

ENGN6250/COMP6250 Professional Practice 1: Exemption procedure (Semester 1, 2020)

The Masters of Engineering (MENG), Masters of Computing (MCOMP) and Master of Machine Learning and Computer Vision (MMLCV) programs all have a Professional Practice component. Postgraduate programs in Engineering, Computing and Machine Learning and Computer Vision have a Professional Practice component. The Professional Practice courses are offered as a sequence of two courses: ENGN6250/COMP6250 Professional Practice 1, and ENGN8260/COMP8260 Professional Practice 2. MENG and MCOMP require students to complete both courses. MMLCV only requires student to take either Professional Practice 1 or Professional Practice 2.

The two courses focus on developing professional and communication skills for the 21st century workplace. Industry bodies and employers of engineering and computing graduates consistently rank communication skills as one of the most important selection criteria when hiring. The courses aim to heighten students' awareness of professional practice, and to develop new interpersonal and communication skills that will support students in becoming competent professionals in their chosen field.

More information on both courses is available on <http://programsandcourses.anu.edu.au/>.

Masters students who can demonstrate a high level of communication skills in the context of professional and academic practice may be granted an exemption from ENGN6250/COMP6250 and permitted to enrol directly into ENGN8260/COMP8260. MENG and MCOMP students will then be allowed to take an additional technical course to replace ENGN6250/COMP6250 in their program.

How can I enrol in a test session?

All new MENG, MCOMP and MMLCV students should enrol in ENGN6250/COMP6250 at the start of semester. In the first week of classes, students will sit a diagnostic test that will be used for course planning, and to assess students' eligibility for an exemption. This test is not an assessed item, but is a requirement if you wish to seek an exemption from Professional Practice 1 and to enrol in Professional Practice 2.

PP1 students on campus: All PP1 students on ANU campus must enrol in diagnostic test session DT-01, DT-02, DT-03 or DT-04. You are only required to attend one of these sessions, but there are a limited number of places available for each session. If possible, please register for your preferred session on the course Wattle site. Please check the ENGN6250/COMP6250 course Wattle site for information about the location and any last-minute changes. Students enrolled in these sessions can visit Wattle for further information about the test.

Chinese International students: If your arrival to the ANU campus is delayed and you intend to take the Diagnostic Test, you must enrol in (ONLINE) DT-03 or (ONLINE) DT-04 (for students delayed in China ONLY). Students enrolled in these sessions will be contacted on Monday 24 February via their ANU email address with further instructions about the test.

The diagnostic test will be offered at the following times in Week 1 of semester only:

Diagnostic Test	Day	Start	Finish	Location
DT-01	Monday 24 Feb	09:00	11:00	HN Lab 1.23
DT-02	Monday 24 Feb	14:00	16:00	HN Lab 1.24
DT-03	Monday 24 Feb	17:00	19:00	HN Lab 1.24
DT-04	Wednesday 26 Feb	17:00	19:00	HN Lab 1.24
(Online) DT-03	Monday 24 Feb	17:00	19:00	Online quiz via PP1 course Wattle site (for students in China ONLY)
(Online) DT-04	Wednesday 26 Feb	17:00	19:00	

How can I prepare for the diagnostic test?

The test covers topics including knowledge of professional practice, writing, listening, reading and academic integrity skills. No preparation is required prior to sitting the test. When you sit the test you will be asked to indicate if you would like to be considered for an exemption.

Will I be notified about my results?

Students who meet the exemption requirements will be notified by email no later than 09:00am Monday 3 March, and should then complete a change of enrolment form. Please consider the scheduling of other courses that you plan to take in deciding whether to enrol in either ENGN8260/COMP8260 Professional Practice 2 or another course in the first semester of your degree. For MENG and MCOMP, you need to have completed Professional Practice 2 before you undertake your final year. If you need program advice, please consult with a student advisor or your program convenor.

If you think that you are likely to be granted an exemption after taking the Diagnostic Test, you may choose to prepare the Week 1 PP2 materials made available on the PP1 Wattle site. You may also choose to attend another course during the first week so that you do not have to catch up on missed material if you later enrol in it.

Contacts

If you have any questions about the test procedure or need program or course advice, please consult a student advisor or contact the relevant coordinator or program convener.

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