

# Credit Principles and Processes

## SCOPE

The following principles and process for credit are specific to the Faculty of Information Technology.

## INSTRUCTION

Specific to the Faculty of IT, are the following additional principles:

1. As a general guideline for assessors, specified credit should be granted in cases where there is 80% or greater unit equivalence. For further guidance, refer to the [University procedure](#), items 7.5 – 7.6.
2. Credit/exemptions will not be awarded for TAFE Certificate IV study.
3. Undergraduate-level units are normally not considered for credit transfer towards undergraduate honours-level and graduate-level (level 5) courses. However, in masters degrees that have a component of foundation (introductory) units, students will be granted either credit transfer (with points) or exemptions (without credit points) for those units, based on relevant studies undertaken in their previous undergraduate degree.
4. To be eligible for credit, previous learning must have been completed within ten years prior to the year of application for credit. Exceptions to the recency requirement for an individual applicant may be made with the approval of the Course Director.
5. For students admitted to a second Faculty of IT Masters degree: If a student has completed the research stream in their first IT masters degree and wishes to complete the research stream in their second degree, their research project in the second degree must be in a different topic area relevant to their new degree.
6. The Faculty of IT will not consider informal or non-formal learning for credit transfer into any coursework degrees.
7. Credit/exemptions (based on any formal, informal or non-formal learning) will not be approved for any final year capstone project units (see list below):

Capstone Units:

FIT3047 Industry experience studio project 1  
FIT3048 Industry experience studio project 2  
FIT3039 Studio project 1  
FIT3040 Studio project 2  
FIT3161 Computer science project 1  
FIT3162 Computer science project 2  
FIT3163 Data science project 1  
FIT3164 Data science project 2  
FIT3188 Cybersecurity project 1  
FIT3189 Cybersecurity project 2  
FIT4002 Software engineering industry experience studio project (12 points)  
FIT4003 Software engineering research project (12 points)  
FIT4701 Final year software engineering project A  
FIT4702 Final year software engineering project B  
FIT5120 Industry experience studio project (12 points)

FIT5126 Masters thesis part 1  
 FIT5127 Masters thesis part 2  
 FIT5128 Masters thesis final  
 FIT5228 Masters thesis part 3  
 FIT5229 Masters thesis final  
 FIT5210 Masters thesis (18 points)  
 FIT5232 Masters thesis (24 points)  
 ITI5120 Social impact project (12 points)  
 ITI5126 Masters thesis part 1  
 ITI5127 Masters thesis part 2  
 ITI5128 Masters thesis final  
 ITO5002 Applied practice 2

Other units that will not be given credit/exemptions (for pedagogical reasons):

FIT2032 Industry-based learning (18 points)  
 FIT3045 Industry-based learning (18 points)  
 FIT4042 Industry-based learning (18 points)

## Credit for Monash Online Units

Credit will not be approved for level 4 (AQF level 8) units from undergraduate studies (AQF level 7) on their own. Students applying for credit for level 4 units from undergraduate studies must demonstrate advanced learning in the relevant unit material through work experience in a related area.

Students with UG studies only can be exempted (precluded) from level 4 units, and will be required to replace these units with units at the same or higher level (level 4 or 5).

## GOVERNANCE

Parent policy	<a href="#">Monash University Credit Policy</a>
Associated procedures	<a href="#">Monash University Credit Procedures</a>
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