Bachelor of Business (Honours) (Economics) (BS63)

Year offered: 2011
Admissions: Yes
CRICOS code: 009038B
Course duration (full-time): 1 year (2 semesters)
Course duration (part-time): 2 years (4 semesters)
Domestic Fees (indicative): 2011: CSP $4,506 per semester (indicative)
International Fees (indicative): 2011: $10,500 (indicative) per semester
Total credit points: 96
Standard credit points per full-time semester: 48
Standard credit points per part-time semester: 24
Course coordinator: Director of Higher Degree Research Studies
Discipline coordinator: Professor Adam Clements
Campus: Gardens Point

Why choose this course?
Expand your breadth and depth of knowledge in the disciplines of economics and finance, over and above your degree by completing a fourth specialist year of Honours.

Overview
The School of Economics and Finance has a strong record of research in economics, finance and econometrics. An Honours year will substantially enhance proficiency in your chosen discipline and career advancement is more rapid for Honours graduates.

Employers normally consider an Honours degree as the minimum qualification for a professional economist (this is true for both Federal and State Treasuries, the Reserve Bank and many public enterprises). In addition, financial institutions such as the major trading banks and merchant banks employ Honours graduates in finance.

Initial salary rates for Honours graduates are higher than those for ordinary degree graduates and job tasks tend to be more varied, interesting and research orientated.

Possession of an Honours degree is necessary for entrance to and assists in obtaining scholarships and other forms of financial support to undertake higher research degrees (such as the PhD).

The emphasis of the year is on depth of knowledge and small class teaching.

In addition, Honours students are expected to attend and actively participate in the strong seminar series run by the School.

Meeting minimum entry requirements does not guarantee entry into this course. Admission to the Honours program will depend on the availability of supervision, infrastructure and other required resources.

Course design
Students must complete four coursework units (48 credit points) and a dissertation (48 credit points), as per the programs of study described under the individual majors.

Unit prerequisite requirements are deemed to have been satisfied upon admission to this course. Where option (elective) units may be undertaken, students should check prerequisite requirements in the unit synopsis section of the QUT Handbook and obtain approval from the Subject Area Coordinator prior to enrolment.

Available full-time only
Please note that the majors in Finance, Economics, and Philanthropy and Nonprofit Studies are not available part-time.

Further information
For further information on this course contact the Honours Discipline Coordinator Professor Adam Clements on a.clements@qut.edu.au or Administration Officer Michelle Smith on michelle.smith@qut.edu.au

The Honours Discipline Coordinator is responsible for the administration of the course, including admissions, scholarships and determining the result for the year as a whole. If you have any questions about the course or any comments, the Honours Discipline Coordinator is your primary contact.

Important course specific enrolment advice
To obtain further information about the policies and procedures relating to this course, please refer to the Business Postgraduate Guidelines.

Other useful information can be found on the Student Services website.

Abbreviation
BBusHons(Eco)

Course Structure (full-time)

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<td>(NOT AVAILABLE FOR MID-YEAR ENTRY DUE TO UNIT AVAILABILITY, NOT AVAILABLE PART-TIME)</td>
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EFN500 Contemporary Macroeconomic Theory
EFN502 Developments in Microeconomic Theories
EFN508 Econometric Methods
EFN509 Policy Economics and Evaluation

DISSERTATION:
BSN501-1 Dissertation
BSN501-2 Dissertation
BSN501-3 Dissertation
BSN501-4 Dissertation

While enrolled in part one of the Dissertation (BSN501-1) students are required to present a seminar detailing their research proposal.

Potential Careers:
Economist.

UNIT SYNOPSISES

BSN501 DISSERTATION
Students undertake a study of an issue as the culmination of their honours program. The dissertation must have a well-developed conceptual foundation and include a primary research component.

Credit points: 12  Campus: Gardens Point  Teaching period: 2011 SEM-1 and 2011 SEM-2

BSN501 DISSERTATION
Students undertake a study of an issue as the culmination of their honours program. The dissertation must have a well-developed conceptual foundation and include a primary research component.

Credit points: 12  Campus: Gardens Point  Teaching period: 2011 SEM-1 and 2011 SEM-2

BSN501 DISSERTATION
Students undertake a study of an issue as the culmination of their honours program. The dissertation must have a well-developed conceptual foundation and include a primary research component.

Credit points: 12  Campus: Gardens Point  Teaching period: 2011 SEM-1 and 2011 SEM-2

BSN501 DISSERTATION
Students undertake a study of an issue as the culmination of their honours program. The dissertation must have a well-developed conceptual foundation and include a primary research component.

Credit points: 12  Campus: Gardens Point  Teaching period: 2011 SEM-1 and 2011 SEM-2

EFN509 POLICY ECONOMICS AND EVALUATION
This Economics Honours unit lays emphasis on economic policy and evaluation. The primary purpose of this unit is to focus on the application of microeconomic and macroeconomic principles to informing contemporary commercial, economic and social policy in Australia, and the global economy. This unit has a strong focus and will illustrate in a practical manner how economic tools can be...
used to assess policy issues and to evaluate potential solutions. The unit will complement theory with appropriate tools of analysis (inclusive of both analytical methods and model-based arguments).

**Prerequisites:** EFN500, EFN502 and EFN508

**Credit points:** 12

**Campus:** Gardens Point

**Teaching period:** 2011 SEM-2