

2008 Course Summary Sheet

■ Doctor of Information Technology (IT80)

This document will assist you with the selection of your study program and completion of your enrolment. Other useful information can be found on the Student Services website <http://studentservices.qut.com/> and the Research Student Centre website <http://www.rsc.qut.edu.au/>

Location: Garden Point campus

Course Duration: Minimum completion time: 2 years (full-time) or 4 years (part-time). However in exceptional circumstances, students may complete in 1 ½ years if granted sufficient advanced standing.

Study Mode: Internal or External, Part-Time or Full-Time

Total Credit Points Required: 288

Standard Credit Points per Semester: 48 credit points (full-time); 24 credit points (part-time)

Fees: For a complete list of fee schedules <http://studentservices.qut.com/costs/schedule/index.jsp>

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IMPORTANT COURSE SPECIFIC ENROLMENT ADVICE

Students are expected to enrol as per the standard structure outlined on this Course Summary Sheet, and are responsible for ensuring their unit selection is correct. Failure to do so may result in financial and academic penalties.

Underloads – It is not expected that a student should underload – i.e. undertake less credit points than the standard semester load. If, however, your circumstances require you to take fewer units, you are permitted to underload by 12 credit points (1 unit), with the approval of the Course Co-ordinator. Please note that underloading may lead to difficulties in course progression.

Overloads – It is not expected that a student should overload – i.e. undertake more credit points than the standard semester load. If, however, your circumstances require you to overload you should be aware of the possible academic consequences of an increased study load. Overloads are not permitted in the first semester of study without Course Co-ordinator approval.

Course Progression – Students should attempt to follow the standard course progression as outlined on the Course Summary Sheet. Failure to do so could result in difficulties in unit selection. It is a student's responsibility to ensure they have met pre-requisite and co-requisite requirements when they select their enrolment program.

Commencing Students – Commencing students are required to enrol as specified in the University's letter of offer in regards to their course, attendance mode, location and class codes.

Student Responsibility – Students are expected to enrol as per the standard course structure as contained in this Course Summary Sheet. Students are responsible for ensuring that their enrolment form is completed correctly and that their enrolment status is accurate at all times. Students are expected to abide by the university's due dates when submitting enrolment or credit applications and ensure that their address details are up to date. Failure to do any of the above may result in financial and academic penalties.

Attendance mode – The Professional Doctorate course will be offered both internally and externally. Most students will be situated in their workplace but may be expected to attend classes for their coursework, regular supervisory meetings, possible residential periods and seminars. While students are not restricted to commencing at the beginning of semester, it is recommended, particularly if students are enrolled in coursework units.

Important Note: Please ensure you select the correct teaching period, class and location code for all units you are enrolled in. All units in this course have a location of Gardens Point and a class of Internal.

COURSE STRUCTURE

General

Students are expected to complete no more than 96 credit points (or one year full-time) of coursework subjects. Electives can be chosen from any offerings within the Faculty of Information Technology or at QUT. It is highly recommended that students complete ITN100 (Introduction to Research). In addition, candidates are highly recommended to enrol in ITN246 and ITN248, which are units designed to ensure that the candidate has read a directed set of resources that are related to their project. Finally, it is highly recommended that each candidate undertakes a pilot project in ITN791. All coursework must be approved by the Course Co-ordinator and should compliment the research component of the course. It is expected that coursework requirements will be satisfactorily completed before the research component is commenced.

Please note that students are required to select their supervisory team in conjunction with the Course Co-ordinator before embarking on the coursework units or before enrolling in ITN100.

Students are expected to complete 192 credit points in research projects. The research component of the course can be undertaken as one or two projects. If students wish to complete more than two projects, approval needs to be sought from the Course Co-ordinator. If students complete one project, it is expected that the thesis would be in the range of 50,000-80,000 words. If students complete two projects, it is expected that each thesis would be in the range of 30,000-40,000 words. All research projects will be under the direction of a suitable supervisory team. All research theses will be examined and graded by external examiners as per the course regulations and guidelines of the University.

Elective Study

Students should normally complete their required coursework and elective units within the first year for full-time students or within the first two years for part-time students. However, exceptions can be made with the approval of the Course Co-ordinator. The student should consult with supervisors and the Course Co-ordinator to decide on the course structure.

NB The course structures outlined below are only a guideline. All course structures must be approved by the Course Co-ordinator.

FULL-TIME PROGRAM

Unit Code	Unit Title	Credit Points	Notes
Year 1, Semester 1			
Elective	PG coursework elective unit	12	Allows students an opportunity to extend their knowledge in related fields, improve their understanding of project management, develop venture capital or leadership competencies in or to lead research groups
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Year 1, Semester 2			
ITN246	Project	12	A literature review of the related theory
ITN248	Project	12	A literature review of the relevant research methods and approaches that may be of use
ITN791	Project	12	A pilot study of the selected theory and method to a subset of the problem in order to test the efficacy of the methods and theories selected
ITN100	Introduction to Research	12	Candidate constructs an integrated research proposal
Year 2, Semester 1			
ITR400-1	Thesis 4	24	Research Thesis
ITR400-2	Thesis 4	24	Research Thesis
Year 2, Semester 2			
ITR400-3	Thesis 4	24	Research Thesis
ITR400-4	Thesis 4	24	Research Thesis
Year 3, Semester 1			
ITR400-5	Thesis 4	24	Research Thesis
ITR400-6	Thesis 4	24	Research Thesis
Year 3, Semester 2			
ITR400-7	Thesis 4	24	Research Thesis
ITR400-8	Thesis 4	24	Research Thesis

NB Coursework should normally be completed within the first year, subject to unit availability. Variations to this would be made in consultation with the student's supervisory team and Course Coordinator.

PART-TIME PROGRAM

Unit Code	Unit Title	Credit Points	Notes
Year 2, Semester 1 & 2			
Elective	PG coursework elective unit	12	Allows the candidate an opportunity to extend their knowledge in related fields, improve their understanding of project management, develop venture capital or leadership competencies in or to lead research groups
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Year 2, Semester 1 & 2			
ITN246	Project	12	A literature review of the related theory
ITN248	Project	12	A literature review of the relevant research methods and approaches that may be of use
ITN791	Project	12	A pilot study of the selected theory and method to a subset of the problem in order to test the efficacy of the methods and theories selected
ITN100	Introduction to Research	12	Candidate constructs an integrated research proposal
Year 3, Semester 1 & 2			
ITR100-1	Thesis 1	12	Research Thesis
ITR100-2	Thesis 1	12	Research Thesis
ITR100-3	Thesis 1	12	Research Thesis
ITR100-4	Thesis 1	12	Research Thesis
Year 4, Semester 1 & 2			
ITR100-5	Thesis 1	12	Research Thesis
ITR100-6	Thesis 1	12	Research Thesis
ITR100-7	Thesis 1	12	Research Thesis
ITR100-8	Thesis 1	12	Research Thesis
Year 5, Semester 1 & 2			
ITR200-1	Thesis 2	12	Research Thesis
ITR200-2	Thesis 2	12	Research Thesis
ITR200-3	Thesis 2	12	Research Thesis
ITR200-4	Thesis 2	12	Research Thesis
Year 6, Semester 1 & 2			
ITR200-5	Thesis 2	12	Research Thesis
ITR200-6	Thesis 2	12	Research Thesis
ITR200-7	Thesis 2	12	Research Thesis
ITR200-8	Thesis 2	12	Research Thesis

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Programs will be designed to accommodate individual needs upon discussion with course co-ordinator.

NB Regulations applicable to the PhD course shall apply to the Doctor of Information Technology in matters not directly referred to in the Doctor of Information Technology rules and regulations.