

# **Bachelor of Business/Bachelor of Commerce (Domestic students)**

**Commencing in** 

Program code
1443
Available at
Gold Coast Campus
Duration
4 years full-time
8 years part-time
Credit points
320

For Continuing Students Only

# **Important Notes**

From 2021, commencing students are referred to the Bachelor of Business (1632).

# About this program

With Griffith Business School's Bachelor of Business/Bachelor of Commerce, you can double your career options without doubling your study time. In as little as four years, you can graduate with a unique skill set that will give you an edge in the employment market.

For example, you can combine majors in Finance and International Management if you are hoping for a career in a multinational investment firm. Or, you can combine Human Resource Management with Financial Planning to gain the skills needed to work in the human resources field or within a financial planning organisation.

# Hands-on Learning

Students at the Gold Coast and Nathan campuses are taught in financial trading rooms featuring state-of-the-art desktops equipped with the Bloomberg Professional Service. Bloomberg LP is a global leader in business and financial information and the Bloomberg Professional Service is a software platform that provides trusted real-time and historical data, and market news and analytics to help business and financial professionals make better informed investment decisions. You will have access to the exciting world of the stock market and be able to put theory into practice from the start of your degree.

## Majors

#### **Business majors**

- Asian Business (Gold Coast, Nathan, Online)
- Behavioural Science (Gold Coast, Nathan, Online)
- Employment Relations (Nathan, Online)
- Event Management (Gold Coast, Nathan, Online)
- Human Resource Management (Nathan, Gold Coast, Logan, Online)
- Innovation and Entrepreneurship (Nathan, Gold Coast, Logan, Online)
- International Business (Gold Coast, Nathan, Online)
- Logistics and Supply Chain Management (Gold Coast, Nathan, Online)
- Management (Gold Coast, Nathan, Online)
- Marketing (Gold Coast, Nathan, Online)
- Real Estate and Property Development (Gold Coast, Nathan, Online)
- Sport Management (Gold Coast, Nathan, Online)
- Sustainable Business (Nathan, Online)
- Tourism Management (Gold Coast, Nathan, Online)

You can also choose not to complete a major, selecting from a range of courses that provide broad knowledge for a career in business management.

#### **Commerce majors**

- Accounting (Gold Coast, Nathan, Logan, Online)
- Economics (Gold Coast, Nathan, Online)
- Finance (Gold Coast, Nathan, Online)
- Financial Planning (Gold Coast, Nathan, Logan, Online)

# My attendance during the program

## Attendance information

This program is offered full-time and part-time at the Nathan and Gold Coast campuses. Some courses are also available online. You may choose to study courses at other campuses where the program structure allows.

As a full-time student, you will generally attend 12-15 hours of scheduled classes per week throughout the trimester. As a parttime student, you will generally attend 6-8 hours of scheduled classes per week.

Classes may be scheduled during the day and evening throughout the week.

#### Student Income Support

To be classed as a full-time student, you are required to enrol in a minimum number of credit points each standard study period. The minimum credit points for full-time enrolment in this program is 30 credit points.

Trimester 1 and Trimester 2 are deemed standard study periods. As Trimester 3 is a non-standard study period, continuing students moving from one year to the next will not be required to study during this trimester to be eligible for student income support.

Domestic students who commence in Trimester 3 may be eligible for student income support from the onset of study provided they are enrolled full-time in this study period.

Please refer to the Australian Government website for more details.

## My career opportunities

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Graduates have the competencies required of managers in commercial, government, social, and voluntary organisations. The **Bachelor of Business** will prepare you for career opportunities in the following fields:

#### No major option

A business degree gives you the foundation to take your career just about anywhere. You will be prepared to use your extensive business skills in a range of increasingly diverse settings including not-for-profit, government and corporate organisations.

### **Asian Business**

You could find career opportunities in government, businesses with overseas profiles, international aid and other nongovernmental organisations, news and media organisations, and the education industry in Asia.

#### **Behavioural Science**

You could find career opportunities in government, private enterprise and not-for-profit organisations across various disciplines including marking and advertising, human services, healthcare, economics, policy development, research and evaluation of programs and services.

## **Employment Relations**

You may find opportunities to work as an employment relations manager or consultant, or in roles dealing with workplace planning and policy, managerial strategy, industrial advocacy, occupational health and safety, and workplace negotiation.

### **Event Management**

You will be well prepared for an exciting career working for event and conference organisers in the sport, tourism, marketing, media and cultural sectors as well as coordinating and managing government event portfolios.

#### **Human Resource Management**

You will graduate with a degree recognised by the Australian Human Resources Institute and be equipped for a career as a human resource manager or consultant. Human resource professionals work in many sectors including business management, counselling, workforce planning and policy, and recruiting and training staff for the public and private sectors and non-government organisations.

#### **Innovation and Entrepreneurship**

As a graduate of the Innovation and Entrepreneurship major, you'll be able to create and develop innovative ideas that enable scale and societal impact. You will have an understanding of the entrepreneurial mindset, ways to identify or create opportunities, and the strategic and operational issues in firm creation. Create your own career by starting your own lifestyle or high-potential startup, be entrepreneurial while working in a family business or being an intrapreneur within someone's business.

#### **International Business**

You will be prepared to work with international trade and investment organisations or in the public and private sectors in management, strategic planning, research, corporate government relations, global operations and public relations.

#### Logistics and Supply Chain Management

You may find opportunities to work as a logistics and supply chain manager, purchasing manager, business or strategy manager, or export and import operations manager. These career opportunities exist in the public, private and not-for-profit sectors.

#### Management

Good managers are needed across all sectors and in businesses of all sizes. With this qualification, you can apply your business management knowledge to an area of personal interest and find opportunities in roles such as a business manager in human resources, strategy, planning and policy, and training and development.

# Marketing

You will be able to work in any industry or organisation that needs to promote its products or services, including entertainment and fashion, tourism, advertising, public relations, and business consulting. You might work as a brand manager, marketing manager, advertising account manager, market research analyst, public relations manager, or sales manager.

### **Real Estate and Property Development**

The property sector is expanding in Australia and around the world, creating a wide range of employment opportunities in the commercial, residential and tourism sectors of the real estate and property management industries. You will be prepared for a career in property finance, development and investment, real estate agency management, project management, and marketing and promoting real estate.

### Sport Management

Sport is big business. You could find opportunities in government departments, local, national and international sporting clubs and event management organisations. You may also find opportunities in sport tourism, marketing, media and athlete representation.

## Sustainable Business

Increasingly, public and private sector organisations are hiring sustainability and corporate social responsibility specialists. The growing trend in consumers demanding sustainable, ethical products and services has seen businesses place sustainability and social benefits within their core values. These new business models means that leaders and managers need to know how the financial bottom line relates to other important elements of business; and how to transform traditional models to capitalise in the current environment. As this field continues to grow, you will find more and more career opportunities in a wide variety of organisations in the public and private sectors and with non-government organisations.

#### **Tourism Management**

With this qualification, you could travel the world. Tourism managers are employed by destination marketing organisations and all levels of government throughout Australia and internationally. You will be prepared for work related to major tourism infrastructure and planning projects, shaping the visitor experience in tourism destinations.

The **Bachelor of Commerce** will equip you with the required technical and generic skills leading to a range of career options within both the private and public sectors including;you for career opportunities in the following fields:

## Accounting

You will be equipped for a career in a range of private, public sector or not-for-profit organisations where you could work in areas such as accounting, administration, auditing, business management, commercial and taxation law, managerial accounting, and taxation. Opportunities exist for exciting and challenging careers locally, nationally and internationally, and aren't limited to accounting firms.

#### Economics

You will be prepared for work in the banking and finance industry as an analyst or advisor, in property development or real estate; in government policy in fields such as the environment, health, education and transport; or in large mining companies analysing markets and investment opportunities. You may also find career opportunities in major international organisations such as the World Bank, the United Nations, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and the Asian Development Bank.

#### Finance

You will be prepared for work as a financial advisor or controller, financial planner, or stockbroker. You may also find opportunities in insurance and superannuation, futures, options and foreign exchange trading.

#### **Financial Planning**

You will be equipped for a career as a financial planner, financial advisor or controller, or stockbroker. You may also find opportunities in insurance and superannuation, futures, options and foreign exchange trading.

# Program accreditation

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Depending on the courses you complete you can graduate with a degree accredited by:

- Accounting: Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CA ANZ) and CPA Australia.
- Financial Planning: Financial Adviser Standards (FAS).
- *Human Resource Management:* The Human Resource Management major is accredited by The Australian Human Resources Institute (AHRI).

# Professional recognition Professional recognition

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# **Bachelor of Commerce**

Professional recognition will vary depending upon your choice of major or minor.

- *Accounting major*: Completion of the Bachelor of Commerce provides exemptions from the ACCA Foundation Level Exams F1-F9.
- *Financial Planning major*: Graduates will be eligible for admission to the Financial Planning Association (FPA) of Australia's CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER® Certification Program.
- *Finance major*: The Bachelor of Commerce (Finance) has been accepted into the CFA Institute University Recognition Program. This status is granted to institutions whose degree program incorporates at least 70% of the CFA Program Candidate Body of Knowledge (CBOK), which provide students with a solid grounding in the CBOK and positions them well to site for the CFA exams.

## **Bachelor of Business**

Depending upon your choice of Business major, you may be eligible for admission to one or more of the following professional bodies:

- Australian Human Resources Institute (AHRI)
- Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply (CIPS)
- Australian Institute of Management (AIM)
- Australian Marketing Institute (AMI)
- Australian Market and Social Research Society
- Australian Society of Sport Administrators
- International Special Events Society, Queensland Chapter
- Pacific Asia Travel Association
- Sports Management Association of Australia and New Zealand

# What are the fees?

# **Commonwealth supported students**

- The indicative fee represents the expected average fee for an annual full-time study load (80 credit points). This is based on average study patterns across courses and the Australian Government's broad discipline areas (student contribution bands). A student's actual annual fee may vary in accordance with his or her choice of majors and electives. The Australian Government sets student contribution amounts on an annual basis.
- Find out more...

## Fee-paying undergraduate (domestic) students

These fees are only applicable to domestic students who are not Commonwealth supported including:

- Full-fee paying domestic students who commenced their program prior to 2009.
- International students who have been approved to pay domestic tuition fees after obtaining Australian or New Zealand citizenship or permanent residency or a permanent humanitarian visa and who have not obtained a Commonwealth supported place.

## **Tuition fees**

- A fee-paying undergraduate student pays tuition fees.
- Students are liable for tuition fees for the courses they are enrolled in as at the census date.
- The tuition fee is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student is enrolled.
- Find out more...

### FEE-HELP

Eligible undergraduate fee-paying students may defer their tuition fees by taking out a FEE-HELP loan which is part of the Higher Education Loan Program (HELP). Payment of the loan is via the taxation system when income reaches a specified level.

• Higher Education Loan Program (HELP)

#### Further information

- Calculating tuition fees
- Calculating your EFTSL
- Fees and Charges Procedure

   3.2 Fees for Undergraduate Students (Non-international)
   Fees and Charges Schedules
- Financial help and support