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TIMETABLE

MAY 2027 - APRIL 2028

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

COMMENCING CANDIDATES (2027 INTAKE)

Who attends: Commencing 2027 PhD Candidates

Overview: Complete schedule for first-year doctoral candidates covering Orientation, Thesis Supervision, Research Design, Group Supervision, and PhD Research Forums.

1. Orientation & Introduction: Wednesday 12 May 2027 (5.00 – 7.00 pm, Online via Zoom)

2. PhD1A PhD Thesis 1 (Monthly Supervision):

- **2027 Schedule (AEST, 5.00 – 8.00 pm):** Wednesdays: 9 Jun, 14 Jul & 11 Aug 2027
- **2027 Schedule (AEDT, 5.30 – 8.30 pm):** Wednesday 10 Nov 2027
- **2028 Schedule (AEDT, 5.30 – 8.30 pm):** Wednesdays: 9 Feb & 8 Mar 2028
- **2028 Schedule (AEST, 5.00 – 8.00 pm):** Wednesday 12 Apr 2028
- **Schedule Note:** No thesis supervision in September/October (Research Design block) or January. On 1 Dec 2027, candidates attend the December Research Forum.

3. PhD1B Research Design (8-Week Block):

- **September Block (AEST, 5.00 – 8.00 pm):** Wednesdays 1, 8, 15 & 22 September 2027
- **October Block (AEDT, 5.30 – 8.30 pm):** Wednesdays 6, 13, 20 & 27 October 2027
- **Break Note:** No class on Wednesday 29 September 2027 (Group Supervision session held instead).

4. PhD Group Supervision (Peer & Group Learning):

- **2027 Schedule:** Wednesdays: 16 Jun, 21 Jul, 18 Aug, 29 Sep & 17 Nov 2027
- **2028 Schedule:** Wednesdays: 16 Feb, 15 Mar & 19 Apr 2028
- **Time Options:** Morning (8.00/8.30 am) OR Evening (5.00/5.30 pm) options confirmed prior to session.

5. Research Forums & Graduation Attended by Commencing Candidates:

- **Mid-Year Research Forum:** Wednesday 23 June 2027 (9.00 – 11.00 am OR 5.00 – 7.00 pm, Online)
- **December Research Forum:** Wednesday 1 December 2027 (9.00 – 11.00 am OR 5.30 – 7.30 pm, Online)
- **2028 Graduation Ceremony:** Thursday 10 February 2028 (6.00 pm onwards, Melbourne CBD Onsite & Online)

PhD Key Logistics & Time Zone Notes

- **Melbourne Time Alignment:** All timetabled session times are strictly listed in Melbourne Time (AEST/AEDT). Please convert to your local time zone.
- **Daylight Saving Time Transitions:** Australian Eastern Daylight Time (AEDT) begins on Sunday 3 October 2027 (clocks move forward 1 hour) and ends on Sunday 2 April 2028 (clocks move back 1 hour). Evening sessions run 5.00–8.00 pm during AEST and 5.30–8.30 pm during AEDT.
- **Group Supervision Duration:** Sessions run 2 to 3 hours depending on cohort size. Dual morning/evening time options are confirmed with candidates prior to session commencement.
- **Onsite Locations:** Physical venue details for hybrid and onsite events (including the 2028 Graduation Ceremony) will be published in your Student Calendar.

CONTINUING CANDIDATES (COMMENCED BETWEEN 2022-2026)

Who attends: Continuing Candidates (commenced between 2022-2026)

Overview: Complete schedule for continuing doctoral candidates covering Monthly Thesis Seminars, Writing for Publication Workshop, PhD Research Forums, and Graduation.

1. PhD02 – PhD06 Thesis Seminars (Wednesdays):

- **2027 Schedule (AEST, 5.00 – 8.00 pm):** Wed 26 May, Wed 28 Jul & Wed 22 Sep 2027
- **2027 Schedule (AEDT, 5.30 – 8.30 pm):** Wed 24 Nov 2027
- **2028 Schedule (AEDT, 5.30 – 8.30 pm):** Wed 19 Jan & Wed 22 Mar 2028
- **2028 Schedule (AEST, 5.00 – 8.00 pm):** Wed 26 Apr 2028
- **Analytic Reflection:** All thesis seminars incorporate structured analytic reflection practice.

2. Specialist Workshop (Continuing Candidates):

- **Writing for Publication Workshop:** Wednesday 25 August 2027 (5.00 – 8.00 pm, Online via Zoom)

3. Research Forums & Graduation Attended by All Candidates:

- **Mid-Year Research Forum:** Wednesday 23 June 2027 (9.00 – 11.00 am OR 5.00 – 7.00 pm, Online)
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