

- demonstrate a high level of skill in assessing and addressing ethical/confidential concerns in their study and related work activity;
- report the results of their projects concerning changes to their workplace in a manner appropriate to their audience; and
- develop a workplace-based learning plan that integrates theory and practice.

Admission requirements

Admission is by completed online application and interview. To be considered for entry, an applicant must normally possess a bachelor degree from an Australian university or equivalent, and have the equivalent of at least five years' experience in their field. Anyone wishing to gain entry to the program on the basis of equivalent qualifications and/or experience should contact the University for consideration for admission on this basis.

Program fees

Domestic full fee paying place

Domestic full fee paying places are funded entirely through the full fees paid by the student. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#).

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [FEE-HELP](#) provided they meet the residency and citizenship requirements.

Australian citizens, Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who will be resident outside Australia for the duration of their program pay full tuition fees and are not eligible for [FEE-Help](#).

International full fee paying place

International students pay full fees. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken and whether they are studied on-campus, via distance education/online. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#).

Program structure

- [WRP8020 Work-based Research: Publishable Paper](#)
AND/OR
- [WBL8001 Workplace-based Learning Plan](#)(1 unit as needed)

All students must attend a compulsory weekend workshop following their entry into the program. During the workshop, students will have opportunities to:

- be guided through the process of compiling a Learning Portfolio
- be assisted to develop a Learning Plan
- consider requirements for projects
- consult with their advisor
- network with other students to form support groups.

Required time limits

Students have a maximum of 3 years to complete this program.

IT requirements

Computer literacy is now expected as part of professional life, and as an integral element in the studying and learning process. Many courses make use of the Internet through online discussion groups and course web pages. Some courses require substantial access to a computer because computer software or CD-ROMs are integral to the material being taught in the course. Students will be required to make use of up-to-date computer technology to facilitate learning, research, and the production of assessment material.

Students are referred to recommended hardware and software requirements at <http://www.usq.edu.au/current-students/support/computing/hardware>.

Twenty-four hour computer access is available at USQ.

Exit points

The exit point for students who do not complete the requirements of the [MPRS Master of Professional Studies](#) is the . Students will be eligible for this award if, whilst enrolled in the [Master of Professional Studies](#) ., they have completed at least 4 units including, [WRP8000 Fundamentals of Professional Studies](#) and two other units from the WRP courses in the student's approved Learning Plan.

Exemptions

The Learning Portfolio developed in [WRP8000 Fundamentals of Professional Studies](#) may be submitted for formal assessment of prior learning. Assessment of the Learning Portfolio is the only method of applying for consideration for exemptions for this program.

OR

Course Name	Prerequisites						Pre-requisite	Notes
	L1		L2		L3			
	V	P	V	P	V	P		
WRP8000 Fundamentals of Professional Studies*			1	1,2			Pre-requisite: Students must be enrolled in the Graduate Certificate in Professional Studies (GCPS) or the Master of Professional Studies program (MPRS)	
WRP8010 Work-based Research Project A*			1	1,2,3			Pre-requisite: Students must have passed WRP8000 and Students must be enrolled in the Graduate Certificate in Professional Studies (GCPS) or the Master of Professional Studies program (MPRS)	
WRP8011 Work-based Research Project B*			2	1,2,3			Pre-requisite: WRP8010 and Students must be enrolled in the Master of Professional Studies program (MPRS)	
Choose one of the following 2 courses								
WRP8012 Work-based Research Project C*			3	1,2,3			Pre-requisite: WRP8011 and Students must be enrolled in the Master of Professional Studies program (MPRS)	
WRP8020 Work-based Research: Publishable Paper*			3	1,2,3			Pre-requisite: Students must have passed WRP8000 and Students must be enrolled in the Master of Professional Studies program (MPRS)	
And/Or								
WBL8001 Workplace-based Learning Plan			3	1,2,3			Co-requisite: WBL8000	(1 unit as needed)

Footnotes

* This course is worth 2 units.