## School of Health, Medical & Applied Sciences

**CC50 Graduate Diploma of Accident Investigation**  
**Full Time Study Plan – Term 1 2019 onwards**

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* Compulsory Residential School  
✓ Completed  
CP = Credit Points

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For information on the terminology used in the above study plan, please refer to the Glossary on the last page of this document.
MORE DETAILS:

To satisfy the requirements for the award of CC50 Graduate Diploma of Accident Investigation, students must complete 5 units (48 credit points).

Recommended Study Schedule

Students should complete units in an order that is as close as possible to the recommended structure set out in this study plan.

Course Structure Requirements

In the CC50 Graduate Diploma of Accident Investigation, students are required to complete the following course structure:

- 5 Core Units

Course Duration Requirements

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Please also note that if you fail units or take a Leave of Absence, your course duration and completion timeframe may be extended.

Interim Awards

CC63 Graduate Certificate in Accident Phenomenology

Exit Awards

CC63 Graduate Certificate in Accident Phenomenology

Professional Accreditation

**International Society of Air Safety Investigators:** The international professional body for air safety investigators recognises formal safety investigation training courses as part of its membership grading criteria. The course will meet the specialist investigation education criteria of the Society and will ensure graduates of the course will gain professional grade membership of the Society after completing the course.

**Australian Society of Air Safety Investigators:** The Australian professional body for air safety investigators recognises formal safety investigation training courses as part of its membership grading criteria. The course will meet the specialist investigation education criteria of the Society and will ensure graduates of the course will gain professional grade membership of the Society after completing the course.

**New Zealand Society of Air Safety Investigators:** The New Zealand professional body for air safety investigators recognises formal safety investigation training courses as part of its membership grading criteria. The course will meet the specialist investigation education criteria of the Society and will ensure graduates of the course will gain professional grade membership of the Society after completing the course.

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**Safety Institute of Australia:** The Australian OHS professional body recognises tertiary OHS education courses as part of its formal membership grading criteria. The course will surpass the minimum OHS education content requirements for graduates to be graded as Members of the Institute upon completion of the course. Likely future changes to the professional body's OHS education criteria should result in graduates being recognised at OHS Para-professional level, although these changes are yet to be introduced by the professional body.

**Directorate of Defence and Air Force Safety:** The Directorate is the aviation safety watchdog for the Australian military forces. The Directorate also has responsibility for conducting all major aviation accident inquiries within the Australian military. It presently recognises the course of our global competitors, Cranfield University and University of Southern California, as suitable for investigation training for Australian military personnel.

**Australian Transportation Safety Bureau:** The Bureau is Australia's leading transport investigation agency. It has itself been a provider of investigation education for government investigators within Australia. Its CEO has pledged significant support for the course and indicated ATSB will recognise the course as appropriate continuing professional development for ATSB investigators.

**Australian Insurance Alliance:** The Alliance has been searching for a credible method of educating insurance company accident investigators and loss adjusters in Australia for many years. The Alliance members have indicated that the proposed course will be recognised by the insurance companies as an appropriate education pathway for new investigators who have traditionally been drawn from engineering and management personnel ranks.

**Deferment/Leave of Absence**

Domestic students in the Graduate Diploma of Accident Investigation degree are permitted to defer the initial offer of their degree for a maximum of 12 months before their offer is withdrawn. Furthermore, domestic students may also take an approved Leave of Absence (LOA) once they have commenced their course of study however only a maximum of 12 months can be granted without requesting further approval from the Head of Course.

You can apply for a deferment or LOA [here](#).

International students are not permitted to defer their initial offer or take a Leave of Absence unless otherwise discussed with their Home Campus.

**Credit Transfer**

If you have undertaken study in the last ten years, or have relevant in-formal or non-formal learning, you may be eligible for credit towards your course. Please note that some courses have reduced timeframes within which prior study remains eligible for credit. Please refer to the [CQU Handbook](#) for specific credit time limits relating to your course.

To submit an application for credit, please refer to the [Credit Calculator](#) or contact the Academic Pathways Team via their email credit@cqu.edu.au. Further information about the credit process can also be found on the [Credit for Prior Learning](#) webpage.

Credit applications should be submitted at least four (4) weeks before the relevant term commences. Applications must be complete with all supporting documentation to be assessed by CQUUniversity. CQUUniversity cannot obtain documents from other institutions, organisations or individuals.

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Residential Schools

Students studying via Distance education may be required to attend compulsory on-campus residential schools and have been marked with an asterisk (*) in the above study plan.

The units that require a compulsory residential school must be enrolled in as “Mixed Mode” under the unit availabilities in MyCentre.

For more information on the various units containing residential schools, please refer to the following link in the CQU Uni Handbook: https://handbook.cqu.edu.au/resschools/index or contact the Unit Coordinator directly.

Unit Coordinator contact information can be found via the Unit Profiles in the following link: https://my-courses.cqu.edu.au/pub/profiles/search.

If you have any questions about your course, please contact the Course Advice Team: spc@cqu.edu.au or by visiting http://handbook.cqu.edu.au/eforms/index and filling out the ‘Ask a Course Advisor’ e-form.

PLEASE CHECK THE CQU HANDBOOK FOR ALL TERM AVAILABILITIES AND PRE-REQUISITES AS THEY MAY CHANGE FROM YEAR TO YEAR http://handbook.cqu.edu.au
GLOSSARY

- **Course**: A course is the combination of units that contribute towards either a CQUniversity award qualification or non-award study.

- **Course Code**: A course code identifies the specific course a student may be studying at CQUniversity.

- **Unit**: A unit is the individual subject students must complete in order to graduate from their course.

- **Unit Code**: A unit code identifies a specific unit that a student is enrolled in under their course.

- **Pre-Requisite (Pre-Req) Unit**: A pre-req unit is a unit which students must pass before being allowed to enrol in the subsequent unit.

- **Co-Requisite (Co-Req) Unit**: A co-req unit is a unit that must be studied at the same time as another unit.

- **Anti-Requisite (Anti-Req) Unit**: An anti-req unit is an old unit that has been replaced by a new unit and students are not permitted to study the old unit.

- **Credit Points (CP)**: Credit Points are the numerical value of a unit which contributes to the total Credit Points for a course.

- **Core Unit**: A core unit is a compulsory unit that a student must study to meet the requirements of their course.

- **Elective Unit**: An elective unit is a unit within a course that is not compulsory and students may have a choice in what unit they study, provided it meets the elective requirements of their course.

- **Major**: A major is a specific area within a course where a student specialises in and is normally made up of 8 units for undergraduate courses, and 4 units for postgraduate courses. Not all courses have majors.

- **Double Major**: A double major is where students specialise in 2 areas of study and is normally made up of 16 units. Double majors are normally only available in undergraduate courses.

- **Minor**: Like a major, a minor is a specific area within a course where a student specialises and is normally made up of 4 units.

- **Term**: A specified period of time for higher education units in which teaching, learning and assessment occurs. CQUniversity offers 3 Academic Terms per year: Term 1, Term 2 and Term 3.