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Specialist maritime training to be offered from iconic Sydney location following the Australian Maritime College’s expansion

The University of Tasmania’s Australian Maritime College will expand its reach into key national and international markets following the establishment of a study centre at Sydney’s iconic Darling Harbour.

The College will deliver two postgraduate maritime degrees from its waterfront base at the Australian National Maritime Museum (ANMM) from February 2018, with plans for a third degree to come online in 2019.

AMC Principal, Professor Neil Bose, said the establishment of the interstate study centre would further strengthen the College’s reputation as Australia’s national institute for maritime training, education, consultancy and research, and offer opportunities for future strategic growth.

“The establishment of this study centre helps to support our vision to inspire and shape the maritime world and strategically aligns with our student growth and industry engagement plans,” Professor Bose said.

“Darling Harbour is an iconic location for the national maritime sector and Sydney is the centre of operations for the Royal Australian Navy, offering AMC prominent exposure to recreational, commercial and naval activities in the area.

“Establishing a local presence will allow us to strengthen ties with the surrounding ports, logistics, engineering and defence industries; as well as provide our students with access to internships and project work within those sectors.

“This move enhances and consolidates AMC’s role as a centre of national excellence, anchored proudly in Launceston. We will see Sydney-taught Masters students doing project and laboratory work in Launceston and the increased profile will have direct positive impact for student numbers in Tasmania.”
ANMM Director and CEO, Kevin Sumption, said: “The Australian National Maritime Museum is delighted to welcome the Australian Maritime College to Sydney. As the national centre for the promotion and conservation of Australia’s maritime heritage and culture, it is a natural fit for the museum to partner with our nation’s leading institute for maritime education, training and research.

“This Centre will provide unique opportunities for the museum to use our historic fleet, collection and stories to connect with the future leaders of our maritime industry. We’re also very excited about the opportunities this partnership brings for our visitors to engage with living industry and what will be the heritage of the future.”

AMC will deliver two Masters level courses from its Sydney study centre from February 2018. The Master in Maritime Engineering degree is targeted at engineering professionals already in the workforce who wish to develop a career in the technical management of maritime engineering projects, including those in maritime defence, naval platform development and autonomous underwater vehicles.

The MBA in Maritime and Logistics Management is a business-oriented program that equips graduates with a high level of understanding of the logistics and maritime industries and prepares them to undertake senior management positions in these industries.

The establishment of the centre builds upon other successful interstate ventures including: the delivery of maritime training programs in the Torres Strait Islands; training partnerships with key interstate education providers, including the third year of the nautical science degree at TAFE NSW Hunter Institute; and industry-tailored short courses delivered through the College’s commercial arm, AMC Search.

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