The Professional Development Program is a compulsory part of HDR candidature at JCU.

Compulsory Components
Compulsory for all HDR candidates. Total of 28 hours.

Unless the Graduate Research School has formally granted Recognition of Prior Learning, the following Compulsory Components must be undertaken by all HDR candidates and will comprise attendance at sessions or completion of online modules covering the following topics:

- **GRS Induction – Face to Face ONLY. March and September sessions offered**
- **Resilient HDR Candidature - Face to Face ONLY. March and September sessions offered**
- Preparation for Confirmation of Candidature
- Introduction to Professional Writing and Editing
- Plagiarism and 'Safe Assign'
- Data Storage and Management
- Intellectual Property and Copyright
- Overview of Workplace Safety Arrangements
- OneDrive

(Learn JCU Higher Degree by Research Organisation)
- Research Methods in Literature Review
- Research Integrity online module

It is important to attend the compulsory GRS Induction and Resilient HDR Candidature in person because these are only available Face to Face.

Make sure you enrol as places fill quickly. Registrations open 6 weeks prior to the workshop date via CareerHub

Elective Components
Minimum 92 hours for doctoral candidates who commenced from 1 January 2018; 52 hours for other candidates.

You can choose from the Elective Components offered by the GRS Professional Development Program, other academic units at JCU, or organisations or agencies external to JCU (e.g. ATN e-Grad School, ACSPRI, etc.). Payment for these courses (if required) can be charged to your Student Services Account, providing there are sufficient funds.

There is no requirement for candidates of research masters degrees to attend any elective component; however you are encouraged to do so in accordance with your Professional Development Audit and Plan.

Professional Development Workshops
Please go to the GRS Website to view the current workshop schedule.
https://www.jcu.edu.au/graduate-research-school/Workshops-and-training/RD7003-compulsory-workshops