

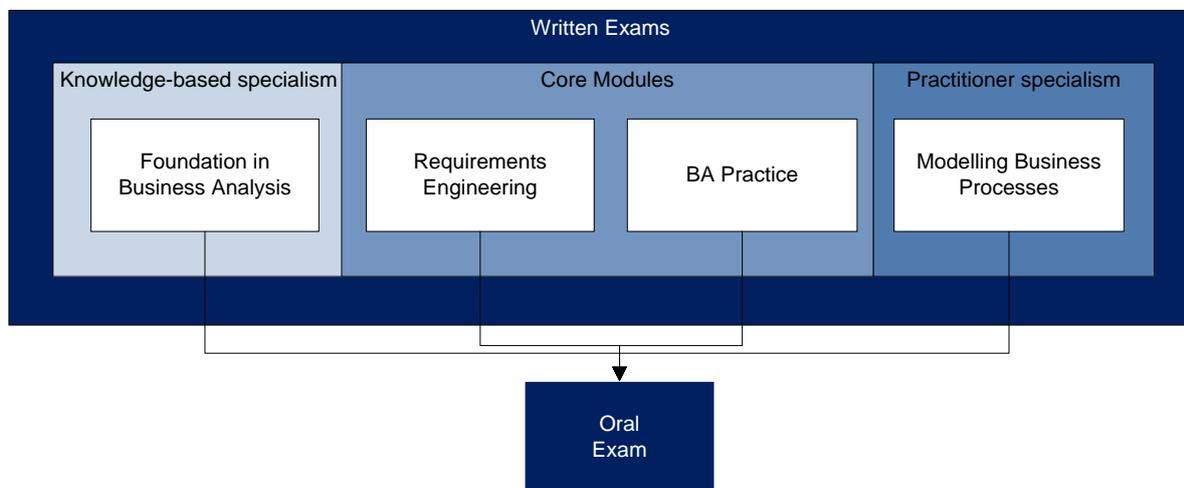
# BCS Diploma in Business Analyse



offers you a unique in the Netherlands certification path to attain the BCS International Diploma in Business Analysis.

## ■ INTRODUCTION

The Information Systems Examinations Board (BCS) is the vocational qualification arm of BCS – the Chartered Institute for IT, and offers a wide range of qualifications in IT-related competencies. BCS is known in the Netherlands primarily from the test certifications (ISTQB). The structure of the Diploma in Business Analysis is shown below.



To gain the BCS Diploma in Business Analysis, candidates must pass four one-hour written examinations on a number of business analysis topics, each of which leads to a certificate which has value in its own right. These certificate modules may be gained in any order. To convert their set of certificates into the Diploma, candidates then attend an interview with two BCS examiners to confirm their technical, business and interpersonal competencies.

## ■ KNOWLEDGE-BASED SPECIALISM - FOUNDATION CERTIFICATION IN BUSINESS ANALYSIS

This module provides an overview of the entire scope of the business analyst's role and the range of techniques that a BA may employ.

The role of the business analyst and business analysis competencies

- Strategic analysis
- Investigation techniques
- Stakeholder analysis and management
- Modelling business systems
- Business process modelling
- Requirements engineering
- Modelling the IT system
- Managing the information resource
- Making a business and financial case
- Managing business change.

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## ■ CORE MODULES

There are two core modules in the Diploma, which all candidates must attain. Each is gained through sitting a one-hour, open-book, scenario-based examination.

## ■ BUSINESS ANALYSIS PRACTICE

This module provides a set of core techniques for use in business analysis assignments:

- Strategic analysis tools (for example, PESTLE, MOST, SWOT)
- Initial analysis of business problems, for instance using 'rich pictures'
- Stakeholder analysis
- Business perspectives
- Business activity modelling
- Gap analysis
- Business case development.

## ■ REQUIREMENTS ENGINEERING

This addresses how to capture, analyse and document good business and system requirements and includes the following topics:

- The requirements engineering process
- Actors in requirements engineering
- Requirements elicitation techniques
- Documenting and modelling requirements
- Characteristics of good requirements
- Requirements analysis, negotiation and validation
- Requirements management.

## ■ PRACTITIONER SPECIALISM – MODELLING BUSINESS PROCESSES

This module provides more detailed coverage of the techniques for business process improvement:

- Organisational and context diagrams
- 'As is' process models
- 'To be' process models
- Human aspects of performance
- Managing and measuring processes
- Process improvement and redesign
- Implementing process change.

## ■ ORAL EXAM

The oral examination lasts for 50 minutes and the candidate is required to demonstrate that they can put the competencies gained in the written examinations into a coherent context. They must also show that they have the interpersonal skills required to function effectively as a business analyst.

## ■ INTERESTED?

Would you like to receive more information about this diploma, dates of the training sessions or perhaps you would like already to book a place in one of our classes? We will be glad to guide you through this exciting new opportunity, unique in the Netherlands. Contact us today and reserve your seat! Call us at 020 630 47 50. On short notice we will offer you a possibility to enroll online at

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