Graduate Diploma in Business (Research) (Economics) (BS69)

Year offered: 2011
Admissions: Yes
CRICOS code: 072979M
Course duration (full-time): 1 year (2 semesters)
Course duration (part-time): 2 years (4 semesters)
Domestic Fees (indicative): 2011: $9,750 per semester (indicative)
International Fees (indicative): 2011: $11,375 per semester (indicative)
Domestic Entry: February
International Entry: February
Total credit points: 96
Standard credit points per full-time semester: 48
Standard credit points per part-time semester: 24
Discipline coordinator: Professor Janice How
Campus: Gardens Point

Why choose this course?

The Graduate Diploma in Business (Research) is a PhD qualifying course, designed to provide the initial research training required to gain entry into the PhD. The Graduate Diploma in Business (Research) is best viewed as a pathway program and not as a standalone course.

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 elective units may be undertaken, students should check prerequisite requirements in the unit synopsis section of the QUT Handbook and obtain approval from the Discipline Coordinator prior to enrolment.

PhD Pathway for International Students

Grad Dip Bus (Research) + PhD pathway for international students: If the offer for entry into BS69 is packaged with the PhD, the following conditions will apply:

1. The package is defined as a sequence of programs from BS69 to IF49;
2. Progression from BS69 to IF49 is guaranteed if the BS69 is completed with a GPA of 5.5/7 or greater;
3. A supervisor for the IF49, normally the same as the supervisor for the BS69, is confirmed when assessing entry into the BS69 program;
7. A suitable research topic and thesis title for both BS69 and IF49, the latter of which can be a progression of the topic undertaken in BS69, is confirmed when assessing entry into the BS69 program;
8. The QUT Business School guarantees Research support, places, supervisors and topic areas for IF49 12 months in advance of when the offer for BS69 is made to full time students and 24 months in advance of when the offer for BS69 is made to part time students.

Important course specific enrolment advice

This course is a PhD qualifying course, and applicants are assessed as to their potential suitability for undertaking a PhD on the completion of BS69. Prior to enrolment in BS69, a supervisor and dissertation topic must be allocated. Contact with the supervisor prior to applying for entry is essential.

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

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

Further information

For further information on this course contact the Research Discipline Coordinator Professor Janice How on janice.how@qut.edu.au or Administration Officer Michelle Smith on michelle.smith@qut.edu.au

The Research 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 Research Discipline Coordinator is your primary contact.

Abbreviation

GradDipBus(Research)(Ec)

Course Structure (full-time)

Economics

(NOT AVAILABLE FOR MID-YEAR ENTRY DUE TO UNIT AVAILABILITY, NOT AVAILABLE PART-TIME)
UNIT SYNOPSES

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

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EFN500 CONTEMPORARY MACROECONOMIC THEORY
This unit introduces students to the latest theoretical developments in the field of macroeconomics using both qualitative and quantitative approaches. It places these theories in their historical, philosophical and societal contexts. This unit looks at New Classical, New Keynesian and other theoretical approaches to a range of issues. These include: theories of expectation formation, supply side economics, labour markets, monetary theory, real business cycle theory and growth theory.
Other requisites: Unit Coordinator Approval and undergraduate degree with a major in Economics or Finance required to enrol  Credit points: 12  Contact hours: 3 per week  Campus: Gardens Point  Teaching period: 2011 SEM-1

EFN502 DEVELOPMENTS IN MICROECONOMIC THEORIES
This unit involves the discussion and analysis of contemporary developments in microeconomic theory, such as game theory and its applications, consumer behaviour, problems of collective action, evolutionary economics, the economics of voting, externalities, public goods, and the market mechanism. It explores refinements in microeconomic theory which have been contemporaneously used in the development of government policies in areas such as the environment, energy, public enterprises and industrial development.
Other requisites: Unit Coordinator Approval and undergraduate degree with a major in Economics or Finance required to enrol  Credit points: 12  Contact hours: 3 per week  Campus: Gardens Point  Teaching period: 2011 SEM-1

EFN508 ECONOMETRIC METHODS
This unit provides a comprehensive grounding in the econometric methods necessary for conducting research using such methods. Recent contributions to the econometric literature are studied.
Antirequisites: BSN506  Other requisites: Unit Coordinator Approval and undergraduate degree with a major in Economics or Finance required to enrol  Credit points: 12  Campus: Gardens Point  Teaching period: 2011 SEM-1

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