

RECOMMENDED STUDY PLAN

2020-2021

NAME _____ STUDENT NUMBER _____

DEGREE PROGRAM **Master of Science** MAJOR **Aquaculture Science & Technology (MSC-AQS)**

Course information – Master of Science

The Master of Science degree is structured such that students take sets of (1) foundational ‘*knowledge*’ specific to their major, (2) technical and / or analytical ‘*skills*’ subjects and (3) *elective* subjects.

Click here to see the relevant JCU Course handbook: <https://www.jcu.edu.au/course-and-subject-handbook/courses/postgraduate-courses/majors-and-minors/msc-aquaculture-science-and-technology-major>

Aquaculture, Science & Technology major structure:

1. Take 4 prescribed ‘*knowledge*’ subjects
 - 1.1. [AQ5015](#):03 Sustainable Aquaculture
 - 1.2. [AQ5002](#):03 Aquaculture: Feeds and Nutrition
 - 1.3. [AQ5006](#):03 Aquaculture: Principles and Practice
 - 1.4. [AQ5003](#):03 Aquaculture: Propagation
2. Take 12 credit points of ‘*skills*’ subjects for your major
 - 2.1. [AQ5012](#):06 Aquaculture: Hatchery Techniques
 - 2.2. Plus 2 subjects from **List 1**
3. Take 4 *elective* subjects (see recommended electives list)

Full subject descriptions and timings of all subjects can be found online using the [Subject Search](#) tool. It is generally recommended to take 8 subjects per year, with 3 - 4 in SP1 and SP2 and additional subjects in block mode periods (SP3, SP7, SP10 /11) as necessary. You need to have fulfilled the ‘Assumed Knowledge’ or Prerequisites for any subject, before you take them. These are listed in the subject’s description. For example, EV5502 assumes you have already taken EV5505 or an equivalent at JCU or at your previous university.

Research Projects and Placement subjects. Students wishing to take a 12 credit point independent research project or professional placement need to transfer into the Master of Science (Professional) program to complete these.

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Colour legend: Pink are core 'major or knowledge' subjects, Grey are skills subjects, White are electives.

Level 5: Year 1 (take 8 subjects / 24 credit points)

| SP3 | SP1 | SP6/7 | SP2 | SP9/10/11 |
|-----|---|--|----------------------|-----------------|
| | Major core subject AQ5002:03 Aquaculture: Feeds and Nutrition | Major core subject AQ5003:03 Aquaculture: Propagation | Skill subject | Elective |
| | Major core subject AQ5006:03 Aquaculture: Principles and Practice: | | Elective | |
| | Skill subject SC5202:03 Quantitative Methods in Science * | | Elective | |
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Notes:

Boxes without specific subjects listed in them may be rearranged to meet your course needs as long as the total number of subjects and degree structure is met. For example, you may choose to move a SP1 elective in Year 1 to SP7 in Year 2.

* compulsory subject if not already completed during undergraduate degree

Level 5: Year 2 (take 12 credit points)

| SP3 | SP1 | SP6/7 | SP2 | SP10/SP11 |
|---|--|-------|-----|-----------|
| Major core subject AQ5015:03 Sustainable Aquaculture | Major Skills subject AQ5012:06 Aquaculture: Hatchery Techniques | | | |
| | Elective | | | |
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Skill Subjects:

In addition to the **Major Core Skill Subject** (AQ5012), choose 2 subjects from **List 1**. You must meet the Assumed Knowledge or Prerequisites for any subject selected.

List 1 – Additional Skill Subjects (Select 2)

| SP3 | SP1 | SP6/7 | SP2 | SP9/SP10/SP11 |
|--|---|--|---|---|
| SC5502 :03 Design and Analyses in Ecological Studies | SC5202 :03 Quantitative Methods in Science ¹ | EA5018 :03 Field Studies in Tropical Land and Water Science ² | BC5203 :03 Advanced Bioinformatics | AQ5004 :03 Aquaculture: Stock Improvement |
| MB5300 :03 Sampling and Experimental Design ³ | BS5260 :03 Modelling Ecological Dynamics | EA5330 :03 Field Techniques ³ | BZ5450 :03 Ecological and Conservation Genetics | EV5502 :03 Advanced Geographic Information Systems - TSV |
| | EV5020 :03 Human Dimensions of Nature, Environment and Conservation | SC5232 :03 Marine Sensor Technologies and Applications ⁴ | CH5203 :03 Analytical Chemistry (Advanced) | EV5506 :03 Remote Sensing -CNS LTD (SP9) |
| | | BZ5990 :03 Toolkit for the Field Biologist | EV5110 :03 Environmental and Social Impact Assessment | EA5640 :03 Advanced Marine Geoscience Technologies and Applications |
| | | EA5044 :03 Geological Mapping ³ | EV5505 :03 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems | |
| | | | MA5405 :03 Data Mining | |
| | | | SC5202 :03 Quantitative Methods in Science (MIXED MODE) | |

¹ SC5202 is a required unit if you have not already completed a statistics subject at university.

² Not intended for students in Marine Biology, Fisheries, Aquaculture or Tropical Biology & Conservation

³ Merged with SC5502 for 2020

⁴ Not yet available

Elective subjects:

You can take any Level 5 subject with a prefix subject code of: AQ, BS, BZ, CH, EA, EV, MA, MB, MI, SC or TV. Other subjects can also be approved by your advisor. Use [Subject Search](#) to review the units and check the study period.

Recommended elective subjects for AQUACULTURE, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - These are our recommended elective subject sets for specific career pathways and/or study interests

| TOPIC | STUDY PERIOD |
|---|-------------------|
| <i>Aquaculture specialisations:</i> | |
| AQ5008:03 Aquaculture: System Design | 1 |
| AQ5007:03 Aquatic Animal Ecophysiology | 2 |
| AQ5009:03 Aquaculture of Tropical Species | 2 |
| TV5240:03 Aquatic Pathobiology | 2 |
| AQ5004:03 Aquaculture: Stock Improvement | 10 |
| AQ5016:03 Aquaculture in Practice <i>Note-Offered in even-numbered years</i> | 7 (alternate yrs) |
| <i>Marine Science electives</i> | |
| MB5003:03 Fisheries Science | 1 |
| MB5400:03 Life History & Evolution of Reef Corals | 1 |
| MB5004:03 Marine Conservation Biology | 2 |
| MB5610:03 Fishing Gear & Technologies | 2 |
| MB5270:03 Coastal, Estuarine and Mangrove Ecosystems | 2 |
| MB5380:03 Invertebrate Biology | 2 |
| MB5204:03 Conserving Marine Wildlife: Sea Mammals, Birds and Reptiles | 1 |
| MB5260 Grand Challenges in Fisheries | 1 |
| <i>Environmental Management electives</i> | |
| CH5041:03 Environmental Chemistry | 1 |
| EC5218:03 Economics and Sustainable Resource Management | 1 |
| MB5310:03 Marine Reserves as Fisheries Management Tools | 3 |
| MB5014:03 Managing Tropical Fisheries | 11 |
| EV5107:03 International Environmental Policy and Governance | 3 |