Change your world
Reasons to choose CDU

Charles Darwin University:

- is in the top 2 per cent of world universities and in the top 100 universities worldwide under 50 years old. (Times Higher Education 2013)

- is the second fastest growing university in Australia

- is in the top 4 universities in Australia and NZ for research in environmental science and ecology

- has a cosmopolitan main campus with over 1200 international students from over 50 countries

- teaches over 4000 Indigenous students each year.

It’s all about you

You’ll be part of a community where your individual needs, expectations and aspirations are CDU’s top priority.

You’ll be challenged by exceptional education programs where cross-discipline study, creative thinking and innovative research are encouraged.

You’ll be able to choose a course of study from a range of options at various levels, from Vocational Education and Training (VET) through to Higher Education.

And you’ll be able to choose how, when and where you study: CDU is a leader in flexible course delivery, with full-time, part-time and online study options available across most areas.

A personalised education

- Small class sizes mean you receive more attention from our quality lecturers and teachers

- Average student academic staff ratio is 18:1

- Academic staff get to know you personally and encourage you in your studies.

Susan Foster – Bachelor of Environmental Science

‘Studying at CDU I’ve been able to combine my two passions – botany and photography. I’ve completed a Certificate IV in Visual Arts and a Diploma in Conservation and Land Management and now I’ve moved on to a Bachelor Degree in Environmental Science which I study at my own pace.

I don’t see myself as a traditional ranger, however, I hope I can play a role in communicating the importance of the natural environment and saving what we have.’
Unique study areas
CDU’s academic focus is shaped by its environment: North Australia and the immediate South-East Asian region.
We are a recognised leader in:
• Environmental studies – tropical and desert knowledges
• Indigenous education and studies
• Remote nursing
• Online learning
• South-East Asian studies.
We encourage cross-disciplinary study and research, and are constantly expanding our course offerings.

Scholarships
CDU offers an array of VET and Higher Education scholarships, totalling over $400,000 a semester, and every student should apply for at least one.
Applicants are assessed on a range of criteria, such as passion, financial need, academic excellence, determination and commitment to studies.

Research excellence
• Study with lecturers who are nationally and internationally recognised experts in their fields
• Tap into the resources and connections of the Innovative Research Universities network, of which CDU is a member
• Be part of pioneering research teams that focus on improving people’s lives.

Student support
We offer extensive student services to help you stay on track with your study goals:
• Orientation programs
• Academic support
• Accommodation assistance
• Careers and employment assistance
• Indigenous academic support
• IT support
• Childcare.

Pathways to Higher Education
Not everyone comes to higher education straight from high school. Part of CDU’s mandate is to provide everyone with the opportunity to study and achieve their highest potential in life.
We offer:
• Excellent pathways from VET training to Higher Education
• Free Tertiary Preparation courses for qualifying students, on campus and online
• Great support services while you study.

Great careers
A degree from CDU opens doors.
• We have an excellent reputation with employers in the public sector and in business
• We maintain strong connections with industry and business
• We provide opportunities for students to make connections and gain practical experience while they study.

Study and travel
CDU partners with world-renowned universities across the globe in an international exchange program. Class credits are transferable and in some cases scholarships to support exchanges are available.

Vibrant student life
Campus life at CDU is relaxed, social and enriched by the Northern Territory’s extraordinary cultural diversity.
At CDU you can:
• Forge lifelong friendships with people of all different backgrounds
• Experience living in some of the most amazing environments on the planet
• Explore interests beyond the classroom.
About Charles Darwin University

Charles Darwin University is a unique place to shape your future.

In the spirit of our namesake, Charles Darwin, the naturalist, geologist and father of modern evolutionary theory, we place great emphasis on innovative study and research that will ‘change the world’ and improve people’s lives.

Founded in 1989 as Northern Territory University, CDU formally came into existence in 2003. Today we have over 22,000 students enrolled in Higher Education, Research and VET spread across seven campuses and centres in the Northern Territory, as well as in Melbourne and Sydney.

As one of a handful of dual-sector universities in the country we offer alternative ways to access education, particularly for mature-aged and Indigenous students. We value the life experience that each and every student brings to the classroom, with Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) across all our courses.
Our Locations

Casuarina campus

- 14 km north of Darwin’s city centre, on traditional Larrakia country
- Tropical architect-designed learning precinct
- 56ha of lawns and tropical gardens with year-round sea breezes
- Walking distance to pristine beaches and Darwin’s major shopping centre
- On-campus student accommodation and extensive facilities and services.

Casuarina is CDU’s main campus – most of CDU’s internal students study here. It is home to CDU’s major research centres, the Australian Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Education (ACIKE), art galleries and Territory FM radio station. It is also home to the Darwin Symphony Orchestra.

On-campus facilities are extensive, and include a cafeteria, cafes, basketball courts, a gym, football fields, a medical centre and a university bar. The main student square is designed as a series of Balinese-inspired pavilions, and there are also peaceful Chinese and Indonesian gardens.

The campus is well-connected to surrounding suburbs and the city by bus routes and bike paths. There’s ample free parking and a recently installed solar-powered electric recharge station, with free recharge for cars. Wireless internet is available throughout the campus.

W: cdu.edu.au/campuses-centres/casuarina-campus

Palmerston campus

- 20 km from Darwin, in the fastest growing city in Australia
- Major centre for CDU VET training courses in trades such as hairdressing, beauty therapy and commercial cooking.

The CDU Palmerston campus overlooks a man-made lake – a haven for birdlife. It’s also home to the Karawa Training Restaurant, a fine dining restaurant where hospitality students practise their skills, which is very popular with locals.

Palmerston campus also offers an Adult Migrant English Program.

W: cdu.edu.au/campuses-centres/palmerston-campus

Alice Springs campus

- Located in the centre of Australia on traditional Mparntwe Arrernte land
- Provides VET and Higher Education courses, with facilities and staff for research and postgraduate studies
- Home to the Central Australian Research Group.

The Alice Springs campus is modern and well-resourced, with a library, lecture theatre, tutorial, research and study rooms, a clinical training room for nursing and e-Learning facilities.

Training focuses on tourism and hospitality, with students honing their skills in the award-winning Desert Lantern Restaurant.

There is a strong emphasis on Indigenous learning, with many students travelling in from remote communities. Accommodation and support services are available for these students.

W: cdu.edu.au/campuses-centres/alice-springs-campus
Centres

In addition to our main campuses, CDU provides short courses, accredited training and support for external students through our study centres.

CDU Business School, Darwin Waterfront

CDU Waterfront is the new home of CDU’s Business School: a one-stop shop offering courses from VET level through to PhD. In addition, Hospitality, Event Management and Tourism courses are taught here.

CDU Business School incorporates state-of-the-art teaching spaces and IT into its purpose-built building. Close industry links provide students with opportunities for professional practice placements.

W: cdu.edu.au/business

Sharna Motlap – Bachelor of Science

‘I love science and the Bachelor of Science degree offers a lot of versatility. I like working on practicals in the laboratories and I enjoy studying chemistry and biology subjects. We have designed our own experiments on bacterial growth rates and carbon dioxide production, and in chemistry we learnt how to extract the caffeine from coffee. The whole process was really fascinating!

Science is an area of study that will never get dull. One day I hope to study and research astronomy.’
**Tennant Creek**
The Tennant Creek Centre provides short and long-term trade and VET courses in conjunction with the Alice Springs campus.
W: cdue.edu.au/campuses-centres/tennant-creek-centre

**Katherine**
Some 300 km ‘down the track’ from Darwin, the Katherine Centre provides VET courses to service local industries, particularly the cattle industry. A rural campus 16 km north of town provides training and cattle-handling facilities, a library and computer facilities. There’s on-campus student accommodation and a daily bus service to Katherine.
W: cdue.edu.au/campuses-centres/katherine-campus/about

**Nhulunbuy**
Provides VET courses to Certificate IV level in Business and Office Administration, Information Technology, Children’s Services, Engineering, and Numeracy and Literacy. There is also an Adult Migrant English Program and an Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme.
W: cdue.edu.au/campuses-centres/nhulunbuy-campus

**Yulara**
The Yulara Centre is about 15 km from Uluru (Ayers Rock). Here CDU offers short and long-term trade and VET courses, in conjunction with the Alice Springs campus.
W: cdue.edu.au/campuses-centres/yulara-centre

**CDU Melbourne and CDU Sydney**
Undergraduate and graduate business and finance courses are offered at our new centres in the heart of Australia’s two major cities. The courses are available for both domestic and international students.
W: cdue.edu.au/sydney
W: cdumelbourne.com

**MALUs**
As a pioneer in remote learning, CDU has developed Mobile Adult Learning Units (MALUs), which traverse the Territory delivering courses in remote communities.

The MALUs focus on trades such as carpentry, welding and automotive engineering, local government certificates and Tertiary Enabling Programs, IT, horticulture and health.

The MALUs provide essential training to those who would otherwise not have access to it. Local needs are taken into account, with courses designed and delivered in consultation with local communities.
Research

Changing our world

Research is central to CDU’s purpose and closely tied to the needs of the Northern Territory and the immediate region: Timor-Leste, Eastern Indonesia and the Arafura Sea.

In 2012, CDU received the highest possible ranking (5) for its research in clinical science*, conducted primarily through the Menzies School of Health Research, and was ranked at or above world average in:

- Environmental Sciences
- Biological Sciences
- Information and Computing Sciences
- Economics
- Medical and Health Sciences

Research activity is commonly undertaken through partnerships and alliances with other universities and researchers nationally and internationally.

*The Commonwealth Government’s Excellence in Research for Australia initiative
Partnerships

CDU actively promotes cross-disciplinary research teams. We have key partnerships with Indigenous organisations, government and industry. As a prime example, the North Australian Centre for Oil and Gas, located on CDU’s Casuarina campus, has links with a number of institutions and organisations, including Clean Energy Fuels Australia, Conoco Phillips, Total and Inpex.

We are a member of the Innovative Research Universities (IRU), a network of seven world-class Australian universities conducting research of national and international standing.

Fellow IRU members are Flinders University, Griffith University, James Cook University, La Trobe University, Murdoch University and the University of Newcastle.

W: cdu.edu.au/about/iru

CDU Research Institutes and Centres

CDU is also home to a number of research institutes and partnerships, with national and international reputations in health, public policy and environmental science.

• North Australian Centre for Oil and Gas
• Menzies School of Health Research
• Northern Institute
• Research Institute for the Environment and Livelihoods (RIEL)
• Australian Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Education (ACIKE)
• Research Centre for Health and Wellbeing
• Centre for Renewable Energy
• Centre for School Leadership, Learning and Development
• Centre for Youth and Community Music
• International Centre for Education
• The Confucius Institute
ACIKE

The Australian Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Education is dedicated to Australian Indigenous studies and the education of Indigenous and non-Indigenous students.

Courses embrace the gamut of Australian Indigenous culture and history; from ancient languages and knowledge systems stretching back thousands of years, to contemporary issues around education and health.

It also provides academic support for Indigenous students who are attending CDU, or who would like to attend. It is a partnership between CDU and the Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education.

ACIKE is based at Casuarina campus, with courses available at the Desert Peoples Centre in Alice Springs and at Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education campuses.

The Centre’s guiding principles are respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander ethics and protocols; respect for difference and diversity, trust, creativity, flexibility and adaptability, responsibility and accountability.
ACIKE Key Study Areas

Both Indigenous and non-Indigenous students are welcomed by the Centre. Some courses, such as Preparation for Tertiary Success (PTS), are free and solely for Indigenous students. Others are open to all students, with scholarship opportunities available.

- Aboriginal and Australian Studies  
  (including Aboriginal languages and creative writing)
- Education and Teaching
- Medicine and Health

Courses are available at Certificate, Diploma, Undergraduate (Honours), Postgraduate and Doctorate level, with coursework and research options.

Flexible study options are also available: online and external study, part-time and full-time.

W: cdu.edu.au/acike
The Northern Territory

- Dramatic landscapes span tropical wetlands in the north and red deserts in the south
- Covers almost 1.4 million sq kms (about 17 per cent) of Australia
- Population 220,000
- One-third of all Territorians are Indigenous Australians
- Median age is 31, compared with 38 nationally.

The Territory Spirit

Territorians share a strong sense of community, which is best on show at the many events and festivals held through the year.

Darwin

Cosmopolitan and tropical, Darwin city is a revelation. With a population made up of people from over 60 nations and 70 different ethnic backgrounds, Darwin is a small, tropical city with a thriving cultural diversity, highlighted in the many festivals and weekly markets that are part of life here.

Australia’s Gateway to Asia

Geographically closer to seven major Asian cities than any Australian capital, Darwin stands as Australia’s gateway to Asia.

The growth in oil and gas projects in the region and the development of the INPEX natural gas facility mean that Darwin is fast becoming a regional hub for industry and business, and a linchpin in Australian trade, communications, transport and logistics networks.

Regional links are strong, with many cultural and sporting exchanges taking place between Darwin and its near-neighbours.

Darwin Fast Facts

- 12 degrees south of the equator with two distinct seasons, the Wet (September – April) and the Dry (May – August)
- A modern, young and lively city, filled with opportunity
- A relaxed, outdoor lifestyle
- Driving is easy, with bus transport, cycle paths and walking paths also available
- Has an international airport with frequent, inexpensive flights to South-East Asia
- Offers shopping centres, open-air markets, restaurants, museums, art galleries, theatres and cinemas
- Great sporting and recreational activities, including fishing and boating
- A spectacular natural environment, with miles of beaches, a vast natural harbour and stunning sunsets
- Due to Darwin’s multicultural nature there are places of worship for most religions, including Christianity, Hinduism, Buddhism and Islam.

Events and festivals in Darwin reflect the city’s multiculturalism and are popular in the Dry:

- India at Mindil
- Greek Glenti
- The Darwin Festival
- Bass in the Grass
- Royal Darwin Show
- The Mindil Beer Can Regatta
- The V8 Supercars
- Darwin Racing Carnival.
Alice Springs
Unique and tongue-in-cheek best describes the Alice Springs community calendar, with key events such as:

- The Camel Cup
- The Henley on Todd Regatta (run in the dry creek bed)
- The Beanie Festival.

Aboriginal Sport and Cultural Festivals
Throughout the Top End Dry Season a number of Aboriginal festivals take place. They are a great chance for visitors to experience Indigenous culture on-country. These include:

- Baranga Sport and Cultural Festival
- The Tiwi Islands Footy Final
- Walking with Spirits
- Gunbalanya Open Day.

W: travelnt.com/en/events.aspx

Markets
Markets are a big part of Territory life – a place to grab a cheap and tasty laksa, browse craft and clothing stalls, shop for fresh food and groceries, hear live music and catch up with friends.

In Darwin you’ll find some of the best markets at Parap, Mindil Beach, Nightcliff and Rapid Creek.


Augustine Agwazim – Bachelor of Psychological Science

‘I chose CDU because of its high multicultural study environment and its excellent academic pedigree. My degree will teach me to have a greater understanding of what makes people behave the way they do and the driving force and cognitive patterns of criminals. I enjoy the whole idea of behavioural understanding and would love to work as a Forensic Detective with the police.

Coming to CDU has opened me up to various cultural backgrounds. As a part of the culture shock I have experienced as an international student, I have learnt how humans can live in diverse heritages. This awareness has forever changed the way I interact with people.’
Study Support Services

CDU has excellent facilities and services to help you achieve your academic goals.

University Library
The CDU library holds over 300,000 items in print, electronic, microform, software, CD and AV forms. The collection includes a significant Indigenous component, historical collections from Portuguese East Timor and photographs. Our e-collection is extensive, and we have access to more than 17,000 online journals.

CDU’s main library building is on Casuarina campus. Other library outlets are at Palmerston and Alice Springs.

CDU students have access to the Distance Library Services, the InterLibrary loan service, which accesses resources in Australia and New Zealand, online resources and the ‘Ask Us’ Help Desk.

Information Technology
Free student WiFi is available on every CDU campus and at every CDU centre. All students receive a free internet account and a CDU email address. The IT help-desk is at hand to provide help by email or phone, or at the Casuarina campus IT hotspot.

Learning support: Study Smarter
The Academic Language and Learning Success Program (ALLSP) is a program designed to help you succeed academically.

ALLSP is free, and will help you:
- Understand assignments
- Know what standard of work is required
- Know how to achieve the grades you want
- Develop your written expression
- Produce academic work (essays, reports, journal articles and research papers).

Services are available in person, in small groups, online and after-hours.

Learnline: Study skills to help you succeed
Learnline is a comprehensive online resource supporting the ALLSP program, covering topics such as study skills and understanding academic language. It’s available to all students, internal and external.

W: learline.cdu.edu.au/studyskills/studyskills

Office of Indigenous Academic Support (OIAS)
OIAS helps CDU’s Indigenous students to adapt to the university environment, meet academic requirements, find a tutor if needed and answer any questions you might have. If you’re Indigenous and interested in studying, the OIAS is a good place to start. They can help you with course information, alternative entry programs, Tertiary Preparation courses, scholarships and prizes.

W: cdu.edu.au/study/indigacadsupport.html

A virtual library at your fingertips
As a key provider of online learning, CDU’s library has comprehensive and interactive e-learning resources.
Scholarships

Every year CDU offers over $400,000 worth of student scholarships. These are open to everyone and you should apply for as many scholarships as you can.

There are scholarships for students who can show talent, passion and initiative in their chosen area of study and others based on criteria such as leadership, commitment to the region they live in, sports involvement or financial need. Scholarships also vary greatly in what they provide. Some are one-off payments of $500 to help with study costs. Others provide up to $7,500 a semester with the opportunity for paid work placements, providing additional income and work experience. Most of our scholarships range between $1,000 and $10,000 and are paid directly into your bank account, leaving how the funds are used up to you.

Most of our scholarships also ask you to demonstrate a commitment and passion for study and explain why you are worthy of the funds.

W: cdu.edu.au/scholarships

Nathan Canuto – Bachelor of Psychological Science

‘I started uni straight out of high school, but dropped out after six months. It wasn’t until after working for a few years and then travelling that I realised I wanted to study psychology and be a role model in my community. I was ready for it.

I did the CDU Tertiary Preparation Program through ACIKE, who made me aware of scholarships I could apply for. I decided on the McNiece Scholarship for Indigenous students. It was for $10,000; enough to let me fully focus on my studies.

When I first applied it was a lot of work, but I was successful. And I got more than money. I got a vote of confidence; someone wanted me to succeed. It inspires you to try even harder, when someone really puts their faith in you.’
Supporting you at CDU

Arriving on campus

Once you arrive at CDU, your first point of contact is Student Central.

Here you can take care of all your study practicalities such as:

- Admissions
- Advanced standing
- Class timetables
- Course progression
- Enrolments
- Examinations
- Fees and payments
- Graduation
- Student cards
- Scholarships.

The main office is at the front of Casuarina campus, near the bus stop.

Opening hours are:

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 8:30am-4pm
Wednesday 8:30am-6pm
Friday 8:30am-3pm

T: 1800 061 963 (freecall)
E: student.central@cdu.edu.au
W: cdu.edu.au/student-central
Facebook: CDU Student Central

Counselling

Counselling services are for students experiencing difficulties that are affecting their studies, and are available in person, by phone or email. Experienced staff can assist with personal, academic and cross-cultural issues and help students adjust to life in a new environment.

W: cdu.edu.au/equity-services/counselling

The CDU Psychology Clinic on Casuarina campus is staffed by CDU psychology interns and provides affordable counselling services. Appointments can be made via the CDU Medical Centre.

W: psychology-clinic.cdu.edu.au

Jeremy Goldring - Master of Psychology (Clinical)

CDU provides a unique study environment. My course requires three clinical placements and studying in the Territory provides some unique opportunities for work experience that you just don’t get in the bigger cities. I like that it is a small university with small numbers of on-campus students. This means you get to know the staff really well and relationships feel much more collaborative.

I enjoy the practical components of the degree, working with clients on placements. That’s where the real learning has been happening. I want to be a clinical psychologist doing work that is meaningful and making a difference to people’s lives.
Disability services

CDU is committed to providing an accessible, supportive, safe and inclusive learning environment for students with disabilities. We also have National Disability Coordination Officers who help students gain equitable access to education. Students with a disability should advise CDU at the time of making their application so preparations can be made.

W: cdu.edu.au/equity-services/disability-services

Careers and employment support

The Careers and Employment team is available to help you to develop career management skills. It also maintains a register of employment opportunities for students covering:

- Graduate recruitment and employment opportunities
- Full-time employment opportunities
- Part-time or casual employment opportunities
- Vacation, internship and volunteering opportunities.

Career Counsellors assist students to:

- Increase self-awareness about interests and abilities
- Locate relevant career information
- Provide support during decision-making
- Manage the transition from study to employment.

Faculty Careers Fairs also give students an opportunity to meet employers to discuss career and employment opportunities. The employer representatives offer advice on employment opportunities and strategies, and how to present a winning job application.

W: cdu.edu.au/careers

Every CDU student has access to the online CDU Careers Hub, a tool for managing your CV and finding a job. The site lists all kinds of employment and training opportunities.

W: careerhub.cdu.edu.au

Earn while you learn

If you are looking to make extra money while studying you’ll find part-time and casual work easy to come by in the Northern Territory, which has a strong economy and one of the lowest unemployment rates in the country.

When you finish your studies, the career opportunities are also better than average due to the buoyant local economy.
Accommodation

Finding the right place to live is an important part of settling into university life.

There are four options for accommodation services:

- On-campus accommodation
- Rental accommodation (off-campus)
- Shared accommodation
- Study stays (including homestay).

W: cdu.edu.au/equity-services/accommodation

On-campus

Darwin (Casuarina)

International House Darwin (IHD) provides on-campus accommodation for CDU’s interstate and international students.

Located on Casuarina campus, IHD offers a safe and friendly community environment for up to 400 students across 17 stand-alone buildings.

All rooms are fully furnished and residents have access to shared amenities, including a pool, Skype lab and exercise room.

IHD is a three-minute walk from Casuarina’s central Learning Precinct, a 15-minute walk from Darwin’s largest shopping centre and a 10-minute walk to Casuarina beach and the foreshore.

IHD offers daily, weekly and full-year contract rates.

W: cdu.edu.au/ihd

Alice Springs

The Alice Springs Student Accommodation (ASSA) provides the perfect transition for students into university life. There are two houses offering eight twin-share rooms with one equipped for disabled students.

W: cdu.edu.au/campuses-centres/alice-springs-campus/accommodation

Katherine

There are 94 individual rooms set in nine ground-level blocks. Each block features a common area with a television, fridge, toaster, kettle and lounge chairs.

Students are provided with all meals and a laundry service. A weekly bus service to Katherine is also available.

W: cdu.edu.au/campuses-centres/katherine-campus/accommodation

Off-campus

CDU manages an online accommodation register, located within Equity Services, to help you locate rental properties, shared accommodation and family-based homestays.

Equity Services can help with:

- How to search for accommodation
- How to apply for accommodation
- Understanding tenancy agreements
- Sharing accommodation
- Tenant rights and responsibilities.

Life on Campus

CDU campus life is fun and active. Enjoy time out from your studies and meet friends.

**CDU Sport**

CDU Sport provides sporting and recreational services and opportunities to students and staff of CDU, as well as the wider Darwin community. Joining one of the many clubs is a great way to relax, get fit and make new friends.

W: cdu.edu.au/cdusa/sporting-clubs/

**CDU Student Association**

The CDU Student Association is your go-to point for information on all things social at CDU, including student clubs and special-interest societies. The different faculties and schools also have their own associations and arrange events for fellow students.

W: cdu.edu.au/cdusa/

W: facebook.com/CDUSTudentAssociation

**Fine dining**

Since CDU’s VET training encompasses hospitality and food and beverage training, you’ll find some very fine dining at bargain prices in our training restaurants. Be warned, they’re very popular with students and locals alike, and are only open during school terms, so bookings are a must.

**Karawa Restaurant**, Palmerston, offers a la carte dining and a buffet from around $35.

W: cdu.edu.au/cdu-vet/karawa

**Desert Lantern**, Alice Springs, is set in bush surroundings with a magnificent view of the MacDonnell Ranges. Open for lunch and dinner, $35-$38 per person. Cooking classes are also available.

W: cdu.edu.au/cdu-vet/desert-lantern

**Community radio – Territory FM**

Territory FM 104.1 is a community radio station that broadcasts from Casuarina campus. The station plays an important part in Darwin community life and welcomes volunteers who want to get to know how a radio station operates and gain some practical, on-the-job experience.

W: cdu.edu.au/territoryfm
CDU plays an important role in the Northern Territory’s cultural life.

Our Creative Arts and Humanities school fosters local, national and international talent, with students benefiting from the constant flow of professional talent drawn to the Northern Territory for creative inspiration.

Cross-cultural collaboration features strongly in the work our students produce, and we are a leading institution in the area of Indigenous Australian arts study and practice.

Many of our lecturers and teachers are performers, writers and artists themselves, playing important roles in community events.

Darwin Symphony Orchestra

CDU’s Casuarina campus is the headquarters for the Darwin Symphony Orchestra (DSO) – one of the youngest in Australia, and one of the most adventurous.

In its first 25 years the DSO has staged concerts in some of the most spectacular sites in the world, including Uluru, Simpson’s Gap and Nitmiluk Gorge. The orchestra is made up of volunteers, and places a premium on community and accessibility.

W: dso.org.au

Centre for Youth and Community Music (CYCM)

CYCM is based in the School for Creative Arts and Humanities and is a hub for community music. Catering for the beginner to the more advanced student, the CYCM provides instrumental, vocal and theory tuition as well as offering a diverse and exciting range of ensemble programs. Students work with Northern Territory’s top music professionals and leading visiting musicians, with many opportunities for performance.

Kathryn Pickworth – Bachelor of Education Secondary Teaching (Music)

‘I love the music course at CDU because there is so much flexibility and there is a lot of opportunity to enhance your music skills. The music lecturers are very friendly and want to see students grow in their musical skill and ability so they will do what they can to help students become better musicians.

I hope to inspire and facilitate music students to reach their potential because the students of today are society’s future. I think music is a very powerful medium that can be used to teach and inspire students to become responsible, self-reflective, flexible and sensitive young citizens.’
Visual Arts

Visual artists have long been drawn to the Northern Territory, and through its Creative Arts and Design offerings CDU is part of a lively and diverse contemporary art scene.

The CDU Art Collection
The CDU Art Collection is displayed on two campuses, Casuarina and Palmerston, with a dedicated gallery space in the Chancellery building at Casuarina.

The collection reflects CDU’s focus on the art of North Australia – holding works by both Indigenous and non-Indigenous artists – and South-East Asia. The gallery holds one of the world’s largest collections of Australian Indigenous limited-edition prints and is a member of the University Art Museums Australia.

W: cdu.edu.au/artcollection-gallery

Nan Giese Gallery
The Nan Giese Gallery on Casuarina campus provides a dedicated space for emerging and established Territory artists. It is named in honour of former CDU Chancellor Dr Nan Giese, who was a great contributor to the Northern Territory arts community and the University.

The gallery’s exhibitions are a blend of visual, multimedia, print and sculpture artworks and celebrate the talents of the Northern Territory’s homegrown artists.

W: cdu.edu.au/creative-arts-humanities/nan-giese-gallery

Northern Editions
Northern Editions Print Studio and Gallery was established in 1993, and its technicians are renowned for their skill. They’ve collaborated with many fine artists over the years, both Indigenous and non-Indigenous, and regularly conduct workshops on-country with artists.

Northern Editions is a linchpin in the strong printmaking tradition at CDU. Printmaking workshops and courses at all levels are conducted in the studio.

W: northerneditions.com.au
Being a student and an elite athlete can be extremely challenging at times, but studying at CDU makes it a whole lot easier. I am studying a Bachelor of Exercise and Sports Science and will then do a Masters in Teaching to become a physical education teacher. I have studied through other universities but none of them compare to CDU’s understanding and support. The staff are always accommodating, ensuring I can complete my study to the best of my ability, while allowing me to focus on basketball with no added stress.

Another massive positive about studying with CDU is having subjects accessible in multiple study periods. This allows me to complete the course much faster.

I cannot thank CDU enough for helping me achieve my goals not only in study but in all facets of my life.
External Study – Online and Distance Learning

At CDU you don’t need to sacrifice work or family life to study.

Our online learning options offer the flexibility of studying when it suits you, so that you can balance study commitments with a career, family and social life.

Increasingly popular with adult learners, studying externally at CDU allows you to learn at your own pace through our supportive and informative virtual classrooms.

There are a range of study options and you can even spread your study load over three semesters a year in some courses.

As an external student you can study in many areas:
- Indigenous and Australian studies
- Business and economics
- Computing and information technology
- Education and teaching
- Engineering
- Environmental studies
- Humanities and social sciences
- Law and legal studies
- Medicine and health
- Tertiary Enabling Program (TEP).

W: cdu.edu.au/prospectivestudents/studyingatcdu/study-externally

Sary Walsh – Bachelor of Nursing studying from Phnom Penh, Cambodia

‘I grew up in Melbourne and was enrolled in study when my husband and I moved to Cambodia. My course didn’t accommodate external study, so I enrolled in nursing at CDU as an external student.

I have three kids and train daily as a long-distance runner. Studying with CDU means I can fit my studies in around my life. It also gives me freedom. I can go anywhere and see the world and study at the same time.’
Study options: Higher Education

With CDU you can study what you want, where you want, when you want.
We offer Higher Education courses from Bachelor degrees through to Doctorates.

Faculty of Engineering, Health, Science and the Environment
School of Engineering and Information Technology
School of Environment
School of Health
School of Psychological and Clinical Sciences

Faculty of Law, Education, Business and Arts
School of Academic Language and Learning
School of Business
School of Creative Arts and Humanities
School of Education
School of Law
School of Indigenous Knowledges and Public Policy

Undergraduate courses
Aboriginal and Australian Studies
Architecture, Building, Design and Planning
Art and Design
Business and Economics
Computing and Information Technology
Education and Teaching
Engineering
Environmental Studies
Humanities and Social Sciences
Law and Legal Studies
Medicine and Health
Music and the Performing Arts
Sciences and Mathematics

Graduate entry courses
Aboriginal and Australian Studies
Art and Design
Education and Teaching
Humanities and Social Sciences
Law and Legal Studies
Sciences and Mathematics

Postgraduate courses
Aboriginal and Australian Studies
Business and Economics
Computing and Information Technology
Education and Teaching
Engineering
Environmental Studies
Humanities and Social Sciences
Medicine and Health
W: cdu.edu.au/prospectivestudents/typesofstudy
Study options: Vocational Education and Training

Faculty of Vocational Education and Training
Office of VET Business Improvement
School of Business and Service Industries
School of Primary Industries
School of Trades
School of VET Health, Community and Children’s Services
W: cdu.edu.au/faculties-schools

Not sure if university is for you? Vocational Education and Training is an effective way to ‘taste-test’ your future career options through focused, hands-on course options.

You can complete courses focused around your interests first, then apply for Recognition for Prior Learning for the courses you’ve done. In most cases the VET courses count as credits towards a Higher Education degree. Courses are offered from Certificates I-IV through to Diploma level.

VET schools and courses
CDU offers almost 400 VET courses, available on campus, online and via distance learning.

You can choose from any of the following areas of study:

- Arts, Entertainment, Sports and Recreation
- Automotive
- Building and Construction
- Business and Clerical
- Community Services, Health, Education and Library Studies
- Computing
- Cookery
- Engineering and Mining
- Finance, Banking and Insurance
- Food Processing and Bakery
- General Education, Pre-Vocational Training and ESL
- Primary Industries, Horticulture and Conservation
- Sales and Personal Services including Hair Dressing, Beauty and Retail
- Tourism and Hospitality
- Transport and Storage
- Utilities and Electro-Technology

Short courses and evening classes are also offered.
W: cdu.edu.au/cdu-vet

Study skills support
VET courses are practical and skills-based, but many still contain a theory component. CDU has a free Learner Support Service (LSS) to help VET students complete their theory work.

Skills gained through the LSS will also help you transition to Higher Education course work. If you’re interested in further study after VET, contact the school’s team leader to find out how you can qualify.

Pathways to study
Imagine starting a VET Certificate short-course in your area of interest and ending up with a PhD.

At CDU, this is entirely possible.

We’re a relatively small university, which gives us – and you – great flexibility. We believe in removing barriers between students and their desire to gain qualifications.

If you have the will, we’ll help you find a way to make your chosen study path possible.
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1. Available externally through distance education with some on-campus attendance requirements
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3. Available to Indigenous students by mixed mode delivery through the Bachelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education (BIITE) in Batchelor
4. Available to Indigenous students by mixed mode delivery through the Desert Peoples’ Centre in Alice Springs
5. This course is being reviewed and may be amended for 2015
6. There is no direct entry into this course through SATAC - entry is through internal transfer only.

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1. Available externally through distance education with some on-campus attendance requirements
2. Available internally through a combination of internal and external units of study (e.g. not all units of the course are available on-campus)
3. Available to Indigenous students by mixed mode delivery through the Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education (BIITE) in Batchelor
4. Available to Indigenous students by mixed mode delivery through the Desert Peoples’ Centre in Alice Springs
5. This course is being reviewed and may be amended for 2015
6. There is no direct entry into this course through SATAC - entry is through internal transfer only.
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Study and Travel

Studying abroad is a potentially life-changing experience – the chance to have experiences and make friends that you’ll hold forever.

The New Colombo Plan – connecting with our neighbours
CDU is one of 24 Australian universities chosen to participate in the Australian Government’s $100 million New Colombo Plan, which aims to develop relationships and understanding between Australia and Asia.

Through the program CDU law students undertake short-term study programs in the law faculties at two of Indonesia’s most prestigious universities: Universitas Gadja Mada (UGM) and Universitas Indonesia (UI).

Travel, accommodation, living, visa, medical, insurance and communication costs and program fees are covered by the program.

W: cdu.edu.au/international/study-abroad

Fulbright Scholarship
In 2010 the Fulbright NT Scholarship program was established in the Northern Territory, sponsored by Charles Darwin University, the Northern Territory Government and Blackboard Australia. These are only open to NT residents.

This prestigious scholarship is awarded to exceptional candidates across a broad range of study areas, at postgraduate, post-doctoral, senior or professional levels, for study or research in the USA that will benefit their careers and their communities on their return.

Further information can be found at W: fulbright.com.au

Student Exchange

CDU offers fantastic opportunities for student exchanges with partner universities. Students from CDU can complete one or two semesters of study with a partner institution in China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Malaysia, Vietnam, Austria, France, Germany, Canada, USA, Denmark, Norway or Sweden. During the exchange, students remain enrolled and pay fees at CDU, not at the visiting institution.

Students from CDU’s partner institutions can come to CDU for one or two semesters.

Study Abroad

Students can complete one or two semesters of study abroad at a university that is not one of CDU’s partners. Study undertaken at a non-partner university can be credited towards the student’s CDU qualification. Students pay their own fees to their host university and do not remain enrolled at CDU.

W: cdu.edu.au/international/study-abroad
Entry to CDU

The University is committed to offering flexible entry pathways to our courses, and there are a number of entry points.

For example, in most cases in order to study in one of our undergraduate courses, you will need to have achieved acceptable results in one of the following:

- Successful completion of Australian Year 12 and the awarding of an Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR) at the required level approved for admission;
- Successful completion of a national qualification at certificate IV level or higher;
- Successful completion of at least 0.5 year of full-time study (or equivalent) of a higher education degree/diploma;
- Overseas secondary or tertiary qualifications considered equivalent to the above Australian qualifications;
- Attainment of a Special Tertiary Admissions test (STAT) score at the required level approved for admission; or
- Successful completion of the University’s Tertiary Enabling Program (TEP) or other recognised bridging or tertiary preparation course.

For detailed information on entry to courses, please visit www.cdu.edu.au/student-central/admissions
Teaching and Learning Styles at CDU

Teaching methods at CDU incorporate lectures and tutorials, seminars, presentations, intensive workshops, fieldwork and laboratory prac's.

Degrees, lectures, tutorials, seminars and lab sessions total 12-17 hours a week.

VET courses have at least 24 hours of scheduled classes a week.

In addition to attending class, students are expected to do independent preparation and study.

Graduate Attributes
As well as gaining a qualification, CDU believes that every graduate should acquire universal skills, qualities and understanding regardless of their disciplines. In many ways cultivating these is as important as gaining a formal degree. They equip a person to fulfill their potential in life, work and the community.

CDU’s nine graduate attributes focus on Personal Practical Knowledge, Citizenship and World View.

English Language Study – a springboard
CDU’s English Language Centre on campus is operated by Navitas and is known as the Navitas Darwin English Centre (a member of the Navitas Group).

Navitas English has a direct entry agreement with CDU that allows successful graduates from their English for Academic Purposes courses to commence study at CDU without having to sit an IELTS test.

W: navitasenglish.com/study_english_darwin_ae.html

Personal Practical Knowledge
A CDU graduate:
• Has acquired skills in technology, problem-solving, task planning, organisation, self-management and can apply them in a productive and fulfilling way.
• Is a creative thinker and has initiative and enterprise skills.
• Has a sound knowledge base, with an understanding of the broad theoretical and technical concepts related to their discipline, with relevant connections to industry, professional, regional and Indigenous knowledge, and as a life-long learner is able to contribute to organisations.

World view
A CDU graduate:
• Is flexible and capable of assuming a leadership role, taking action and engaging others to make a positive difference for the common good.

Study Load
At CDU, study load is measured in credit points.

1 Unit = 10 credit points = 3 contact hours + 10 hours of private study per week.

Some units may require more than this.

Full-time study = 40 credit points per semester, or 80 credit points per year.

Note: These are a benchmark only, i.e. Study load for external students and those studying part-time will obviously vary on this.

Common Units
Common units are a foundation for the graduate attributes and are offered in every CDU undergraduate course, regardless of the discipline.

All students need to do:
• Cultural Intelligence and Capability
and one of the following:
• Academic Literacies (for Humanities and Social Science)
• Design and Innovation: Communicating Technology (for Science, Technology and Business)

W: learnline.cdu.edu.au/commonunits
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Student Central Casuarina campus
Mon, Tue, Thurs: 8.30 am - 4.00 pm
Wed: 8.30 am - 6.00 pm
Fri: 8.30 am - 3.00 pm
Location: Ellengowan Drive, Casuarina, NT
Freecall: 1800 061 963

Student Central Alice Springs campus
Mon to Fri: 8.30 am - 4.00 pm
Location: Grevillea Drive, Alice Springs, NT
Freecall: 1800 654 865

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