

Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science (BASC) - BA BSc

QTAC code (Australian and New Zealand applicants): External: 909685; Toowoomba campus: 909681

CRICOS code (International applicants): 078597K

	On-campus*	External
Semester intake:	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July) Semester 3 (November)
Campus:	Toowoomba	-
Fees:	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
Standard duration:	4 years full-time, 8 years part-time	

Footnotes

* Toowoomba campus — the Bachelor of Science majors of Biology, Computing, Environment & Sustainability, Food Science, Human Physiology, Information Technology, Mathematics, Mathematics & Statistics, Plant Agricultural Science, Psychology and Wine Science are available on-campus in Toowoomba.
Not all courses are available in S3, therefore full-time students may not be able to complete in 4 years if commencing in Semester 3.

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Professional accreditation

The Information Technology major is accredited at professional level by the [Australian Computer Society](#) and, through the Seoul Accord, is recognised in other countries.

The Psychology major is fully accredited by the [Australian Psychology Accreditation Council](#) as a three-year sequence of study.

Program aims

The Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science double degree aims to produce graduates who meet the aims and objectives of both the [Bachelor of Arts](#) and the [Bachelor of Science](#) degree programs. See the handbook descriptions of both degrees for further details.

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 07. Graduates at this level will have broad and coherent knowledge and skills for professional work and/or further learning.

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

Program Information Set

View USQ's admission criteria, student profiles and a summary of all offers made under [Course Admission Information Set](#) via the QTAC website.

Admission requirements

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

- Have achieved a minimum Overall Position (OP) **15**, tertiary entrance rank **68** or equivalent qualification.[^]
- Applicants must satisfy the requirements for admission to the [Bachelor of Arts](#) and the [Bachelor of Science](#).
- English Language Proficiency requirements for Category 2.

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.

[^] These are determined by the University for specific programs each Semester. The 2019 OP and tertiary entrance ranks are based on agreed QTAC schedules which assess formal study at Year 12 or [equivalent level](#), tertiary, preparatory, professional or vocational qualifications or work experience, as detailed in the QTAC Assessment of Qualifications Manual and QTAC Assessor Guidelines.

Special admissions may help you get into the program of your choice by increasing your Selection Rank. The additional points don't apply to all applicants or all programs. Please read the information about USQ's [Special Admissions](#) carefully to find out what you may be eligible for.

Program fees

Commonwealth supported place

A Commonwealth supported place is where the Australian Government makes a contribution towards the cost of a student's 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.

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 Finder](#).

Program structure

The Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science double degree comprises 32 units as follows:

Core courses	7 units
Arts courses	12 units (1 x 8 unit major + 1 x 4 unit minor, or 1 x 12 unit major)
Science courses	13 units (1 x 8 unit major + 5 units of approved courses from Sciences courses (5 units or (1 x 4 unit minor + 1 unit)), or 1 x 12 unit major + 1 elective unit from Sciences courses)

Required time limits

Students have a maximum of 9 years to complete this program.

Core courses

Students must take 4 core courses from the [Bachelor of Arts](#) and 3 core courses from the [Bachelor of Science](#).

The Bachelor of Arts core courses are:
CMS1000 Communication and Scholarship
HMT1000 A History of Ideas
HMT2000 Ethical Issues and Human Rights
ISE1000 Introduction to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Australia

Students should select their Sciences Foundation Studies core courses according to major, as listed below, except with the permission of the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts.

	Computing, Information Technology	Mathematics and Statistics, Mathematics	Plant Agricultural Science, Environment & Sustainability, Food Science, Human Physiology, Biology, Wine Science	Counselling, Psychology, and Psychology Extended	Physical Sciences	Astronomical and Space Sciences
Enabling Studies 1	CSC1401	SCI1001	SCI1001	SCI1001	CSC2401	CSC2401
Statistics	STA2300	STA2300	STA2300	STA2300	STA2300	STA2300
Enabling Studies 2	MAT1101	CSC2410	MAT1100^{^#}	PSY1030	MAT1100^{^#}	MAT1101

Footnotes

[^] If students do not have the recommended Mathematics B level for entry then they will be required to undertake [MAT1000](#) as an elective before they attempt [MAT1100](#).

[#] This course is equivalent to MAT1500.

Major studies

Arts Studies

The Arts component shall comprise:

- an eight (8) unit discipline based major from the majors available under the [Bachelor of Arts](#)
 - a four (4) unit discipline based minor from the [Bachelor of Arts](#)
- Or**
- one twelve (12) unit extended major from the majors available under the [Bachelor of Arts](#).

Note: At least two units from each major must be at third year level

Science Studies

The Science component shall comprise:

Either:

- an eight (8) unit discipline based major chosen from the majors under the [Bachelor of Science](#) (Biology, Computing, Counselling, Environment and Sustainability, Human Physiology, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, Plant Agricultural Science, Wine Science).
 - a four (4) unit study selected from one Science discipline. This four-unit study may or may not be in the same discipline as the eight (8) unit Science major or may or may not be a minor.
 - One (1) Science elective approved by the Faculty of Health, Engineering and Sciences.
- Or**
- a twelve (12) unit discipline based major chosen from the majors under the [Bachelor of Science](#) (Psychology, Information Technology or Mathematics and Statistics)
 - **and** one (1) Science elective approved by the Faculty of Health, Engineering and Sciences which may either extend the studies already selected or may be in an additional Science discipline area.

Note: the twelve (12) unit major in Psychology is an [Australian Psychology Accreditation Council](#) accredited sequence in Psychology, and students undertaking this major are eligible to apply to undertake the [Bachelor of Science \(Honours\)](#) (Psychology) degree and thus pursue further training to become a Psychologist.

Additional Requirements - Science

- At least four (4) units of study in the Science component must be at third level and no more than seven (7) courses in the Science component must be at level 1.
- Candidates completing the major in Mathematics or Mathematics and Statistics require Faculty approval to be given credit towards their award for the course [MAT1100 Foundation Mathematics](#) or for the course [MAT1000 Mathematics Fundamentals](#).
- Candidates completing the major in Computing or Information Technology will not be given credit towards their award for the course CSC1402 .
- Candidates completing the major in Computing or Information Technology can enrol in [SCI1001 Succeeding in Science](#) as an elective.

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.

- Students will normally take the core course [CMS1100 Communicating in the Sciences](#) or [CMS1000 Communication and Scholarship](#) in Semester 1 and [STA2300 Data Analysis](#) in Semester 2 as well as another approved core course in each of their first two semesters.
- Students will normally start the Arts major in Semester 1 of first year and continue it in Semester 2 of first year. The Arts minor is usually started in Semester 1 of second year.
- The Science major is usually started in Semester 1 of first year and continued in Semester 2 of first year. The Science minor study is usually started in second year subject to timetabling constraints.
- Elective courses are usually taken in third or fourth years unless required as pre-requisites.