

Graduate Certificate in Business Administration (Cybersecurity Management)

AQF Level 8 · 6 Months Full-Time · Face-to-face on campus · 40 Credit Points

Course Rationale

The Graduate Certificate in Business Administration (Cybersecurity Management) (AQF Level 8) is available both as a standalone qualification and as the nested exit award of the MBA (Cybersecurity Management). Students who complete 4 foundational MBA units may exit with this qualification. Those who complete it standalone may enter Year 1 Semester 2 of the MBA. Delivered face-to-face on campus at ZII's Sydney location.

Career Pathways

Graduates are prepared for entry-level and transitional roles in cybersecurity management, including:

- Cybersecurity Team Leader
- IT Project Coordinator
- Compliance Analyst in technology-driven industries
- Business Manager with digital security responsibilities

All career pathways directly relate to this qualification's focus on cybersecurity management and IT governance.

Learning Time Period

Duration: 6 months full-time (1 semester)

Total Workload: 624 hours

208

TIMETABLED

416

PRIVATE STUDY

Course Fees

DOMESTIC STUDENTS

\$8,000 total

+ \$500 enrolment fee (non-refundable)

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

\$12,000 total

+ \$500 enrolment fee (non-refundable)

Must satisfy Genuine Student (GS) requirement per Australian Government regs

English Proficiency

International students must demonstrate proficiency:

- IELTS: 6.5 overall (no sub-score below 6.0)
- TOEFL iBT: 79 (minimum sub-scores 19)
- PTE Academic: 58 (no score below 50)
- Completion of prior studies in English or relevant pathway programs

Admission Requirements

- Bachelor's degree or equivalent
- May be eligible via mature entry or educational disadvantage pathways
- Interview with Course Coordinator

Entry and Exit Options

Direct enrolment (standalone qualification):

- Students may enrol directly, subject to standard admission requirements

Nested exit from the MBA:

- Students who complete Year 1, Semester 1 of the MBA and do not continue are awarded this qualification. Foundation units: MG400, MG401, IT400, IT401.

Pathway to MBA:

- Graduates may apply for entry into Year 1, Semester 2 of the MBA, subject to admission requirements

Credit and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

- Credit may be granted based on prior study or professional experience
- Assessed on a case-by-case basis with supporting documentation
- All requests assessed by the Academic Dean

Tuition Protection (TPS): Cannot deliver? You are entitled to an equivalent placement or refund of unspent fees. Rights set out in your Letter of Offer. Further information: www.tps.gov.au

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Course Structure · AQF Level 8 · 4 Units · 40 Credit Points · Face-to-face on campus

The Graduate Certificate comprises 4 core units (40 credit points). These units also constitute Year 1, Semester 1 of the MBA (Cybersecurity Management).

#	Year / Semester	Unit Code	Unit Title	Delivery Mode	CP
Year 1, Semester 1					
01	Year 1, Semester 1	MG400	Executive Leadership and Team Management	Face to face	10
02	Year 1, Semester 1	MG401	Strategies for Corporate Communication and Crisis Manageme...	Face to face	10
03	Year 1, Semester 1	IT400	Foundations of Cybersecurity	Face to face	10
04	Year 1, Semester 1	IT401	Legal and Ethical Issues in Cybersecurity	Face to face	10
Total Credit Points					40

Course Rules: To qualify for the award of Graduate Certificate in Business Administration (Cybersecurity Management), the candidate must satisfactorily complete 4 core subjects (40 credit points).

About this qualification: The Graduate Certificate in Business Administration (Cybersecurity Management) is both a standalone AQF Level 8 qualification and the first-semester exit award of the MBA (Cybersecurity Management). Students who enrol directly and later wish to continue to the full MBA may apply for entry into Year 1, Semester 2, subject to admission requirements and Academic Board approval. This flexible structure accommodates diverse learner pathways — whether seeking a focused credential or a stepping stone to postgraduate leadership study in cybersecurity management.