

Graduate Certificate of Business (GCBU) - GradCertBus

QTAC code (Australian and New Zealand applicants): Toowoomba campus: GCBU01; Online: GCBU03;
Springfield campus: GCBU04

CRICOS code (International applicants): 084839B

	On-campus	Online
Start:	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:	1 semester full-time, up to 2 years part-time	
Program articulation:	To: Master of Business Administration (Offered to GCBU and GDBZ students only) ; Master of Business and Innovation ; Master of Project Management	

Notes:

Not all courses are available on-campus.

Depending on specialisation undertaken, this program may not be able to be undertaken in full-time mode.

There is no semester 3 intake for international on-campus students.

The NDIS Studies specialisation is only available part-time and there is no semester 3 intake.

Contact us

Future Australian and New Zealand students	Future International students	Current students
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Professional accreditation

USQ is a global Registered Education Provider (R.E.P.) accredited by the US-based Project Management Institute (PMI)®, which is the largest professional body for project managers in the world with over 450,000 members. USQ's status as an R.E.P. ensures the currency, quality and global recognition of the project management programs and courses offered by USQ both on-campus and online. Completion of project management courses and programs at USQ earns professional development units (PDUs) as evidence of professional development and credit towards PMI's Continuing Certification Requirements (CCR) program. Details can be obtained at the [Project Management Institute](#)

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The Graduate Certificate of Business (Project Management) is endorsed by the [Australian Institute of Project Management](#) (AIPM).

Program aims

The aim of the Graduate Certificate of Business is to enable students to undertake postgraduate study across a range of disciplines to meet their specific work-place needs or to study a discipline specialisation to either provide advanced work-place knowledge and skills or to lay a platform for further study in the [Master of Business Administration \(Offered to GCB\)](#)

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

Please note: The Emergency and Disaster Communication specialisation is not available in the [Master of Business Administration \(Offered to GCBU and GDBZ students only\)](#)

[Master of Business and Innovation](#)

- Big Data and Visualisation specialisation
- Crisis Management specialisation
- Digital Transformation specialisation
- Enterprise Leadership specialisation
- Finance specialisation
- General specialisation
- International Business specialisation
- Professional Communication specialisation
- Sustainable Business specialisation.

[Master of Project Management](#)

- Business Leadership
- Digital Marketing Analytics
- Emergency and Disaster Communication specialisation
- General specialisation
- Project Leadership specialisation
- Property Development and Management specialisation (*please note that this specialisation will be discontinued at the end of 2020)
- [Master of Business Administration \(Offered to GCBU and GDBZ students only\)](#) specialisations (excluding Project Management)
- [Master of Business and Innovation](#) specialisations.

Students intending to gain entry to the [Master of Business Administration \(Offered to GCBU and GDBZ students only\)](#) or [Master of Project Management](#) on completion of the Graduate Certificate of Business should choose 4 core courses from their intended program.

Students intending to gain entry to the [Master of Business and Innovation](#) on completion of the Graduate Certificate of Business should choose a 4-unit specialisation from the program.

Students who wish to articulate into the [Master of Business Administration \(Offered to GCBU and GDBZ students only\)](#), [Master of Business and Innovation](#), [Master of Information Systems](#), [Master of Professional Accounting](#) or [Master of Project Management](#) must meet the program admission requirements before applications for credit will be considered.

Students who wish to gain maximum credit for courses completed in the Graduate Certificate of Business upon entry to the [Master of Business Administration \(Offered to GCBU and GDBZ students only\)](#) should consider the Business Administration specialisation.

Students who have completed the Graduate Certificate of Business and do not have a minimum of two years' full-time relevant professional work experience in business are not eligible to apply for entry to the [Master of Business Administration \(Offered to GCBU and GDBZ students only\)](#) or [Master of Project Management](#) until they have satisfied this work experience entry requirement.

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](#).

Articulation

Upon successful completion of the Graduate Certificate of Business with a minimum GPA of 4.0, a student may articulate into the [Master of Business Administration \(Offered to GCBU and GDBZ students only\)](#), [Master of Business and Innovation](#) or [Master of Project Management](#) provided they meet other program entry requirements, including a minimum of two years' full-time relevant professional work experience in business for the [Master of Business Administration \(Offered to GCBU and GDBZ students only\)](#) and the [Master of Project Management](#).

Students who complete the Graduate Certificate of Business and maintain satisfactory academic standing (GPA 3.5) but do not achieve a GPA of 4.0 can articulate into the [Graduate Diploma of Business](#). On successful completion of the [Graduate Diploma of Business](#), students can articulate into the [Master of Business Administration \(Offered to GCBU and GDBZ students only\)](#), [Master of Business and Innovation](#) or [Master of Project Management](#) provided they meet other program entry requirements.

Graduates of the NDIS Studies specialisation should seek specialist program advice.

There is no other articulation pathway from the Graduate Certificate of Business.

Exit points

There are no exit points from the Graduate Certificate of Business.

Credit

Credit may be granted on the basis of equivalent courses undertaken at postgraduate level. In order for credit to be granted, the claim must meet the following specific requirements:

- the course passed was taken at least at Masters or equivalent level
- the course was passed within 5 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 Graduate Certificate of Business, or alternatively, the course is suitable as an elective
- where the student has taken out an award from a recognised tertiary institution and is claiming credit on the basis of courses completed to meet the requirements of that program, the maximum credit on the basis of such courses shall be no greater than 2 courses for the Graduate Certificate of Business
- credit approved in this program will not automatically apply to other programs offered by the University of Southern Queensland.

Note: Where credit is granted, maximum and minimum duration will be adjusted in the same proportion as the credit, for example, where the maximum of 50 per cent credit is granted, maximum and minimum duration will be reduced by one-half.

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. 782 97.772882 97.772882 97.672
