

## In Progress

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# BLCN13038 *Cost Planning and Control*

## Term 3 - 2023

Profile information current as at 05/10/2023 06:30 am

All details in this unit profile for BLCN13038 have been officially approved by CQU University and represent a learning partnership between the University and you (our student). The information will not be changed unless absolutely necessary and any change will be clearly indicated by an approved correction included in the profile.

## General Information

### Overview

This unit provides an understanding of cost planning and cost control procedures in the building and construction industry including: Cost effectiveness and cost control of construction projects; Cost management, cost monitoring, control systems, cost reporting and forecasting, variation control, cash flow co-ordination, work packaging, scoping, projections, and budgets throughout the design and construction phases of a project; Principles of construction cost control systems; budget maintenance; analysis of performance; cost reports; contract cost administration; Cost Planning: Objectives and parameters, Data gathering, data analysis, analysis of design, project implementation plans, procurement plans, financial analysis, scope audits. It will also provide you with an introduction to the project value management process and the establishment of client cost targets, time targets, risk allocation, cost breakdowns, end cost, and project alternatives for construction projects.

### Details

Career Level: *Undergraduate*

Unit Level: *Level 3*

Credit Points: 6

Student Contribution Band: 8

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: 0.125

### Pre-requisites or Co-requisites

There are no requisites for this unit.

Important note: Students enrolled in a subsequent unit who failed their pre-requisite unit, should drop the subsequent unit before the census date or within 10 working days of Fail grade notification. Students who do not drop the unit in this timeframe cannot later drop the unit without academic and financial liability. See details in the [Assessment Policy and Procedure \(Higher Education Coursework\)](#).

### Offerings For Term 3 - 2023

- Online

### Attendance Requirements

All on-campus students are expected to attend scheduled classes – in some units, these classes are identified as a mandatory (pass/fail) component and attendance is compulsory. International students, on a student visa, must maintain a full time study load and meet both attendance and academic progress requirements in each study period (satisfactory attendance for International students is defined as maintaining at least an 80% attendance record).

### Website

[This unit has a website, within the Moodle system, which is available two weeks before the start of term. It is important that you visit your Moodle site throughout the term. Please visit Moodle for more information.](#)

## Class and Assessment Overview

### Recommended Student Time Commitment

Each 6-credit Undergraduate unit at CQUniversity requires an overall time commitment of an average of 12.5 hours of study per week, making a total of 150 hours for the unit.

### Class Timetable

#### [Regional Campuses](#)

Bundaberg, Cairns, Emerald, Gladstone, Mackay, Rockhampton, Townsville

#### [Metropolitan Campuses](#)

Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney

### Assessment Overview

#### 1. **Written Assessment**

Weighting: 30%

#### 2. **Written Assessment**

Weighting: 30%

#### 3. **Written Assessment**

Weighting: 30%

#### 4. **Written Assessment**

Weighting: 10%

### Assessment Grading

This is a graded unit: your overall grade will be calculated from the marks or grades for each assessment task, based on the relative weightings shown in the table above. You must obtain an overall mark for the unit of at least 50%, or an overall grade of 'pass' in order to pass the unit. If any 'pass/fail' tasks are shown in the table above they must also be completed successfully ('pass' grade). You must also meet any minimum mark requirements specified for a particular assessment task, as detailed in the 'assessment task' section (note that in some instances, the minimum mark for a task may be greater than 50%). Consult the [University's Grades and Results Policy](#) for more details of interim results and final grades.

## CQUniversity Policies

**All University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).**

You may wish to view these policies:

- Grades and Results Policy
- Assessment Policy and Procedure (Higher Education Coursework)
- Review of Grade Procedure
- Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – Domestic Students
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – International Students
- Student Refund and Credit Balance Policy and Procedure
- Student Feedback – Compliments and Complaints Policy and Procedure
- Information and Communications Technology Acceptable Use Policy and Procedure

This list is not an exhaustive list of all University policies. The full list of University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

## Previous Student Feedback

### Feedback, Recommendations and Responses

Every unit is reviewed for enhancement each year. At the most recent review, the following staff and student feedback items were identified and recommendations were made.

#### Feedback from Student Unit Teaching Evaluation (SUTE)

##### Feedback

The lecturer led the way for better conceptual understanding during the classes.

##### Recommendation

The same strategy is recommended to be adopted for next and future deliveries. Furthermore, learning and assessment materials will be designed giving more focus on cost planning applications in the context of construction management.

#### Feedback from Student Unit Teaching Evaluation (SUTE)

##### Feedback

The unit was very well run and was easy to digest the learning materials.

##### Recommendation

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## Unit Learning Outcomes

### On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

1. understand how site, market, design and construction choices impact on the project cost
2. apply cost planning and control techniques to all phases of the project procurement
3. understand project cashflow and ways to correct variances
4. understand trends in cost data analyses
5. demonstrate communication skills

## Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes



### Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Learning Outcomes

Assessment Tasks	Learning Outcomes				
	1	2	3	4	5
1 - Written Assessment - 30%	•		•		•
2 - Written Assessment - 30%	•	•	•	•	•
3 - Written Assessment - 30%	•	•	•	•	•
4 - Written Assessment - 10%	•	•	•	•	•

### Alignment of Graduate Attributes to Learning Outcomes

Graduate Attributes	Learning Outcomes				
	1	2	3	4	5
1 - Communication	•	•	•	•	•
2 - Problem Solving	•	•	•	•	•
3 - Critical Thinking	•	•	•	•	•
4 - Information Literacy	•	•	•	•	•
5 - Team Work					
6 - Information Technology Competence	•	•	•	•	•
7 - Cross Cultural Competence					
8 - Ethical practice					
9 - Social Innovation					
10 - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultures					

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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2 - Written Assessment - 30%		•	•	•		•		•		
3 - Written Assessment - 30%	•	•	•	•		•		•		
4 - Written Assessment - 10%	•	•	•	•		•		•		

## Textbooks and Resources

Information for Textbooks and Resources has not been released yet.

This information will be available on Monday 16 October 2023

## Academic Integrity Statement

Information for Academic Integrity Statement has not been released yet.

This unit profile has not yet been finalised.