

## Master of Business Administration and Master of Professional Accounting (MBPA) - MBAMPA

CRICOS code (International applicants): 067691C

	On-campus	Distance education
<b>Semester intake:</b>	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July) Semester 3 (November)	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July) Semester 3 (November)
<b>Campus:</b>	Springfield, Toowoomba	-
<b>Fees:</b>	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
<b>Standard duration:</b>	2 years full-time, up to 6 years part-time	
<b>Program articulation:</b>	From: <a href="#">Postgraduate Certificate in Business</a> To: <a href="#">Doctor of Business Administration</a>	

### Notes:

There are limited courses available in semester 3.

### Contact us

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### Program focus

The double degree in the Master of Business Administration and the Master of Professional Accounting allows the learning objectives of each program to be met. In addition, graduates will focus on professional accounting study within the broader management context of the Master of Business Administration, better preparing them for senior management roles within organisations and acquiring enhanced generic skills offered by that program. Graduates of the double degree will receive a testamur for each degree.

### Professional accreditation

#### Master of Professional Accounting component

Graduates of this program will meet the educational entrance requirements of [CPA Australia](#) and [The Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia](#) (ICAA). This provides Associate membership of CPA Australia, eligibility to study the CPA professional exams and eligibility to study the ICAA professional exams.

We recommend that graduates in Accounting from an overseas university obtain a qualifications assessment from CPA Australia before applying for admission. In many cases, such graduates may be required to complete only 3 - 4 courses to achieve Associate membership. These can be studied through a [Graduate Certificate in Business](#).

Local recognition (for overseas students): For overseas candidates seeking membership of their home accounting bodies, full members of CPA Australia and/or ICAA are usually offered reciprocal membership. This is a fast track to become a qualified accountant in one's home country.

## Program aims

The Master of Professional Accounting will enable non-accounting university graduates the opportunity to acquire an accounting qualification recognised by the Australian accounting professional bodies.

The Master of Business Administration aims to produce graduates who have been exposed to a range of management skills and who have been trained to use these skills in a manner that will enable them to better handle the managerial demands of modern business practices.

## Program objectives

The objectives of the Master of Business Administration are to produce graduates who are able to:

- thoroughly understand the basic theories and skills of modern management discipline areas
- display competence in a wide range of areas relevant to management practice at senior levels
- demonstrate their knowledge of current behavioural, policy and strategic issues so as to improve organisational efficiency
- use well-developed communication skills to interact effectively with other people at a superior and lower work level
- comprehend, analyse and evaluate internal and external environmental forces, and develop strategic plans for the management of change
- display a thorough understanding of the relevant political, cultural and business environment, and of ethical standards in modern business
- analyse developments in a chosen area of management, and to critically evaluate the relationships between such developments and contemporary theory and practice
- further enhance their managerial skills through a commitment to ongoing managerial development.

The objectives of the Master of Professional Accounting are to produce graduates who are able to:

- prepare and analyse financial and management accounting reports
- audit financial records and statements and produce audit reports
- prepare taxation returns and advise clients on taxation issues
- comprehend and apply accounting theory to current accounting developments and problems
- understand and apply the principles of business finance and investment evaluation
- comprehend the legal framework within which businesses operate and apply this knowledge in addressing commercial legal problems.

## Admission requirements

Candidates for entry into the Master of Business Administration and Master of Professional Accounting double degree must meet each of the following criteria to the satisfaction of the Director of Coursework Studies:

- hold a tertiary qualification at bachelor degree or equivalent level normally in any field other than accounting from a recognised university or tertiary institution, provided that such qualification is accepted by the Director of Coursework Studies as sufficient for admission to the program, and is in accordance with the appropriate professional body guidelines
- have a minimum of two years full-time equivalent work experience, as determined by the Director of Coursework Studies.

Applicants with overseas academic qualifications in accounting should write to either of the accounting professional bodies for an assessment of their qualifications (prior to applying for enrolment in the program).

Admission to the double degree program will not be granted to persons who are members of or eligible for membership of CPA Australia or The Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia but they may be eligible to enrol in the [Master of Business Administration](#) as a single degree.

International applicants must have met the [University's English language requirements](#) or have completed the [University's ELICOS/EAP programs](#).

## How to apply

### Domestic students

[Application for postgraduate programs](#) may be made directly to USQ.

### International students

This program is offered to international students. An international student is a person who is not an Australian or New Zealand citizen and not an Australian permanent resident. Please refer to [USQ International](#) for information about entry requirements, visa arrangements and how to apply.

## Program fees

### 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. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#).

Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who reside outside Australia pay full tuition fees.

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [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. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#).

## Program structure

Course	Semester/mode of offer Toowoomba campus	Semester/mode of offer Springfield campus
<a href="#">ACC5202 Accounting</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S2 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S3 (EXT)	S1 (ONC)
<a href="#">ACC5213 Cost and Management Accounting</a>	S1 (EXT), S2 (ONC, EXT, WEB)	S2 (ONC)
<a href="#">ACC5215 Corporate Accounting</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S2 (EXT, WEB), S3 (EXT)	S1 (ONC)
<a href="#">ACC5216 Accounting Theory</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S2 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S3 (EXT)	S1 (ONC)
<a href="#">ACC5218 Auditing Practice</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S2 (EXT, WEB), S3 (EXT)	S1 (ONC)
<a href="#">CIS8000 Global Information Systems Strategy</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT), S2 (ONC, EXT)	S1 (ONC)
<a href="#">ECO5000 Economics for Managers</a>	S2 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S3 (EXT, WEB)	S2 (ONC)
<a href="#">FIN5000 Financial Management</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S3 (ONC, EXT, WEB)	S1 (ONC)
<a href="#">FIN5003 Decision Support Tools (Formerly MGT5001)</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S3 (EXT, WEB)	S1 (ONC)
<a href="#">LAW5201 Commercial Law</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S2 (EXT), S3 (EXT)	S2 (ONC)
<a href="#">LAW5206 Corporations Law</a>	S2 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S3 (EXT)	S2 (ONC), S3 (ONC)

<a href="#">LAW5230 Taxation Law</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S2 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S3 (EXT, WEB)	S1 (ONC)
<a href="#">MGT5000 Managing Organisational Behaviour</a>	S1 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S3 (EXT, WEB)	S1 (ONC)
<a href="#">MGT8002 Strategic Management</a>	S2 (EXT, WEB), S3 (ONC, EXT, WEB)	
<a href="#">MGT8033 Leading Organisational Change</a>	S2 (ONC, EXT, WEB)	S2 (ONC)
<a href="#">MKT5000 Marketing Management</a>	S2 (ONC, EXT, WEB), S3 (EXT, WEB)	S2 (ONC)

## Required time limits

Students have a maximum of 6 years to complete this program.

## IT requirements

For information technology requirements please refer to the [computer requirements section](#).

## Other program requirements

Students must maintain good standing in this program. Please refer to Section 2 of the [Academic Standing, Progression and Exclusion Policy](#).

## Exit points

A student who chooses not to complete or who does not maintain good standing in this program will be permitted to exit with a lesser qualification as set out below, provided that they have met the requirements of that program.

- A student who successfully completes all requirements for the [Postgraduate Certificate in Business](#) may, upon application, exit with that qualification.
- A student who successfully completes 8 Master of Business Administration and Master of Professional Accounting courses may, upon application, exit with a Postgraduate Diploma of Business.
- A student who successfully completes the requirements for either [Master of Business Administration](#) and [Master of Professional Accounting](#) courses may, upon application, exit with that program.

## Exemptions

Exemptions may be granted on the basis of equivalent courses undertaken at postgraduate level. A double degree is required to meet the requirements of each degree studied with a maximum of 50% exemptions for each program studied individually.

This double degree meets the requirements of the 12 unit [Master of Business Administration](#) and the [Master of Professional Accounting](#). The two programs together require the completion of 24 units, including the possibility of 12 units of exemptions with up to 6 units of exemptions from each program. The structure of this double degree, Master of Business Administration and Master of Professional Accounting, has been designed to include the cross allocation of 8 units of exemptions leaving students the possibility of a further four units of exemptions.

In order for an exemption to be granted, the claim must meet the following specific requirements:

- the course passed was taken at least at Masters or equivalent level
- the course was passed within 5 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 equivalent in objectives, content and weightings to a course prescribed in the program course, or alternatively, the course is suitable as an elective

- where the student has taken out an award from a recognised tertiary institution and is claiming exemptions on the basis of courses completed to meet the requirements of that program, the maximum exemptions on the basis of such courses shall be one-half of the total courses for the program
- exemptions approved in this program will not automatically apply to other programs offered by the USQ.

**Note:** Where exemptions are granted, maximum and minimum duration will be adjusted in the same proportion as the exemptions, for example, where the maximum of 50 per cent exemptions is granted, maximum and minimum duration will be reduced by one-half.

## Recommended enrolment pattern - Toowoomba

Course	Year of program and semester in which course is normally studied						Enrolment requirements	Comments
	On-campus (ONC)		External (EXT)		Online (WEB)			
	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	Year	Sem		
<a href="#">ACC5202 Accounting</a>	1	1	1	1				
<a href="#">MGT5000 Managing Organisational Behaviour</a>	1	1	1	1				
<a href="#">FIN5003 Decision Support Tools</a>	1	1	2	1				Formerly MGT5001.
<a href="#">LAW5201 Commercial Law</a>	1	1	2	1				
<a href="#">ACC5213 Cost and Management Accounting</a>	1	2	1	2			Pre-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5202</a>	
<a href="#">CIS8000 Global Information Systems Strategy</a>	1	2	1	2				
<a href="#">ECO5000 Economics for Managers</a>	1	2	2	2				
<a href="#">LAW5206 Corporations Law</a>	1	2	2	2			Pre-requisite: <a href="#">LAW5201</a>	
<a href="#">FIN5000 Financial Management</a>	2	1	3	1			Co-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5202</a> or <a href="#">ECO5000</a>	
<a href="#">ACC5215 Corporate Accounting</a>	2	1	3	1			Pre-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5202</a>	
<a href="#">ACC5218 Auditing Practice</a>	2	1	4	1			Pre-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5202</a> Co-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5215</a>	
<a href="#">LAW5230 Taxation Law</a>	2	1	4	1			Pre-requisite: ( <a href="#">ACC5202</a> or <a href="#">ACC5502</a> or <a href="#">ACC5216</a> or <a href="#">ACC5218</a> ) and ( <a href="#">LAW5206</a> or Master of Business students - equivalent course/equivalent experience).	
<a href="#">ACC5216 Accounting Theory</a>	2	2	3	2			Pre-requisite/Co-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5213</a> and <a href="#">ACC5215</a>	
<a href="#">MKT5000 Marketing Management</a>	2	2	3	2				
<a href="#">MGT8033 Leading Organisational Change</a>	2	2	4	2				
<a href="#">MGT8002 Strategic Management</a> <sup>^</sup>	2	2	4	2				

### Footnotes

<sup>^</sup> This course is not available on-campus in semester 2. Students should enrol in external mode.

## Recommended enrolment pattern - Springfield

Course	Year of program and semester in which course is normally studied						Enrolment requirements	Comments
	On-campus (ONC)		External (EXT)		Online (WEB)			
	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	Year	Sem		
<a href="#">ACC5202 Accounting</a>	1	1						
<a href="#">MGT5000 Managing Organisational Behaviour</a>	1	1						
<a href="#">FIN5003 Decision Support Tools</a>	1	1						Formerly MGT5001.

Course	Year of program and semester in which course is normally studied						Enrolment requirements	Comments
	On-campus (ONC)		External (EXT)		Online (WEB)			
	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	Year	Sem		
<a href="#">LAW5201 Commercial Law*</a>	1	1						
<a href="#">ACC5213 Cost and Management Accounting</a>	1	2					Pre-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5202</a>	
<a href="#">CIS8000 Global Information Systems Strategy^</a>	1	2						
<a href="#">ECO5000 Economics for Managers</a>	1	2						
<a href="#">LAW5206 Corporations Law</a>	1	2					Pre-requisite: <a href="#">LAW5201</a>	
<a href="#">FIN5000 Financial Management</a>	2	1					Co-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5202</a> or <a href="#">ECO5000</a>	
<a href="#">ACC5215 Corporate Accounting</a>	2	1					Pre-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5202</a>	
<a href="#">ACC5218 Auditing Practice</a>	2	1					Pre-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5202</a> Co-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5215</a>	
<a href="#">LAW5230 Taxation Law</a>	2	1					Pre-requisite: ( <a href="#">ACC5202</a> or <a href="#">ACC5502</a> or <a href="#">ACC5216</a> or <a href="#">ACC5218</a> ) and ( <a href="#">LAW5206</a> or Master of Business students - equivalent course/equivalent experience).	
<a href="#">ACC5216 Accounting Theory^</a>	2	2					Pre-requisite/Co-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5213</a> and <a href="#">ACC5215</a>	
<a href="#">MKT5000 Marketing Management</a>	2	2						
<a href="#">MGT8033 Leading Organisational Change</a>	2	2						
<a href="#">MGT8002 Strategic Management^</a>	2	2						

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\* This course is not available on-campus in semester 1. Students should enrol in external mode.

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