

Doctor of Business Administration (DBAR) - DBA

CRICOS code (International applicants): 077414G

	On-campus	External
Semester intake:	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)
Campus:	Toowoomba	-
Fees:	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place Research training scheme (RTS)	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place Research training scheme (RTS)
Standard duration:	Full-time candidates normally complete in 3 years. Part-time candidates normally complete in 6 years. Students have a maximum of 4 years (full-time) or 8 years (part-time) to complete this program.	
Program articulation:	From: Master of Business Administration ; Master of Project Management	

Notes:

Where credit is granted, maximum and minimum duration will be adjusted in the same proportion as credit, for example, where the maximum of four units of credit is granted, maximum time will be four years.

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- (1) a coursework Masters degree or equivalent level from a recognised institution
- (2) five years' full-time equivalent work experience, including at least two years' full-time equivalent work experience in a managerial position
- (3) submission of a satisfactory preliminary research proposal, as determined by the Higher Degrees Review and Admissions Committee.

Notes:

Admission to the Doctor of Business Administration is dependent upon the Faculty's capacity to supervise the proposed thesis. Prospective candidates should contact the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts for up-to-date information regarding research areas before preparing their preliminary thesis proposals.

All students are required to satisfy the applicable [English language requirements](#).

If you do not meet the English language requirements you may apply to study a University-approved [English language program](#). On successful completion of the English language program, you may be admitted to an award program.

Program fees

Domestic full fee paying place

Domestic full fee paying places are funded entirely through the full fees paid by the student. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#).

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [FEE-HELP](#) provided they meet the residency and citizenship requirements.

Australian citizens, Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who will be resident outside Australia for the duration of their program pay full tuition fees and are not eligible for [FEE-Help](#).

International full fee paying place

International students pay full fees. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken and whether they are studied on-campus, via distance education/online. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#).

Research training scheme (RTS)

Australian citizens, Australian permanent residents and New Zealand citizens commencing a higher degree research program may have their tuition fees paid for by the Australian Federal Government under the Research Training Scheme (RTS). A RTS place entitles a student an exemption on tuition fees for a maximum period of 4 years full-time or 8 years part-time for a Doctorate program and 2 years full-time or 4 years part-time for a Masters by Research program. As part of the enrolment process students are required to submit proof of citizenship and transcripts of all previous academic study. It is with this documentation that USQ can determine a student's eligibility for a RTS place. Students who are eligible for RTS are:

- those who have not consumed a RTS allocation previously;
- those who have already utilised the RTS to successfully completed a research program. Once a student completes a higher degree research program full entitlements of the RTS are restored.

If a student's RTS entitlement expires before they have completed their program they will be required to pay full tuition fees for the remainder of the program. As there may be limited RTS places available, some students may be required to pay fees for all or part of their program. The Office of Research Graduate Studies will advise students of their eligibility for an RTS place.

Program structure

The Doctor of Business Administration is a 24-unit program comprising 4 coursework courses from the [Master of Business Administration](#) (MBA) specialisation courses, 2 units of research coursework and 18 units of research. Students are required to undertake:

- 4 coursework courses from the MBA specialisation courses. If a supervisor evaluates that the applicant should build more specific prior knowledge in a particular specialist area that is vital to the research topic, then the applicant can be required to complete up to four relevant specialisation courses from the MBA
- [RSH8000 Introduction to Research](#) and [RSH8001 Research Methods](#) which must be completed successfully before progressing to the research thesis
- plus an externally examined research thesis normally comprised of 18 units.

