Master of Business (Research) (BS92)

Year offered: 2010
Admissions: Yes
CRICOS code: 054092M
Course duration (full-time): 3 semesters or 2 semesters
Course duration (part-time): 6 semesters or 4 semesters
Domestic fees (indicative): Australia citizens or Permanent Residents will be awarded an RTS/RTA place or a QUT sponsorship for tuition fees. If you exceed the maximum time, you will be charged - 2010: $12,000 per semester (indicative)
International Fees (indicative): 2010: $12,250 (indicative) per semester
Domestic Entry: At any time, but usually in February or July to accommodate coursework requirements
International Entry: At any time, but usually in February or July to accommodate coursework requirements
Total credit points: 144 credit points (for entry without an Honours degree) or 96 credit points (for entry with Honours and where no further coursework is prescribed at point of admission)
Standard credit points per full-time semester: 48
Standard credit points per part-time semester: 24
Course coordinator: Assistant Dean (Research)
Discipline coordinator: Associate Professor Marion Hutchinson (Accountancy); Associate Professor Jan Lings (Advertising, International Business, Marketing, Public Relations); Professor Janice How (Economics, Banking and Finance); Dr Artemis Chang (Human Resource Management, Management); Professor Per Davidsson (Entrepreneurship and Innovation); and Associate Professor Jo Barraket
Campus: Gardens Point

Majors
- Master of Business (Research) (Entrepreneurship and Innovation)
- Master of Business (Research) (Management)
- Master of Business (Research) (Banking and Finance)
- Master of Business (Research) (Public Relations)
- Master of Business (Research) (Advertising)
- Master of Business (Research) (International Business)
- Master of Business (Research) (Economics)
- Master of Business (Research) (Human Resource Management)
- Master of Business (Research) (Marketing)
- Master of Business (Research) (Philanthropy and Nonprofit Studies)
- Master of Business (Research) (Accountancy)

Why choose this course?
The Faculty of Business prides itself on delivering real-world outcomes to inform business, industry, government and community through its research activity.

Overview
The Master of Business (Research) is a three semester or 18 month program (full-time equivalent), usually involving one semester of coursework in research skills development, followed by a two semester research program culminating in the submission of a thesis of approximately 40-50,000 words. It is a Faculty-level program, completion of which may allow entry to the PhD.

The objective of the program is to train students in research methodology techniques and critical evaluation appropriate to their field of study through a specified program of research under academic supervision.

In addition, you are trained in analysing both the literature and debate in the substantive areas of the thesis topic at an advanced level. It may also provide an entry point to a PhD program.

Students can study within the following school areas:
- Accountancy
- Advertising
- Banking and Finance
- Economics
- Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- Human Resource Management
- International Business
- Management
- Marketing
- Public Relations
- Philanthropy and Nonprofit Studies

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For entry without an Honours degree, students would usually complete a semester of coursework (48 credit points) followed by a dissertation (96 credit points).

For entry with an Honours degree, and where no further coursework is prescribed at point of admission, students must complete a dissertation (96 credit points).

A grade point average of 5.0 within the prescribed coursework must be maintained in order for BS92 enrolment...
to continue. It is normal for coursework to be undertaken at or near commencement of study, unless the applicant has already completed more or less identical subjects previously. The subjects, completed at the Gardens Point campus, include training in qualitative and quantitative methods and in research methodology.

Candidates are expected to have regular face-to-face contact with supervisors and participate in scholarly activities such as research seminars and colloquia. Teaching and publishing are also encouraged.

**Discipline coordinators**

- Accountancy: Associate Professor Marion Hutchinson
- Advertising: Associate Professor Ian Lings
- Banking and Finance: Professor Janice How
- Economics: Professor Janice How
- Entrepreneurship and Innovation: Professor Per Davidsson
- Human Resource Management: Dr Artemis Chang
- International Business: Associate Professor Ian Lings
- Management: Dr Artemis Chang
- Marketing: Associate Professor Ian Lings
- Philanthropy and Nonprofit Studies: Professor Myles McGregor-Lowndes
- Public Relations: Associate Professor Ian Lings

**Entry requirements (domestic and international students)**

If applicants have an Honours degree (at level 2B or better), it must be relevant to the chosen discipline for the Master of Business (Research); or, if applicants are entering from a pass degree, their undergraduate degree must include a major in an approved area, plus a grade point average of 5.5 or more on a 7 point scale; or applicants can present a case based on evidence of qualifications that demonstrates the applicant's capacity to pursue research studies.

In addition to assessing qualifications, the Faculty must also be satisfied that adequate supervision and resources are available to support the applicant's proposed research.

Research Proposal: The application for admission to the Master of Business (Research) must include details of the proposed research project.

**English language requirements (international students)**

In addition to the above academic entry requirements, international students must meet the following English language proficiency levels for entry into the Faculty's postgraduate coursework courses:

- IELTS: overall score of 6.5 with no sub-band below 6.0; or
- TOEFL: 575 (paper-based) or 230 (computerised) (if TOEFL permitted by visa requirements).

**Duration**

The minimum period of enrolment for a student without an Honours degree is 1.5 years full-time (one semester of coursework units and two semesters for a dissertation).

Students will require an extension to exceed the equivalent of 1.5 years full-time to complete the program. The maximum period of enrolment would be two years (full-time equivalent). If a student's candidature exceeds this time period, they may be required to pay fees. Extensions beyond two years full-time equivalent are not permitted.

**Abbreviation**

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