Graduate Certificate in Communication for Information Technology

This course is intended primarily as a pathway for international students who want to study Master of Information Technology (IN20) or Master of Information Technology - Graduate Entry (IN21) program but have not met the English language requirements for direct entry. Graduate Certificate in Communication for Information Technology is designed to help students acquire postgraduate level knowledge and skill in a specialist information technology discipline, while developing competency in English language and academic literacy.

You will be studying two Communication units at the QUT International College to enhance your academic English language skills, and two IT major units at the faculty from one of the following majors: Business Process Management, Computer Science, Data Science, Enterprise Systems, User Experience, Information Management, Networks, or Security. This Graduate Certificate in Communication will provide students with the ability to formulate best practice IT strategies and solutions.

- Study on campus as a QUT student with access to all services and facilities across the University.
- On completion with the required results, receive a guaranteed place in Master of Information Technology with 1 semester of advanced standing.
- Develop academic English language skills and progress without the need to take another IELTS test (or equivalent).

Real-world learning
During your studies, you will experience a range of learning approaches, including:
- Units which aim to develop academic literacies, specifically English language proficiency
- Peer-to-peer and team-based learning, including workshops
- Demonstration-style lectures: problem solving with guidance
- Practical computer-based activities focusing on designing and building IT artefacts and critically reflecting on the underlying process
- Authentic assessment activities like case studies, projects, and problem-solving tasks that are directly relevant to real-world IT research and practice.

Why choose this course?
The Graduate Certificate in Communication for Information Technology will help you to meet the English language requirements of the Master of Information Technology (IN20) or Master of Information Technology - Graduate Entry (IN21) program. This program will help you to improve your English language capability and academic literacy skills while studying advanced IT topics. On completion of the Graduate Certificate in Communication with the required results, you are guaranteed a place in the second semester of the chosen Master of Information Technology program.

Entry requirements
Academic entry requirements
A completed recognised bachelor degree in information technology.

Pathways to Master of Information Technology
- Graduate Certificate in Communication for Information Technology (IN17) (one semester) to Master of Information Technology (IN20) (three semesters)
- Graduate Certificate in Communication for Information Technology (IN17) (one semester) to Master of Information Technology - Graduate Entry (IN21) in the

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following majors: Enterprise Systems; and Networks and Security, the pathway will be Graduate Certificate in Communication for Information Technology (IN17) (one semester) leading to Master of Information Technology - Graduate Entry (IN21) (2 semesters).

Data Science; Business Process Management; Computer Science; User Experience and Information Management, the pathway will be Graduate Certificate in Communication for Information Technology (one semester) leading to Master of Information Technology - Graduate Entry (three semesters).

Students with bachelor degrees in disciplines other than information technology may consider the University Certificate in Tertiary Preparation for Postgraduate Studies (QC06) or English for Academic Purposes pathways.

Pathways to Master of Data Analytics
A completed recognised bachelor degree in information technology.

Graduate Certificate in Communication for Information Technology (IN17) (one semester) leading to Master of Data Analytics (IN21) (three semesters)

Minimum English requirements
Students must meet the English proficiency requirements.

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Successful completion of QUT’s English for Academic Purposes (EAP) (Direct Stream) with 50% or better or QC32 English for Academic Purposes 2.

Course structure
The course structure consists of 48 credit points of units. There are two common core communications units (24 credit points) and two information technology unit options (24 credit points) from the following information technology areas:

- computer science/data science
- enterprise systems
- networks

- security
- business process management.

NB: You should select the recommended IT units for your chosen major on commencement of IN17.

Scholarships
You can apply for scholarships to help you with study and living costs.

- Equity scholarships scheme
- QUT International College Director's Award for Community Contribution

Course articulation
Progression to your related Master degree
To progress into QUT’s Master of Information Technology you will need to successfully complete your Graduate Certificate in Communication with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 4.0 on a 7-point scale.

Advanced Standing
After successful completion of Graduate Certificate in Communication for Information Technology, you are eligible for 48 credit points (one semester) of advanced standing towards:

- Master of Information Technology (IN20): all majors (remaining duration: 3 semesters)
- Master of Information Technology - Graduate Entry (IN21): Security, Networks, and Enterprise Systems majors only (remaining duration: 2 semesters)

Refer to the ‘Requirements’ tab for more information.