



## APPLICATION PERIOD

**Open** 1 June 2022 – **Close** 30 September 2022, 5.00pm (AEST).

Late applications may be considered depending on interview schedule availability.

## APPLICATION PROCESS SUMMARY

The application process for the Master of Fine Arts (Cultural Leadership) consists of two rounds:

- **Round One** – Online Application, including CV and Personal Statement (due 30 September 2022, 5:00pm AEST)
- **Round Two** – Interview

**Only applicants who are successful in Round One will be invited to interview.**

## BEFORE APPLYING

Before completing your application, please read the following information:

- Course information, dates, fees and frequently asked questions can be found at: <https://www.nida.edu.au/courses/graduate>
- The NIDA Student Handbook, Policies & Procedures, and Course Regulations for MFA (Cultural Leadership) course: <https://www.nida.edu.au/courses/policies>

**If you have any further questions at this stage, please contact us at: [applications@nida.edu.au](mailto:applications@nida.edu.au)**

## Master of Fine Arts (Cultural Leadership)

### ROUND ONE

#### ONLINE APPLICATION

- STEP 1** Create your application account in the Application Portal: [apply.nida.edu.au](https://apply.nida.edu.au)  
You will receive an email with your log in details.  
Log in to the Application Portal and click the green 'New Application' button.

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- STEP 2** **Collect the following documents for your application:**
- Copy of your most recent qualification. MFA (Cultural Leadership) applicants must hold an undergraduate degree (in any area) or have five years' relevant experience in a related area.
  - Proof of identification showing your date of birth (e.g. passport, driver's licence, birth certificate).

**International Applicants (who are not on Permanent Visas) are not able to enrol in a part time courses and in 2023 the MFA Cultural Leadership is only offered part-time.**

#### CV AND PERSONAL STATEMENT

- STEP 3** You must prepare the following to submit with your application by the deadline of 30 September 2022.

##### **PROFESSIONAL CV**

You should upload a detailed CV highlighting your training, professional work, and other relevant information. If you do not hold an undergraduate degree, your CV must show evidence of at least 5+ years of relevant experience in an area relating to Cultural Leadership.

##### **PERSONAL STATEMENT**

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You must submit a personal statement of no more than 600 words, outlining your interest in the course, new knowledge you hope to acquire, and how you see the course intersecting with your current work/projects.

Your CV and Personal Statement should be attached to your online application in the appropriate field.

**STEP 4 Complete and submit your application.**

To complete your application, you must pick your availability to attend an interview by selecting a session on the Application Portal.

All efforts will be made to give applicants their preferred interview date, but NIDA cannot guarantee the date and time – it is subject to staff availability.

**You will be advised by email if you are successful in Round One.**

If you are successful, you will receive an invitation for Round Two. This will include confirmation of an interview date.

## ROUND TWO: Interview

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#### **Attend your interview!**

Interviews are conducted by at least two NIDA staff members, by Zoom. All applicants will be interviewed to assess their capacity for leadership. Interviews will run for approximately 30 minutes.

During the interview, we will discuss your ideas about current issues related to the arts and cultural sector, and why you want to be a Cultural Leadership student at NIDA. There will also be an opportunity to ask any questions you may have about the course, or about NIDA.

#### **Some tips:**

We know that interviews can be stressful, but we will do our best to make your experience as relaxing and enjoyable as possible.

The interview process is friendly, informal, and open, and is designed to give you the best opportunity to show us your potential and readiness to study at NIDA.

Remember, the more time and effort you put into your application and personal statement, the better prepared you will be, and the more you will enjoy the interview.

### CONDITIONS OF APPLYING

- Selection is based on merit; not all applicants who meet the published minimum entry requirements will receive a study offer.
- All applicants are responsible for reviewing the course requirements and tuition fees as stated on the NIDA website.
- It is not possible to provide applicants with individual written or oral feedback on their interview.
- Applicants who receive a study offer for 2023 must accept the offer within the time frame indicated.
- It is not possible to defer a study offer at NIDA.

## **FAQs ABOUT INTERVIEWS**

### **CAN I APPLY FOR MORE THAN ONE COURSE?**

Yes, however a separate online application form is required for each course you would like to apply for.

### **WHAT ATAR SCORE DO I NEED TO GET INTO NIDA?**

Entry into NIDA is by audition or interview only. We do not ask for exam scores or ATARs. However, all applicants applying for any MFA courses at NIDA must have an undergraduate degree in (in any area) or at least five years' relevant experience in a related area.

### **WHAT DO I DO IF I HAVEN'T RECEIVED DETAILS OF MY APPLICATION ACCOUNT?**

If you do not receive any automated emails from NIDA regarding your application account, please check your junk/spam/promotions filter. If you are still experiencing difficulties, please contact us at [applications@nida.edu.au](mailto:applications@nida.edu.au)

### **WHERE WILL MY INTERVIEW TAKE PLACE?**

All interviews for MFA (Cultural Leadership) will take place via Zoom.

### **DOES NIDA GIVE INTERVIEW FEEDBACK?**

Due to the large number of people being interviewed, it is not possible for NIDA to provide individual feedback.

### **WHAT HAPPENS AFTER MY INTERVIEW?**

Final selections are made for the MFA (Cultural Leadership) course by October, and study offers will be distributed to successful applicants via email.

## **APPLYING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AT NIDA**

As part of the application process, once applicants have reached a level of eligibility for scholarships they will be notified to apply. Please see the NIDA website to obtain more information about scholarships.

<https://www.nida.edu.au/courses/undergraduate/scholarships>

### **WHEN CAN I APPLY FOR A FUTURE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS FOR NIDA?**

NIDA notifies an applicant that they are successful in getting through to the relevant round. The applicant may then apply for a Future scholarship via the link to the application form.

### **WHEN DO I APPLY FOR ENROLLED STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS FOR NIDA?**

On your first week at NIDA, you will be sent an email with an application form to apply for scholarships for enrolled students.