

Foundation Diploma of University Studies (FDUS) - FDipUS

This program is offered only to continuing students. No new admissions will be accepted. Students who are interested in this study area should consider the [Diploma of University Studies](#)

	Online
Start:	No new admissions
Fees:	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
Standard duration:	1 year full-time, 3 years part-time
Program articulation:	From: Certificate of University Studies To: Pre-specified undergraduate programs depending on area of specialisation

Notes:

The number of units of credit towards an undergraduate program will depend on the specialisation and courses studied with a maximum of eight credits being available.

The first four courses are compulsory and are only available online.

Contact us

Current students
Ask a question Freecall (within Australia): 1800 007 252 Phone (from outside Australia): +61 7 4631 2285 Email usq.support@usq.edu.au

Program aims

The Foundation Diploma of University Studies aims to equip students with the necessary skills to successfully respond to the numeracy, literacy, critical thinking and e-literacy demands of higher education studies and the professional workplace, in addition to assisting students to successfully manage the complexities of life/work balance. The Foundation Diploma firstly provides students with a broad introduction to the academic culture of university studies and an enhanced understanding and knowledge of foundational issues, principles and strategies needed in order to be successful in the first year undergraduate level of study, before providing students with four first-year undergraduate courses of specialisation in a discipline area. The program will appeal to those who want to enhance and develop their broad award-level study skills prior to undertaking a range of discipline courses and determining whether to embark on a more specialised degree program, or opting instead to graduate out with a new sub-degree qualification.

Program objectives

On successful completion of the Foundation Diploma of University Studies graduates will have:

- (1) developed foundation knowledge, skills and competencies in a series of generic first year award-level undergraduate courses
- (2) developed foundation knowledge, skills and competencies in an area of specialisation from a first year undergraduate discipline area
- (3) developed an enhanced awareness of the nature of award-level study in the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts, or the Faculty of Health, Engineering, and Sciences
- (4) demonstrated effective communication and interpersonal skills and an ability to successfully pursue an undergraduate program of study in either the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts, or the Faculty of Health, Engineering, and Sciences.

Admission requirements

To be eligible for admission, applicants must satisfy the following requirements:

International applicants must have a minimum entry level of IELTS 6.0 or equivalent.

There is no specified minimum educational achievement entrance standard.

Normally, to be eligible for enrolment in the program a person will have attained an age of at least 18 years in the year of the proposed enrolment.

Students will need to complete the online application form for entry to the Foundation Diploma Program. All applicants are also required to complete online diagnostic tests in Mathematics, e-literacy, and English Communication Skills. Applicants will then be given advice detailing whether the Foundation Diploma of University Studies is the most appropriate pathway for them to undertake. Some students may be advised to undertake the [.211 Tm\(v\)Tj6ceo3r yedation Diploma of](#)

Required time limits

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General Studies. The number of units of credit towards these undergraduate programs will depend on the major and courses studied with a maximum of eight credits being available.

Business and Commerce

After completing the four compulsory courses students can select four Business and Commerce courses from the following selection:

- ACC1101
- [CIS1000 Digital Disruption](#)
- ECO1000
- [FIN1101 Corporate Finance](#)
- LAW1101
- MGT1000
- [MKT1001 Marketing Fundamentals](#)

- [ENG1002 Introduction to Engineering and Built Environment Applications](#)
- [ENG1100 Introduction to Engineering Design](#)
- [ENG1003 Problem Solving in Engineering and the Built Environment](#)
- [ENM1500 Introductory Engineering Mathematics](#)
- [CIV1500 Applied Mechanics](#)
- [ELE1301 Computer Engineering](#)
- [ELE1502 Electronic Circuits](#)
- [MEC1201 Engineering Materials](#)

Students who successfully complete the Foundation Diploma of University Studies (Engineering) are able to articulate into the [Associate Degree of Engineering](#) or the [Associate Degree of Surveying](#). The number of units of credit towards these undergraduate programs will depend on the major and courses studied with a maximum of eight credits being available.

Science

After completing the four compulsory courses students can select four courses from the following selection of foundation courses:

- [PSY1010 Foundation Psychology A](#)
- [PSY1020 Foundation Psychology B](#)
- [CSC1402](#)
- [CSC1401 Foundation Programming](#)
- [STA2300](#)
- [MAT1000 Mathematics Fundamentals](#)
- [BIO1101 Biology 1^{^§}](#)
- [CHE1110 Chemistry 1^{^§}](#)
- [PHY1104 Physics 1](#)
- [REN1201 Environmental Studies](#)
- [PHY1101 Astronomy 1](#)
- [BIO2103 Biology 2[^]](#)
- [CHE2120 Chemistry 2[^]](#)
- [PHY1911 Physics 2](#)
- [PHY1107 Astronomy 2](#)
- [CLI1110 Weather and Climate](#)
- [MAT1100 Foundation Mathematics](#)

[^] These courses have a compulsory residential school.

[§] [BIO1101 Biology 1](#) and [CHE1110 Chemistry 1](#) are prerequisites of [BIO2103 Biology 2](#) and [CHE2120 Chemistry 2](#) they must be studied first

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Social Studies

After completing the four compulsory courses students can select four courses from the following selection:

- [CDS1000](#)
- [CDS1001 Human Relations and Communications](#)
- [CDS2000 Ethical Issues and Human Rights in the Human Services](#)
- [PSY1010 Foundation Psychology A](#)
- [PSY1020 Foundation Psychology B](#)
- [PSY1030 Cross-Cultural and Indigenous Psychology](#)
- [SOC1000 Introduction to Social Justice](#)
- [ANT1001 Cultural Diversity: an Introduction to Anthropology](#)

