# Master of Professional Accounting Extended (ends 2014) (MPAE) MPA Extended

CRICOS code (International applicants): 065019G

The Master of Professional Accounting (MPAE) will accept no new admissions from Semester 1, 2015. The MPAE will be replaced with the MPAC Master of Professional Accounting from Semester 1, 2015.

	On-campus	External	Online
Semester intake:	No new admissions	No new admissions	No new admissions
Campus:	Springfield, Toowoomba	-	-
Fees:	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
Standard duration	2 years full-time, up to 6 years	ars part-time	

#### Contact us

#### **Current students**

Ask a question

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### Professional accreditation

Graduates of this program will meet the educational entrance requirements of CPA Australia and Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CAANZ). This provides Associate membership of CPA Australia, eligibility to study the CPA Australia professional exams and eligibility to study the CAANZ professional exams.

Successful completion of the Master of Professional Accounting Extended program can qualify students for exemptions from the Fundamental level (9 papers) of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) exams.

We recommend that graduates in Accounting from an overseas university obtain a qualifications assessment from CPA Australia before applying for admission. In many cases, such graduates may be required to complete only 3 - 4 courses to achieve Associate membership. These can be studied through a Graduate Certificate of Business (ends S3 2014).

#### **Local recognition (for overseas students):**

For overseas candidates seeking membership of their home accounting bodies, full members of CPA Australia and/or CAANZ are usually offered reciprocal membership. This is a fast track to become a qualified accountant in one's home country.

## **Program aims**

The Master of Professional Accounting Extended will enable non-accounting university graduates and other approved applicants the opportunity to acquire an accounting qualification recognised by the Australian accounting professional bodies. The program comprises 16 courses.

## **Program objectives**

- prepare and analyse financial and management accounting reports
- audit financial records and statements and produce audit reports
- prepare taxation returns and advise clients on taxation issues
- comprehend and apply accounting theory to current accounting developments and problems
- understand and apply the principles of business finance and investment evaluation
- comprehend the legal framework within which businesses operate and apply this knowledge in addressing commercial legal problems.

# **Admission requirements**

To gain admission into the program, applicants should satisfy one of the following admission requirement options:

# Admission requirements option 1

Applicants must have successfully completed an accredited post year 12 qualification equivalent to at least two years full-time study provided that such qualification is deemed sufficient and appropriate on application, and is in accordance with the appropriate professional body guidelines:

# Admission requirements option 2

Applicants must have completed a minimum of at least five years relevant work experience.

Applicants with overseas academic qualifications in accounting should contact either of the following professional bodies for an assessment of their qualifications (prior to applying for enrolment in the program):

- CPA Australia
- Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand.

Admission to the program will not be granted to persons who are members of or eligible for membership of CPA Australia or Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand.

All students are required to satisfy the applicable English language requirements.

If you do not meet the English language requirements you may apply to study a University-approved English language program. On successful completion of the English language program, you may be admitted to an award program.

## **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	

# Credit

As the Master of Professional Accounting Extended is a graduate conversion program, credit approved in the program does not automatically apply to other postgraduate programs offered by USQ.

Candidates for the Master of Professional Accounting Extended may be eligible for up to a maximum total of eight units of credit.

Credit may be granted on the basis of equivalent postgraduate or undergraduate study completed at a recognised university.

However, the maximum that will be considered on the basis of undergraduate study is four units of credit.

# Recommended enrolment pattern - Toowoomba campus

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

Please refer to program structure. Students requiring assistance should contact the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts.

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