

# **Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Asian Studies (Domestic students)**

Program code 1550 Available at Nathan Campus Duration 4 years full-time 8 years part-time Credit points 320 **Commencing in** For Continuing Students Only

# **Important Notes**

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

# About this program

In this double degree, you will gain an in-depth understanding of Asia's political, economic and cultural environment, preparing you to work as both an expert on Asian affairs, and as a professional in your chosen commerce specialisation.

As part of your degree, you will gain practical experience and expand your professional skills through Griffith in Asia Initiative courses such as internships, study tours, exchanges and employability courses.

#### Commerce

You will gain an understanding of the core concepts of commerce including accounting, economics, business statistics and management, and build on these foundation studies with your chosen major.

#### **Asian Studies**

You will learn from leading experts and develop expertise and key functional skills in areas such as cultures and civilisations, economics, international relations, globalisation, and politics and government.

## Majors

## Commerce

- Accounting
- Economics
- Finance
- Financial Planning

#### **Asian Studies**

- Asian Business
- Politics, Law and Justice in Asia
- Languages: Chinese, Indonesian\*, Japanese, Korean\*

\* via cross-institutional study at University of Queensland.

# My attendance during the program Attendance information

This program is offered full-time and part-time at the Nathan campus. 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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Depending on your chosen major, the Bachelor of Commerce will prepare you for careers in the following fields:

Accounting: You will be ready 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.

Economics: You will be primed for roles in government agencies and the corporate sector in business management, commerce and taxation law, economics, stockbroking and foreign exchange trading, economic policy advice and analysis.

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 will also find opportunities in insurance and superannuation, futures, options and foreign exchange trading.

Bachelor of Asian Studies: You will be prepared for work in government, business, travel and tourism, education, international agencies, training, and export consultancy, in Australia and overseas. You will find opportunities in foreign affairs, foreign trade, business consultancy, defence, security agencies, and media.

## 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).

# Professional recognition **Professional recognition**

#### **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.

# 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