

Master of Project Management and Master of Business Administration (MBAP) - MPM and MBA

This program is offered only to continuing students. No new admissions will be accepted. Students who are interested in this study area should consider the [Master of Project Management and Master of Business Administration](#) which will be offered from semester 1, 2015.

	On-campus	External
Start:	No new admissions	No new admissions
Campus:	Toowoomba, Springfield	Toowoomba
Fees:	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
Standard duration:	2 years full-time, up to 8 years part-time	
Program articulation:	From: To: Doctor of Business Administration	

Notes:

Not all specialisation courses are available on-campus at Springfield.

There are limited courses available in semester 3.

The Master of Project Management component is not offered on-campus at Toowoomba.

Contact us

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Professional accreditation

USQ is registered with the [Project Management Institute](#) (PMI)® as a Global Registered Education Provider (R.E.P.). A study of project management at USQ earns professional development units towards certification with PMI including towards the Project Management Professional (PMP)®.

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Program aims

The Master of Project Management and Master of Business Administration (MBAP) encapsulates the aims of each program. The Master of Project Management aims to produce graduates who have appropriate skills and knowledge to be capable of managing small, medium and large-sized projects as either a senior team leader, a project manager or project director. The Master of Business Administration is an advanced academic program for graduates from any discipline who have considerable business experience, and who have a recognised potential for advanced managerial responsibility. This program focuses on those areas of modern management that develop judgement, skills and attitudes that are essential to managerial responsibility.

Program objectives

The Master of Project Management aims to produce graduates who are able to:

- demonstrate underlying knowledge of the theoretical structure of project management as defined by the Project Management Body of Knowledge
- demonstrate essential skills in relation to identification and analysis of logistics management, and integrate logistics management into the overall operation of the organisation
- apply the theoretical principles of project management to a project environment in relation to project:
 - scheduling and time management
 - cost management
 - quality management
 - human resources management
 - communications management
 - risk management
 - procurement management
 - integration management
 - scope management
- apply management skills acquired through elective courses in the context of project management.

The Master of Business Administration will enhance student analytical skills related to management, people, markets, finance, and technical knowledge. Graduates will be able to solve complex organisational problems and be able to manage change through the mastery of particular skills related to creativity, information literacy, and self-reflection. The program focuses on how to demonstrate leadership in global sustainability and how to understand the nature of ethical decisions across contemporary business practice. The MBA program will enable graduates to work in virtual and non-traditional work environments and increase personal mastery in oral and written communication.

The objectives of the program are to produce graduates who are able to:

- demonstrate understanding of 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
- apply 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
- demonstrate a thorough understanding of the relevant political, cultural and business environments, 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.

Admission requirements

To be eligible for admission, applicants must satisfy the following requirements:

- a tertiary qualification at degree or equivalent level from a recognised institution as deemed sufficient and appropriate on application
- a minimum of three years' full-time equivalent work experience as deemed sufficient and appropriate on application.

Candidates who do not have a degree will be permitted to enrol in the (Business Foundation) or the (Project Management), provided that they have a minimum of three years' full-time equivalent work experience, which includes relevant experience as deemed sufficient and appropriate on application. Upon completion and achievement of a minimum GPA of 4.0, they will be eligible to articulate into the double-degree program.

Candidates who have a degree but do not have a minimum of three years' full-time relevant professional work experience will be permitted to enrol in the (Early Career) only. Upon completion and achievement of a minimum GPA of 4.0, they will be eligible for entry into the double-degree program.

All students are required to satisfy the applicable [English language requirements](#).

If students do not meet the English language requirements they may apply to study a University-approved [English language program](#). On successful completion of the English language program, students may be admitted to an award program.

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

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

Program structure

The Master of Project Management and Master of Business Administration double degree is made up of 14 courses:

- 8 [Master of Business Administration](#) core courses
- 3 [Master of Project Management](#) core courses
- the capstone course [MGT8002 Strategic Management](#)
- 2 elective courses.

Core courses

Students must complete the following core courses:

Course	Semester of offer Distance/Online	Semester of offer Toowoomba campus	Semester of offer Springfield campus
Master of Business Administration core courses:			
ACC5502 Accounting and Financial Management	1, 3	1	1
CIS8000 Global Information Systems Strategy	1, 2	1, 2	2
ECO5000 Economics for Managers	2, 3	2	2
MBA8000 Applied Business Research and Ethics	1, 2	1	1
MGT5000 Managing Organisational Behaviour	1, 3	1	1
MKT5000 Marketing Management	2, 3	2	2

MGT8022 Project-Based Management	1, 2, 3		1
MGT8033 Leading Organisational Change	1, 2		2
Master of Project Management core courses			
MGT8024 Project Quality, Risk and Procurement Management	2		2
MGT8025 Project Scope, Time and Cost Management	1		1
MGT8027 Project Human Resources, Communications & Integration Management	2, 3		2
Capstone course:			
MGT8002 Strategic Management	1, 2, 3	1	2
Plus 2 elective courses.			

Elective courses

Students must complete two elective courses. These courses must be 5000 or 8000 level courses which may be chosen from any Business and Commerce coursework Masters program. It is recommended that students confirm their choice of elective courses with the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts.

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](#).

Students who complete the Master of Business Administration component are eligible to apply for the [Doctor of Business Administration](#), provided that they meet all of the admission requirements for that program. Please refer to the Doctor of Business Administration entry in this Handbook for further information, or contact the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts.

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. This means:

- A student who successfully completes all twelve courses for the [Master of Business Administration](#), may upon application exit with that degree. A student who has successfully completed all the requirements of at least one specialisation may have one specialisation shown on their testamur.
- A student who successfully completes all eight courses for the [Master of Project Management](#), may upon application exit with that degree. A student who has successfully completed all the requirements of at least one specialisation may have one specialisation shown on their testamur.
- A student who successfully completes eight units may, upon application, exit with a Postgraduate Diploma of Business. A student who has successfully completed all the requirements of at least one specialisation may have one specialisation shown on their testamur.
- A student who successfully completes all requirements for the may, upon application, exit with that qualification. A student who has successfully completed all the requirements of a four-unit specialisation may have that specialisation shown on their testamur.

Credit

A double degree is required to meet the requirements of each degree studied with a maximum of 50% units of credit for each program studied individually.

This double degree meets the requirements of the eight-unit [Master of Project Management](#) and the 12-unit [Master of Business Administration](#). The two programs together require the completion of 20 units, including the possibility of up to 10 units of credit with up to four units of credit from the [Master of Project Management](#) and six from the [Master of Business Administration](#). The structure of this double degree, has been designed to include the cross allocation of six units of credit leaving students the possibility of a further four units of credit.

Credit may be granted on the basis of completed equivalent postgraduate or undergraduate 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 equivalent in objectives, content and weightings to a course prescribed in the [Master of Business Administration](#) program, or alternatively, the course is suitable as an elective
- the maximum granted is no greater than six units of credit for the [Master of Business Administration](#)
- the maximum granted is no greater than four units of credit for the [Master of Project Management](#)
- credit approved in this program will not automatically apply to other programs offered by USQ
- the maximum that will be considered on the basis of undergraduate study is four units of credit.

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.

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

Recommended enrolment pattern - semester 1 intake

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.

Course	Year of program and semester in which course is normally studied						Enrolment requirements
	On-campus (ONC)		External (EXT)		Online (ONL)		
	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	
ACC5502 Accounting and Financial Management	1	1	1	1			Pre-requisite: Students enrolled in one of the following Programs: Master of Professional Accounting (MPAC) or Master of Business Administration & Master of Professional Accounting (MBAC) are not eligible for enrolment
MGT5000 Managing Organisational Behaviour	1	1	1	1			
CIS8000 Global Information Systems Strategy	1	1	2	1			
MGT8022 Project-Based Management *	1	1	2	1			
ECO5000 Economics for Managers	1	2	1	2			
MKT5000 Marketing Management	1	2	1	2			
MGT8024 Project Quality, Risk and Procurement Management *	1	2	2	2			
MGT8027 Project Human Resources, Communications & Integration Management *	1	2	2	2			
MBA8000 Applied Business Research and Ethics	2	1	3	1			

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	On-campus (ONC)		External (EXT)		Online (ONL)		
	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	
Elective 1	2	1	3	1			
MGT8025 Project Scope, Time and Cost Management *	2	1	4	1			
Elective 2	2	1	4	1			
MGT8033 Leading Organisational Change	2	2	3	2			
MGT8002 Strategic Management	2	2	3	2			

Footnotes

* This course is not offered on-campus at Toowoomba.

Recommended enrolment pattern - semester 2 intake

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.

Course	Year of program and semester in which course is normally studied						Enrolment requirements
	On-campus (ONC)		External (EXT)		Online (ONL)		
	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	
ECO5000 Economics for Managers	1	2	1	2			
MKT5000 Marketing Management	1	2	1	2			
CIS8000 Global Information Systems Strategy	1	2	2	2			
MBA8000 Applied Business Research and Ethics	1	2	2	2			
ACC5502 Accounting and Financial Management	1	1	1	1			Pre-requisite: Students enrolled in one of the following Programs: Master of Professional Accounting (MPAC) or Master of Business Administration & Master of Professional Accounting (MBAC) are not eligible for enrolment
MGT5000 Managing Organisational Behaviour	1	1	1	1			
MGT8022 Project-Based Management *	1	1	2	1			
MGT8025 Project Scope, Time and Cost Management *	1	1	2	1			
MGT8033 Leading Organisational Change	2	2	3	2			
MGT8024 Project Quality, Risk and Procurement Management *	2	2	3	2			
MGT8027 Project Human Resources, Communications & Integration Management *	2	2	4	2			
MGT8002 Strategic Management	2	2	4	2			
Elective 1	2	1	3	1			
Elective 2	2	1	3	1			

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