

# Graduate Diploma in Professional Practice (Quantitative Finance)

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Already have a degree but want to enhance your professional practice skills and employment opportunities?

## Aim

This program aims to provide flexible opportunities for students to enhance their graduate professional practice skills and readiness for professional employment together with extended core knowledge in their chosen field.

## Content/structure

Students complete 18 units of core courses and 18 units of specialisation electives.

## Entry requirements

Applicants should hold a completed bachelor degree, or equivalent qualification from a recognised higher education institution or equivalent. In addition, a mathematical background equivalent to Calculus and Linear Algebra and a statistical background equivalent to Statistical Methods are assumed knowledge for this program. Students without this assumed knowledge are counselled to formulate a plan with the Program Director to acquire the appropriate background during the first study period of the program.

For international applicants for whom English is a second language, the minimum English language requirements are:

International English Language Testing System (IELTS Academic): Minimum score of 6.0 in Reading and Writing subscores and minimum overall score of 6.5 obtained within the last two years or corresponding results from an equivalent test such as TOEFL or the appropriate Academic English language level delivered at CELUSA; or

- Successful completion of a tertiary qualification at diploma level or above completed in Australia within the last two years; or

- Successful completion of at least two years of tertiary study at diploma level or above conducted and completed in English within the last five years in a country in which English is commonly used, as determined by the University. Where the study in English was more than five years ago, this requirement may be satisfied by subsequent and recent work experience of two or more years duration in a setting where English is the language of business subject to satisfactory evidence as determined by the Program Director.

## Graduate Diploma in Professional Practice + Master Double Degree Tuition Scholarships

Up to 100 scholarships to the value of AU\$3,000 each will be awarded to international students who have successfully completed the Graduate Diploma in Professional Practice upon entry to their chosen Master specialisation. These scholarships will be awarded on the basis of academic achievement in the Graduate Diploma.

## Fee information

Fees for domestic students: Commonwealth Supported.

Fees for Commonwealth Supported Students are calculated at the course level.

Fees for International students: AU\$22,000 per 1.0 EFTSL for students commencing in 2010.

Fees are calculated on a per Unit basis with 1.0 EFTSL = 36 Units.

Fees for International students are determined one year in advance and are subject to variation.

## Program requirements

CORE COURSES	
Compulsory core (select 2 courses)	
Course Name	Area + Cat. No.
Academic Skills for IT Professionals (see note 1)	INFS 5073
Information Technology Project Management M (see note 2) or	INFS 5057
Principles of Project Management A (see note 2) or	BUSS 5142
Strategic Project Management (see note 2) or	BUSS 5257
Project Planning and Control G (see note 2)	MFET 5040
Core Electives - (select 2 courses)	
People, Organisations and Leadership	BUSS 5114
Learning in the Workplace 1 (see note 3)	EDUC 4190
Learning in the Workplace 2 (see note 3)	EDUC 4191
Learning in the Workplace Project (see note 3)	EDUC 4192
Principles of Systems Engineering	EEET 4052
Professional Practice Guided Study	ENGG 5007
Technology Innovation and Principles of R&D Management	MFET 5025
Specialisation courses (select 4 courses)	
Derivatives 1: Futures	MATH 5030
Theory of Interest M	MATH 5039
Financial Theory and Financial Markets	BANK 5014
Statistical Foundations	MATH 5040

### Notes

1. Students who already possess the skills developed in this course can apply for exemption and substitute another course with the approval of the Program Director.
2. Students enrolled in this specialisation may select any one of these project management elective courses and should consult the Program Director for advice on the course that would best suit them.
3. Enrolments in these courses are subject to availability of placements and satisfactory supervisory arrangements.
4. Students may substitute alternative specialisation courses with the approval of the Program Director.
5. This specialisation provides a pathway for subsequent entry to the Master of Quantitative Finance (DMQF).

## Fees and further information

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