

Undergraduate Certificate of Information Systems (COVID-19 Higher Education Support Program) (UCIS) - New

	Online
Semester intake:	Semester 2 (July)
Fees:	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place
Standard duration:	0.5 years
Program articulation:	To: Diploma of Science ; Bachelor of Information Technology

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Program aims

The Undergraduate Certificate of Information Systems is an industry-oriented qualification focussing on assisting you to develop a broad range of skills to address both technical and business information systems issues. The certificate will provide you with an opportunity to gain an understanding of the broader architecture of information systems and the principles of computer programming and the principles of modern software engineering practice, while also developing an understanding of information system analysis and design in the business context. This certificate is ideal if you know you want a career in IT but do not want to narrow your focus too early.

Program objectives

Upon successful completion, students will be able to:

- (1) apply theoretical and technical knowledge in the area of Information Systems
- (2) apply problem-solving skills and use information technology for problem solving as an individual or within a team
- (3) communicate clearly and coherently to present relevant knowledge and ideas to a range of audiences
- (4) identify, collect, analyse and manage information for a broad range of information technology issues and challenges
- (5) demonstrate an understanding of ethical standards and socially responsible information technology practices.

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:

- Admission into this short program is available to Australian Citizens and Permanent Residents who are aged 17 years or over. USQ assumes your knowledge is equivalent to four semesters at senior high school level (Years 11 and 12) with at least a satisfactory achievement in English.

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.

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](#).

Program completion requirements

Students must maintain good standing in this program. Please refer to the [Academic Standing, Progression and Exclusion Procedure](#).

Required time limits

Students have a maximum of 18 months to complete this program.

IT requirements

Students must have reliable and ready access to email and the Internet. Broadband access is required for the four compulsory core courses. For information technology requirements, please see the [minimum computing standards](#).

Articulation

Successful completion of this qualification will enable entry and four units of credit towards the [BITC Bachelor of Information Technology](#).

Undergraduate Certificate of Information Systems 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.

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	
CIS1000 Information Systems Concepts					1	2	
CIS1101 Business Online					1	2	
CSC1401 Foundation Programming					1	2	
CIS2000 Systems Analysis and Design					1	2	