# Master of Business Administration and Master of Professional Accounting (MBAC) - MBAMPA

CRICOS code (International applicants): 085603C

	On-campus	Online
Semester intake:	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July) Semester 3 (November)
Campus:	Springfield, Toowoomba	-
Fees:	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
Standard duration:	2.5 years full-time, up to 8 years part-time	
Program articulation:	From: Graduate Certificate of Business To: Doctor of Business Administration	

#### Notes:

There are limited courses available in semester 3.

### Contact us

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# **Professional accreditation**

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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 program can qualify students for exemptions from the Fundamental level (9 papers) of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) exams.

The Master of Professional Accounting is accredited by the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA).

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.

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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 Business Administration and Master of Professional Accounting double degree encapsulates the aims of each program. The Master of Professional Accounting is a professionally-oriented program that provides university graduates with the opportunity to acquire an accounting qualification recognised by the Australian accounting professional bodies. The Master of Business Administration is an advanced academic program for graduates from any discipline who have considerable business experience, and who have a recognised potential for advanced managerial responsibility. This program focuses on those areas of modern management that develop judgement, skills and attitudes that are essential to managerial responsibility

# **Program objectives**

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The objectives of the Master of Business Administration are to produce graduates who are able to:

- demonstrate applied knowledge of people, markets, finances, technology and management skills in practice
- identify and solve complex organisational problems, creatively, and practically to increase the effectiveness of management processes
- communicate professionally and effectively in a range of modes to various audiences to achieve targeted outcomes
- demonstrate an understanding of organisations in the global environment and the impact of these on org

# **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 09. Graduates at this level will have specialised knowledge and skills for research, and/or professional practice and/or further learning.

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

## Admission requirements

To be eligible for admission, applicants must satisfy the following requirements:

- Completion of an Australian university Bachelor degree in the area of business and a minimum of two years' professional work experience in business, or equivalent.
- English Language Proficiency requirements for Category 3.

For candidates who have a Bachelor degree or equivalent (AQF level 7) in a non-related discipline from a recognised institution, with two years' professional work experience in business, USQ's Graduate Certificate of Business provides an articulation pathway into the Master of Business Administration and Master of Professional Accounting double degree. Upon completion and achievement of a minimum GPA of 4.0, they will be eligible for entry into the Master of Business Administration and Master of Professional Accounting double degree.

Candidates with a Graduate Certificate (AQF 8) or higher qualification in any discipline, with two years' professional work experience in business may apply for entry into the Master of Business Administration and Master of Professional Accounting double degree. Eligibility for entry will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

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

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

## **Program fees**

#### Domestic full fee paying place

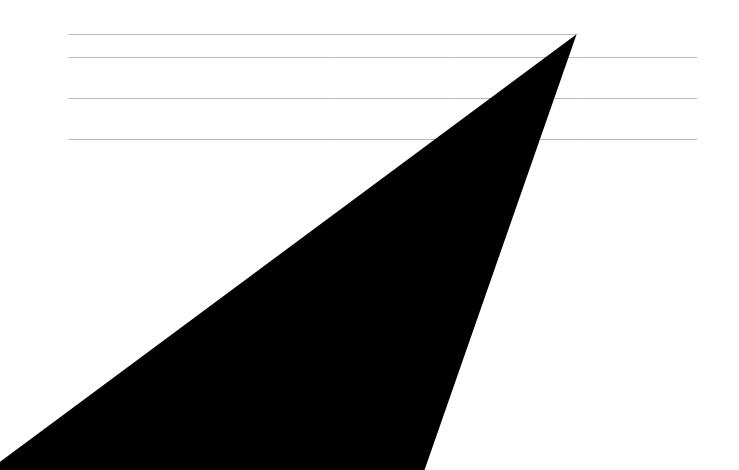
Domestic full fee paying places are funded entirely through the full fees paid by the student. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the Course Fee Finder.

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.



## Other program requirements

Students must maintain good standing in this program. Please refer to the Academic Standing, Progression and Exclusion Procedure

# Articulation

Students who complete the Master of Business Administration component are eligible to apply for the Doctor of Business Administration, provided that they meet all of the admission requirements for that program. Please refer to the Doctor of Business Administration for further information, or contact the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts.

# Exit points

A student who chooses not to complete or who does not maintain good standing in the Master of Business Administration and Master of Professional Accounting double degree may 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 all twelve courses for the Master of Business Administration, may upon application exit with that degree. 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 eight units may, upon application, exit with a Graduate 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 Graduate Certificate of Business may, upon application, exit with that qualification. A student who has successfully completed all the requirements of a four-unit specialisation may have that specialisation shown on their testamur.

# Credit

Credit may be granted on the basis of equivalent courses undertaken at postgraduate level. A double degree is required to meet the requirements of each degree studied with a maximum of 50 percent credit for each program studied individually.

The Master of Business Administration and Master of Professional Accounting double degree meets the requirements of the 12-unit Master of Business Administration and the 16-unit Master of Professional Account ing. The Master of Business Administration and Master of Professional Accounting requires 20 units to be completed with cross credit of 4 units from the Master of Business Administration and 4 units from the Master of Professional Accounting requires 20 units to be completed with cross credit of 4 units from the Master of Business Administration and 4 units from the Master of Professional Accounting.

Credit may be granted on the basis of completed equivalent postgraduate study from a recognised university. In order for credit to be granted, the claim must meet the following specific requirements:

- the course was passed within five 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)
- the course passed is equivalent in objectives, content and weightings to a course prescribed in the Master of Business Administration, or alternatively, the course is suitable as an elective
- the maximum granted is no greater than six units of credit for the Master of Business Administration
- the maximum granted is no greater than six units of credit for the Master of Professional Accounting
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# Semester 1 intake - Toowoomba

Students are able to enrol in an

