# Graduate Diploma of Business Administration (GDBA) - GDBAdmin

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| Start:                |   |  |
| Fees:                 | Domestic full fee paying place<br>International full fee paying place                       |  |
| Standard duration:    | 4 teaching periods (8 months) full-time, up to 4 years part-time                            |  |
| Program articulation: | From: Graduate Certificate of Business Administration To: Master of Business Administration |  |

### Contact us

| Future Australian and New Zealand students | Future International students   | <b>Current students</b>             |
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## **Program aims**

This is a pathway program, designed to provide students who do not yet meet the entry requirements of the Master of Business Administration (MBA) program, to still engage with the courses and learning experiences provided by the MBA. Upon completion of this program, students who meet all entry requirements will be offered the option to articulate to the MBA. The program is offered in intensive 8-week blocks of study with 6 teaching periods per year. This 1 59.528 3081 rWruobjectivem aimsfered ruob081 1530n0(feres who meet all experiences).

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| Choose 6 of the following:                        |      |
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| MBA8003 Analysing Business Data                   | 3, 5 |
| MBA8004 Leading a High-Performance Culture        | 4, 6 |
| MBA8005 Shaping Organisational Policy             | 1, 5 |
| MBA8006 Balancing Drivers of Business Performance | 2, 6 |
| MBA8007 Designing Systems for Impact*             | 1, 3 |
| MBA8008 Communicating Strategically*              | 2, 5 |
| MBA8009 Mobilising Your People*                   | 3, 4 |
| MBA8010 Leading through a Crisis                  | 4, 6 |

<sup>\*</sup>This course will be offered from 2022.

Please refer to the current USQ Course Specifications page for further information surrounding particular courses.

## Required time limits

Students have a maximum of four 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.

#### Articulation

Upon successful completion of the Graduate Diploma of Business Administration with a minimum GPA of 4.0, a student may articulate into the Master of Business Administration provided they meet other program entry requirements, including a minimum of two years' full-time relevant professional work experience in business.

### **Exit points**

A student who chooses not to complete or who does not maintain good standing in this program may be permitted to exit with a lesser qualification as set out below:

A student who successfully completes MBA8001 Leveraging your Leadership Identity, MBA8002 Making
Decisions Strategically and any two other Master of Business Administration courses (with the exception
of MBA8011 Driving Growth and Innovation and MBA8012 Capstone: Dream Big) may, upon application,
exit with a Graduate Certificate of Business Administration.

#### Credit

Credit may be granted on the basis of completed equivalent postgraduate study from a recognised university. In order for credit to be granted, the claim must meet the following specific requirements:

- 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 sufficiently equivalent in objectives, content and weightings to a course prescribed in the Graduate Diploma of Business Administration or alternatively, the course is suitable as an electiv

<sup>\*\*</sup> For further information on Teaching Periods please see the MBA entry in our Program Guide (see Apply section).

- 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 no greater than 4 courses for the Graduate Diploma of Business
  Administration.
- Credit approved in this program will not automatically apply to other programs offered by the USQ.

Claims for credit should be submitted prior to or at the time of enrolment in a course. Each claim will be assessed on individual merit in line with USQ policy. Credit approved in this program will not automatically apply to other programs offered by USQ. Please contact the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts for further information.

## Teaching Period 1 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.

| Courses  | Requisite required: | Recommended enrolment pattern: |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Core courses:  |                     |                                |
| MBA8001 Leveraging Your<br>Leadership Identity       |                     | Teaching Period 1, 2021        |
| MBA8002 Making Decisions<br>Strategically            | MBA8001             | Teaching Period 2, 2021        |
| Choose 6 of the following:                           |                     |                                |
| MBA8003 Analysing Business Data                      | MBA8001 & MBA8002   | Teaching Period 3, 2021        |
| MBA8004 Leading a<br>High-Performance Culture        | MBA8001 & MBA8002   | Teaching Period 4, 2021        |
| MBA8005 Shaping Organisational Policy                | MBA8001 & MBA8002   | Teaching Period 5, 2021        |
| MBA8006 Balancing Drivers of<br>Business Performance | MBA8001 & MBA8002   | Teaching Period 6, 2021        |
| MBA8007 Designing Systems for Impact*                | MBA8001 & MBA8002   | Teaching Period 1, 2022        |
| MBA8008 Communicating<br>Strategically*              | MBA8001 & MBA8002   | Teaching Period 2, 2022        |
| MBA8009 Mobilising Your<br>People*                   | MBA8001 & MBA8002   | Teaching Period 3, 2022        |
| MBA8010 Leading through a Crisis*                    | MBA8001 & MBA8002   | Teaching Period 4, 2022        |

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