseen change in circumstances?

> We realise that life sometimes gets in the way of the best-laid plans. If your circumstances change and you are no longer able to commit to the 3Ai postgraduate courses, the 3Ai and GSS teams will work with you to find the best way forward based on your circumstances. While you will **not** receive the mention that you were part of the first intake for the 3Ai postgraduate courses if you do not complete the full curriculum, we will work with you to find the best way to pursue or exit your studies.

How many students will you accept for this first intake?

> This first intake will be small due to our approach being to iteratively prototype the courses for the series of named degrees in future years. We are aiming to have around

10 student participants, but we reserve the right to alter this upwards or downwards if we see fit.

Will every student receive a scholarship and what is the amount?

We will provide a scholarship to each student enrolled in the pilot cohort. Each scholarship will be for $50,000 per annum, and will be in addition to the 3A Institute covering the tuition fees for each student.

Who will be teaching the courses?

> Teaching of the courses will be led by the 3Ai team (see our website for their details), overseen by Distinguished Professor Genevieve Bell, and with contributions by a range of visiting experts from around ANU, Australia and the world.
> Students will have daily contact with the 3Ai team and on average fortnightly contact with Professor Bell.

I can't commit to these courses for 2019 but I am still interested – will you running it again in 2020?

> The 2019 year is a special one, in that it is part of designing the named suite of degrees that will form the basis for the new applied science.
> We are aiming to have a range of educational options for potential students available from 2020 and will be communicating regarding them towards the end of 2019. Sign up to our mailing list to be the first to hear about them.