

Changes to the Master of Business / Graduate Diploma in Business in 2009: Information for Continuing Students

Following a review of postgraduate coursework programs in 2007 the Faculty of Economics and Business is proposing the Master of Business / Graduate Diploma in Business no longer be offered to commencing students. Accordingly the core units for the Business programs will not be available from 2009. Students currently enrolled in a Business degree or Diploma will, of course, be able to continue and complete their program. Units similar to the core Business units will be offered in other degrees in 2009, so students enrolled in the Business courses will be able to complete their degree or diploma without substantial change in course content.

How do I complete my program?

It is recommended that, where possible, for Semester 2 2008 you enrol in any remaining core Business units you have not yet completed. If you are continuing your program in 2009, you should complete comparable units (see table below) to ensure you achieve program learning goals. You will be able to complete your degree as planned by enrolling in these alternate units.

What are my options if I want to upgrade/transfer between programs?

If you are currently enrolled in the Graduate Diploma of Business you may still upgrade to the Master of Business. We do, however encourage all students enrolled in the Master or Graduate Diploma in Business to consider transferring or upgrading to the Master of Commerce degree. The Master of Commerce is a flexible program which allows you to complete up to two (2) majors from over 20 subject areas. The table below details how the core Business units fit within the structure of the Master of Commerce.

Will I receive credit for units I have completed if I upgrade/transfer to the [Master of Commerce](#)?

You will receive credit for all units you have completed within the Business program and unlike the Master of Business, some of these units can be counted towards a major (see table below). Further, if you are transferring from the Master of Business, you may be eligible for additional credit of up to four (4) foundation units if your previous degree was in business, commerce or economics. This can reduce the duration of your study to a minimum of one (1) year.

How do I upgrade/transfer to the [Master of Commerce](#)?

If you wish to upgrade/transfer to the Master of Commerce degree, please submit the Postgraduate Upgrade/Transfer Form which can be downloaded from <http://www.econ.usyd.edu.au/forms/> by **July 4, 2008** (for upgrade/transfer prior to Semester 2). If you also wish to be considered for credit based on your previous study (students transferring from the Master of Business only), please attach a copy of prior academic transcripts to expediate assessment.

Where can I get further advice on my options?

The Postgraduate Program Adviser, Kate Munro is available to advise on program planning. Kate's consultation hours are Tuesdays between 1pm and 4pm (Room 260, Merewether Building) - no appointment is necessary. Alternatively, you can email Kate (k.munro@econ.usyd.edu.au) to arrange an appointment at another time. Please note that Kate will not be available between 13 June and 7 July.

Business Units and Substitutes for 2009

Business Core Unit	Availability in 2008	Substitute for completion of Business programs	Proposed Availability in 2009	Master of Commerce (Credit arrangements upon transfer)
ECOF6030 Management Communication	Semester 2	WORK6118 Managing Communication in Organisations	Semester 1	Strategic Management ; Organisational Analysis & Strategy
ECOF6050 Strategic Business Relationships	Semester 2	ECON6026 Strategic Business Relationships	Semester 1	Economics ; Strategic Management
ECOF6070 Business Decision Making	Semester 2	ECMT6510 Management Decision Making*	Semester 1	Business Decision Sciences ; Business Statistics
ECOF6090 Leadership and Business	Semester 2	WORK6130 Leadership and Organisations	Semester 1	Employment Relations & Human Resource Management ; Organisational Analysis & Strategy ; Strategic Management
ECOF6100 Logistics and Business Information Systems	N/A	TPTM6155 Logistics and Supply Chain Management	Semester 1 & Semester 2	Credit will be granted towards core unit requirements upon upgrade/transfer
	N/A	INFS5000 Business Information Systems	Semester 1 & Semester 2	
	N/A	INFS6001 BIS Management	Semester 1 & Semester 2	
ECOF6110 Corporate Governance, Law and Ethics	Semester 1	CLAW6028 Corporate Governance, Law and Ethics**		Business Law
ECOF6080 Business Economics and Strategy	Semester 1	ECON5003 Economics for Accountants	Semester 1 & Semester 2	Credit will be granted towards core unit requirements upon upgrade/transfer
ECOF6060 The Global Context of Business	Semester 1	IBUS5001 The Global Context of Business	Semester 1	Credit will be granted towards core unit requirements upon upgrade/transfer

* The prerequisite, ECMT5001 will be waived for Business students taking ECMT6510 as a substitute for ECOF6070

** The prerequisite, CLAW5001 will be waived for Business students taking CLAW6028 as a substitute for ECOF6110