Tertiary Preparation Program (ACEQorPREPorTPPG) - TPP

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Notes:
The Tertiary Preparation Program is a non-award program.

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Program aims
The Tertiary Preparation Program (TPP) has two general aims. One of these is to enable people to achieve equitable access to tertiary studies to gain entry to an undergraduate program. The other general aim is to assist people to adequately prepare themselves to successfully undertake undergraduate study. Achievement of the first general aim is supported by the University’s policy under which people who successfully complete the TPP are admitted to specified undergraduate award programs of the University. Both general aims are served through achievement of the more specific program aim of enabling students to achieve mastery of the generic skills and knowledge that are essential for the successful undertaking of studies in undergraduate programs.

Program objectives
The general objectives of the program are to increase:

- the numeracy, literacy, digital literacy and study-management skills of people who want to gain entry to tertiary education
- the student’s knowledge of the academic discipline which the student aspires to study at the higher education undergraduate level
- the student’s core academic skills to enable the student to meet entry requirements and transition successfully to tertiary education programs
- the capacity for people to make an informed choice when contemplating a career requiring study in a tertiary education program
the individual and social competencies required within an academic environment for students seeking to undertake formal study in a higher education program.

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

There is no specified minimum educational achievement entrance standard.

Normally, to be eligible for enrolment in the program a person will have attained an age of at least 18 years in the year of the proposed enrolment.

All applicants are required to complete Tertiary Preparation Program placement tests in mathematics and English communication skills. Applicants will then be directed into the most appropriate available starting level in these components of the TPP. Students who do not undertake these tests will be enrolled in TPP7111 Communicating at University A and/or TPP7180 Preparatory Mathematics during their first semester of study. For students who did not complete schooling in Australia these tests are mandatory.

This program normally requires a minimum of IELTS 5.5. English language proficiency or equivalent through study or employment. In exceptional circumstances, based on results of the TPP English communication skills placement test, alternative entry approval may be given.

Program fees

Commonwealth supported place
A Commonwealth supported place is where the Australian Government makes a contribution towards the cost of a students’ higher education and students pay a student contribution amount, which varies depending on the courses undertaken. Students 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. Students 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.

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 Finder.

Fee exempt places
All domestic students are offered a fee-free place provided they meet the citizenship and residency requirements as follows:

- Australian citizens
- holders of a Permanent Humanitarian Visa (and resident in Australia)
- holders of a Permanent Resident Visa (and resident in Australia)
- New Zealand citizens (resident in Australia).
Program structure

The program consists of a compulsory component and a chosen specialisation course.

Eligibility for direct entry into any other USQ undergraduate program will depend on the student’s successful completion of required additional TPP courses as shown in the program map at the end of this section. Successful completion of required TPP courses will guarantee entry to the specified USQ undergraduate programs; however TPP courses cannot be used to gain credit towards an undergraduate program.

The compulsory components consists of a minimum of four (4) unit points made up of:

- TPP7122 Study Management
- TPP7123 Communicating at University B
- any TPP mathematics course
- plus any other TPP course except TPP7111 Communicating at University A or a TPP mathematics course that is at a lower level than a TPP mathematics course already completed by the student.

All applicants will initially enrol in TPP7122 Study Management. Applicants will also be directed to enrol initially either in TPP7111 Communicating at University A or in TPP7123 Communicating at University B on the basis of results of their TPP placement test in English communication skills. An applicant’s eligibility for initial enrolment in a particular TPP mathematics course will be determined from the results of their TPP placement test in mathematics. A student’s eligibility to enrol in a TPP mathematics course subsequent to the student’s initial enrolment in a TPP mathematics course will be determined by the highest level TPP mathematics course that the student has successfully completed.

The optional additional courses are:

- TPP7145 Introduction to the Humanities
- TPP7155 General Science
- TPP7160 Preparatory Physics
- TPP7165 Digital Literacy
- TPP7175 Introduction to Psychology and Counselling
- Any TPP mathematics course that is at a higher level than a TPP mathematics course already successfully completed by the student, and on this basis may be chosen from:
  - TPP7181 Mathematics Tertiary Preparation 1*
  - TPP7182 Mathematics Tertiary Preparation 2*
  - TPP7183 Mathematics Tertiary Preparation 3

  * subject to the student’s eligibility to enrol in the course as specified in the previous paragraph.

Students who are directed to enrol in TPP7111 Communicating at University A are required to successfully complete the course before they will be enrolled in TPP7123 Communicating at University B.

Students who are directed to enrol in TPP7180 Preparatory Mathematics are required to successfully complete the course before they will be enrolled in any other TPP mathematics course.

Program completion requirements

To successfully complete the core component of the Tertiary Preparation Program students are required to successfully complete the following courses, consisting of a total of four (4) unit points:

- TPP7122 Study Management
- TPP7123 Communicating at University B
- any TPP mathematics course in which the student is eligible to enrol, and
- any other TPP course except TPP7111 Communicating at University A or a TPP mathematics course that is at a more introductory level than a TPP mathematics course already completed by the student.
Required time limits
Students may take a maximum of three (3) semesters in total to complete the compulsory component of the program.

IT requirements
Students who enrol in the online mode are required to have reliable and ready access to email and the Internet. For information technology requirements, please see the minimum computing standards.

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.

Recommended enrolment pattern
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.

Program articulation map

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<th>Program</th>
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<td>Associate Degree of Spatial Science</td>
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| Bachelor Degrees               |                                     |                                     |
| Bachelor of Arts               | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7180           | TPP7165, TPP7145                    |
| Bachelor of Aviation           | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181           | TPP7165, TPP7182                    |
| Bachelor of Business and Commerce | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181         | TPP7165, TPP7182, TPP7183           |
| Bachelor of Construction       | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7182           | TPP7165, TPP7160, TPP7183           |
| Bachelor of Education §        | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181           | TPP7155                             |
| Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7183         | TPP7165, TPP7160                    |
| Bachelor of Engineering Science | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7183         | TPP7165, TPP7160                    |
| Bachelor of General Studies    | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7180           | TPP7165, TPP7145                    |
| Bachelor of Health             | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7182           | TPP7165, TPP7155, TPP7175, TPP7183 |
| Bachelor of Human Services     | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7180           | TPP7165, TPP7175, TPP7145          |
| Bachelor of Information Technology | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181       | TPP7165, TPP7182, TPP7183           |
| Bachelor of Laws               | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181           | TPP7165, TPP7175, TPP7145          |
| Bachelor of Nursing .          | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181           | TPP7165, TPP7155                    |
| Bachelor of Paramedicine       | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181           | TPP7165, TPP7160, TPP7182           |
| Bachelor of Science (Biology)  | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181           | TPP7155, TPP7165, TPP7182, TPP7183 |
| Bachelor of Science (Computing) | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181       | TPP7155, TPP7165, TPP7182           |
| Bachelor of Science (Counselling) | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181      | TPP7165, TPP7175                    |
Bachelor of Science (Environment and Sustainability) | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7182 | TPP7165, TPP7155, TPP7183
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Bachelor of Science (Human Physiology) | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181 | TPP7165, TPP7155, TPP7182, TPP7183
Bachelor of Science (Information Technology) | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181 | TPP7165, TPP7155, TPP7182
Bachelor of Science (Mathematics) | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181 | TPP7165, TPP7155
Bachelor of Science (Mathematics and Statistics) | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181 | TPP7165, TPP7155, TPP7183
Bachelor of Science (Physical Sciences) | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181 | TPP7165, TPP7155, TPP7183
Bachelor of Science (Psychology) | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181 | TPP7165, TPP7175, TPP7182, TPP7183
Bachelor of Science (Psychology and Human Physiology) | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181 | TPP7165, TPP7175, TPP7155, TPP7182, TPP7183
Bachelor of Science (Wine Science) | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181 | TPP7165, TPP7155, TPP7183
Bachelor of Spatial Science | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181 | TPP7165, TPP7160
Bachelor of Spatial Science Technology | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181 | TPP7165, TPP7160
Bachelor of Sport and Exercise | TPP7122, TPP7123, TPP7181 | TPP7165, TPP7155

### Footnotes

§ From 1 January 2018, all applicants for initial teacher education programs nationally, including USQ’s Bachelor of Education, must meet both academic and non-academic entry criteria, detailed in the admission requirements for the Bachelor of Education.

### Students studying over two semesters

The recommended enrolment patterns for completion of the compulsory components of the TPP within two (2) semesters are as follows:

Students who are directed to initially enrol in TPP7111 Communicating at University A

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<td>TPP7122 Study Management</td>
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<td>TPP7145 Introduction to the Humanities or TPP7155 General Science or TPP7160 Preparatory Physics or TPP7165 Digital Literacy or TPP7175 Introduction to Psychology and Counselling or a second TPP mathematics course as permitted</td>
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Students who are permitted to initially enrol in TPP7123 Communicating at University B

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<td>Students who initially enrol in TPP7122 are usually required to concurrently enrol in TPP7123 in the same semester.</td>
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TPP mathematics course, as directed

Students studying over one semester only

Students who are initially directed to enrol in TPP7123 Communicating at University B may choose to complete TPP in one semester by undertaking the four required courses during a single semester. The recommended enrolment patterns for completion of the compulsory components of the TPP within one (1) semester are as follows:

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One of the following:

- TPP7145 Introduction to the Humanities
- TPP7155 General Science
- TPP7160 Preparatory Physics
- TPP7165 Digital Literacy
- TPP7175 Introduction to Psychology and Counselling

Students enrolling in TPP7160 must enrol in TPP7182 as a pre or co requisite.