

Graduate Profile for the Master of Philosophy AK3720

All programmes at the Auckland University of Technology have a graduate profile. These profiles include the expectations of graduates from each programme and make the University's values and qualities transparent to students and the community.

The goals of the Master of Philosophy is to enable a student who has successfully completed approved and supervised research, to:

- Critically investigate an approved topic of substance and significance
- Demonstrate independent thinking
- Demonstrate expertise in the methods of research and scholarship
- Make a significant contribution to the subject area or discipline
- Cogently present scholarly and publishable outcomes

A graduate of the Master of Philosophy will undertake research and be able to:

- a. Initiate, design, conduct, sustain, and report on a research project in a logical and critical manner
- b. Critically reflect on and build in-depth understanding of knowledge and professional learning
- c. Be self-motivated and demonstrate independent thinking within their field of study
- d. Source, analyse, and evaluate information in relation to the philosophical basis, methodologies, and methods of their study
- e. Demonstrate expertise in analysis of information using appropriate tools, technologies, and methods
- f. Work autonomously, responsibly, and cooperatively with an awareness of integrity, truthfulness, and accountability
- g. Consider ethical issues and apply this understanding to the making of ethical decisions in research

- h. Present the outcomes of research with confidence, critical analysis, evaluation, originality, and engagement with academic debate