Bachelor of Biomedical Science (Honours) (BBMH) - BBioMedSc(Hons)

This program is offered only to continuing students. No new admissions will be accepted after the Semester 2 2013 intake. Students who are interested in this area should consider the Bachelor of Science (Honours)

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| Semester intake: | Semester 1 (February)  
|                        | Semester 2 (July) |
| Campus: | Toowoomba |
| Fees: | Commonwealth supported place  
| | Domestic full fee paying place  
| | International full fee paying place |
| Standard duration: | This program must be completed within two years of first enrolling. |

Contact us

Current students

Ask a question
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Email: usq.support@usq.edu.au

Program focus

The Bachelor of Biomedical Science (Honours) gives students the opportunity to extend their knowledge and skills in a range of research areas within Biomedical Sciences. Students conduct and report on a research project under the supervision of a staff member with the appropriate expertise. The program gives students an appreciation of the professional standards required of the practising biomedical scientist, and the ethical challenges presented by modern science and technology. Students participate in research teams, are introduced to advanced experimental and literature research methods and have opportunities to make contact with the wider scientific community in the local region, elsewhere in Australia and overseas.

Program objectives

Upon completion of the Honours program, graduates will be able to:

- demonstrate high levels of proficiency in research and specific methodology including research planning and implementation, analysis, interpretation and evaluation of research results, and the presentation and communication of research findings
- demonstrate awareness of a wide range of research methods and the ethical and social responsibilities of a practising scientist
- apply the skills gained in the program to biomedical science with a high degree of proficiency
- undertake research-oriented careers or progress to higher level studies in biomedical science
- meet the academic requirements for membership of professional societies or registration boards as practising discipline specialists.
Admission requirements

General Requirements
To qualify for entry to the Bachelor of Biomedical Science (Honours) program students will:

- have been awarded a degree in the area of Honours study, normally, with a substantial amount of undergraduate study in biomedical science
- be current in biomedical science at undergraduate level. To ensure currency of knowledge, students will normally have commenced their undergraduate degree no earlier than eight years previous to the year of application and will have satisfied requirements for the award of that degree no more than three years previously
- have met minimum academic requirements in the relevant undergraduate program. These requirements normally include one or more of the following:
  - achieved a Grade Point Average equivalent to the level of Credit or better for the whole program
  - achieved a Grade Point Average equivalent to the level of Credit or better in the second and third years of the undergraduate degree
  - achieved a Grade Point Average equivalent to the level of Credit or better in biomedical science study in the undergraduate degree.

Additional Requirements
Candidates must have submitted and had approved a project proposal for which an appropriate supervisor is available before commencing studies. Acceptance will be subject to the availability of a supervisor for the project.

Discretionary Admission
The Dean may, on advice of the relevant Head of Department, admit students who do not satisfy all the general requirements for entry but who, in the opinion of the Head of Department, have a reasonable chance of success.

International applicants must also have met the University's English language requirements or have completed the University's ELICOS/EAP programs.

How to apply

Domestic students
Application for honours 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

Commonwealth supported place
A Commonwealth supported place is where the Australian Government makes a contribution towards the cost of your higher education and you as a student pay a student contribution amount, which varies depending on the courses undertaken. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the Course Fee Finder. 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. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the Course Fee Finder.
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. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the Course Fee Finder.

**Program structure**

The Honours program consists of eight units of study including six units of project courses and two units of coursework. Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Biomedical Science (Honours) must seek advice from the Program Coordinator on:

- selection of an appropriate project
- selection of appropriate special course of study
- detailed procedures for supervision, preparation and submission of progress reports and project material.

The project courses give students appropriate opportunity for research and scientific investigation of a topic within the area of the major study.

**Required time limits**

Students have a maximum of 2 years to complete this program.

**IT requirements**

Students should visit the USQ minimum computing standards to check that their computers are capable of running the appropriate software and versions of Internet web browsers and to check the minimum and recommended standards for software.

**Exemptions**

No exemptions will be given from any courses in the program. Candidates must complete all courses at USQ.

**Other information**

A mid-year intake is possible. Please contact the Program Coordinator.

**Recommended Enrolment Pattern**

This program is only available in on-campus mode. Students may commence their studies in either semester 1 or semester 2. Students should refer to the Program Coordinator: telephone +61 7 4631 2361 for the current year's Honours Guidelines.

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**Footnotes**

- Students must consult the Program Coordinator on the selection of an appropriate project, and a suitable specialist topic for SCI4403.
- Three-unit course.
- May be studied in either Semester 1 or Semester 2. Students may only take each of these courses once.