

# The Degree of Master of Artificial Intelligence (MAI – 180 points)

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the General Regulations for the University.

## 1. Version

- (a) These Regulations came into force on 1 January 2025.
- (b) This Degree was first offered in 2023.

## 2. Variations

In exceptional circumstances the Amo Matua, P tāiao | Executive Dean of Science or delegate may approve a personal programme of study which does not conform to these regulations.

## 3. The structure of the qualification

To qualify for the Master of Artificial Intelligence a student must be credited with a minimum of 180 points towards the qualification; including

- (a) 120 points from Schedule C to these regulations; and
- (b) 60 points from Schedule E.

## 4. Admission to the qualification

To be admitted to the Master of Artificial Intelligence a student must have:

- (a) satisfied the Admission Regulations for admission to the University; and
- (b)

- (c) been approved as a candidate for the degree by the Amo Matua, P tāiao | Executive Dean of Science or delegate

## 5. Subjects

The degree will be awarded without endorsements, majors or minors.

## 6. Time limits

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University with a time limit of 36 months.

## 7. Transfers of credit, substitutions and cross-credits

This qualification adheres to the General Conditions for Credit and Transfer Regulations, with no additional stipulations.

## 8. Progression

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University with the following stipulation:

- (a) A student may not fail more than 15 points in this qualification.

## 9. Honours, Distinction and Merit

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University and may be awarded with Distinction and Merit.

## 10. Exit and Upgrade Pathways to other Qualifications

- (a) A student who has not met the requirements of the Master of Artificial Intelligence may apply to the Amo Matua, P tāiao | Executive Dean of Science or delegate for admission and transfer of credit to any of these programmes:
  - i. Postgraduate Certificate in Science;
  - ii. Postgraduate Diploma in Science;
  - iii. Postgraduate Certificate in Artificial Intelligence;
  - iv. Postgraduate Diploma in Artificial Intelligence; or
  - v. Master of Science with Part I completed.

## Schedule C: Compulsory Courses for the Degree of Master of Artificial Intelligence

For full course information, go to [courseinfo.canterbury.ac.nz](http://courseinfo.canterbury.ac.nz)

- (a) COSC681 - AI Project (60 points)
- (b) Coursework component: 60 points comprising of the following courses (all NZQF level-8 or higher)
  - i. PHIL425 AI Ethics (15 points)
  - ii. COSC401 Machine Learning (15 points)
  - iii. COSC440 Deep Learning (15 points)
  - iv. COSC428 Computer Vision (15 points)

## Schedule E: Elective Courses for the Degree of Master of Artificial Intelligence

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