A very warm welcome

When you come to La Trobe, you will be joining a leading research institution ranked in the top 350 of global universities in the 2016 Academic Ranking of World Universities. We are a university known for our modern, vibrant research culture – one that values academic freedom, attracts and retains exceptional staff and students, cuts across traditional disciplinary boundaries to address global issues, and fosters the very best research.

Our five cross-cutting Research Focus Areas build on our established strengths and our world-class infrastructure to address some of the most pressing global issues of our time: securing food, water and the environment; sport, exercise and rehabilitation; understanding disease; building healthy communities; and transforming human societies.

This International Research Guide provides you with an introduction to our research facilities and the academic support that is available to you at La Trobe. This includes the Research Education and Development (RED) unit, which supports researcher capacity building and provides a range of professional development opportunities, including career development skills for industry engagement and entrepreneurship, media training, and critical thinking.

Our Graduate Research School will support you through your studies, and connects graduate researchers with industry mentors to provide valuable work experience, giving you the greatest chance of employment following completion of your studies.

Thank you for choosing La Trobe University.

Professor Keith Nugent
Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research)

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La Trobe Institute for Molecular Science (main image)
LIMS has in-house facilities for bioinformatics, flow cytometry, microscopy, genomics, nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR), and mass spectrometry. It additionally houses inductively coupled plasma (ICP) equipment, atomic absorption spectrometer (AAS), X-Ray diffraction meter, crystallography, and laser research.

David Myers (left image)
Founding Vice-Chancellor of La Trobe University. Each year the University offers the highest University-ranked applicants for a postgraduate research scholarship in each College the David Myers Research Scholarship. Find out more: latrobe.edu.au/research/future/costs-scholarships/named-scholarships

Library Facilities (right image)
Our library spaces are lively, engaging, informal places and a place for our researchers to discover, collaborate and connect, with workshop, data visualisation and presentation opportunities. Left to right: Katherine Arditto (Australia), Dang Manh Dao (Vietnam), Tu Thanh Tran (Vietnam), Mara Pho (Cambodia)
Since opening our doors in 1967, we’ve built a reputation for combining academic excellence with an enduring social conscience. By choosing La Trobe, you’re choosing to get real-world experience, gain a global perspective and study alongside people who are pushing the boundaries of knowledge.

More than
36 000
students study with us, including over 8 000 international students
from 110 countries.

La Trobe University has achieved its
highest ever academic ranking of world universities
making us one of the most improved universities in Australia.*

In the 2015 Excellence in Research for Australia Report, La Trobe University was one of only three Victorian universities that achieved
well above world standard
based on 19 fields of research.

We’ve invested more than
A$500 million
into world-class centres for learning and research, including the La Trobe Institute for Molecular Science (LIMS) and the Centre for Agribioscience (AgriBio).

The 2015 Excellence in Research for Australia Report placed us as one of Australia’s only two universities for research that achieved above or well above world standard as rated for seven different fields of research in Biological Sciences.

La Trobe University is ranked in the
top 400
by all three major ranking agencies: the QS, the Times Higher Education and the ARWU.

* Source: Academic Ranking of World Universities 2016 (shanghai-ranking.com)

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Explore La Trobe

La Trobe was founded on the belief that a university should be useful to the communities it serves. We are proud to have been one of Australia’s pioneering universities for nearly 50 years.

A La Trobe degree is more than just a piece of paper – it’s the mark of someone with the skills and experience to make a difference and tackle the big issues of our time.

About La Trobe

We’re named after Charles La Trobe, the first Superintendent of the Port Phillip District from 1839 to 1850, and the first Lieutenant-Governor of the new colony of Victoria from 1851 to 1854.

We have over 1700 graduate research students.

We were the third university to open in Victoria.

In 2017 we celebrate our 50th anniversary.

Research

La Trobe has researchers working in 45 specific disciplines where Excellence in Research for Australia ranked us at or above world standard.

In the 2015 Excellence in Research for Australia Report, La Trobe was the only Australian university rated ‘well above world standard’ in three separate fields for agricultural and veterinary sciences research.

In the 2016 Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU) La Trobe was ranked in the top 350 of global universities.

Flagship facilities

We’ve invested more than A$500 million in new world-class centres of learning and research, including:

– the A$288 million Centre for Agribioscience (AgriBio), a world-class facility for agricultural biosciences research and development
– the A$94 million La Trobe Institute for Molecular Science (LIMS) research centre, accommodating more than 400 researchers
– La Trobe’s Wildlife Sanctuary on the Melbourne Campus, boasting numerous indigenous plants and animals from kangaroos to emus.

Graduates

170 000+ students have graduated from La Trobe.

We enable students to build the skills that attract the best employers.

Graduates include CEOs of some of Australia’s most prominent organisations, as well as parliamentarians, human rights activists, medical researchers and Olympians.
Our research excellence

At La Trobe, we are globally recognised for our excellence, creativity and innovation in taking on the big issues of our time. Research excellence is one of our main strengths, and we excel in our chosen areas of research focus.

What can I research?

After you commence your candidature, you can choose to research in a broad range of areas, including our five Research Focus Areas (RFAs) that address some of the most important questions facing human societies and the environment.

In addition to our RFAs, we have six Disciplinary Research Programs (DRPs), and a range of specialist Research Centres.

Find out more: latrobe.edu.au/research

Research Focus Areas (RFAs)

Sport, exercise and rehabilitation

Our research into human movement and sport science is renowned and we have some of the world’s best researchers in exercises physiology, physiotherapy, nutrition, sports medicine and sport management.

We use sport, exercise and rehabilitation to improve overall health, reduce the burden of disease, improve the performance of elite athletes and enable more Australians to live longer and stronger.

Securing food, water and the environment

Urgent action is required to secure our future on a planet that is facing enormous pressure. We’re using our world-class facilities and expertise in agricultural biotechnology, ecological science and water policy to protect primary producers and resources, while securing our environment for future generations.

Transforming human societies

La Trobe has a long-standing commitment to understanding national and global problems. Our research confronts social challenges such as human rights, migration, sustainable development, inequality, Indigenous issues and rapid economic and political change and works to create a just and sustainable future.

Building healthy communities

We focus on research that improves access to high-quality services and tackles challenges such as the ageing population, chronic disease and mental health issues. We have an international reputation for our research on health and wellbeing.

Understanding disease

La Trobe is in a strong position to contribute to the move towards personalised medicine. We develop diagnostic tools for genetic diseases and help understand the origins of acquired diseases such as cancer, heart disease and diabetes. Our direct links to clinics and clinicians means that our findings can be quickly passed on to the broader community.

The research supervision here is much better than any I have had elsewhere. My supervisor Dr Robert Horvath has been the most amazing support and mentor in this whole process. He is always listening carefully and providing guidance whenever I have encountered trouble.

I spent the whole of 2015 primarily in Kazakhstan and Tajikistan, on a La Trobe-supported fieldwork trip. I really enjoyed being in the field; that has been the best part of my candidature yet. What keeps me motivated is the belief that the knowledge I create now may one day be utilised to facilitate democratic development in the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Mia Tarp Hansen

PhD in Political Science
‘Civil Society in the Republic of Kazakhstan’
Denmark
The right research degree for you

La Trobe University offers graduate researchers four types of research degree, depending on your goals, and your educational and professional background.

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

The award of a PhD degree depends on the examination of a completed thesis of typically 80,000 words or less—although there can be differences depending on your field of research. The designated maximum period of study is four years full-time, and candidates must gain through their studies, and demonstrate in their thesis, a substantial body of knowledge at the frontier of a field of work or learning, including knowledge that constitutes an original contribution.

La Trobe PhD – with an industry focus

Our La Trobe PhD may be tailored to provide candidates with more industry experience. Candidates may choose to undertake research projects that address real-world challenges of critical importance to an industry partner, and may complete a two-year placement embedded within the partner organisation, supported by La Trobe and industry supervisors. In addition, candidates will be connected to an industry mentor (a senior leader from the partner organisation), providing broad insight into the industry sector and its operations. Upon completion, you will graduate with a La Trobe PhD degree, but with the added benefits of having obtained additional industry experience.

Master’s degree by Research

The award of the degree depends on the examination of a completed thesis of typically 50,000 words or less. The designated maximum period of study is two years full-time and candidates must gain through their studies, and demonstrate in their thesis, a body of knowledge that includes the understanding of recent developments in one or more disciplines.

A Master’s may be based on creative work and its exegesis.

Find out more about our research degrees by visiting: latrobe.edu.au/research/future/degree

Professional Doctorate

This type of degree consists of coursework (one third) and research elements (two thirds). The award of the degree depends on both coursework results and the examination of a completed research thesis of typically 60,000 words or less. The designated maximum period of study is four years full-time, and candidates must make an original and substantial contribution of direct relevance to their profession (in the case of the Doctor of Juridical Science, a substantial and original contribution to knowledge in the context of professional practice).

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Tu Thanh Tran
PhD
Vietnam

Undertaking graduate research study under the supervision of the right academic supervisors can be the difference between successfully completing to a high standard and missing out. At La Trobe we recognise that the relationships you develop with your supervisors will continue long after you complete your studies and throughout your professional career. This is why it is critical that you are matched with supervisors who share your passion for your chosen field of research, and can guide your development from the beginning of your degree to completion.

All prospective international graduate researchers must make contact with a prospective supervisor before they can lodge an application for candidature. To help you find a research supervisor and reach agreement for supervision, add your details to our ‘online enquiry’ form. The enquiry will ask a series of targeted questions about your academic background and your proposed research interests, which will help you to locate supervision and ensure resources are available to support your research project.

latrobe.edu.au/research/future/apply/enquiry

To help you best frame your enquiry, consider your proposed research topic in the form of a brief description of a couple of sentences. While research topics evolve over time as candidates progress in their degree, having a clear starting point will help identify best fit supervisors at time of application.

A guide on how to draft a strong research proposal, along with detailed information on the application process, is available at: latrobe.edu.au/research/future/apply

I work as an English lecturer back in Vietnam, so research skills are critical. I pursued a PhD in Australia to enhance my knowledge and research skills, and improve my English. La Trobe academics, Dr Donna Starks and Dr Howard Nicholas, have had a profound impact on me. They were inspiring lecturers, supervisors of my minor thesis during my Master’s, and are now supervising my PhD. I love the Melbourne Campus so much I’ve been spending more time at uni than at home!
Research Education and Development (RED)

We foster an active and collaborative research environment at La Trobe. We run an active annual program of activities that support all researchers, especially graduate research candidates and early career researchers. This support includes a suite of workshops and research development initiatives with external professionals.

Programs are available in a broad range of areas including career development, communicating your research, managing your research, research funding and how to get it, research writing and publication, and commercialisation and research entrepreneurship.

Our annual special events for graduate researchers include:

- **3MT®** (Three Minute Thesis Competition)
  The 3MT® is a research communication exercise that challenges PhD students to present a compelling oration on their thesis topic and its significance in just three minutes. 3MT® develops academic, presentation and research communication skills, and increases graduate researchers’ capacity to effectively explain their research in language appropriate to an intelligent, but non-specialist, audience.

- **Weekly ‘Shut Up and Write!’ (SUAW) sessions**
  These weekly facilitated writing sessions are designed to help researchers get their writing done! SUAW uses the Pomodoro method of focused writing interleaved with short breaks.

- **Academic Writing Month (ACWRIMO)**
  La Trobe’s Academic Writing Month (LTUacwrimo for short) is a month-long write-a-thon that takes place every November. It helps candidates to think about how they write, form a valuable writing support network, build better habits for the future, and achieve tangible writing goals.

La Trobe’s Graduate Research School

La Trobe University is investing strongly in enhancing the University’s research community, environment and culture. We continue to build our reputation as an institution that provides superior support for our researchers. We work to make sure our graduate research candidates receive high quality supervision and have access to a rich, well-rounded research education experience.

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Industry and external partnerships

We are constantly seeking to strengthen our external partnerships and transform our capacity as a teaching and research university. Our focus is on developing partnerships with industry, local advocacy groups, government organisations and international development agencies to ensure that our research has a positive impact on the community.

Through our partnerships, graduate researchers have the opportunity to collaborate and gain experience with industry through paid internships and mentoring, increasing their employability and giving them more choice in their career paths.

Find out more: [latrobe.edu.au/researchers/grs/industry-community](latrobe.edu.au/researchers/grs/industry-community)
Our research facilities

La Trobe provides state-of-the-art equipment to help facilitate groundbreaking research.

Australian Synchrotron
We are a foundation investor of the Australian Synchrotron, based a short drive from the La Trobe’s Melbourne Campus. Classified as the largest scientific user facility in the southern hemisphere, the Australian Synchrotron is recognised for major breakthroughs across a wide range of scientific and industrial applications, from medical research to micro-manufacturing. A number of La Trobe instruments are permanently based at the synchrotron facility.

Comprehensive Proteomics Research Platform
The Proteomics Platform offers a suite of synergistic capabilities for the characterisation of proteins to address a broad variety of molecular research questions. The workflow of capabilities and expertise enables the identification and quantitation of biomolecules from complex mixtures through to structure determination and analysis of interactions, kinetics and thermodynamics. Core expertise in advanced experimental design, informatics, and data analysis underpins the three main capabilities of the platform.

LIMS Bioimaging Facility
The LIMS Microscopy and Imaging Facility provides a broad range of confocal and electron microscopy instrumentation, including specimen preparation laboratories. It contains cutting-edge light microscopy equipment for biological imaging of live cells and high-powered electron microscopes for nanoscale imaging of frozen and fixed samples.

Genomics Research Platform
The Genomics and Bioinformatics Research Platform provides investigators with the latest in ‘next generation sequencing’ capabilities to facilitate wide-ranging research projects requiring highly detailed global DNA and RNA sequence analysis. The platform is supported by bioinformaticians who provide advice on experimental methodology and interpretation of genomic data.

Library research facilities
As a graduate research candidate, you will have access to purpose-built and designed research areas in the Melbourne and Bendigo Campus libraries. Research students from all campuses are welcome to use these purpose-built spaces.

Gait Laboratory
The Gait Laboratory is a state-of-the-art research facility within the College of Science, Health and Engineering. It is used to understand the structure and function of the musculoskeletal system, and the causes, prevention and treatment of musculoskeletal injuries and disease, with a particular emphasis on lower extremity disorders and those affecting balance and gait.

Materials Science Facilities
The Department of Chemistry and Physics and Centre for Materials and Surface Science offer Australia’s most comprehensive suite of surface science equipment. Contemporary surface analytical techniques allow the elemental composition, chemistry and molecular structure of the outermost layers of solid surfaces to be determined, in addition to atom-scale imaging and engineering.

Palaeoscience Laboratory
The Palaeoscience labs (including the Australian Archaeomagnetism Lab) are part of La Trobe University’s research focus on the past record of human origins, migrations and interactions with changing climate and environment. They include state-of-the-art archaeological geophysics and visualisation equipment and focus on the origins and spread of humans and their technology throughout the globe by dating archaeological and fossil landscapes to understand early human biogeography. The laboratories are augmented by the Australian Palaeoanthropology and Geoarchaeology Field School run at the early hominin site of Drimolen in South Africa.

- Confocal light microscopy
  Dr Ivan Poon uses the Zeiss Cell Observer spinning disk confocal microscope for high speed 3D imaging of living cells.

- Gait Laboratory
  3D motion analysis testing being conducted in the Gait Laboratory.

- High Resolution Toroidal Angle-Resolving Electron Spectrometer
  The spectrometer is a state-of-the-art high-resolution electron detector that can be used for determining the electronic states in crystalline solids and in photoelectron diffraction studies. It is being designed and built at La Trobe for use on a beamline at the Australian Synchrotron.

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### Doctor of Philosophy (Business, Economics and Law)

#### Doctor of Philosophy

- **DoE**: Professional Doctorate
  - Duration: 4 years
  - Fee: 28,500 AU$

- **DoJS**: Professional Doctorate
  - Duration: 3 years
  - Fee: 31,500 AU$

- **DoP**: PhD
  - Duration: 2 years
  - Fee: 28,000 AU$

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  - Duration: 3 years
  - Fee: 31,000 AU$

### Doctor of Applied Sciences

- **DoApS**: PhD
  - Duration: 4 years
  - Fee: 29,000 AU$

### Master of Applied Linguistics

- **DoAL**: Master by Research
  - Duration: 2 years
  - Fee: 28,000 AU$

### Master of Arts

- **DoMA**: Master by Research
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  - Fee: 28,500 AU$

### Master of Business

- **DoMB**: Master by Research
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### Master of Economics

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### Master of Education

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### Master of Law

- **DoML**: Master by Research
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  - Fee: 31,500 AU$

### Master of Planning

- **DoMP**: Master by Research
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  - Fee: 28,500 AU$

### Master of Visual Arts

- **DoVA**: Master by Research
  - Duration: 2 years
  - Fee: 27,500 AU$

### Doctor of Philosophy (Humanities and Social Sciences)

- **DoPhH**: PhD
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### Master of Arts (Business, Economics and Law)

- **DoAM**: Master by Research
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### Master of Arts (Business, Economics and Law)

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### Master of Outdoor Education and Environment

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Submit your application

Download, complete and submit the Graduate Research Candidature and Scholarship Application Form. Ensure that you provide all relevant documentation as required. For more information visit:

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Check your eligibility

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Our research encourages innovative solutions and opportunities for research breakthroughs across important scientific and social issues. They hold significant strength and expertise in:

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Our researchers in ageing focus on care practices for people with dementia in residential care and community and residential aged care. The rural-based John Richards Initiative researches rural ageing and quality of life.

Brain, mind and behaviour
At La Trobe University we have a neurobiology research theme that investigates the biology and diseases associated with the nervous system. We also have the Olga Tennyson Autism Disability Research Centre advancing knowledge on the nature and causes of Autism Spectrum Disorders and developing evidence-based strategies for supporting individuals and families affected by autism. Research in molecular cell biology focuses on the role of extracellular vesicles in disease. We also study neurodegenerative diseases, including Alzheimer’s, Parkinson’s and prion diseases.

Cancer
Our cancer research investigates the mechanisms of cancer initiation and progression, the cross-talk between cancer cells and the surrounding environment, and the potential of novel therapeutic approaches for combating disease.

Disability
The Living with a Disability Research Centre and the Olga Tennyson Autism Research Centre focus on research that improves services and effective delivery of support, facilitates participation and social inclusion and considers how people with cognitive disability can be effectively cared for in mainstream services.

Food
Our AgeBis Research Centre is Australia’s first integrated agricultural systems biology research centre and one of Australia’s premier agribiosciences facilities. At this world-class facility our researchers conduct research on plant and animal genomics, plant pathology, animal health, and agricultural sustainability. An aligned body of work considers diet and its effects on diabetes, cardiovascular disease and the metabolic syndrome.

Infection and immunity
Our researchers in La Trobe Institute of Molecular Science also specialise in studying the molecules used by viruses, bacteria, parasites and fungi to infect humans, animals and plants, and the immune response associated with this.

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The Institute is committed to researching and supporting practice that engenders progressive social change. We seek to understand, and assist in the growth of work that redresses the inequalities and social injustices of the world. A key part is to explore the organisational, institutional and policy contexts that shape and are shaped by practice, so as to better understand how progressive practice can be best supported.

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We have world-leading rehabilitation research in exercise and physical activity for people with disability or injuries, neurological rehabilitation and pulmonary rehabilitation. We have significant research programs in reducing falls and improving mobility for people with Parkinson’s disease and musculoskeletal foot problems in older people. Our La Trobe Centre for Exercise and Sports Medicine researches topics including osteoarthritis after sport-related injuries.
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