

Bachelor of Arts (BART) - BA

QTAC code (Australian and New Zealand applicants): Springfield campus: 929441; Toowoomba campus: 909441; Online: 909405

CRICOS code (International applicants): 009258A

	On-campus	Online
	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July) Semester 3 (November)

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

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

- Have achieved a minimum Overall Position (OP) **16**, tertiary entrance rank **66** or equivalent qualification.[^]
- Subject pre-requisite: English (4, SA) or equivalent.
- English Language Proficiency requirements for Category 2.

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.

[^] These are determined by the University for specific programs each Semester. The 2019 OP and tertiary entrance ranks are based on agreed QTAC schedules which assess formal study at Year 12 or [equivalent level](#), tertiary, preparatory, professional or vocational qualifications or work experience, as detailed in the QTAC Assessment of Qualifications Manual and QTAC Assessor Guidelines.

Special admissions may help you get into the program of your choice by increasing your Selection Rank. The additional points don't apply to all applicants or all programs. Please read the information about USQ's [Special Admissions](#) carefully to find out what you may be eligible for.

Program fees

Commonwealth supported place

A Commonwealth supported place is where the Australian Government makes a contribution towards the cost of a students' higher education and students pay a [student contribution amount](#), which varies depending on the courses undertaken. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#).

Commonwealth Supported students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [HECS-HELP](#).

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 Arts is comprised of 24 single-unit courses as indicated in the table below. Students are not permitted to complete more than ten Level 1 courses as part of this program.

Second major, minor and/or elective courses from other USQ undergraduate programs

Students may select a second major, minor and/or elective courses from other USQ undergraduate programs,

Total	24 units
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Required time limits

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

Core courses

All students must take the following core courses:

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Public Relations Studies
Social Justice Studies

Footnotes

* Students undertaking a Languages major cross-institutionally can complete up to 16 units in a language double major (4, 8, 12 or 16 units cross-institutionally).

Anthropology

Anthropology is the study of people and analyses what it means to be human in a wide range of contexts and places: from the study of material culture to popular culture, public health policies and the world's religions. Anthropology can be used to address some of society's most compelling questions on war, gender, discrimination, racism and other divisions of power. Students of the Anthropology Major go beyond the traditional idea of studying remote societies and cultures to look at the social and cultural experiences of our own lives; they will delve deeper into the questions they ask about the world, and be given the academic skills needed to make a difference.

Archaeology

Archaeologists give us the chance to see how people lived in the past, and how they interacted with one another and the environment. Studies of the material traces of the past also help people to make important decisions about property, resources, and cultural heritage in the present day. Students taking the Archaeology Major at USQ will open a window to the past under the direction of some of Australia's most respected archaeologists, with opportunities for practical archaeological training, including field methods and laboratory analysis.

Contemporary Media Studies

How people engage with their society is closely related to our use of media technologies, from print to screen, or from everyday interactions to social networks. This major combines the study of communications and media theories with applied studies in contemporary media institutions. Students of Contemporary Media Studies analyse the areas of film, social media, television and popular culture more broadly, all of which dynamically shape people's lives in a media-driven world.

Creative and Critical Writing

The Creative and Critical Writing major allows students to gain deep understanding of the theoretical and philosophical understandings of writing and writing practices that then inform the students' own practice as writers. Courses have a thematic focus so students acquire the skills to write effectively, but also learn to think critically about how, why, where and when we write about experiences, landscapes or people.

English Literature

English Literature fosters students' passion for great writing and develops skills in forming critical arguments, conducting research, and documenting evidence. Study in this area encourages students to be analytical and to develop a clear and expressive writing style in a range of modes. Students explore both the great works of literature as well as innovative and contemporary works of poetry, prose, drama, film, new media and critical essays.

History

The historian, like a detective, examines clues, assesses the reliability of witnesses and seeks out the reasons

Indigenous communities in Australia. Indigenous staff will enable students of this major to develop the ability to work with and within Indigenous communities in culturally appropriate and effective ways.

International Relations

This major is designed to strengthen students' understanding of Australian domestic and external affairs. A range of theoretical perspectives is examined, including institutional structures, policy frameworks, political systems and ideologies, economies and security regimes in various regions. Students will also study the complexities of cross-cultural interaction and issues which will be developed analytically through issue-based, problem-solving approaches.

Journalism Studies

The Journalism Studies major is designed for students who wish to become journalism scholars, researchers, and media commentators and specialists. Students will learn about the history and development of the free press and theories and principles that govern the practices of news institutions in the modern world. Bachelor of Arts students who wish to become practising journalists in industry should instead take the 12-unit Journalism (Extended) major.

Languages (Cross-Institutional Study)

Students wishing to undertake a Languages major can choose a major through cross-institutional study. This provides students with a broad range of language options through other institutions. Students intending to study a language must contact usq.support@usq.edu.au for further details and assistance with their cross-institutional enrolment.

Students may undertake one of the following language major options cross-institutionally:

- 4-unit language minor
- 8-unit language major
- 12-unit extended major
- 16-unit double major

Legal Studies

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constraints. Please note that non-Arts majors may also require permission from the relevant Faculty before a student can commence an academic plan including these majors.

The Bachelor of Arts at Springfield

A limited number of majors and minors are available on-campus at Springfield as indicated.

Minor Studies

Minor studies are designed to enable students to widen their knowledge and perspectives, or to complement their choice of major. Courses must be taken over at least two levels and should be in the same discipline or recognised multi-disciplinary area. Students may take one of the minors indicated in the [Minor studies](#) section of this Handbook. Students should take courses to the value of at least four units in the selected Minor study. Choice of a minor will depend on the availability of the subject area, timetabling constraints, quotas and other restrictions such as auditions 1 5038288.2ih other

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							supervisor. Enrolment is not permitted in HMT3001 or HMT3002 if PRL3002 has been previously completed.
JRN3001 Online Journalism	3	2			3	2	Pre-requisite: JRN2003 or JRN3003
HMT3002 Independent Study Project B					3	2	Pre-requisite: Completion of 16 units, of which 5 must be in area of proposed study project; subject to agreement of appropriate supervisor. Enrolment is not permitted in HMT3001 or HMT3002 if PRL3002 has been previously completed.

Footnotes

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Legal Studies (8-unit major)

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.



