

Master of Commerce – degree structure and progression for 2011 continuing students

In 2012, the structure and specialisations have changed for students commencing or transferring into the Master of Commerce. From 2012, there will no longer be specialisation capstone units. A new program wide capstone unit, *BUSS6000 Succeeding in Business*, has been introduced. Although it is recommended that all students consider completing the new Commerce capstone unit, *BUSS6000*, it will not be compulsory for continuing Commerce students.

The degree requirements for students who commenced in 2011 are set out below.

Degree requirements

To be awarded the Master of Commerce, students must successfully complete a total of 12 units of study (72 credit points), comprising:

- four to six foundational units of study (24 to 36 credit points) *
- a specialisation selected from one of the Commerce areas of specialisation **
- an optional second specialisation (different to that chosen as a first specialisation); *OR* elective units of study selected from the areas of specialisation.

* Graduates with a bachelor's degree qualification in Commerce or Business may receive between one and four unit-specific waivers from foundational units and may then undertake up to 12 non-foundational units, including a maximum of two specialisations.

** With permission, students who achieve a WAM of 75%+ in a minimum of four units in the Master of Commerce (24 credit points) have the possibility of undertaking an assessable work integrated learning unit (six credit points). See the 'Commerce Internship' entry for further details.

Please Note: The information set out here is for students commencing their Master of Commerce degree in 2011. Continuing students should follow the degree structure outline in the [Handbook for the year they commenced their degree](#)

Foundational units of study

Master of Commerce students complete between four and six foundational units. All students must enrol in the foundational unit of study ECOF5010.

The available foundational units are as follows:

- ACCT5001 Accounting Principles
- CLAW5001 Legal Environment of Business
- ECOF5010 Academic and Professional Communication *
- ECMT5001 Principles of Econometrics
- ECON5000 Economics for Commerce* OR ECON5001 Microeconomic Theory
- FINC5001 Capital Markets and Corporate Finance
- IBUS5001 Strategy, Innovation and Global Business
- INFS5001 Project Management
- MKTG5001 Marketing Principles

- QBUS5001 Quantitative Methods for Business (*new unit for 2012*)
- TPTM5001 Logistics and Supply Chain Management
- WORK5003 Management and Organisations

* These units will no longer be offered from 2012. Students can substitute ECON5000 with ECON5001.

Specialisations

Note. The structure of all the specialisations will change in 2012. Continuing students have the option of completing their specialisation as per the 2011 handbook (where possible) or completing the 2012 version of the specialisation. The 2011 versions of each of these specialisations are available under each of the specialisation's web pages (see links below).

Students complete at least one specialisation as a requirement for the Master's degree. For a specialisation, students complete a prerequisite foundational unit of study (six credit points) and at least four units of study including the capstone unit for the specialisation (minimum of 24 credit points). The foundational unit for a specialisation is completed within a student's first semester of study and the capstone unit for the specialisation is completed in a student's final semester of study.

Students select their specialisation and/or electives from the following areas:

- [Accounting](#)
- [Banking](#)
- [Business Law](#)
- [Econometrics](#) (*new specialisation for 2012*)
- [Economics](#)
- [Finance](#)
- [Integrated Business Solutions](#) (re-titled *Business Information Systems* in 2012)
- [International Business](#)
- [Logistics and Supply Chain Management](#)
- [Management and Organisations](#)
- [Marketing](#)
- [Project Management](#)
- [Quantitative Business Analysis](#)
- [Quantitative Finance](#)
- [Strategy and Innovation](#)

Commerce Internship

Students who achieve a WAM of 75%+ in a minimum of the first four units in the Master of Commerce (24 credit points) have the possibility of undertaking an assessable work integrated learning unit – BUSS6500 (six credit points). Access to this unit will be subject to the availability of suitable placements, with available placements offered on a competitive basis and subject to WAM performance and interview by the Program Director.

Progression guides

1. The following table shows an example degree progression for a student who wishes to attain one specialisation in the Master of Commerce on a full-time basis undertaking four units of study per semester.

Year / Semester	Unit of study 1	Unit of study 2	Unit of study 3	Unit of study 4	Total credit points
Year 1 Semester 1	foundational (articulates to specialisation)	foundational	foundational	ECOF5010*	24
Year 1 Semester 2	specialisation	specialisation	foundational or elective	foundational or elective	24
Year 2 Semester 1	capstone for specialisation	specialisation	elective	elective	24

* Students who receive a waiver for the requirement to complete ECOF5010 would complete an alternative unit in this example.

2. The following table shows an example degree progression for a student who wishes to attain two specialisations in the Master of Commerce on a full-time basis undertaking four units of study per semester.

Year / Semester	Unit of study 1	Unit of study 2	Unit of study 3	Unit of study 4	Total credit points
Year 1 Semester 1	foundational (articulates to specialisation A)	foundational (articulates to specialisation B)	foundational	ECOF5010*	24
Year 1 Semester 2	specialisation A	specialisation A	specialisation B	specialisation B	24
Year 2 Semester 1	specialisation A	capstone for specialisation A	capstone for specialisation B	specialisation B	24

* Students who receive a waiver for the requirement to complete ECOF5010 would complete an alternative unit in this example.

Students who intend to meet specific professional body accreditation requirements should check the information listed under the heading *Accreditation program requirements* as this may impact on the choice of specialisation/s and electives.

Please Note: The information listed in these program of study examples is meant as a guide only. Students should always check the requirements for individual units of study. Students are usually able to complete the units of study for their degree in different sequences to those listed above. You are advised to plan their degree based upon your individual needs and to contact the [Student Information Office](#) if you need any assistance in planning your progression in your degree.