# Master of Business Administration and Master of Professional Accounting (ends 2014) (MBPA) - MBAMPA

CRICOS code (International applicants): 067691C

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 MBAC Master of Business Administration and Master of Professional Accounting which will be offered from Semester 1, 2015.

	On-campus	External
Start:	No new admissions	No new admissions
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 years full-time, up to 6 years part-time	

#### Notes:

There are limited courses available in semester 3.

#### Contact us

#### **Current students**

Ask a question

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#### **Professional accreditation**

#### **Master of Professional Accounting component**

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.

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 (ends S3 2014).

Local recognition (for overseas students): 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 Professional Accounting will enable non-accounting university graduates the opportunity to acquire an accounting qualification recognised by the Australian accounting professional bodies.

The Master of Business Administration aims to produce graduates who have been exposed to a range of management skills and who have been trained to use these skills in a manner that will enable them to better handle the managerial demands of modern business practices.

### **Program objectives**

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

- thoroughly understand the basic theories and skills of modern management discipline areas
- display competence in a wide range of areas relevant to management practice at senior levels
- demonstrate their knowledge of current behavioural, policy and strategic issues so as to improve organisational efficiency
- use well-developed communication skills to interact effectively with other people at a superior and lower work level
- comprehend, analyse and evaluate internal and external environmental forces, and develop strate

## **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.

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#### Required time limits

Students have a maximum of 6 years to complete this program.

#### 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**

A student who chooses not to complete or who does not maintain good standing in this program will 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 requirements for the may, upon application, exit with that qualification.
- A student who successfully completes 8 Master of Business Administration and Master of Professional Accounting courses may, upon application, exit with a Postgraduate Diploma of Business.
- A student who successfully completes the requirements for either Master of Business Administration (Offered to GCBU and GDBZ students only) and Master of Professional Accounting (ends 2014) courses may, upon application, exit with that degree.

#### 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.

This double degree meets the requirements of the 12-unit Master of Business Administration (Offered to GCBU and GDBZ students only) and the Master of Professional Accounting (ends 2014). The two programs together require the completion of 24 units, including the possibility of 12 units of credit with up to six units of credit from each program. The structure of this double degree, Master of Business Administration and Master of Professional Accounting, has been designed to include the cross allocation of eight units of credit leaving students the possibility of a further four units of credit.

In order for a 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 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 program course, 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 one-half of the total courses for the program
- credit approved in this program will not automatically apply to other programs offered by the USQ.

**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 percent credit is granted, maximum and minimum duration will be reduced by one-half.

## Recommended enrolment pattern - Toowoomba

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.		

