# **Bachelor of Commer**

## **Program objectives**

At the completion of the program, students should be able to:

- demonstrate strong communication skills
- identify, analyse and solve problems in different decision contexts
- think constructively and logically
- make effective and creative use of modern technologies
- acquire specific knowledge and skills relevant to their major study areas
- demonstrate an understanding of the principles of accounting, finance, economics and business law
- satisfy educational entrance requirement of relevant professional bodies.

#### **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:

Year 12 English [4,SA] or equivalent is required.

Current skills at the level of Queensland Senior Secondary School Studies Maths A (4,SA) or equivalent is assumed.

Admission to the Bachelor of Commerce is in accordance with University's Admissions Policy for undergraduate programs.

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**

#### 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.

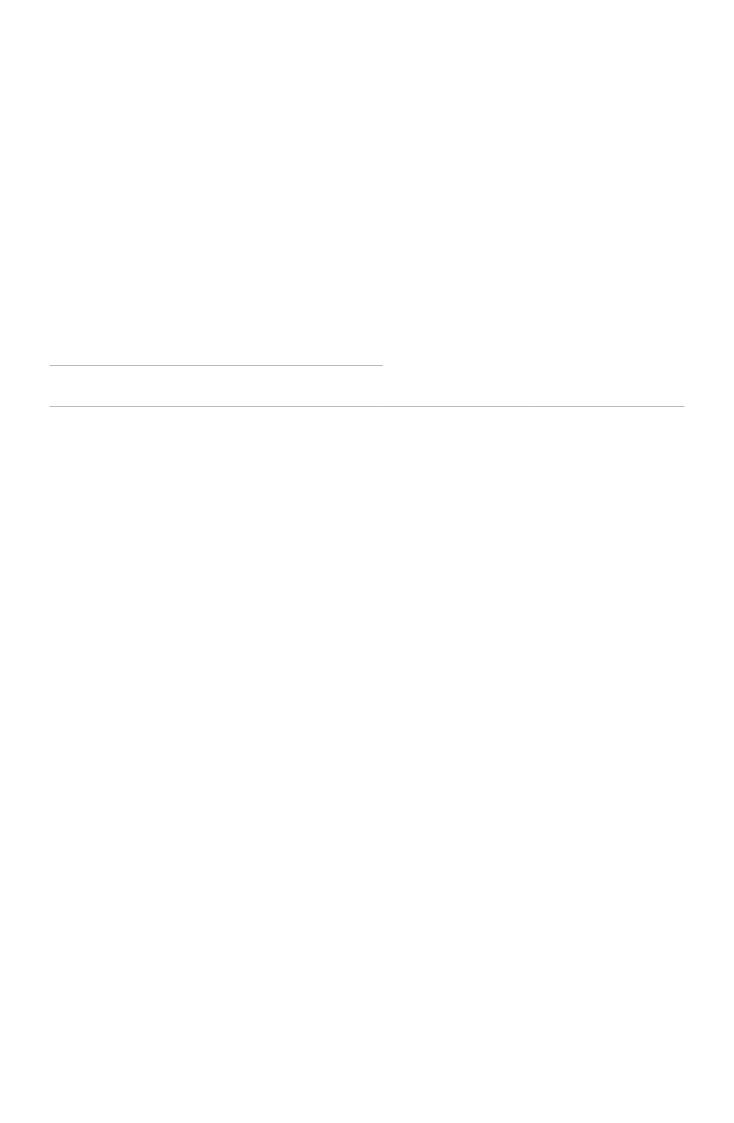
Australian citizens, Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who will be resident outside Australia for the duration of their program pay full tuition fees and are not eligible for FEE-Help.

## International full fee paying place

**Program structure** 

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.

Bachelor of Commerce is comprised of 24 single-unit courses as follows:							



Level 3									
ACC3101 Accounting Information Systems	1, 2	2	2						
ACC3116 Accounting and	1, 2	1	1						

FIN3109 Managing Financial	1	1	1
<b>Institutions</b> (Formerly			
FIN2109)			

#### Footnotes

## **General Commerce major**

Students may select 8 courses from all courses listed in Bachelor of Commerce majors.

To discuss which courses to study within the General Commerce major, please contact USQ.

<sup>\*</sup> FIN2106 Personal Financial Planning is not recommended for international students.

Select three of the following	courses:		
ACC2113 Management Accounting I	1		
ECO3002 Economic Policy Analysis	1		
CIS1101 Business Online	2, 3	2	2
CIS3008 Information Technology Service Management	1	1	1
CLI1110 Weather and Climate	1	1	
SOC3001 Global Conflict Communication	2	2	
MGT2002 Perspectives of Organisation	2, 3	2	2
MGT2008 Knowledge Management and Organisational Learning	1		
MGT3001 Global Management	1, 3	1	1
MGT3002 Managing Change	2	2	2
POL3013 Sustainability and Politics	1		
PWE3000 Professional Work	2, 3		
Experience~			
TOU2008 Ecotourism	1		
or any other course with the	approval of the Faculty	of Business, Education,	Law and Arts.

#### **Footnotes**

PWE3000 Professional Work Experience is not available to international students regardless of location or mode of study as it is an elective course. Australian regulations do not allow an elective work-based training course that is not a mandatory program requirement to be offered to international students.

## **Minor Studies**

A minor study is a coherent group of 4 courses. Within the Bachelor of Commerce, all students, except those undertaking a second major, must complete at least one 4-course minor from any minor offered by the University of Southern Queensland.

## **Bachelor of Business minors**

Refer to the Bachelor of Business entry for a list of minors offered.

#### Other minors

Students may choose courses from those listed in the Minor Studies section. Enrolment requirements must be satisfied for any course selected.

## **Accounting**

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.

Course	(	On-campus			Online	Enrolment requirements
	Toowoomba (ONC)	Springfield (ONC)	Ipswich (ONC)	EXT	ONL	
Non-business students:						
ACC1101 Accounting for Decision-Making*	S1, S2	S1, S2			S1, S2, S3	
FIN1101 Introduction to Corporate Finance	S1	S1, S2			S1, S2, S3	

Select other courses from the accounting major in the Bachelor of Business and Commerce (subject to enrolment requirements).

## Business or commerce students not undertaking an Accounting major:

Select four courses from the Accounting major in the Bachelor of Business and Commerce (subject to enrolment requirements).

#### Footnotes

\* Students must complete this course before enrolling in other courses from the Accounting major.

## **Banking and Financial Services**

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.

Students completing a Banking and Financial Services minor and who have also successfully completed FIN1101 Introduction to Corporate Finance under the core component of the Bachelor of Business and Commerce will meet the educational entrance requirements to become a member of the Financial Services Institute of Australasia (Finsia).

Course		On-campus		External	Online	Enrolment requirements
	Toowoomba (ONC)	Springfield (ONC)	Ipswich (ONC)	EXT	ONL	
FIN2108 Credit Analysis and Lending Management	S2	S2			S2	Pre-requisite: FIN1101
FIN2106 Personal Financial Planning*	S1	S1			S1	
FIN3109 Managing Financial Institutions	S1	S1			S1	Pre-requisite: FIN1103
plus one of the following courses						
ECO2000 The Macro-economy and Business					S2	
FIN1103 Financial Markets	S2	S2			S2, S3	
MGT3010 Business Strategy in a Global Environment					S1, S3	Enrolment is not permitted in MGT3010 if MKT3002 has been previously completed.
MKT2015 Creating Marketing Value	S1	S1			S1	Enrolment is not permitted in MKT2015 if MKT2012 has been previously completed.
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#### Footnotes

\* FIN2106 Personal Financial Planning is not recommended for international students.

Course	On-campus	External	Online	Enrolment requirements	
	Toowoomba Springfield	Ipswich	EXT	ONL	
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Select other courses from the Finance major within the Bachelor of Business and Commerce (subject to enrolment requirements).

#### **Footnotes**

\* Students must complete this course before enrolling in other courses from the Finance major.

## **Electives/Approved courses**

Students not completing a double major must select 4 units of elective courses from courses offered at undergraduate level within Commerce, Business and Law undergraduate programs or, with the approval of the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts, from other undergraduate programs offered by the University of Southern Queensland. Prerequisite requirements must be satisfied for any course selected.

## IT requirements

For information technology requirements please refer to the minimum computing standards.

## Other program requirements

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

## **Exit points**

Students must maintain good standing in this program (see Other program requirements section). Students not wishing to complete the Bachelor of Commerce program may be permitted to exit with either the Diploma of Business Administration or the Associate Degree of Business.

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

• 4 core courses from the Bachelor of Business, Bachelor of Commerce, or Bachelor of Business Adminis tration, and a further 4 Business and Commerce courses.

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

- 8 core courses from the Bachelor of Business or Bachelor of Commerce, and
- any 8 courses from within the Bachelor of Business, Bachelor of Commerce or Bachelor of Business Administration.

#### Credit

Candidates for admission to the Bachelor of Commerce program 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. Students studying accounting should note that professional bodies such as the CPA Australia and CAANZ adv

Given the program structure information, students should plan their enrolment making sure that they have fulfilled all core, major, minor and elective requirements. Enrolment requirements must be satisfied before enrolling in a course.

As a guide, full-time students should plan to undertake 8 courses per year and online students, who are in employment, a maximum of 6 courses per year, with a minimum of 4 courses per year. This is exclusive of any semester 3 enrolments.

Courses are normally offered on-campus and externally in the same semester. If a course is offered twice in one year, the second offering will normally be on an external basis only.

## Accounting major 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.

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Course	Year of	Year of program and semester in which course is normally studied		Enrolment requirements	Comments			
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	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	Year	Sem		
							(LAW3206 or LAW2223) for Students in Programs: BLAW or BALW or BBLA or BCLA or LLBP or BCLW) or ((LAW5602 or LAW5123) and (LAW5706 or LAW5223) for Students in Program: DJUR)	
ACC3118 Auditing	3	1					Pre-requisite: (ACC1102 or ACC2102) and ACC2115	
Minor/elective/second	3	1						

