

PHD APPLICATION & PGR2 PROCESS

Applicant Version



IMPORTANT
Eligibility for the PhD programme must be confirmed first – before you start work on the PGR2* or engage with a supervisor.

Apply for the PhD programme via:

- AUT website: <https://apply.aut.ac.nz/>
- Arion login (existing students only)

Online applications generate a **student ID**

AUT Admissions
Admissions will contact you to obtain any additional documents needed to assess your application.

Your application is sent to the faculty's Postgrad Research Office (PGRO) for **eligibility assessment & supervisor allocation.**
PGRO will contact you if further information is required.

NOT ELIGIBLE: application is declined – you may be referred to another programme

ELIGIBLE
PGRO sends your assessment information to your nominated potential supervisors

* **PGR2:** doctoral programme admission form – includes your research proposal

COMPLETED PGR2
Once signed by all supervisors, email PGR2 to your school's Postgrad Administrator for next steps in approval process.
See box at right for **PGR2 submission deadlines.**

Continue working with supervisor to complete PGR2 – normally takes around 3 months

PGRO enrolls you in the fee-free **COM111** course for 12 weeks: gives you online access to AUT's library while developing the PGR2.

SUPERVISION AVAILABLE
PGRO emails you to explain next steps:

- contact your potential supervisor
- download latest version of PGR2
- start work on PGR2

Potential supervisors review your application and advise PGRO if they are interested in supervising your research

NO SUPERVISION: application is declined



Final PGR2 submitted to Assoc Dean Postgrad Research for faculty-level approval

NOT APPROVED: PGRO follows up with AD/supervisor/applicant

APPROVED BY FACULTY
PGR2 sent to GRS

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- GRS instructs Admissions to issue offer of place via your Arion account
- Accept the offer online and email GRS with your intended start date

NOT APPROVED: PGRO follows up with your supervisor to resolve if possible

GRS enrolls you into the PhD thesis paper

PGR2 Submission Deadlines
Four PhD Intakes Per Year: 1st Feb, May, July, Oct
Final PGR2 to PGRO four weeks prior to intake – except for Feb intake (deadline 15th Dec)

Doctoral Scholarships

- VC's Doc Scholarships**
 - Open to graduates from any NZ tertiary institution
 - Apply any time
- AUT Doc Scholarships**
 - Open to anyone
 - Apply 3 times per year

More info & conditions: <https://tinyurl.com/yn8u4aj>