



MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY

FACULTY OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

GRADUATE STUDIES OFFICE

Admission Rules for Australian and International Students

- Master of International Business
- Master of Commerce in Business
- Master of Commerce in Marketing
- Master of Commerce in Information Systems and Technology
- Master of Commerce in Accounting and Finance
- Master of Commerce in Actuarial Studies

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**MASTER OF INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS
and
MASTER OF COMMERCE IN BUSINESS**

1. The applicant must hold a university qualification deemed equivalent in standing to a three year Australian bachelor degree.
2. The degree can be in any discipline. However a preference is given to applicants who hold a degree with a significant business or commerce component, or a degree that demonstrates successful study of an academic or professional discipline in depth, such as economics, law, science, engineering or humanities. Degrees in languages or practical vocations are less suited as preparation for postgraduate study in business and applicants holding such degrees may not be accepted.
3. For admission directly to the MIB or MCom (i.e. the eight unit program), the applicant must have completed sufficient business related units in a prior degree. This normally means the applicant must have completed, as a minimum:
 - Accounting - two units (principles of accounting and intermediate or management accounting)
 - Economics - two units (macroeconomics and microeconomics or international economics)
 - Finance - two units (finance principles and corporate finance or international finance)
 - Marketing - one unit (marketing principles)

Also, the applicant should have some computing skills and some skills in statistics.

4. If the applicant does not have a business related first degree, then the applicant will be required to complete a preliminary program prior to taking MIB and MCom units. The preliminary program will be of one semester duration and will require the completion of four units, normally in the areas of accounting, economics, finance and marketing although other units may be substituted where appropriate. The preliminary program will be conducted by the Sydney Institute of Business and Technology located at Macquarie University. Completion of the preliminary program will lead to automatic progression to the MIB or MCom.
5. The applicant should have a GPA of at least 2.70 (out of 4.00). In an application where the GPA is close to 2.70 (either just above or just below) attention will be paid to grades on individual business related units.
6. An applicant from a non-English speaking background must be able to demonstrate proficiency in English (e.g. IELTS 6.5 overall with 6.0 in each section).

MASTER OF COMMERCE IN MARKETING

1. The applicant must hold a university qualification deemed equivalent in standing to a three year Australian bachelor degree.
2. The degree can be in any discipline. However a preference is given to applicants who hold a degree with a significant business or commerce component, or a degree that demonstrates successful study of an academic or professional discipline in depth, such as economics, law, science, engineering or humanities. Degrees in languages or practical vocations are less suited as preparation for postgraduate study in business and applicants holding such degrees may not be accepted.
3. For admission directly to the MCom (i.e. the eight unit program), the applicant must have completed sufficient business related units in a prior degree. This normally means the applicant must have completed, as a minimum:
 - Accounting - two units (principles of accounting and intermediate or management accounting)
 - Economics - two units (microeconomics and macroeconomics or international economics)
 - Business - four units (e.g. management, finance, business law, administration or other business-related units)
 - Marketing - one unit (marketing principles)

Also, the applicant should have some computing skills and some skills in statistics.
4. If the applicant does not have a business related first degree, then the applicant will be required to complete a preliminary program prior to taking MCom units. The preliminary program will be of one semester duration and will require the completion of four units, normally in the areas of accounting, economics, business and marketing although other units may be substituted where appropriate. The preliminary program will be conducted by the Sydney Institute of Business and Technology located at Macquarie University. Completion of the preliminary program will lead to automatic progression to the MCom.
5. The applicant should have a GPA of at least 2.70 (out of 4.00). In an application where the GPA is close to 2.70 (either just above or just below) attention will be paid to grades on individual business related units.
6. An applicant from a non-English speaking background must be able to demonstrate proficiency in English (e.g. IELTS 6.5 overall with 6.0 in each section).

MASTER OF COMMERCE IN INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGY

1. The applicant must hold a university qualification deemed equivalent in standing to a three year Australian bachelor degree.
2. The degree can be in any discipline. However a preference is given to applicants who hold a degree with a significant business, commerce or IT component, or a degree that demonstrates successful study of an academic or professional discipline in depth, such as economics, law, science, engineering or humanities. Degrees in languages or practical vocations are less suited as preparation for postgraduate study in business and applicants holding such degrees may not be accepted.
3. For admission directly to the MCom in Information Systems and Technology (i.e. the eight unit program), the applicant must have completed sufficient information technology and business related units in a prior degree. This normally means the applicant must have completed, as a minimum:
 - Information Technology - one unit
 - Business - four units (e.g. marketing, finance, management, economics)
 - Accounting - two units (principles of accounting and accounting information systems)
 - Statistics - one unit (business statistics)
4. If the applicant does not have the above units in a prior degree the applicant will be required to complete a preliminary program prior to taking MCom units. The preliminary program will be of one semester duration and will require the completion of four units, normally in the areas of information technology, business, accounting and statistics although other units may be substituted where appropriate. The preliminary program will be conducted by the Sydney Institute of Business and Technology located at Macquarie University. Completion of the preliminary program will lead to automatic progression to the MCom in Information Systems and Technology.
5. The applicant should have a GPA of at least 2.70 (out of 4.00). In an application where the GPA is close to 2.70 (either just above or just below) attention will be paid to grades on individual business and IT related units.
6. An applicant from a non-English speaking background must be able to demonstrate proficiency in English (e.g. IELTS 6.5 overall with 6.0 in each section).

MCOM IN ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

1. The applicant must hold a university qualification deemed equivalent in standing to a three year Australian bachelor degree.
2. The applicant must have a major in accounting or finance. Evidence of a major is the completion of accounting or finance units at third or fourth year level. Applicants without an accounting or finance degree are not eligible for this MCom.
3. The applicant must have a GPA of at least 2.70 (out of 4.00). In an application where the GPA is close to 2.70 (either just above or just below) attention will be paid to grades on individual units.
4. An applicant from a non-English speaking background must be able to demonstrate proficiency in English (e.g. IELTS 6.5 overall with 6.0 in each section)

MCOM IN ACTUARIAL STUDIES

1. The applicant must hold a university qualification deemed equivalent in standing to a three year Australian bachelor degree.
2. The applicant must have a major in actuarial studies or equivalent actuarial professional qualifications. Evidence of a major is the completion of actuarial and related units at third or fourth year level. Applicants without an actuarial degree or equivalent actuarial professional qualifications are not eligible for this MCom.
3. The applicant must have a GPA of at least 2.70 (out of 4.00). In an application where the GPA is close to 2.70 (either just above or just below) attention will be paid to grades on individual units.
4. An applicant from a non-English speaking background must be able to demonstrate proficiency in English (e.g. IELTS 6.5 overall with 6.0 in each section).