

Master of Professional Accounting (MP12) - MPA

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 [MPAC Master of Professional Accounting](#) which will be offered from Semester 1, 2015.

	On-campus	External	Online
Start:	No new admissions	No new admissions	No new admissions
Campus:	Toowoomba, Springfield		-
Fees:	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
Standard duration:	1.5 — 2 years full-time, up to 6 years part-time		

Notes:

There are limited courses available at Springfield campus in semester 3.

Contact us

Current students

[Ask a question](#)

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Professional accreditation

Graduates of this program will meet the educational entrance requirements of [CPA Australia](#) and [Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand](#) (CAANZ). This provides Associate membership of CPA Australia, eligibility to study the CPA Australia professional exams and eligibility to study the CAANZ professional exams.

Successful completion of the Master of Professional Accounting program can qualify students for exemptions from the Fundamental level (9 papers) of the [Association of Chartered Certified Accountants](#) (ACCA) exams.

We recommend that graduates in Accounting from an overseas university obtain a qualifications assessment from CPA Australia before applying for admission. In many cases, such graduates may be required to complete only 3 - 4 courses to achieve Associate membership. These can be studied through a .

Local recognition (for overseas students):

For overseas candidates seeking membership of their home accounting bodies, full members of CPA Australia and/or CAANZ are usually offered reciprocal membership. This is a fast track to become a qualified accountant in one's home country.

Program aims

The Master of Professional Accounting (MPA) will enable non-accounting university graduates and other approved applicants the opportunity to acquire an accounting qualification recognised by the Australian accounting professional bodies. The program comprises 12 courses.

Program objectives

Successful completion of the Master of Professional Accounting should enable graduates to:

- prepare and analyse financial and management accounting reports

- audit financial records and statements and produce audit reports
- prepare taxation returns and advise clients on taxation issues
- comprehend and apply accounting theory to current accounting developments and problems
- understand and apply the principles of business finance and investment evaluation
- comprehend the legal framework within which businesses operate and apply this knowledge in addressing commercial legal problems.

Admission requirements

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

To gain admission to the Master of Professional Accounting, applicants must hold an approved degree at no less than Bachelor or 8-unit Masters level in a non-accounting field from a recognised university or tertiary institution, provided that such qualification is deemed sufficient and appropriate on application, and is in accordance with the appropriate professional body guidelines.

CPA Australia requires students to have a degree (3 years) from a recognised university and have completed the Master of Professional Accounting for Associate membership. An applicant without an approved degree is required to complete the 16-unit and a two-year program to compensate for this.

Applicants with overseas academic qualifications in accounting should contact either of the following professional bodies for an assessment of their qualifications (prior to applying for enrolment in the program):

- [CPA Australia](#)
- [Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand](#).

Admission to the program will not be granted to persons who are members of or eligible for membership of CPA Australia or Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand.

All students are required to satisfy the applicable [English language requirements](#).

If students do not meet the English language requirements they may apply to study a University-approved [English language program](#). On successful completion of the English language program, students may be admitted to an award program.

Program fees

Domestic full fee paying place

Domestic full fee paying places are funded entirely through the full fees paid by the student. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Schedule](#)

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [FEE-HELP](#) provided they meet the residency and citizenship requirements.

Australian citizens, Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who will be resident outside Australia for the duration of their program pay full tuition fees and are not eligible for [FEE-Help](#).

International full fee paying place

International students pay full fees. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken and whether they are studied on-campus, external or online. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Schedules](#).

Program structure

Course	Semester of offer Distance/Online	Semester of offer Toowoomba campus	Semester of offer Springfield campus
ACC5202	1, 2	1, 2	1

ACC5213	1, 2	1	2
ACC5215	1, 2	2	1
ACC5216	1, 2	1	2
ACC5218	1, 2	2	1
CIS8000 Global Information Systems Strategy (Formerly CIS5001)	1, 2	1, 2	2
ECO5000 Managerial Economics	2, 3	2	2
FIN5000 Finance for Managers	1, 3	1	1
FIN5003 (Formerly MGT5001).	1, 3	1	1
LAW5201 Commercial Law	1, 2, 3	1, 2	1, 2
LAW5206 Corporations Law	2, 3	2	2
LAW5230 Taxation Law	1, 2, 3	1	1

Program completion requirements

Students must maintain good standing in this program. Please refer to the [Academic Standing, Progression and Exclusion Procedure](#).

Required time limits

Students have a maximum of 6 years to complete this program.

IT requirements

For information technology requirements please refer to the [minimum computing standards](#).

Exit points

A student who chooses not to complete or who does not maintain good standing in this program will be permitted to exit with a lesser qualification as set out below, provided they have met the requirements of that program.

- A student who successfully completes 8 Master of Professional Accounting courses may, upon application, exit with a .
- A student who successfully completes any 4 courses for the may, upon application, exit with that qualification.

Credit

As the Master of Professional Accounting is a graduate conversion program, credit approved in the program does not automatically apply to other postgraduate programs offered by the University.

Candidates for the 12-course Master of Professional Accounting may be eligible for up to a maximum total of six units of credit.

Credit may be granted on the basis of completed equivalent postgraduate or undergraduate study from a recognised university.

However, the maximum that will be considered on the basis of undergraduate study is four units of credit.

Recommended enrolment pattern - Toowoomba campus

Please refer to program structure. Students requiring assistance should contact the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts.

Course	Year of program and semester in which course is normally studied						Enrolment requirements	Comments
	On-campus (ONC)		External (EXT)		Online (ONL)			
	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	Year	Sem		
ACC5202	1	1	1	1	1	1		
LAW5201 Commercial Law	1	1	1	1	1	1		
FIN5000 Finance for Managers	1	1	2	1	1	1		
FIN5003	1	1	2	1	1	1		Formerly MGT5001
ACC5213	1	2	1	2	1	2		
LAW5206 Corporations Law	1	2	1	2	1	2		
CIS8000 Global Information Systems Strategy	1	2	2	2	1	2		Formerly CIS5001
ECO5000 Managerial Economics	1	2	2	2	1	2		
ACC5215	2	1	3	1	2	1		
ACC5216	2	1	3	1	2	1		
ACC5218	2	1	3	2	2	1		
LAW5230 Taxation Law	2	1	3	2	2	1		

Recommended enrolment pattern - Springfield campus

Please refer to program structure. Students requiring assistance should contact the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts.

Course	Year of program and semester in which course is normally studied						Enrolment requirements	Comments
	On-campus (ONC)		External (EXT)		Online (ONL)			
	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	Year	Sem		
ACC5202	1	1						
FIN5000 Finance for Managers	1	1						
FIN5003	1	1						Formerly MGT5001
CIS8000 Global Information Systems Strategy	1	1						Formerly CIS5001
LAW5201 Commercial Law	1	2						
ECO5000 Managerial Economics	1	2						
ACC5213	1	2						
LAW5206 Corporations Law	1	2						
ACC5216	2	1						
ACC5215	2	1						
ACC5218	2	1						
LAW5230 Taxation Law	2	1						