



MELBOURNE  
BUSINESS  
SCHOOL

# DOCTORAL PROGRAM IN ACCOUNTING

As one of the largest and oldest accounting departments in Australia, we attract the highest calibre of academic staff and students. We have more than 40 renowned academic staff engaged in teaching and research who publish regularly in the world's premier accounting and business information systems journals. We are proud to have built a teaching and research profile of international significance.

To complement our own academics, we have a number of eminent visiting research scholars from around the world involved in teaching our program. Our graduates have accepted positions at leading institutions both within Australia and internationally, including:

- › Australian National University
- › Columbia University
- › Fordham University
- › Minnesota State University
- › Monash University
- › Singapore Management University
- › Tilburg University
- › University of Queensland.

Our academic staff are highly experienced in industry and the profession, and provide advice as consultants and expert witnesses. They blend theoretical and practical knowledge in their teaching.

Students are actively encouraged to publish their research. Significant resources are allocated to support a wide range of research activities including conference travel, study abroad and fieldwork. Candidates have the opportunity to gain experience teaching in one of our academic programs.

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## Scholarships

- › All successful applicants are awarded an annual A\$30,000 stipend and waived tuition fees for 5 years.
  - › Top-up funding of A\$10,000 available for research, experiments and conferences during the research phase of the program.
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#16  
in the world

for Accounting and  
Finance subjects

QS World University Rankings  
by Subject 2019

## Specialisations

We have research strengths in all of the sub-disciplines of accounting, such as:

- › Financial accounting
- › Managerial accounting
- › Auditing and accounting information systems
- › Business analytics
- › Corporate governance and regulation.

Our academics have expertise in all empirical methods (archival, survey, field study, experimental). We are thus able to supervise candidates across a range of topics using a range of methods. For a detailed listing of staff on the topics they are currently researching, please visit <https://fbe.unimelb.edu.au/accounting/our-people>.

## Admissions

Your application must include relevant supporting documents (previous academic transcripts, evidence of English language requirements, GMAT score sheets), a 100-word research proposal as part of your CV and two academic referee reports.

Refer to <https://study.unimelb.edu.au/find/courses/graduate/doctoral-program-in-accounting/entry-requirements/>

Applications close on 31 August and entry to the program is for February (Semester 1) unless approved by the PhD Director.

“We have worked very hard over the last couple of years to develop a doctoral program that is an internationally competitive program. We invest in our doctoral students and provide them with opportunities to network internationally and be exposed to the latest research ideas. Importantly, we value what the students bring to the Department and the University and do all that we can to ensure that they are successful in their future careers.” **Professor Maggie Abernethy, Director of the Doctoral Program in Accounting.**

## Melbourne at a glance

 Population:  
5 million people

 World's Most Liveable  
City 2011–2017

 More cafes and restaurants per  
number of people than any other  
city in the world

 World-class shopping

 State capital of Victoria

 Easy to get around with a  
reliable public transport system

## Living and studying in Melbourne

The University of Melbourne is located close to the heart of the city. Melbourne has been named the world's most liveable city seven years in a row, boasting culturally diverse communities, one of the world's best health care systems, a thriving arts scene and is the sporting capital of Australia.

Highlights include Australian Open Tennis, Formula 1 Australian Grand Prix and Australian Football League (AFL). Other major festivals include Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Melbourne International Film Festival, and Melbourne Writers Festival.

The Parkville campus is only a short stroll from Melbourne's famed cobblestone lanes, culinary delights, arts and culture and world-class shopping.

## Feilian Wang

Doctor of Philosophy  
(Accounting) candidate  
University of Melbourne



**My PhD journey:** “I applied for the doctoral program in Accounting in 2017, being attracted by the calibre of the faculty and the quality of the five-year research program.

We are privileged to have a dedicated team of faculty members that are active researchers and experts in all sub-streams of Accounting - Financial Accounting, Managerial Accounting, Accounting Information Systems, Auditing and Corporate Governance.

Aside from the knowledgeable and supportive in-house researchers, we are also fortunate to have a special year-long subject taught by a team of globally renowned accounting scholars, who visit our department on an annual basis. We enjoy a constant exposure to a variety of research ideas, research methods and research opportunities. The PhD students are treated as a valuable member of the Department, and our faculty members are always open for advise, discussion and potential collaboration.

Our program is challenging yet incredibly rewarding - all the learning and all the friendships formed in the past two years were more than I could have asked for. I feel proud to be a part of the team.”

## For more information

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