

## Master of Professional Accounting (MP12) - MPA

CRICOS code (International applicants): 066849E

	On-campus	Distance education	Online
<b>Semester intake:</b>	Semester 1 (February)	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	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
<b>Standard duration:</b>	1.5 — 2 years full-time, up to 6 years part-time		

### Notes:

There are limited courses available at Springfield campus in semester 3.

### Contact us

Future Australian and New Zealand students	Future International students	Current students
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### Program focus

The Master of Professional Accounting is offered in order to cater for the strong demand of non-accounting degree holders to acquire professional accounting qualifications.

### Professional accreditation

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 (MPA) will enable non-accounting university graduates and other approved applicants the opportunity to acquire an accounting qualification recognised by the Australian accounting professional bodies. The program comprises 12 courses.

## Program objectives

Successful completion of the Master of Professional Accounting should enable graduates 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

To gain admission to the 12-course program, applicants must hold an approved degree in a non-accounting field 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.

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

<b>Street address:</b>		<b>Street address:</b>
The Education Assessment Officer	Or	The National Qualifications Administrator
CPA Australia Level 28, 385 Bourke Street Melbourne VIC 3000		The Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia Level 14, 37 York Street Sydney NSW 2000
<b>Postal address:</b>		<b>Postal address:</b>
GPO Box 2820AA MELBOURNE VIC 3001		GPO Box 3921 SYDNEY NSW 2000
<a href="http://www.cpaaustralia.com.au">www.cpaaustralia.com.au</a>		<a href="http://www.icaa.org.au">www.icaa.org.au</a>

Admission to the 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.

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)

## Program completion requirements

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

## 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](#).

## 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 they have met the requirements of that program.

- A student who successfully completes 8 Master of Professional Accounting courses may, upon application, exit with a [Graduate Diploma of Business](#).
- A student who successfully completes any 4 courses for the [Postgraduate Certificate in Business](#) may, upon application, exit with that qualification.

## Exemptions

As the Master of Professional Accounting is a graduate conversion program, exemptions approved in the program do not automatically apply to other postgraduate programs offered by the USQ Faculty of Business and Law.

Candidates for the 12-course Master of Professional Accounting may be eligible for up to a maximum total of 6 courses of exemptions.

Exemptions may be granted on the basis of completed equivalent postgraduate or undergraduate study from a recognised university.

However, the maximum number of exemptions that will be considered on the basis of undergraduate study is 4 courses.

## Recommended enrolment pattern - Toowoomba campus

Please refer to program structure. Students requiring assistance should contact the Senior Administration Officers (Student Support).

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	1	1		
<a href="#">LAW5201 Commercial Law</a>	1	1	1	1	1	1		
<a href="#">FIN5000 Financial Management</a>	1	1	2	1	1	1	Co-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5202</a> or <a href="#">ECO5000</a>	
<a href="#">FIN5003 Decision Support Tools</a>	1	1	2	1	1	1		Formerly MGT5001.
<a href="#">ACC5213 Cost and Management Accounting</a>	1	2	1	2	1	2	Pre-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5202</a>	
<a href="#">LAW5206 Corporations Law</a>	1	2	1	2	1	2	Pre-requisite: <a href="#">LAW5201</a>	
<a href="#">CIS8000 Global Information Systems Strategy*</a>	1	2	2	2	1	2		
<a href="#">ECO5000 Economics for Managers</a>	1	2	2	2	1	2		
<a href="#">ACC5215 Corporate Accounting</a>	2	1	3	1	2	1	Pre-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5202</a>	
<a href="#">ACC5216 Accounting Theory</a>	2	1	3	1	2	1	Pre-requisite/Co-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5213</a> and <a href="#">ACC5215</a>	
<a href="#">ACC5218 Auditing Practice</a>	2	1	3	2	2	1	Pre-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5202</a> Co-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5215</a>	
<a href="#">LAW5230 Taxation Law</a>	2	1	3	2	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)	

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	On-campus (ONC)		External (EXT)		Online (WEB)			
	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	Year	Sem		
							- equivalent course/equivalent experience).	

#### Footnotes

\* Not available in WEB mode. Students should enrol in EXT mode. External materials are fully available online via the course page, that is, identical to WEB.

## Recommended enrolment pattern - Springfield campus

Please refer to program structure. Students requiring assistance should contact the Senior Administration Officers (Student Support).

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="#">FIN5000 Financial Management</a>	1	1					Co-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5202</a> or <a href="#">ECO5000</a>	
<a href="#">FIN5003 Decision Support Tools</a>	1	1					Formerly MGT5001.	
<a href="#">CIS8000 Global Information Systems Strategy</a>	1	1						
<a href="#">LAW5201 Commercial Law</a>	1	2						
<a href="#">ECO5000 Economics for Managers</a>	1	2						
<a href="#">ACC5213 Cost and Management Accounting</a>	1	2					Pre-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5202</a>	
<a href="#">LAW5206 Corporations Law</a>	1	2					Pre-requisite: <a href="#">LAW5201</a>	
<a href="#">ACC5216 Accounting Theory</a>	2	1					Pre-requisite/Co-requisite: <a href="#">ACC5213</a> and <a href="#">ACC5215</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).	