# **Bachelor of General Studies (BGEN) - BGenStud**

QTAC code (Australian and New Zealand applicants): Springfield campus: 929501; External: 909505; Toowoomba campus: 909501

CRICOS code (International	applicants): 030303C
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	<b>On-campus</b> »	Online«				
Semester intake:	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July) Semester 3 (November)				
Campus:	Springfield, Toowoomba	-				
Fees:	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place				
Standard duration:	3 years full-time, 6 years part-time					
Program articulation:	From: Diploma of University Studies					

#### Footnotes

» Not all courses in this program are available on-campus at Springfield.

« Not all majors are available online.

# Contact us

Students who wish to enrol in this program are strongly advised to contact us to set out a study plan before arranging their enrolment in their chosen courses.

Future Australian and New Zealand students	Future International students	Current students
Ask a question	Ask a question	Ask a question
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269 500	Email: international@usq.edu.au	007 252
Phone (from outside Australia): +61	-	Phone (from outside Australia): +61
7 4631 5315		7 4631 2285
Email: study@usq.edu.au		Email usq.support@usq.edu.au

# **Program aims**

The Bachelor of General Studies aims to equip students with the skills to synthesise information across knowledge domains and develop academic capabilities such as searching, comprehending and evaluating information from a range of sources. The program provides the foundation for self-directed and lifelong learning as well as proficiencies in self-management and interpersonal skills across a range of contexts, preparing students for further study or new study direction.

# **Program objectives**

On completion of this program students should be able to:

- (1) gain a foundation knowledge and apply key competencies in academic writing, mathematics, digital literacies, and study skills
- (2) articulate ideas and concepts across a range of knowledge domains
- (3) apply creative, critical and analytical skills to solve problems in diverse contexts
- (4) communicate with academic clarity and coherence in written and oral forms

(5) apply ethical decision-making in diverse applications.

# **Australian Qualifications Framework**

The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) is a single national, comprehensive system of qualifications offered by higher education institutions (including universities), vocational education and training institutions and secondary schools. Each AQF qualification has a set of descriptors which define the type and complexity of knowledge, skills and application of knowledge and skills that a graduate who has been awarded that qualification has attained, and the typical volume of learning associated with that qualification type.

This program is at AQF Qualification Level 07. Graduates at this level will have broad and coherent knowledge and skills for professional work and/or further learning.

The full set of levels criteria and qualification type descriptors can be found by visiting www.aqf.edu.au.

# **Program Information Set**

View USQ's admission criteria, student profiles and a summary of all offers made under Course Admission Information Set via the QTAC website.

# Admission requirements

#### 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. Students 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. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the Course Fee Finder.

### **Program structure**

The Bachelor of General Studies provides students with the ability to choose their own study pathways from

Consult the Handbook on the Web at http://www.usq.edu.au/handbook/current for any updates that may occur during the year. Bachelor of General Studies (BGEN) - BGenStud (2018)

Total	24 units
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#### Footnotes

- Students who have equivalent knowledge in these areas may be eligible to apply for credit/exemptions. Students should complete the core courses in their first year unless they have approved credit/exemptions.
- Course selection will be subject to normal pre-requisite requirements.

Students can select courses from the following USQ programs.<sup>#</sup>

- Associate Degree of Engineering
- Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of Business and Commerce
- Bachelor of Communication and Media
- Bachelor of Creative Arts<sup>\*\*</sup>
- Bachelor of Education<sup>\*\*\*</sup>
- Bachelor of Engineering Science
- Bachelor of Human Services
- Bachelor of Science
- \*\* Students can only take theory courses in the Bachelor of Creative Arts.

\*\*\* Education: The Bachelor of General Studies is a pathway program to the Bachelor of Education. Please contact us for further advice.

# Students cannot take Nursing or Law courses.

# **Required time limits**

Students have a maximum of 9 years to complete this program.

# **Exit points**

Students may exit with the Diploma of University Studies if they have completed 8 courses as follows:

- 4 core units from the Bachelor of General Studies
- 4 other courses.

Students may exit with the Associate Degree of General Studies if they have completed 16 courses as follows:

- 4 core units from the Bachelor of General Studies
- 12 other units of which at least 4 units must be level 2.

# Credit

Candidates for admission to the Bachelor of General Studies may be eligible for up to 16 units of credit on the basis of successful completion of relevant, equivalent undergraduate study from a recognised university or institution offering equivalent study. Credit approved in this program will not automatically apply to other programs offered by USQ.

Candidates who have equivalent knowledge in core unit area/s may be eligible to apply for credit/exemptions.

### **Recommended enrolment pattern**

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.

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DIP1001 Academic and Professional English					1	1, 2, 3	
DIP1002 Strategies for Successful Study					1	1, 2, 3	
DIP1003 Essential Mathematics					1	1, 2, 3	

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or							
DIP1004 Mathematical Literacy					1	1, 2, 3	
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The remaining 20 units can be taken from all levels, but students cannot take more than eight (8) extra level 1 courses (in addition to the core courses above, to bring the maximum number of permissible level 1 courses to 12).

Students must take at least four (4) level 3 courses.

Notes:

Students enrolled in the Bachelor of General Studies who select Psychological Studies as one of their majors should note that this qualification will not necessarily provide them with a pathway to professional accreditation as a psychologist.

Education

The Bachelor of General Studies is a pathway program to the Bachelor of Education which has minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) requirements for entry. Please contact Business, Education, Law and Arts