

Postgraduate Programs in Personal Injury Management

Working with the Personal Injury Education Foundation (PIEF), Deakin University has developed a suite of postgraduate programs available to PIEF members and other people interested or employed in the personal injury sector, including professionals in allied health; behavioral health; injury management and rehabilitation insurance, occupational health and safety, dispute resolution and accident compensation regulators. The programs are delivered via residential and distance learning.

All enrolments for these programs are managed through DeakinPrime, the corporate arm of Deakin University. We have a detailed understanding of education and development requirements of the personal injury sector.

The Personal Injury Education Foundation Ltd is a not-for-profit organisation with members from across Australia and New Zealand, who are committed to creating leading educational programs focused on the needs of those working in the accident compensation industry.

Program overview

There are four awards. The first three are available to managers/supervisors who have a bachelor degree or five years of relevant work experience:

- M534—Graduate Certificate of Management (Personal Injury): GCM(PI), a 4-unit award
 - Claims Management specialisation
 - Business Management specialisation
- M634—Graduate Diploma of Management (Personal Injury): GDM(PI), an 8-unit award
- M734—Masters of Management (Personal Injury): MM(PI), a 12-unit award.

These three awards form a pathway that allows students to exit at various points and take out an award, with the option of continuing their study at a later stage.

The final award is available to managers/supervisors who have completed a four-year undergraduate degree or a three-year undergraduate degree plus more than two years of relevant work experience:

- M736—Master of Business (Personal Injury): MB(PI), an 8-unit award.

Your unit choices may affect the time it will take to complete your award. If you plan to complete the award, you may wish to contact your DeakinPrime Project Coordinator to discuss your unit selection. Course rules are detailed in the Postgraduate Studies Handbook, which can be accessed from the Deakin University website: www.deakin.edu.au/handbooks

Next steps

More information on this course can be found at:

<http://www.deakinprime.com/deakinprime/content/students/downloads.aspx>

or

<http://www.deakin.edu.au/buslaw/gsb/course/personalinjury.php>

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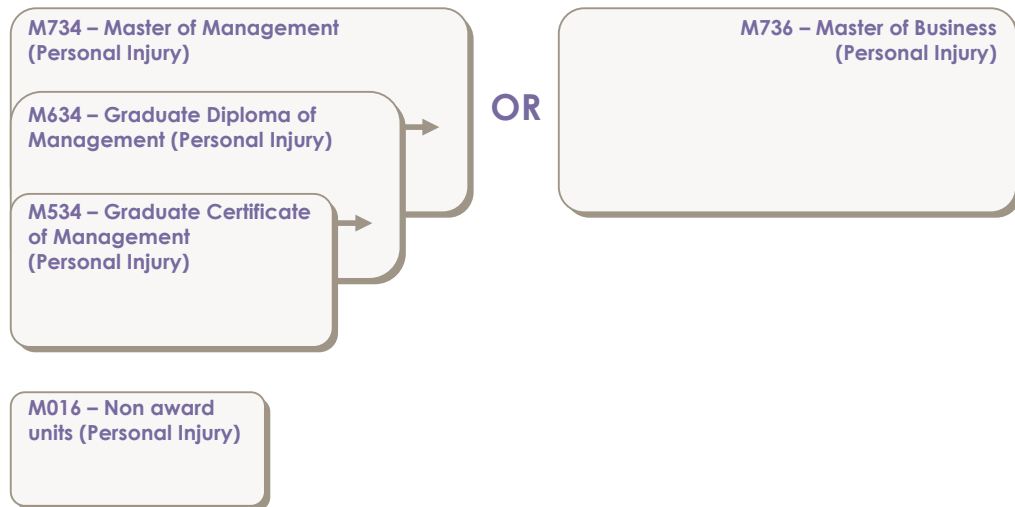
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The following figure illustrates the award pathway and options:



Course aims

The programs aim to develop students in the following areas:

- achieve a critical understanding of the central concepts and literature in the personal injury and claims management field
- develop a contextual framework in which greater understanding of individual roles is possible
- undertake critical analysis of personal injury issues using multidisciplinary perspectives
- enhance the breadth and depth of claims management skills within the personal injury sector
- provide graduates with the tools and frameworks needed to improve outcomes for accident compensation schemes.

Course features

- Broad subject elective choices
- Off-campus distance learning, residential units and online study.
- Quality learning materials and study guides
- Deakin Studies Online (DSO) is an online conferencing and workgroup system and a major teaching vehicle used by Deakin University. All students are given access to and must use DSO. It is used for small group and large group discussion and collaborative interaction.
- Assessment may include presentations, assignments, projects, on-line discussion forums and exams. They can be individual or group-based, and there are generally three assessment tasks per unit.
- Extensive on- and off-campus library facilities
- Revision weekends
- Students can complete the Masters (12 units) within seven years, the Graduate Diploma (8 units) within five years and the Graduate Certificate (4 units) within three years.

