Tertiary Preparation Program (ACEQorPREPorTPPG) - TPP

- to increase the numeracy, literacy and study-management skills of people who want to gain entry to tertiary education
- to increase the progression rates and to reduce the attrition rates of students who gain entry to tertiary education programs
- to increase the probability that people make an adequately informed career choice when contemplating undertaking a career that involves undertaking study in a tertiary education program
- to increase the levels of self esteem and of self-confidence in the ability to successfully undertake formal study of people who aspire to undertake study in a tertiary education program

Specific content objectives are found in the relevant course specifications (see Appendix).

# **Admission requirements**

There is no specified minimum educational entrance standard.

Normally, to be eligible for enrolment in the program a person will have attained an age of at least 18 years in the year of the proposed enrolment.

The approved application form for entry to the TPP is required to be completed in full. All applicants are required to complete placement achievement tests in mathematics and English communication skills. In the remainder of this document the term 'communication skills' refers to English communication skills.

Four levels of mathematics courses are provided in the program. Individual advice is provided by TPP mathematics lecturers to applicants as to the most appropriate mathematics learning pathway to undertake in the program to enable them to achieve their career aspirations. The advice is based on the individual applicant's performance on the mathematics placement test. The mathematics courses are tailored to meet individual student needs and career requirements.

Two pathways to developing academic communication skills are provided in the program, each by a particular course. Individual advice is provided to applicants by TPP communication skills lecturers as to the most appropriate pathway to undertake to enable them to achieve the standard of academic communication skills required for successful completion of the program. The advice is based on the individual applicant's performance on the communication skills placement test.

# How to apply

#### International students

This program is offered to international students. An international student is a person who is not an Australian or New Zealand citizen and not an Australian permanent resident. Please refer to USQ International for information about entry requirements, visa arrangements and how to apply.

# **Domestic students**

To apply for the Tertiary Preparation Program, complete the TPP Application Form. If you would like to be considered for a fee-free place, also complete the TPP Fee-free Application Form and attach any required documentation. If you have any questions or need any assistance in applying, call us on 1800 269 500.

## **Program fees**

# Domestic full fee paying place

Domestic full fee paying places are funded entirely through the full fees paid by the student. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the Course Fee Finder.

Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who reside outside Australia pay full tuition fees.

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called FEE-HELP.

#### International full fee paying place

International students pay full fees. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken and whether they are studied on-campus, via distance education/online. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the Course Fee Finder.

## Fee exempt places

All domestic students are offered a fee-free place provided they meet the citizenship and residency requirements as follows:

- Australian citizens
- holders of a Permanent Humanitarian Visa (and resident in Australia)
- holders of a Permanent Resident Visa (and resident in Australia)
- New Zealand citizens (resident in Australia).

## **Program structure**

The Program consists of a common compulsory core component of specified courses and several optional courses of specialisation. Successful completion of the Program equates to successful completion of the core component of studies. The Program is designed to enable students to complete it over one full (2-semester) academic year of part-time study. However, in addition to completion of the program, some Faculties require successful completion of particular courses of specialisation as a condition for entry to particular undergraduate programs. Courses of study offered by the program are listed below.

# Core component

- TPP7120 Studying to Succeed (two units)\* and one of four possible mathematics coursesTPP7180;TPP7181; TPP7182; TPP7183 (one unit).
- \* On the basis of performance on the communication skills placement test, a student may be directed to complete TPP7110 Orientation to Tertiary Study (two units) before enrolling in TPP7120 Studying to Succeed.

# Courses of specialisation

- TPP7155 General Science
- •

specialised de

