

Graduate Diploma in Orientation & Mobility 5420



2025 Commencing Students – Full Time (1 Year)

Year 1	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
	VISN5511	VISN5521*	VISN5531
	VISN5512*	VISN5522	VISN5523[#]
	VISN5513	VISN5523[#]	

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2025 Commencing Students – Part-Time (2 Years)

The program delivery mode is full time, which includes virtual education and mandatory face-to-face practical components.

Part-time study of this program over two years is possible on a case-by-case basis. This study mode must be discussed with and approved by the Program Authority.

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