# Graduate Certificate of Professional Studies (GCPS) - GradCertProfSt

CRICOS code (International applicants): 096810E

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

	On-campus	External
Start:	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July) Semester 3 (November)
Campus:	Toowoomba	-

# **Program aims**

The aim of this program is to provide experienced professionals with Graduate Certificate level research opportunities (and some coursework as required) that will engage issues that are relevant and meaningful to them, help to sustain their communities and help to fulfil their lives.

## Australian Qualifications Framework

The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) is a single national, comprehensive system of qualifications offered by higher education institutions (including uni

#### 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 Graduate Certificate of Professional Studies is a four unit program consisting of:

- completion of the course WRP9012 Fundamentals of Professional Studies (2 units)
- completion of the course WRP9013 Professional Studies Research Project 2 (2 units).

#### Program completion requirements

To graduate from the Graduate Certificate of Professional Studies a candidate must complete four course units at USQ as stipulated in the Recommended Enrolment Pattern below.

### **Required time limits**

Students have a maximum of 2 years to complete this program.

# **IT requirements**

Computer literacy is now expected as part of professional life, and as an integral element in the studying and learning process. Many courses make use of the Internet through online discussion groups and course web pages. This course requires substantial access to a computer and the internet. Students will be required to make use of up-to-date computer technology to facilitate learning, research, and the production of assessment material. Please refer to computer requirements. Twenty-four hour computer access is available at USQ.

#### **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.

Students may be admitted to the program at the beginning of Semester 1 or Semester 2 or Semester 3. The 'standard' rate of progression for part-time students is 4 units per year. Students should undertake the 2 unit course WRP9012 Fundamentals of Professional Studies at the commencement of their program and prior to their enrolment in the 2 unit course WRP9013 Professional Studies Research Project 2 unless agreed otherwise with their supervisor.

