

Diploma of Science Foundations (DOSF) - DipSF

This program is offered only to continuing students. No new admissions will be accepted. Students who are interested in this study area should consider the [FDUS Foundation Diploma of University Studies](#) which will be offered from Semester 2, 2016.

	Online #
Semester intake:	No new admissions
Fees:	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
Residential school:	Some Science courses have compulsory residential schools
Standard duration:	1 year full-time, 3 years part-time
Program articulation:	To: Bachelor of Science

Notes:

The Science courses are available on-campus and by distance education. Details on these faculty-specific offerings can be found from the [undergraduate Science programs](#).

The number of units credited towards the ; [Bachelor of Science](#) will depend on the courses studied and the major selected in the ; [Bachelor of Science](#).

Footnotes

The first four courses are compulsory and are only available online.

Contact us

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Program aims

This is a generalist and collaborative program offered by the Open Access College and the Faculty of Health, Engineering and Sciences. The first four courses provide students with the necessary skills and knowledge that are essential for success at the university level of study. The remaining courses from the Faculty of Health, Engineering and Sciences provide foundation science knowledge and skills in the series of four science courses studied.

Program objectives

On the successful completion of the Diploma of Science Foundations graduates will have:

- demonstrated an ability to successfully study foundation science courses
- acquired sufficient knowledge about foundation science and science programs of study to make an informed choice about further undergraduate study in the Faculty of Health, Engineering and Sciences
- developed an awareness of the nature of the study of foundation courses in the Faculty of Health, Engineering and Sciences
- developed foundation science knowledge, skills and competencies in a series of first year science courses

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.

[DIP1000 E-Literacy for Contemporary Society](#) and [DIP1002 Strategies for Successful Study](#) are co-requisites: they must be studied together, and they must be the first courses undertaken.

For part-time students, [DIP1001 Academic and Professional English](#) and [DIP1003 Essential Mathematics](#) must be studied after [DIP1000](#) and [DIP1002](#). All four courses can be taken in a single semester for those pursuing full-time studies.

Foundation studies in Science courses

After completing the four compulsory courses students can select four courses from the following selection of foundation courses* :

- [PSY1010 Foundation Psychology A](#)
- [PSY1020 Foundation Psychology B](#)
- [CSC1402](#)
- [CSC1401 F](#)

The recommended enrolment pattern for the four compulsory core courses is as follows:

Course	Enrolment Pattern						Semester
	Semester 1		Semester 2		Semester 3		
	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 1	Unit 2	
DIP1000 E-Literacy for Contemporary Society					1	1,2,3	
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	
Plus the four Science courses referred to in the Program Structure.							