



Diploma of Business (Domestic students)

Program code	Entry requirements	Prerequisites
8036	60.00	NIL
Available at	ATAR/RANK 2024	Assumed knowledge
Gold Coast Campus, Nathan Campus, Online	(more)	Any General or Applied English subject (Units 3 and 4, C)
Duration	Commencing in	
1 year full-time 2 years part-time	Trimester 1 and Trimester 2	
Credit points		
80		
Indicative fee		
\$15,500.00* per year (more)		
* 2024 indicative annual CSP fee		

About this program

The Diploma of Business is a pathway program designed to help you transition into the Bachelor of Business. You'll develop foundational knowledge and skills in a supportive learning environment, setting you up for success in your future studies.

The world of business is evolving, with a shift towards progressive, innovative workplace and industry practices. You'll learn the skills, values and opportunities future business leaders will need to succeed in the new economy. The Diploma of Business will teach you modern business practices, such as adaptability, creativity, diversity, and sustainability, along with foundational business and commerce theory.

You'll study an academic foundation course that prepares you for your university studies, as well as courses on the purpose of business, trading in Australia and the Asia-Pacific, the future of work, business decision making, and grand challenges, with additional support and access to a dedicated First Year Coordinator and (PASS), run by high-achieving students.

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

This degree is offered full-time and part-time at the Nathan and Gold Coast campuses. You may choose to study courses at other campuses or online 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 part-time 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.

Work-integrated learning

As a business student, you can participate in BusinessPLUS; a program which provides you with access to a wide range of

professional development opportunities such as career skills workshops, industry mentoring, work experience and community projects. You'll be provided with a structured plan of activities to complete over the course of your degree, supporting you to explore your career options, develop skills sought by employers, connect with mentors and graduate with an edge in today's competitive job market.

My career opportunities

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Graduate outcomes

The Diploma of Business will give you foundational business knowledge and skills for the new economy. Your transferable business skills will prepare you for work in almost any industry, not-for-profit, government, corporation, or start-up. You will also be able to complete further studies at the AQF Level 7, including a bachelor degree.

Pathways to further study

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Combined diploma/degree

Once you've successfully completed this diploma, you'll be offered guaranteed entry into the second year of the **Bachelor of Business (1632)**, where you can choose from more than 20 majors to pursue a specialisation, or a unique combination of specialisations, for your business career.

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](#)