



International Trade and Finance Specialisation



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UQ's Bachelor of Economics degree is a qualification that provides students with a comprehensive insight into, and understanding of, economic analysis and real-world experience. As globalisation continues to draw countries, people and economies closer together, internationally oriented employers are seeking graduates with an understanding of this process through a strong training in international trade and finance.

Multinational corporations, international banking firms, governmental agencies and departments require graduates qualified to analyse current international trade and finance policies, for example, in relation to the trade expansion in the Asia-Pacific region and the impacts of free trade agreements with countries such as Singapore, the USA and New Zealand. An understanding of the rationales that lie behind World Trade Organisation rulings is vital for all organisations involved in international trade as it the operations of the IMF and the World Bank.

Bachelor of Economics students have the option to focus on this specific area and have this formally recognised on the degree certificate upon graduation.

In addition to the ten compulsory courses in the Bachelor of Economics program, students are required to select from a limited range of elective courses. To satisfy the requirements for this specialisation, students must complete six electives from the following list:

ECON2200	Management of Financial Institutions
ECON2500	China: Emergence, Implications and Challenges
or	
ECON2610	International Economy in the 20th Century
ECON3200	Monetary Economics
ECON3210	Financial Markets and Institutions
ECON3510	International Trade Theory and Policy
ECON3520	International Macroeconomics
ECON3550	Economic Institutions and Global Banking
FINM2401	Financial Management
FINM3401	Corporate Finance
FINM3403	International Financial Management

In order to allow students to balance their specialisation towards finance as well as trade and international macroeconomic issues, the specialisation includes three electives from the Finance Cluster in the UQ Business School. This enables students to select six electives in the field of finance, offering a uniquely strong training in finance within the context of an economics degree. This training opens up opportunities for careers in international banking and in international accounting firms.

The balance of courses required for the degree can be taken from a diverse range of electives, which cover fields such as economic theory, applied economics, economic statistics, econometrics, economic history, business economics, industrial relations, ecological and environmental economics and experimental economics.

Duration of program

The Bachelor of Economics program is normally taken over 6 semesters of full-time study, or the part-time equivalent.

Minimum entry requirement

Sound achievement in Year 12 English and in Year 12 Mathematics B. For international students who are not completing secondary studies in Australia, a passing grade in Advanced Mathematics (including Calculus) is required.

- Australian students gain admission to the above programs through the Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC).
- International students must apply to the International Education Directorate of the University.
- A copy of the entry requirements to the university is available www.uq.edu.au/study

Total units

48 units (24 courses)

Commencement

Students may commence this program in either semester 1 (February) or semester 2 (July).

Important information

Students enrolled in the BEcon as part of a dual program may be unable to complete a specialisation depending on the combination.

Dual program students intending to enrol in the Bachelor of Economics (Honours) program will be unable to complete a specialisation in the BEcon due to additional pre-requisites for entry to Honours.