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COURSE HANDBOOK

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

School of Business and Leadership

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Overview

Master of Business Administration (MBA)	Program Director	Pratima Durga
	AQF Level	AQF Level 9
	Qualification	Masters Degree
	Units	12
	Languages of Instruction	English
	CRICOS Code	
	ASCED Code	080301
	Accreditation	Self-accredited (October 2026)
	Course Length	1.5 years full-time; up to 3 years part-time
	Entry Requirements	*https://www.ac.edu.au/awards/master-of-business-administration/*

COURSE OVERVIEW

The Master of Business Administration (MBA) equips current and aspiring leaders with advanced knowledge and skills to navigate the complexities of contemporary business and organisational environments. Integrating contemporary business theory with Christian values and ethical principles, the course develops capabilities in strategic decision-making, financial management, governance, organisational leadership, and innovation. Students are encouraged to think critically, exercise sound professional judgement, and apply research-informed approaches to complex business challenges. Graduates will be equipped to lead responsibly, drive organisational performance, and contribute meaningfully across a range of professional and industry contexts.

Course Structure

Note: Contact the Student Support Team for access to previous course versions.

This course structure applies to student enrolled from Semester 1, 2027		

The course structure is based on three semesters (13 weeks duration each) full-time equivalent:
 	
• Core Units (6) — 60 credit points
• Pathway Option
  • Coursework Pathway — Elective Units (6) — 60 credit points
  • Research Pathway — Elective Units (4) (40 credit points) *and* Capstone (20 credit points)
 	
To qualify for award of Master of Business Administration a candidate shall accrue an aggregate of at least 120 credit points.		

Content of the course of study		**Credit points**
Core units	BUS401 Faith, Purpose, and Leadership BUS502 Financial Management, Governance and Risk BUS503 Strategic and Ethical Decision Making BUS504 Communication for Global Leadership BUS505 People and Organisational Behaviour LEA511 Creativity and Entrepreneurship	6 x 10
Pathway units	Chose as follows: • **Coursework Pathway**: 60 credit points at 400 level or above, with at least 30 credit point from BUS, MAN, or LEA • **Research Pathway**: ○ 40 credit points at 400 level or above, with at least 20 credit points from BUS, MAN, or LEA ○ RES501 Research Project	6 x 10 *or* 4 x 10 1 x 20
Rules of progression	Pass grade or above in all units up to 120cp total; for research option, Program Director endorsement strongly recommended, but not required.	
Pre-requisites for specific units	Pre-requisites are noted on the unit outline. Students must have completed the pre-requisite to enrol in the unit.	

Recommended Course Progression

Based on a full-time study mode

CORE	ELECTIVES	CAPSTONE

MBA coursework only:

First Year			
Semester 1		**Semester 2**	
BUS401	Faith, Purpose, and Leadership	BUS505	People and Organisational Behaviour
BUS502	Financial Management, Governance and Risk	LEA511	Creativity and Entrepreneurship
BUS503	Strategic and Ethical Decision Making	400-level	Elective
BUS504	Communication for Global Leadership	400-level	Elective
Second Year			
Semester 1			
400-level	Elective		
400-level	Elective		
400-level	Elective		
400-level	Elective		

MBA with research project:

First Year			
Semester 1		**Semester 2**	
BUS401	Faith, Purpose, and Leadership	BUS505	People and Organisational Behaviour
BUS502	Financial Management, Governance and Risk	LEA511	Creativity and Entrepreneurship
BUS503	Strategic and Ethical Decision Making	RES501	Research Project (Part 1)
BUS504	Communication for Global Leadership	400-level	Elective
Second Year			
Semester 1			
RES501	Research Project (Part 2)		
400-level	Elective		
400-level	Elective		
400-level	Elective		

Course Learning Outcomes

Graduates will be able to demonstrate:
• Critique and synthesise leadership, management, governance, entrepreneurial, and organisational theories to interpret complex business challenges.
• Investigate and judge organisational, economic, social, and cultural factors to support strategic decision-making and organisational performance, undergirded by Christian values.
• Formulate and design innovative, evidence-informed strategies and solutions that create sustainable organisational and stakeholder value.
• Analyse, interpret, and validate data and professional knowledge to address complex organisational, financial, governance, and operational challenges.
• Communicate ethical, Christian values-informed approaches to leadership, stakeholder engagement and organisational practice, and collaborate effectively with diverse teams.

Work Integrated Learning

Work Integrated Learning may be undertaken through various Professional Practice and Professional Experience units at AC. These units seek to create a direct linkage between the learning, skills and values engaged in lectures, and the reflection which occurs when these are applied in real-life settings. These work-based training units are comprised of instruction, academic assessment and a placement in a workplace for each unit.

For further information related to Work-Integrated Learning, please see the Professional Practice Handbook on Moodle or contact our Student Support team.

Other Course Information

For other course information, such as information on Professional Accreditation and available intakes, visit the course web page:

https://www.ac.edu.au/awards/master-of-business-administration/

Useful Links

AC WEBSITE

https://www.ac.edu.au/

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

https://www.ac.edu.au/key-dates/

HOW TO ENROL

Please see the Timetable for available units and contact Student Support Team for tailored academic advice before completing the enrolment form.

AC POLICIES

https://ww1.ac.edu.au/ppm/

LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Enrolled students will have access to AC's LMS

FEES

https://www.ac.edu.au/fees-financing/

STUDENT FORMS

https://www.ac.edu.au/forms/

GRADUATE ATTRIBUTES

https://ww1.ac.edu.au/ppm/graduate-attributes-policy/

Student Support

The Student Support team are available if you need assistance. Email the team via: studentsupport@ac.edu.au or book a phone or video call via: Bookings

Phone: (02) 8893 9005

https://www.ac.edu.au/student-services/

For disability support please contact dso@ac.edu.au

Appendix 1

COURSE PROGRESSION TRACKING TEMPLATE

Master of Business Administration (MBA)

Student:	
Student ID number:	
Year of commencement:	

Master of Business Administration (MBA) requirements:

- Core x 6 (60cp)
- Pathway Option (60cp)
    - Coursework Pathway — Electives x 6 (60cp)
    - Research Pathway — Capstone (20cp) + Electives x 4 (40cp)

Core x 6 (60cp) Unit Code and Name	**Unit Credit Points**	**Comments**

Electives x 6 (60cp) Unit Code and Name	**Unit Credit Points**	**Comments**

Capstone (20cp) Unit Code and Name	**Unit Credit Points**	**Comments**