

# **Doctor of Applied Science (DASC) - DASC**

This program is at AQF Qualification Level 10. Graduates at this level will hav

## Program structure

This program is a 24-unit program made up of eight units of academic coursework courses and 16 units of independent research.

Note that as part of their coursework students will normally complete [MSC8001 Research Project I](#) and [MSC8002 Research Project II](#) to gain research experience, but if the student can demonstrate substantial prior research experience (such as through the completion of a relevant honours degree) the Program Coordinator may approve replacement of MSC8001 and MSC8002 with electives. Students who wish to apply for exemptions/credit based on the [USQ Credit and Exemption Procedure](#) should seek advice from the Program Coordinator via [Contact USQ](#).

## Program completion requirements

The award of a Doctor of Applied Science requires the successful completion of:

- all eight coursework courses
- an external examination of the student's thesis.

## Required time limits

Full-time candidates normally complete in 3 years. Part-time candidates will normally complete the program within 6 years of part-time study.

## IT requirements

Access to an up-to-date computer is necessary. On-campus students can access appropriately equipped laboratories, but should consider acquisition of their own computer. External students should be able to access a computer with the following [minimum standards](#) as advised by the University. All students should have access to email and the Internet via a computer running the latest versions of Internet web browsers such as Internet Explorer or Firefox. The University has a wireless network for on-campus students' computers. In order to take advantage of this facility and further enhance their on-campus learning environment, students should consider purchasing a notebook/laptop computer with wireless connectivity. A notebook/laptop may be required for some courses.

## Exit points

Candidates who complete the eight units of coursework only may satisfy the requirements for the [Graduate Diploma of Science](#).

## Credit

Exemptions/credit will be assessed based on the [USQ Credit and Exemption Procedure](#).

## Enrolment

Candidates for admission to the program should note that some of the courses specify enrolment requirements. This will mean that successful applicants may be enrolling in courses for which they do not have sufficient pre-requisite knowledge. Applicants should refer to the [course specification](#) to determine the enrolment requirements for the courses they intend enrolling in. Candidates will be expected to rectify any deficiencies in their pre-requisite knowledge by private study, guided if necessary by the examiners of the relevant courses.

## Recommended enrolment pattern - full-time

Students are able to enrol in any offered mode of a course (on-campus, external or online), regardless of the


