

SMIC OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Sydney Metropolitan International College (SMIC) & Sydney Met Pathway Partnership Programs

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Dear Valued Education Agents,

SMIC is pleased to officially announce a new pathway partnership agreement with Sydney Met, our articulation higher education partner for a two-year term.

Through this partnership, international students can commence their studies at SMIC and pathway into selected postgraduate degree programs at Sydney Met.

The package programs are designed for students who do not meet the direct entry requirements for Sydney Met programs, providing a pathway opportunity to support their further study progression into the MBA and Master of Social Work (Qualifying) (MSWQ) programs at Sydney Met.

For details of the available pathway programs between SMIC and Sydney Met, please refer to the information below.

SMIC and Sydney Met look forward to working closely with our valued education partners to support international students through flexible and quality pathway opportunities into higher education programs in Australia.

Best Regards,



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SMIC & Sydney Met Pathway Partnership Programs

Program 1: Graduate Diploma of Management (Learning) leading to Master of Business Administration (MBA)

1.1 Table: Graduate Diploma of Management (Learning) → MBA

Study Pathway	Duration	Tuition Fee	Credit Toward Sydney Met
Graduate Diploma of Management (Learning) – SMIC	1 Year	\$12,000	Up to <u>5</u> units of credit exemption toward the MBA
Master of Business Administration (MBA) – Sydney Met	1.5 Years	\$3,100* x 11 units	—

*\$3,100 per subject is based on the standard tuition fee of 2027.

1.2 Entry Requirements

- IELTS 6.0 (no band less than 5.5) or equivalent
- AQF Level 6 qualification or equivalent

1.3 Important Information

The one-year study at SMIC provides up to 5 units of credit exemption toward the MBA program at Sydney Met. Therefore, students will complete the remaining 11 units at Sydney Met, rather than the full 16-unit MBA program.

Program 2: Graduate Diploma of Family Dispute Resolution leading to Master of Social Work (Qualifying) (MSW(Q))

2.1. Table: Graduate Diploma of Family Dispute Resolution → MSW(Q)

Study Pathway	Duration	Tuition Fee	Credit Toward Sydney Met
Graduate Diploma of Family Dispute Resolution – SMIC	1 Year	\$16,000	Direct pathway into MSW(Q) with <u>no</u> credit
Master of Social Work (Qualifying) – Sydney Met	2 Years	\$3,900* x 16 units	—

*\$3,900 per subject is based on the standard tuition fee of 2027.

2.2 Suitable For: Students who do not have a social or behavioural science background.

2.3 Entry Requirements

- IELTS 6.0 (no band less than 6.0) or equivalent
- AQF Level 7 qualification or equivalent with Academic GPA 60% or above
- Hold the Mediation skill set from the Community Services Training Package (CHC) – This skill set is delivered at SMIC in conjunction with the Graduate Diploma of Family Dispute Resolution program.

2.4 Important Information

The Graduate Diploma of Family Dispute Resolution (GDFDR) is designed as a foundation pathway program for students without a social or behavioural science background.

Upon successful completion, students may progress into the Master of Social Work (Qualifying) (MSW(Q)) at Sydney Met.

Please note that this pathway provides eligibility for progression into the MSW(Q) program; however, no academic credit exemption applies toward the master's degree.

3. CoE Deposit Overview

To support application processing and CoE issuance, the following initial deposit requirements apply for packaged pathway programs.

3.1 Table: CoE Deposit Overview – SMIC + Sydney Met Packaged Programs

Packaged Program	Student Type	SMIC Initial Deposit	Sydney Met Initial Deposit
Graduate Diploma of Management (Learning) → MBA	Offshore – AL3 Countries	\$6,500	\$6,400
	Offshore – AL1 & AL2	\$3,500	\$6,400
	Onshore	\$3,500	\$3,300
Graduate Diploma of Family Dispute Resolution → MSW(Q)	Offshore – AL3	\$9,200	\$8,000
	Offshore – AL1 & AL2	\$5,200	\$8,000
	Onshore	\$5,200	\$4,100

**Deposits include enrolment and material fees where applicable.*

4. Intake Availability

The packaged pathway programs will be available from the June 2026 intake onward, subject to program availability and scheduling.

The tables below outline the available SMIC intakes and the corresponding progression intakes into Sydney Met programs for 2026 and 2027.

4.1 Table: Available SMIC Intake Pathways – 2026

SMIC Intake	MBA at Sydney Met	MSW(Q) at Sydney Met
12 January 2026	Trimester 1 – 1 February 2027	Trimester 1 – 1 February 2027
6 April 2026	Trimester 2 – 24 May 2027	Trimester 2 – 24 May 2027
18 May 2026	Trimester 2 – 24 May 2027	Trimester 2 – 24 May 2027
29 June 2026	Trimester 3 – 13 September 2027	Trimester 3 – 13 September 2027
10 August 2026	Trimester 3 – 13 September 2027	Trimester 3 – 13 September 2027
21 September 2026	Trimester 3 – 13 September 2027	Trimester 3 – 13 September 2027
2 November 2026	Trimester 1 – 31 January 2028	Trimester 1 – 31 January 2028

4.2 Table: Available SMIC Intake Pathways – 2027

SMIC Intake	MBA at Sydney Met	MSW(Q) at Sydney Met
11 January 2027	Trimester 1 – 31 January 2028	Trimester 1 – 31 January 2028
5 April 2027	Trimester 2 – 22 May 2028	Trimester 2 – 22 May 2028
17 May 2027	Trimester 2 – 22 May 2028	Trimester 2 – 22 May 2028
28 June 2027	Trimester 3 – 11 September 2028	Trimester 3 – 11 September 2028
20 September 2027	Trimester 3 – 11 September 2028	Trimester 3 – 11 September 2028
1 November 2027	Trimester 1 – 29 January 2029	Trimester 1 – 29 January 2029

5. For Non-Contracted Agents

SMIC and Sydney Met welcome collaboration opportunities with selected education agents who are interested in promoting these packaged pathway programs.

A 12-month provisional agent agreement may be offered to selected non-contracted agents who do not currently hold an active agreement with either Sydney Met or SMIC.

5.1 Key Conditions

- Minimum of 20 student enrolments within one academic year
- Student enrolments may be combined across both packaged pathway programs
- Onshore students: CoE issued
- Offshore students: Visa approved
- Joint performance review before contract expiry

6. Contact Details

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