Master of Project Management (MPPM) - MProMgt

CRICOS code (International applicants): 085606M

	On-campus	**Online**
Start:	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July) Semester 3 (November)
Campus:	Springfield	-
Fees:	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
Standard duration:	1.5 years full-time and 3 years part-time. Maximum duration is 3 years full-time and 6 years part-time.	
Program articulation:	From: Graduate Certificate of Business; Graduate Diploma of Business To: On completion of the Master of Project Management and meeting any nominated GPA requirements, students may be eligible to apply for entry into the; Doctor of Business Administration or the; Doctor of Philosophy, provided necessary entry requirements are met.	

Notes:

Where credit is granted, maximum and minimum duration will be adjusted in the same proportion as credit – for example, where four units of credit is granted, maximum duration will be two years full-time and four years part-time.

Not all specialisations are offered in on-campus mode. Where a specialisation is offered on-campus, it may not be offered in that mode at all campuses.

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Professional accreditation

USQ is a global Registered Education Provider (R.E.P.) accredited by the US-based Project Management Institute (PMI)®, which is the largest professional body for project managers in the world with over 450,000 members. USQ's status as an R.E.P. ensures the currency, quality and global recognition of the project management programs and courses offered by USQ both on-campus and online. Completion of project management courses and programs at USQ earns professional development units (PDUs) as evidence of professional development and credit towards PMI's Continuing Certification Requirements (CCR) program. Details can be obtained at the Project Management Institute

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The Master of Project Management is endorsed by the Australian Institute of Project Management (AIPM).

Program aims

The Master of Project Management enables graduates to apply an advanced body of knowledge in project management in a range of contexts for scholarship, a pathway for further learning, or professional practice to manage small, medium and large-sized projects as a senior team leader, a project manager or project director.

Program objectives

Upon completion of the Master of Project Management, graduates will be able to:

- demonstrate mastery of theoretical knowledge and to reflect critically on theory, professional practice and scholarship in project management
- investigate, analyse, synthesise and apply complex information, problems, concepts and theories to a project management body of knowledge or practice
- demonstrate technical, communication and research skills to interpret and justify theoretical propositions, methodologies, conclusions and professional decisions to specialist and non-specialist audiences
- demonstrate the application of knowledge and skills with creativity and initiative to new situations in professional practice and/or for further learning, with high level personal autonomy and accountability
- plan and execute a substantial research-based project, capstone experience and/or piece of scholarship.

Australian Qualifications Framework

The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) is a single national, comprehensive system of qualifications offered by higher education institutions (including universities), vocational education and training institutions and secondary schools. Each AQF qualification has a set of descriptors which define the type and complexity of knowledge, skills and application of knowledge and skills that a graduate who has been awarded that qualification has attained, and the typical volume of learning associated with that qualification type.

This program is at AQF Qualification Level 09. Graduates at this level will have specialised knowledge and skills for research, and/or professional practice and/or further learning.

The full set of levels criteria and qualification type descriptors can be found by visiting www.aqf.edu.au.

Admission requirements

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

- English language proficiency requirements for Category 3 (see English language requirements).
- Completed an AQF level 7 (or higher) qualification (a recognised Australian Bachelor degree is commonly an AQF 7 qualification).
- More than two years' experience working in a business environment.

For candidates who do not meet the AQF level 7 entry requirement, USQ's Graduate Certificate of Business provides an alternative articulation pathway into the Master of Project Management.

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 consists of 12 courses, each of one unit, and has the following structure:

- core (8 units) – 4 foundation core courses of one unit, three advanced core courses of one unit each, and one advanced capstone course of one unit, plus
- a named (coursework or research) specialisation of four courses or a general specialisation of four courses.

When choosing a study plan, it is recommended that students complete the foundation core courses wherever possible prior to enrolling in the advanced core courses.

The specialisation of four courses may take the form of one of the following:

- a named coursework specialisation offered as part of this program:
  - Emergency and Disaster Communication
  - Project Leadership

- a named research specialisation offered as part of this program:
  - Research^

    ^   This specialisation will not have the name shown on a testamur.

- a general specialisation*^ selected from a range of courses from across the university which support the learning outcomes of the program as indicated in the program aims
- a named specialisation from the Master of Business comprising four named courses:
  - Applied Human Resource Management
  - Digital Transformation
  - Enterprise Leadership
  - Finance
  - Strategic Human Resource Management

- a named specialisation from other programs offered by USQ* which support the learning outcomes of the program as indicated in the program aims.

*   Subject to the approval of the Program Coordinator.
^   This specialisation will not have the name shown on a testamur.

Notes: Students must successfully complete 8 units of the program before enrolling in BUS8101 Business Project A (1 unit) and BUS8102 Business Project B (1 unit) and satisfy any pre-requisites for these courses. Normally these courses should be undertaken in the final semester of study.

Not all specialisations are offered in on-campus mode. Where a specialisation is offered on-campus, it may not be offered in that mode at all campuses.

Required time limits

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

Core courses

The following core courses are required:

Course	Semester of offer Online	Semester of offer Toowoomba campus	Semester of offer Springfield campus
Foundation core courses:			
MGT8022 Project-Based Management	2, 3		2
MGT8073 Project Processes and Systems	1		1
MGT8074 Project Team Leadership	2		2
MGT8075 Project Delivery	2		2
Non-foundation core courses:			
MGT8076 Project-based Change Management	1		1
MGT8077 Project Risk Management	1		1
MGT8078 Portfolio, Program and Benefits Management	1		1
MGT8079 Project Management Research Project	1		

Note: Project management core courses offered at Springfield campus are offered in intensive workshop (block teaching) mode which involves weekend sessions.

Emergency and Disaster Communication specialisation

Course	Semester of offer Online	Semester of offer Toowoomba campus	Semester of offer Springfield campus
PRL5000 Change Communication[‡]	1		
PRL8009 Disaster Communication	2		
PRL8007 Community Participation[†]	1		
Select one of the following courses:			
PRL5002 Strategic Issues and Crisis Management[‡]	2	2	
PRL8008 Social Media for Organisations	2		

Footnotes
‡   This course is offered in odd-numbered years only.
†   This course is offered in even-numbered years only.

Project Leadership specialisation

Course	Semester of offer Online	Semester of offer Toowoomba campus	Semester of offer Springfield campus
Select four courses from the following:			
MGT8002 Strategic Management	1, 2, 3		

MGT8030 Performance Management and People Development	1		
MGT8033 Leading Organisational Change	1, 2		2
MGT8037 Leading Teams to Success	2		
MGT8038 Leadership Development	1, 2		
MGT8039 Strategic Leadership	3		
MGT8040 Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Creativity	2		

Master of Business specialisations

Select a named specialisation from the Master of Business comprising four named courses.

- Applied Human Resource Management
- Digital Transformation
- Enterprise Leadership
- Finance
- Strategic Human Resource Management

General specialisation

Select 4 courses from USQ postgraduate courses which support the learning outcomes of the program as indicated in the program aims, one of which must be an 8xxx level course. Students must satisfy any applicable pre-requisite requirements.

To discuss which courses to study within the General specialisation, please contact USQ. All course pre-requisites must be met, and all courses chosen are subject to the approval of the Program Coordinator.

Research specialisation

Students who complete the Research specialisation as part of their program will be eligible to apply for entry to the PhD program subject to achieving a minimum GPA of 5.75 in the four research units and meeting other PhD entry requirements.

Course	Semester of offer Online	Semester of offer Toowoomba campus	Semester of offer Springfield campus
MBA8000 Applied Business Research and Ethics	1, 2		1
MGT8040 Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Creativity	2		
BUS8101 Business Project A	1, 2		
BUS8102 Business Project B	1, 2		

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

The Master of Project Management articulates from the Graduate Certificate of Business and the Graduate Diploma of Business.

On completion of the Master of Project Management with any specialisation with a minimum GPA of 4 for the program, students may apply for entry into the Doctor of Business Administration. The number of courses to be completed to satisfy the requirements to graduate from the Doctor of Business Administration will depend on the courses completed in the Master of Project Management.

Students completing the Master of Project Management with the Research specialisation with a minimum GPA of 5.75 for these 4 units of research study may apply for entry into the Doctor of Philosophy, subject to meeting eligibility requirements of the program. The number of courses to be completed to satisfy the requirements to graduate from the doctoral program will depend on the courses completed in the Master of Project Management.

Students wishing to consider the option to apply for entry into either of the doctoral programs should contact the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts prior to commencing their specialisation.

Students who wish to articulate to the higher award must lodge an application for entry to the relevant program.

Exit points

Students who choose not to complete or who do 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 four courses in the Master of Project Management may, upon application, exit with the Graduate Certificate of Business. A student who has successfully completed all the requirements of a 4-unit specialisation may have that specialisation shown on their testamur.
- A student who successfully completes eight courses in the Master of Project Management may, upon application, exit with a Graduate 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.

Credit

Credit may be granted on the basis of completed equivalent postgraduate study from a recognised university or on the basis of professional project management accreditation.
For credit to be granted on the basis of completed equivalent postgraduate study, the claim must meet all of the following requirements:

- 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 sufficiently equivalent in objectives, content and weightings to a course prescribed in the Master of Project Management, or alternatively, the course is suitable as an elective.
- The maximum total credit granted is no greater than 6 units of credit for the Master of Project Management.

For credit to be granted on the basis of professional accreditation, the claim must meet one of the following requirements:

- For accreditation by the Australian Institute of Project Management (AIPM) Certified Practising Portfolio Executive (CPPE) credit may be approved for two unspecified electives.
- For accreditation by Project Management Institute (PMI) The Project Management Professional (PMP)® Certification, credit may be approved for one unspecified elective.
- For accreditation by PRINCE2 Practitioner, credit may be approved for one unspecified elective.

Claims for credit should be submitted prior to 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 us for further information.

Recommended enrolment pattern for full-time study

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.

Students should consider when electives are offered and adjust their enrolment pattern accordingly.

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	
MGT8073 Project Processes and Systems	1	1			1	1	Enrolment is not permitted in MGT8073 if MGT8025 has been previously completed.
MGT8076 Project-based Change Management	1	1			1	1	
MGT8077 Project Risk Management	1	1			1	1	Enrolment is not permitted in MGT8077 if MGT8024 has been previously completed.
Specialisation/Elective/Research course	1	1			1	1	
MGT8022 Project-Based Management	1	2			1	2, 3	
MGT8074 Project Team Leadership	1	2			1	2	Enrolment is not permitted in MGT8074 if MGT8027 has been previously completed.
MGT8075 Project Delivery	1	2			1	2	Enrolment is not permitted in MGT8075 if MGT8028 has been previously completed.
Specialisation/Elective/Research course	1	2			1	2	
MGT8078 Portfolio, Program and Benefits Management	2	1			2	1	Enrolment is not permitted in MGT8078 if MGT8021 has been previously completed.
MGT8079 Project Management Research Project *					2	1	
Specialisation/Elective/Research course	2	1			2	1	
Specialisation/Elective/Research course	2	1			2	1	

Footnotes
* This course is offered online only.

Recommended enrolment pattern for part-time study

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.

Students should consider when electives are offered and adjust their enrolment pattern accordingly.

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	
MGT8073 Project Processes and Systems	1	1			1	1	Enrolment is not permitted in MGT8073 if MGT8025 has been previously completed.
MGT8076 Project-based Change Management	1	1			1	1	
MGT8022 Project-Based Management	1	2			1	2, 3	
MGT8074 Project Team Leadership	1	2			1	2	Enrolment is not permitted in MGT8074 if MGT8027 has been previously completed.
MGT8077 Project Risk Management	2	1			2	1	Enrolment is not permitted in MGT8077 if MGT8024 has been previously completed.
Specialisation/Elective/Research course	2	1			2	1	
MGT8075 Project Delivery	2	2			2	2	Enrolment is not permitted in MGT8075 if MGT8028 has been previously completed.
Specialisation/Elective/Research course	2	2			2	2	
MGT8078 Portfolio, Program and Benefits Management	3	1			3	1	Enrolment is not permitted in MGT8078 if MGT8021 has been previously completed.
MGT8079 Project Management Research Project *					3	1	
Specialisation/Elective/Research course	3	2			3	2	

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	
Specialisation/Elective/Research course	3	2			3	2	

Footnotes

*   This course is offered online only.