The Master of Education (Leadership and Management) is designed to prepare you for leadership in educational settings. The program focuses on building and enhancing leadership capacity in aspiring and existing leaders and will keep you at the forefront of ever-changing educational practice. At the heart of this qualification is a focus on leading the learning of others through ethical and sustainable practices, and a commitment to lifelong learning.

The four units that constitute the leadership and management area of interest complement each other by providing both solid foundational understandings about leadership that develop capacity, and skills in aspiring and existing leaders. The knowledge areas include leading and managing people; leadership concepts, theories and issues; leadership, policy and change in action; and strategic management. You will gain advanced knowledge in leadership and management in educational settings.

**Why choose this course?**
Throughout Australia, there has been a steady demand for postgraduate university programs to enhance leadership learning. In some states, including Queensland, a masters qualification is important for professionals who wish to apply for leadership positions. This course caters for educators from primary and secondary schools within Australia and overseas, as well as from fields such as higher education, social work and human resource development and training.

**Entry requirements**

**Academic entry requirements**
A completed recognised bachelor degree (or higher) in any discipline with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 4 on QUT’s 7 point scale (where 4 is a Pass).

**Minimum English requirements**
Students must meet the English proficiency requirements.

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**Karin Hanbidge**

**Relevant, collaborative learning**

‘Postgraduate study was very helpful to my current job in leadership development and I was able to use real-world work issues as the basis for many assessment items. I was encouraged to share my knowledge of adult education in a corporate environment with those from a school environment, and in turn, was able to learn from the other students.’
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**Career outcomes**
This course can enhance career outcomes for people in professional, schooling, and vocational and higher education contexts who:
- lead professional learning teams and design adult learning
- recruit, mentor and supervise others
- design and lead others though policy changes
- contribute to strategic planning, governance and management of others.

Through deep engagement with recent research and the opportunity to apply evidence-based principles to real life contexts, leadership students are able to create evidence of their leadership capacities for professional leadership portfolios. Previous students have used this qualification to apply for and attain promotions to leadership positions in schools, other educational institutions, hospitals, industry and the community sector.

**Scholarships**
You can apply for scholarships to help you with study and living costs.
- [Equity scholarships scheme](#)

**Advanced standing**
On entry, you will be assessed for advanced standing (credit) for 48 credit points (4 units) based on a completed Australian Qualification Framework (AQF) level 8 or higher qualification in Education (An Honours year with a research component, graduate certificate, graduate diploma or higher), regardless of the age of the qualification. You do not need to apply for this credit.

Depending on your study area, you can receive up to 50 per cent advanced standing from masters or higher study completed in another program. Prior study must be current. Study over 10 years old is not normally considered. If you are applying for advanced standing for specific units, you will need to provide detailed unit/subject outlines from your previous study. These outlines must include learning outcomes, learning content, and assessment including word lengths. No advanced standing can be granted for undergraduate study, or postgraduate study at a lower level than masters.

You can also apply for advanced standing based on work or industry experience. Advanced standing is not able to be awarded for normal teaching experience. If you are responsible for an original academic work, such as creating a course and/or curriculum, or have published any original research, then you may be eligible for advanced standing for work or industry experience. The original academic work must be in excess of 5000 words.

If you intend to apply for advanced standing for prior study you can [view more information and find out how to apply](#).

**Early exit**
You can exit the course with a Graduate Certificate in Education (Leadership and Management) following completion of the four core units required for this study area.