Diploma of Arts (DART) - DipArts

QTAC code (Australian and New Zealand applicants): Toowoomba campus: 909351; External: 909355

CRICOS code (International applicants): 045302C

This program is offered only to continuing students. No new admissions will be accepted. Students who are interested in this study area should contact us.

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 05. Graduates at this level will have specialised knowledge and skills for skilled/paraprofessional 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) 17, tertiary entrance rank 62 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 Diploma of Arts comprises eight units of study, generally requiring completion of eight courses, one of which is a core course. The remaining seven units of courses come from USQ course offerings. While students may choose any seven courses, it is recommended that study is chosen from three discipline areas unless students plan to complete seven units from a major study in a single discipline area. The Diploma of Arts may articulate into other USQ undergraduate degree programs. Students are advised to contact the relevant Faculty to discuss their course choices to ensure optimal articulation pathways. In particular

Accounting	Business, Education, Law and Arts	
Administrative Management		
Business Economics		
Business Law #		
Finance		
General Commerce		
Human Resource Management		
Information Technology Management		
International Business		
Management and Leadership		
Marketing		
Supply Chain Management		
Sustainable Business		
Sustainable Economics and Policy		
Tourism Management		
Agricultural Engineering	Health, Engineering and Sciences	
Buildings and Structures		
Civil Engineering		
Electrical and Electronic Engineering		
Electronic Manufacturing		
Environmental Engineering		
Geographic Information Systems		
Land Use Management		
Mechanical Engineering		
Surveying		
	Administrative Management Business Economics Business Law # Finance General Commerce Human Resource Management Information Technology Management International Business Management and Leadership Marketing Supply Chain Management Sustainable Business Sustainable Economics and Policy Tourism Management Agricultural Engineering Buildings and Structures Civil Engineering Electrical and Electronic Engineering Electronic Manufacturing Environmental Engineering Geographic Information Systems Land Use Management Mechanical Engineering	

Footnotes

- * In some areas, it might not be possible to complete the normal major study requirements for professional accreditation. Permission to undertake some majors or disciplines or courses of study might be subject to meeting the pre-requisite requirements.
- # Students taking the Business Law discipline should select from the following courses: LAW1101 (compulsory), LAW2104, LAW2106

 Note: Nursing and Teaching Practice courses are not available.

Note: In order to identify individual courses for first major/discipline codes, you will need to consult the relevant section of this Handbook.

Required time limits

Students have a maximum of 4 years to complete this program.

Core courses

Commencing students must complete CMS1000 Communication and Scholarship or equivalent in their first semester of study. A credit for CMS1000 Communication and Scholarship may be granted for students with a previous USQ undergraduate degree.

Articulation

A Diploma of Arts, subject to selection of appropriate courses, articulates into most USQ programs. Students must keep in mind that normal entry requirements still apply for their chosen area of study ie interviews, auditions etc.