

Doctor of Business Administration (DBAR) - DBA

CRICOS code (International applicants): 077414G

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](#).

	On-campus	External
Start:	No new admissions	No new admissions
Campus:	Toowoomba	-
Fees:	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place Research Training Program (RTP) - Fees Offset scheme	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place Research Training Program (RTP) - Fees Offset scheme

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 10. Graduates at this level will have systematic and critical understanding of a complex field of learning and specialised research skills for the advancement of learning and/or for professional practice.

The full set of levels criteria and qualification type descriptors can be found by visiting www.aqf.edu.au.

eight years part-time study for a Doctoral program, and up to a maximum period of two years for full-time or four years part-time for a Masters by Research program.

As part of the enrolment process, students are required to submit proof of citizenship or permanent residency status and transcripts of all previous academic study. This documentation enables the University of Southern Queensland to determine eligibility for an RTP Fees Offset place.

If a student's RTP Fees Offset entitlement expires before completion of the program, the student will be required to pay full tuition fees.

Students eligible for an RTP Fees Offset place are those who:

- have not used RTP Fees Offset funding in the previous three years; or
- have already used RTP Fees Offset funding and have successfully completed an HDR program. Once a student completes an HDR program, full entitlements of R

It is recommended that Australian students visit their supervisors at least once each year while they are completing their thesis. For overseas students, visits by Faculty staff could be arranged through the University's agents/partners, subject to minimum numbers.

Students must maintain good standing in this program. Please refer to the [Academic Standing, Progression and Exclusion Procedure](#).

Exit points

Students are able to exit with a Graduate Certificate of Business Research (GCBR) or Graduate Diploma of Business Research (GDBR) provided they meet the relevant requirements for the programs. Students can transfer to the lower award of [Master of Business Research](#) (MBSR) (AQF9) provided all requirements for the award of the MBSR are satisfied.

Credit

Normally no credit will be granted in this 24-unit research program. However, an applicant may have specialist knowledge built up in their previous Master's degree or in a [Master of Business Administration](#) (MBA) specialisation as well as extensive working experience in their area of interest. The candidate may be granted up to four units of credit for the MBA specialisation courses based on their completed postgraduate studies and relevant extensive experience.

Recommended enrolment pattern - full-time

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.

It is recommended that students complete all of RSH8000 Introduction to Research and [RSH8001 Research Methodologies](#) before commencing the Doctor of Business Administration Thesis courses.

The flexibility of the DBA means that there will be a range of enrolment patterns and many students will have a unique enrolment pattern. Students requiring assistance should contact the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts. A suggested enrolment pattern for a student commencing in semester 1 is set out in the following table:

Consult the Handbook on the Web at <https://www.unisq.edu.au/handbook/current> for an

Footnotes

* For the thesis component of their studies, students should enrol in either [DBA9100](#), [DBA9200](#) or [DBA9400](#).