

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS GRADUATE CERTIFICATE OF BREWING

What are the entry requirements?

The entry requirements are usually a degree or diploma. Under some circumstances other qualifications, or experience in the brewing industry may be acceptable.

How do I apply?

Applications are required on the "Direct Application for Admission Form - Postgraduate - Higher Education Division" which can be downloaded from:

http://www.ballarat.edu.au/aasp/student/recruitment/docs/2007_UB_DirectApp.pdf

Should I do the Graduate Certificate or the Graduate Diploma?

Initially we only enroll students in the Graduate Certificate of Brewing. The first 4 units for the Graduate Diploma are the same as the Graduate Certificate, and credit for the units will be granted on articulation into the Graduate Diploma.

Is there any study I can do which will help me do well in the course?

Yes, basic understanding of chemistry is useful.

Can the course be done by correspondence?

Yes, the course is predominantly by correspondence, with one workshop on site.

Do I need a computer?

You need regular access to a computer with internet services. You will also require access to software such as Microsoft Word and Acrobat reader.

What is involved in on-line study?

Students receive regular mailed readings, which complement the textbook (to be purchased by the student). Students also have access to a website for communication with the lecturing staff and other students. Other course information is accessible from this site.

How many hours per week will I be studying?

Each 15 credit point unit will require approximately 150 hours of work in total. On average, this is about 10 hours per week.

What is the total cost of the course?

Presently, the graduate certificate will cost \$7,400.

******Please note that the cost may change without notice******

Other costs incurred by students include:

- Provision of their own computer, internet links, etc.
- Accommodation and meals at the workshop.
- Texts

For further information visit the website: <http://www.goingtouni.gov.au>

How many places are there for the course?

Generally the number of places is limited to 20.

How many intakes do you have per year for the course?

One. Applications are usually due mid November for commencement the following March.

Can I be placed on a waiting list?

No, it is best to wait until applications are open around October. At that stage it will be known whether the course will run or not the following year, and final costs determined. Keep an eye on the website. Entry into the course is not a first come first serve basis, but based on qualifications, experience, etc.

When will I hear if my application is successful?

Generally, the selection process will be completed by mid December.

Can I start the course at the beginning of Semester II?

No. The first unit in the course is only offered in first semester.

What are the subjects / units studied during the course?

The Graduate Certificate of Brewing consists of four (4) units each of 15 credit points for a total of 60 credit points. One credit point represents approximately 10 student learning hours.

Graduate Certificate of Brewing			
Unit No:	Unit Name	Credit Points	Prerequisites
SF 480	Brewing Raw Materials	15	Nil
SF 481	The Brewing Process	15	SF 480
SF 482	Yeast and Fermentation	15	SF 480
SF 483	Malt and Beer Quality	15	SF 480, SF 481, SF 482

Do the units need to be done in the order shown, or can they be done in any order?

The units should be done in the order shown in the course structure above.

Is there any practical component to the course?

Yes, all students are required to attend a workshop. The workshop involves brewing practicals, industry tours and sensory evaluation tuition.

When is the workshop?

Normally the workshop will be in July, and open for those that have completed the first three units. It usually lasts for 5 days.

Can the fees for the course be covered by the FEE-HELP initiative?

Yes.

How do I access FEE-HELP?

All of the information is available at the Going To Uni website:

<http://www.goingtouni.gov.au/Main/Quickfind/PayingForYourStudiesHELPLoans/FEEHELP.htm>

PLEASE note the following important points:

- Applications are due by 10th November, 2007.
- You must include a CV with your application.
- There is are no Commonwealth Supported Places for this course, therefore you must select "Non-CSP at question 4.5.
- All applicants will be considered only for the Graduate Certificate of Brewing. Entry into the Graduate Diploma of Brewing will be open to those that have completed the Grad. Cert. Brewing. The Grad. Diploma of Brewing will only be offered when there are sufficient qualified applicants.
- You will be notified by 24th December, 2006 whether you have been accepted or not.
- The course will start early March, 2007.