

## Master of Business (MBIS) - MBus

CRICOS code (International applicants): 061303B

	On-campus*	Distance education
<b>Semester intake:</b>	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)
<b>Campus:</b>	Springfield, Toowoomba	-
<b>Fees:</b>	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
<b>Standard duration:</b>	1.5 years full-time, up to 6 years part-time	
<b>Program articulation:</b>	From: <a href="#">Postgraduate Certificate in Business</a>	

### Notes:

There are limited courses available in semester 3.

### Footnotes

\* not all specialisations are available on-campus

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## Program focus

The Master of Business is an advanced academic program for graduates of any discipline or for students with extensive relevant business experience. This program aims to develop generic business skills and to extend those in a specialised area.

### Accounting and Sustainable Business

**No new enrolments will be accepted in 2013.**

This specialisation provides advanced study in corporate environmental management, environmental politics and policy, and accounting and finance issues related to sustainability. Graduates in Business (or related disciplines) may be eligible for up to 4 exemptions for foundation courses, to be granted on the basis of prior successful completion of relevant undergraduate study.

### Applied Finance

This specialisation provides advanced study in finance, including global financial markets, investment management strategies and international financial management. Graduates in Business (or related disciplines) may be eligible for up to 4 exemptions for foundation courses, to be granted on the basis of prior successful completion of relevant undergraduate study.

Graduates of this specialisation meet the educational entrance requirements to become a Senior Associate member of the [Financial Services Institute of Australasia](#) (Finsia), and meet the education requirements for professional membership of the [Finance and Treasury Association](#) (FTA).

## **Business Forensics**

**No new enrolments will be accepted in 2013.**

This specialisation focuses on the prevention and detection of fraud and manipulation of financial reports. It provides advanced study in forensic accounting, financial statement analysis, business intelligence and information security, which are key skills for accountants who wish to specialise in this field. Graduates in Business (or related disciplines) may be eligible for up to 4 exemptions for foundation courses, to be granted on the basis of prior successful completion of relevant undergraduate study.

## **Information Systems**

This specialisation provides advanced study in information systems planning and implementation, decision support, data communications, project management, information security and strategy. Graduates in Business (or related disciplines) may be eligible for up to 4 exemptions for foundation courses, to be granted on the basis of prior successful completion of relevant undergraduate study.

## **Property**

This specialisation provides a concise, focused program that considers all aspects of property, including the development of new property projects, ownership and management of property assets, and consideration of the legal environment in which projects are managed.

Graduates in business and property-related disciplines may be eligible for up to 4 exemptions for elective courses, to be granted on the basis of prior successful completion of relevant undergraduate study.

## **Program aims**

The Master of Business is an advanced academic program for graduates of any discipline or for students with extensive relevant business experience. This program aims to develop generic business skills and to extend those in a specialised area.

## **Program objectives**

Upon completion of the Master of Business, students will be able to:

- demonstrate underlying knowledge of the theoretical structure underpinning their chosen area of specialisation
- apply those theoretical principles in business
- apply a range of management skills relevant to their specialisation.

## **Admission requirements**

Subject to approval by the Director of Coursework Studies, admission to the Master of Business degree will be available to graduates with an approved bachelor degree.

Applicants for the Accounting and Sustainable Business and Business Forensics specialisations must hold one of the following from a recognised University:

- an approved undergraduate degree in Commerce (Accounting) or a related discipline, or
- a Master of Professional Accounting, or
- a Diploma of Business subject to the approval of the Director of Coursework Studies.

Candidates who do not have a degree may be permitted to enrol in the [Postgraduate Certificate in Business](#), provided that they have a minimum of 3 years full-time equivalent work experience, which includes relevant experience, as determined by the Director of Coursework Studies. Upon completion and achievement of a minimum GPA of 4.0, they will be eligible to articulate into the Master of Business.

International applicants must have met the [University's English language requirements](#) or have completed the [University's ELICOS/EAP programs](#).

## **How to apply**

### **Domestic students**

[Application for postgraduate programs](#) may be made directly to USQ.

### **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.

## **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](#).

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [FEE-HELP](#) provided they meet the residency and citizenship requirements.

Australian citizens, Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who will be resident outside Australia for the duration of their program pay full tuition fees and are not eligible for [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](#).

## **Program structure**

The program is comprised of 12 units.



<a href="#">MGT5000 Managing Organisational Behaviour</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S3 (EXT, WEB)	S1 (ONC)
<a href="#">MKT5000 Marketing Management</a>	S2 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S3 (EXT, WEB)	S2 (ONC)
<b>Core courses</b>		
<a href="#">FIN8104 International Financial Management</a>	S2 (ONC, EXT)	
<a href="#">FIN8201 Finance for Executives</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT)	
<a href="#">FIN8202 Financial Markets and Instruments</a>	S2 (ONC, EXT)	
<a href="#">FIN8203 Strategic Investments</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT)	
<b>Electives — select 4 electives — two of which must be 8000 courses.</b>		
Select any 4 courses from the <a href="#">Master of Business Administration</a> or Master of Business approved by the Director of Coursework Studies.		

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**plus any 3 other courses from the [Master of Business Administration](#) or Master of Business approved by the Director of Coursework Studies.**

**Footnotes**

^ This course is unavailable on-campus at Springfield in 2013.

\* This course will not be offered in 2013.

**Information Systems**

Students must study 4 foundation, 7 core and 1 elective course.

Course	Semester/Mode of Offer Toowoomba Campus	Semester/Mode of Offer Springfield Campus
<b>Foundation courses</b>		
<a href="#">CIS2000 Systems Analysis and Design</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT), S3 (EXT)	
<a href="#">CIS2002 Database Design and Implementation</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT), S3 (EXT)	
<a href="#">CIS3008 Information Technology Service Management</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT)	
<a href="#">CIS8000 Global Information Systems Strategy (Formerly CIS5001)</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT), S2 (ONC, EXT)	S1(ONC)
<b>Core courses</b>		
<a href="#">CIS8004 Enterprise Planning and Implementation</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT)	
<a href="#">CIS8008 Business Intelligence</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT)	
<a href="#">CIS8009 Enterprise Digital Infrastructure</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT)	
<a href="#">CIS8010 Information Systems Project Management</a>	S2 (ONC, EXT)	
<a href="#">CIS8011 Digital Innovation</a>	S2 (ONC, EXT), S3 (EXT)	
<a href="#">CIS8018 Strategic Information Security</a>	S2 (ONC, EXT)	
<a href="#">CIS8100 Digital Enterprise</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT), S3 (EXT)	
<b>Electives - select one course from the following:</b>		
<a href="#">BUS8401 Research Methodology 1 (Formerly MGT8401)</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT), S2 (ONC, EXT)	
or any other course from the <a href="#">Master of Business Administration</a> or Master of Business approved by the Director of Coursework Studies.		

**Property**

Students must study 4 core and 8 elective courses. The elective courses must include at least two 8000 courses.

Course	Semester/Mode of Offer Toowoomba Campus	Semester/Mode of Offer Springfield Campus
<b>Foundation courses</b>		
This specialisation does not have any foundation courses.		
<b>Core courses</b>		



## Other program requirements

Students must maintain good standing in this program. Please refer to Section 2 of the [Academic Standing, Progression and Exclusion Policy](#).

## Articulation

It is possible for students who do not meet standard admission requirements to articulate into the Master of Business from the [Postgraduate Certificate in Business](#). Upon completion and achievement of a minimum GPA of 4.0, they will be eligible to articulate into the Master of Business.

Students who wish to articulate to the higher award must lodge an application for entry to the relevant program.

## Exit points

A student who chooses not to complete or who does not maintain good standing in this program will be permitted to exit with a lesser qualification as set out below, provided that they have met the requirements of that program.

- A student who successfully completes 8 Master of Business units may, upon application, exit with a Postgraduate Diploma of Business. A student who has successfully completed all the requirements of at least one specialisation may have one specialisation shown on their testamur.
- A student who successfully completes all requirements for the [Postgraduate Certificate in Business](#) may, upon application, exit with that qualification. A student who has successfully completed all the requirements of a 4-unit specialisation may have that specialisation shown on their testamur.

## Exemptions

Candidates for admission to the Master of Business may be eligible for a maximum of 6 units of exemptions. With the approval of the Director of Coursework Studies these exemptions may include up to 4 unspecified exemptions, to be granted on the basis of prior successful completion of relevant undergraduate study, where a student is studying a specialisation in the same or similar discipline as their undergraduate study.

Exemptions granted for equivalent postgraduate study from a recognised university or institution must meet the following specific requirements:

- the course passed was taken at least at Masters or equivalent level
- the course was passed within 5 years prior to the application (courses up to 10 years old may be considered if evidence is provided that the applicant has been employed in that field) and
- the course passed is equivalent in objectiv



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