

Bachelor of Creative Arts (BCRA) - BCA

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

- genuine engagement with relevant industry bodies and networks that will enable them to develop the work ethic necessary for practice as an independent, articulate professional creative artist
- a proficiency in the pursuit of research in creative arts; to document, and further explore the role this plays in cultural growth of a nation/society.

Admission requirements

To be eligible for admission, applicants must satisfy the following requirements:

All applicants will be required to attend an interview. Please contact the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts to arrange an interview. Intervie

- Applicants will need to be part of an ensemble in their local area, or form an ensemble. Arrangements can be discussed during a telephone interview.
- Instrument tuition is the responsibility of the applicant.

Theatre - requirements for all Theatre applicants

All applicants for the Theatre major must:

- attend an audition and interview. Please note that as no individual interview times are allotted, applicants must be prepared to wait until they are called.
- attend an on-campus workshop on the day, specific to their ability in taking direction. Stage Management applicants with a Certificate III in Live Production (CUE60203 or CUS30209) or attendance at an ARTT workshop are exempt from this component.
- prepare a statement (approximately 500 words) addressing the following: the most influential theatre experience that inspired you to study at USQ. The submission should be typed and signed by you, with a statement which certifies that the work is your own. Please present your submission at interview.

Theatre - Acting Option

In addition to the above requirements, Acting applicants must prepare a monologue (minimum of 60 seconds) from a published theatre play. The interview will take place after the audition.

Theatre - Stage Management Option

In addition to the above requirements, Stage Management applicants will be interviewed to discuss their interests in and/or experiences with technical theatre and/or scenography.

Visual Arts

All applicants for the Visual Arts major must:

- present a folio of recent or current works. This will not be retained by USQ after the interview.
- present photographs of your artworks that are too large to bring to the interview. The photographs must provide an indication of the scale of your work.
- provide a statement (approximately 500 words) addressing the following: interest, enthusiasm and purpose in study visual arts; career aspirations; knowledge of visual arts processes and theory; demonstrated perceptual ability and hand skills; critical abilities; and evidence of self-motivation, initiative and commitment. The submission should be typed and signed by you, with a statement which certifies that the work is your own. Please present your submission at interview.

Visual Arts - Distance Education (External) Studies:

All Visual Arts courses can be completed by distance education (e

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 Schedules](#).

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 Schedule](#)

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 Schedules](#).

Program structure

The Bachelor of Creative Arts consists of 24 units. These are broadly divided into discipline majors (in Music, Theatre, Creative Media, or Visual Arts), minors, electives and one core Arts course. Each Creative Arts discipline offers 16 courses for students which is made up of 8 courses in theory and 8 in practice. Students may elect to do a full discipline major of 16 courses in one discipline area or divide this into 2 majors of 8 courses across 2 discipline areas. Together with [CMS1000 Communication and Scholarship](#), students should take one of the following combinations of elements:

- 16 unit Discipline Major *plus* 1 Core Course *plus* 7 units towards a major in either another discipline in the Bachelor of Creative Arts or other undergraduate Arts course. This is the most ideal combination for students seeking to do the one year graduate diploma in teaching upon completion in order to become a secondary school teacher as it provides ample room for a second teaching area;
- 16 unit Discipline Major *plus* 1 Core Course *plus* 4 unit Minor *plus* 3 Electives. This combination allows flexibility in choosing the best possible minor suite;
- 8 unit Discipline Major (Theory) *plus* 8 unit Discipline Major (Practice) *plus* 1 Core Course *plus* 4 unit Minor *plus* 3 Electives. This allows for maximum flexibility.

Students will be advised to enrol in specific combinations of majors, minors and electives to enhance their opportunities for employment or further study. Further details of these combinations can be obtained from the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts. In some instances, however, combinations preferred by individual students may not be available due to quota, timetable or enrolment pattern constraints.

Combination

Major sequence 2	8 (Practice)	8
Sequence 3	7	7
		24

Combination 2

On-campus students only	First year level	Second year level	Third year level	Total
Core courses	1			1
Major sequence 1	8 (Theory)			8
Major sequence 2	8 (Practice)			8
Minor sequence	4			4
Elective courses	3			3
				24

Required time limits

Students have a maximum of 9 years to complete this program.

Core courses

All students must take the core course [CMS1000 Communication and Scholarship](#). The recommended pattern for enrolment in this core course by full-time on-campus students is in semester 1 year 1. This pattern should only be varied with the permission of the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts. There are an additional 3 School core courses that all students undertaking the BCA are advised to enrol in throughout the third year of their degree: [BCA3000 BCA Project A](#); [BCA3001 BCA Project B](#); [BCA3002](#) .

Major studies

A major study is a specified group of courses with a value of eight units. A major must have courses over three levels and contain at least two courses at third level. The following major studies are offered:

- Creative Media 1 105.98 328.95 Tm(v)T8 328.95 Tm(v)Tj1 0/F0 12 Tn02 .

All of the discipline areas of the Creative Arts will offer suites of minors and electives from their existing major course offerings. Students should take courses to the value of at least four units in the selected minor study. Choice of a minor will depend on the availability of the subject area, timetabling constraints, quotas and other restrictions such as interviews in certain areas of the Creative Arts, as well as approval of the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts.

There are three suites of minors that exist specifically to aid the delivery of performance content and outcomes for Creative Arts. These are offered to students in 2nd and 3rd years after they have completed one full year of the Bachelor of Creative Arts. These are:

- THE2011 #
- THE2031 #
- [THE3021 Acting 3](#) #
- [THE3023 Acting 4](#) #
- THE2012
- THE2032
- THE3022 Advanced Technical Theatre
- THE3024 Audio Visual Design for Theatre
- MUI2041
- MUI2042
- MUI3000
- MUI3001 .

Entry into either the Acting or Stage Management minors are via an audition/interview that takes place at the end of the first year of study with a full major in Theatre (16 courses in Theatre).

Electives/Approved courses

Elective courses are designed to enable students to further increase their knowledge and widen their perspectives. Choice of an elective will depend on the availability of the course(s), timetabling constraints, quotas, and other restrictions such as auditions and interviews in certain areas of the Arts, as well as approval by the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts.

Courses available for elective study are generally those found in [Minor studies](#).

IT requirements

Access to high-level computers is necessary. On-campus students will access appropriately equipped laboratories, but should consider acquisition of their own computer. External students should be able to access a computer with the following minimum standards:

- Pentium or equivalent, 128Mb Ram, 20Gb 7200 RPM Hard disk, SVGA with at least 32Mb video RAM, Windows 98/2000*, mouse, sound card, CD-RW drive, modem, or
- Apple Mac or equivalent, 128Mb Ram, 20Gb 7200 RPM Hard Disk, 15" Flat Monitor, Mac ROM, Ti, Mac OS 7.0 or 9.0

Articulation

Students undertaking aspects of the Bachelor of Creative Arts as an extension of TAFE studies, or through any of our current Articulation Agreements (such as the College of Creative Arts in Melbourne), are encouraged to visit the [USQ Arts program listings](#) for current advice on enrolments.

Credit

Students seeking entry into the Bachelor of Creative Arts from other degree courses will have credit considered on an individual basis. Please email study@usq.edu.au to obtain advice.

Course transfers

Students wishing to transfer from another degree into the Bachelor of Creative Arts may do so. However, in addition to your USQ application, you are required to audition and/or interview for the major of your choice. Please see Admission Requirements above. It is the responsibility of the student to register for this process.

Other information

Creative Media, Music, Theatre and Visual Arts majors will require materials, clothing and resources which relate to each major.

Students studying both practical and theory majors need to be aware that the theory major has equal importance for successful completion of their degree.

Enrolment

All students are urged to adhere to the recommended enrolment patterns as detailed in relevant Sections. Completion of enrolment requirements will be necessary before a student will be permitted to enrol in more advanced courses.

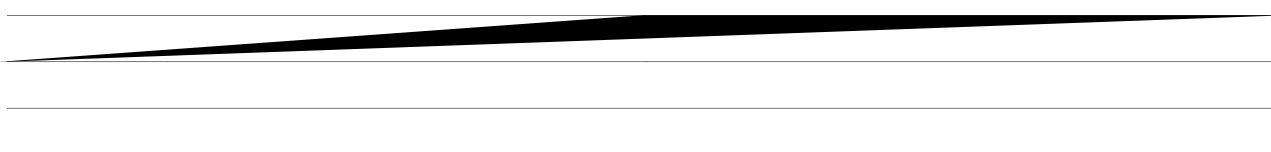
Students should also heed the following advice:

- One major of seven units or a minor study of four units or three elective units may be taken from non-Arts undergraduate programs with approval of the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts;
- If students wish to combine 2 Discipline Majors they must contact the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts as to the appropriate Theory and Practice combinations available to them;
- On-campus students should take courses in the on-campus (ONC) mode and will only be permitted to take courses externally during Semester 1 and 2 with the approval of the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts.
- Students are required to monitor their own enrolments and seek help immediately if anomalies or confusion occurs.

Recommended enrolment pattern - Commencing students (2013)

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.

Recommended general pattern for first year full-time students



Semester 1	Semester 2
Discipline course	Discipline course
Discipline course	Discipline course
Discipline course	Discipline course
Minor	Minor
Year 3	
Semester 1	Semester 2
Discipline course	Discipline course
Discipline course	Discipline course
Discipline course	Minor
Minor	Elective

First year enrolment

- Students should complete the core course [CMS1000 Communication and Scholarship](#) by the end of their first year of study.
- Students should commence one major study in their first year.
- Students should undertake two Elective courses that provide opportunities for minor selection that are then required in second and third year.
- Theatre students are reminded that they may specialise in either Acting or Stage Management via specialised suites of Minors after first year. They will be required to audition/interview at the completion of first year studies.

Subsequent years of enrolment

- [Minor Study](#) begins in the Bachelor of Creative Arts across second and third years.
- The final semester of 3rd year of the BCA only offers 2 Discipline courses + 1 Minor and 1 Elective (at least 3 could be chosen in EXT mode). This is so students may use their Discipline courses to concentrate their efforts in the preparation for either entry into the industry (via secondments, industry networks, etc) through the creation of a lar
