



Master of Financial Planning (Domestic students)

Griffith Credentials are earned and issued within this program

Program code 5686	Admission requirements Related Bachelor degree or higher	Commencing in Trimester 1, Trimester 2 and Trimester 3
Available at Online	(more)	Next start date Trimester 2, 2024 (more)
Duration 1 to 1.5 years full-time 3 years part-time		Applications close Monday, 24 June 2024
Credit points 120		Apply Now
Indicative fee \$31,000.00* per year (more) * 2024 indicative annual fee		

About this program

The Master of Financial Planning provides the high level knowledge and skills required of the modern financial adviser to start and progress their career. This includes coverage of the practice and theory of financial planning including financial markets, investments, risk management, taxation, retirement and estate planning, and behavioural finance.

You will graduate with a degree accredited under the standards set out by the Financial Adviser Standards (FAS).

The program has a foundation component which allows those without a prior degree in financial planning and those looking for a career change to participate. Those with qualifications and experience in the field can also enter the program and progress to the advanced level study.

Griffith University offers a range of flexible delivery modes online. Find out more about our [Financial Planning](#) programs.

Code	Program title	Campus	Intake
3322	Graduate Certificate in Financial Planning	Online	Trimester 1, Trimester 2 and Trimester 3
5686	Master of Financial Planning (this program)	Online	Trimester 1, Trimester 2 and Trimester 3
4186	Graduate Diploma of Financial Planning	Online	Trimester 1, Trimester 2 and Trimester 3

Note: Progression is dependent upon satisfying admission requirements.

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

This program is offered full-time and part-time online in Trimester 1 and Trimester 2. It is only offered as part time online in Trimester 3. With some courses available on campus, you may choose to study courses at other campuses, online or a combination of both. While not all courses are available in all study periods, continuing students may plan their enrolments to enable 30 credit points or more to be undertaken in Trimester 3.

Griffith offers courses over three 12 week trimesters a year. Some courses in this degree are taught over 6 weeks as part of the 12 week trimester and some courses are taught over the 12 weeks of the trimester. Refer to the individual course links in the program structure for more information.

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.

Work-integrated learning

Courses in this program will provide work-integrated learning opportunities in the form of applied projects, case studies and virtual/simulated environments.

My career opportunities

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Upon completion of the program, you may find career opportunities in the financial services industry (namely, banks, funds management and financial planning companies) in various roles such as client services officers, authorised representatives, financial advisers and para-planners.

Program accreditation

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The Master of Financial Planning is accredited by the [Financial Adviser Standards](#).

Professional recognition

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Graduates meeting the Financial Planning Association of Australia (FPA) curriculum requirements will be eligible for admission to the [CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER® Certification Program](#) delivered by the FPA. The CFP Certification Program is the globally recognised standard of excellence in financial planning.

Graduates will also be eligible for advanced standing for four of the educational components of the program and can complete the CFP® Capstone course (CFP C) as an elective as a part of their program. As a result, Griffith University students will earn a professional designation alongside their degree, making a significant saving in time and cost. Please note, professional association membership and work experience requirements apply. To find out more about the CFP® Certification Program visit fpa.com.au/cfp and to start your enrolment in CFP C contact education@fpa.com.au. On completion of CFP C, please submit a credit transfer application.

Tax Practitioners Board

The courses [7106AFE Income Tax Law](#) and [7161AFE Applied Taxation](#) have been approved together by the Tax Practitioners Board as a Course in Australian Taxation Law that is required for Tax Agents and Tax (Financial) Advisers. Note that these courses are recognised for both Tax Agents and Tax (Financial) Advisers, and are only listed on the Tax Agent list being the highest qualification.

The Code of Professional Conduct requirements in the *Tax Agent Services Act 2009 (TASA)* are covered in 7106AFE and 7161AFE. Note that 7106AFE and 7161AFE are recognised for both Tax Agents and Tax (Financial) Advisers, but are only listed on the Tax Agent list being the highest qualification.

Graduates may be eligible for membership with the following professional bodies:

- [Association of Financial Advisers \(AFA\)](#)
- [Self Managed Super Fund \(SMSF\) Association](#)

What are the fees?

Fee-paying postgraduate (domestic) students

Indicative annual tuition fee

The indicative annual tuition fee is calculated based on a standard full-time study load which is usually 80 credit points.

The indicative annual tuition fee is based on current conditions and available data and should only be used as a guide. These fees are reviewed annually and are subject to change.

Tuition fees

- A fee-paying postgraduate 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 for students who commence their program prior to 2014 is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student commenced the program.
- The tuition fee for students who commence their program from 2014 onwards is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student is enrolled.

Program fees for the Master of Financial Planning (5686)

Fees for this program can be found on the Programs and Courses website in the "Overview and fees" section. Select your commencing year to view your fees.

Tuition fees for your degree program

- [Calculating tuition fees](#)

Changing programs

If a postgraduate student changes to a different program they will be subject to the approved program fee for the trimester in which they are enrolled.

Further information

- [Calculating your EFTSL](#)
- [Fees and Charges Procedure](#)
 - [Fees and Charges Schedules](#)
- [Higher Education Loan Program \(HELP\)](#)
- [Financial help and support](#)

Additional fee information

Throughout your program you may be required to pay for the following items:

Expenses associated with field trips and placements.