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# 2022 Southern Cross University Undergraduate Course Guide

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Southern Cross University acknowledges and pays respect to the ancestors, Elders and descendants of the Lands upon which we meet and study. We are mindful that these Lands always were and always will be Aboriginal Land.



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# Southern Cross University

## Southern Cross University is powered by passion.

We are surrounded by ambitious students, amazing and dedicated colleagues and environments of stunning natural beauty. Our campuses, at Lismore in the Northern Rivers of New South Wales, on the Gold Coast across the road from Kirra Beach and in picturesque Coffs Harbour, are the envy of Australia.

Southern Cross is deeply rooted in its regional communities and demonstrates that world-class research, teaching and learning thrives outside metropolitan centres. We create and apply knowledge in partnership with our communities in fields that are regionally relevant and globally significant.

We are a world-ranked university, but the greatest measures of our success are the careers we have fostered among 66,000 alumni, who stride a global stage with confidence.



3 main campuses  
7 branch campuses



66,000 graduates



20,000+ students



5-star student support  
5-star learning resources  
Number 1 in Australia for overall experience  
in Engineering and Technology, Agriculture  
and Environmental Studies



TOP 400 for Life Sciences, Physical Sciences  
TOP 500 for Psychology, Education and Social  
Sciences  
TOP 600 for Business and Economics



Top 300 Agriculture and Forestry



Excellence in Research for Australia 2018  
World standard or above in 23 key research areas

# Student life

Going to university is not only about getting a first-class education and setting yourself up for that dream career. It's also about having fun, making lasting friendships and enjoying the social side of university life.

## UniLife

Our UniLife program aims to encourage both your academic success and support your wellbeing. You can get involved in social sports, clubs and societies, and University-wide events such as the University Student Awards, learn-to-surf camps, or even National Campus Competitions in Photography, Music or Writing.

See the full list of programs offered at [scu.edu.au/unilife](http://scu.edu.au/unilife)



## Get your sporty on

Join Team SCU for events such as the Gold Coast Airport Marathon, the Coffs Harbour Running Festival, the Samson Challenge in Lismore and more.

While sports available at each campus differ, activities include AFL, badminton, basketball, beach volleyball, esports, netball, soccer, surfing, T20 cricket, tennis, and rugby. There are also opportunities to represent Southern Cross at National UniSport Championship events and regional intervarsity competitions.

The Southern Cross University Fitness Centre and Pool at the Lismore campus is a fantastic facility with modern gym equipment and an indoor heated pool, offering a choice of group exercise classes or private training. The gym is open for 24/7 access.

Our Coffs Harbour campus has a modern well-equipped Sports and Fitness Centre. Les Mills Virtual exercise classes – a group fitness class played on screen – are available in the Gold Coast campus Virtual Fitness Room Monday to Friday, morning and afternoon. Membership is free for staff and students.

Download the free SCUMoves Health and Wellness app to stay motivated.



## Join a club or society

Interested in something? You're bound to find others who are too! From chess to ukuleles and public speaking to yoga, there are clubs for people with all kinds of common interests, clubs for film and music, clubs for Indigenous awareness, clubs for LGBTIQ or mature-aged students. The University community joins together to celebrate our diversity and to learn more about each other throughout the year. Connect with other students at events celebrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, cultural diversity, social inclusion and gender and sexuality diversity.





# Scholarships

**One application. 380+ scholarships.  
Valued up to \$60,000.**

Scholarships really make a difference.

They can ease the financial burden of study, so you can focus on your studies and put your learning first.

Scholarships range in value from \$150, which could help you buy textbooks, to \$60,000 over four years, which could help pay your living expenses.

Scholarships are available for:

- Financial hardship
- Academic achievement
- Indigenous Australian students
- Leadership and community involvement.

There are also Australian Government scholarships available to help you study overseas for a short period as an international exchange student.

Applying is easy. With just one application, commencing students are in the running for all scholarships for which they are eligible.

**More details and how to apply at**

[scu.edu.au/scholarships](https://scu.edu.au/scholarships)

**For equity scholarships visit**

[uac.edu.au/equity](https://uac.edu.au/equity)

## High academic achievement leads to Vice Chancellor's scholarship for Amy

"I live in Coolangatta – born and raised here – and I really wanted to stay local to continue to study and work in the area and live with my parents. I love that the campus is local, and you can get a world-class education close to the beach and yet it's personalised and small enough that you don't get lost.

"Southern Cross University has some incredible law graduates and this degree is such an awesome opportunity to study and practice law locally. I'm most looking forward to meeting new people from across different degrees and walks of life."

**Amy Mazzarella**

**Bachelor of Laws student**

**Dux of St Joseph's College and  
Vice Chancellor's Scholarship recipient**





## Tuition fees and study costs

### Commonwealth-Supported Places

Most undergraduate degrees are subsidised by the Government. These are called Commonwealth-Supported Places. You pay a part of the tuition and the Government pays the rest. You can defer the payment of your part of the fees through the HECS-HELP scheme. This is a loan that you repay only when your income reaches the repayment threshold. You then pay it back a little at a time through the tax system.

For details, visit

[studyassist.gov.au](https://studyassist.gov.au)

[scu.edu.au/fees](https://scu.edu.au/fees)

### Student Services and Amenities Fee

Also known as SSAF, the Student Services and Amenities Fee is charged for each study period in which you are enrolled and is used to provide important services and amenities to students both on and off campus. Eligible students have the option of deferring this fee through the SA-HELP loan scheme.

### Other study costs

Your costs could also include computer equipment and software, stationery, field trips, uniforms or other course-specific expenses such as art materials, musical equipment or travel for practicums, internships or industry experience.

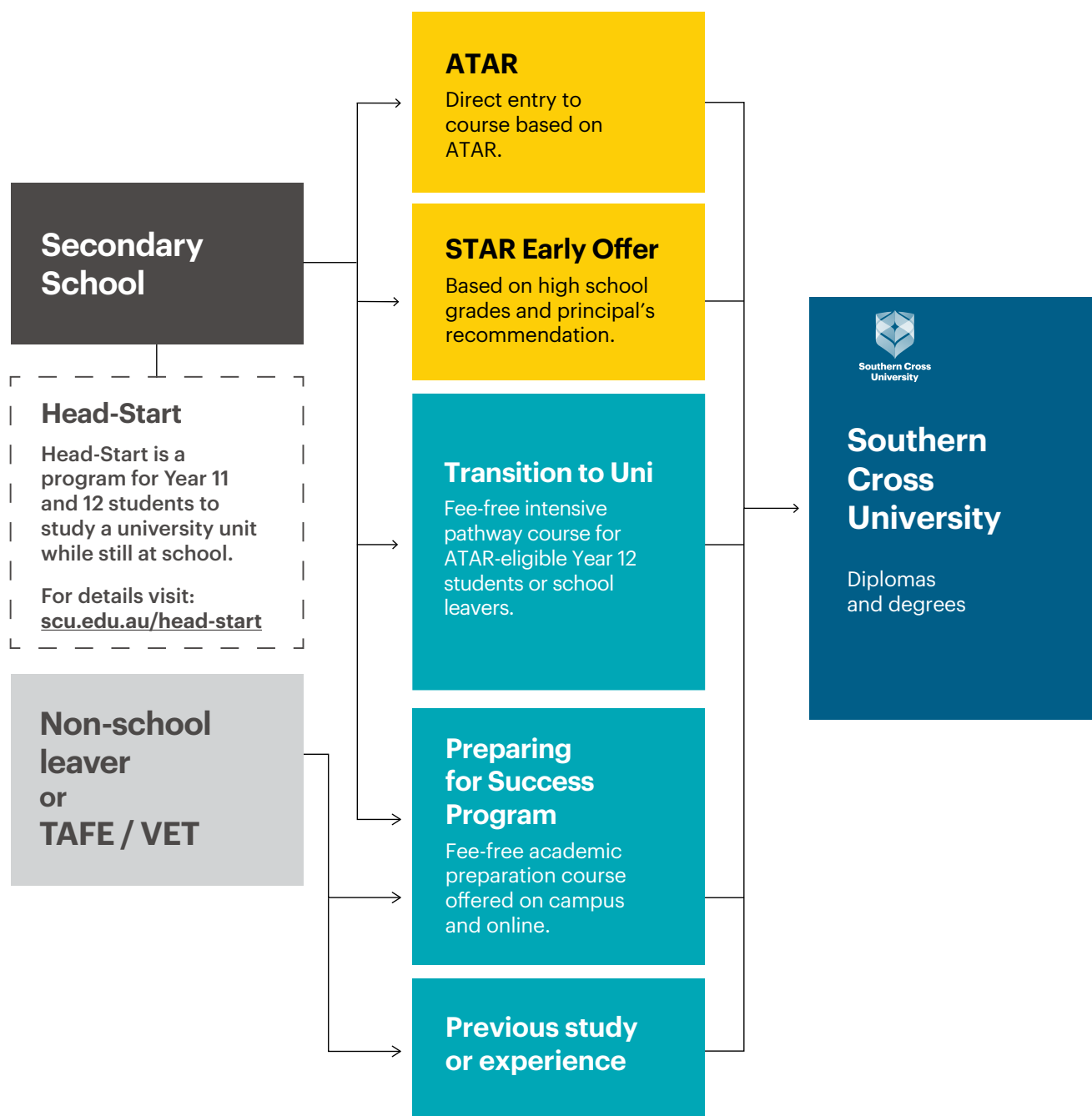
### Books and supplies

Most courses will require you to buy textbooks. The cost of textbooks varies greatly from unit to unit. Students can consult [booktopia.com.au](https://booktopia.com.au) to find textbooks for a given unit. Second-hand textbooks are sometimes available.



# Pathways to university

Whether you're still at school, have just finished Year 12, never finished school or left some time ago, there are many pathways into university.



# SCU College

If you don't meet the Bachelor degree entry requirements, SCU College offers a range of alternative pathways to university study. SCU College classes are small and extra support is available for all students.

## Preparing for Success Program

The Preparing for Success Program (PSP) can be completed full-time over 12 weeks or part-time in one year, either on campus or online. PSP is fee-free and equips you with the study skills needed for success at university. Students who complete the program can proceed directly to a Southern Cross University degree with the confidence that they are well-prepared.

## Transition to Uni

Transition to Uni is a fee-free, intensive preparatory course designed for current ATAR-eligible Year 12 students or school leavers who have completed Year 12 with an ATAR (or equivalent). The course develops the key academic literacies and foundational scientific and quantitative concepts you will need at university. Passing the Transition to Uni program will guarantee you entry into all Southern Cross University undergraduate degrees, excluding Midwifery.

## SCU College Diplomas

The College also offers a range of Diplomas, which are guaranteed pathways to a Bachelor degree. Whether it is arts, education, information technology, engineering, health or science, SCU College has a pathway Diploma to prepare you for your Bachelor studies. Diplomas provide up to one year of credit towards a Bachelor degree. A Diploma can also be a one-year standalone qualification. Diploma classes are small, and focus on improving your academic skills and discipline knowledge. Diploma students also have access to the College Connect academic support workshops.

For more information about SCU College pathways, visit

[scu.edu.au/scu-college](https://scu.edu.au/scu-college)

## My journey to uni was different

**Preparing for Success and Bachelor of Biomedical Science graduate Rylee Deehan**

"My pathway to university was a bit different to most people as I did not complete high school. I completed Southern Cross University's Preparing for Success Program instead, which helped me develop my essay writing skills, my science and my mathematical abilities, which are so crucial at university, and I was able to get into the degree from there. All the hard work since has been so worth it."

Rylee decided to study Biomedical Science to fulfil her passion for understanding details, such as microbial interactions, biochemical pathways, and the role of various blood cells in health and disease.

"I'm hoping to study bacteriophages during my Honours research year and how we could possibly use bacteriophages to re-sensitise bacteria to antibiotics they were previously resistant to."





# More ways to a Bachelor degree



## Diploma

1 year full-time study or equivalent



## Bachelor

with up to 8 units of credit

Diploma of Arts and Social Sciences	> Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Community Welfare, Bachelor of Digital Media, Bachelor of Early Childhood Education*, Bachelor of Education*, Bachelor of Social Work
Diploma of Business	> Bachelor of Business and Enterprise
Diploma of Civil Construction (Engineering and Management)	> Bachelor of Engineering Systems (Honours)
Diploma of Health	> Bachelor of Biomedical Science, Bachelor of Clinical Sciences (Osteopathic Studies), Bachelor of Occupational Therapy, Bachelor of Psychological Sciences, Bachelor of Speech Pathology, Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science
Diploma of Science	> Bachelor of Engineering Systems (Honours), Bachelor of Science
Diploma of Hotel Management	> Bachelor of Business in Hotel Management



## Associate Degree

2 years full-time study or equivalent



## Bachelor

with up to 16 units of credit

Associate Degree of Information Technology	> Bachelor of Information Technology
Associate Degree in Law (Paralegal Studies) with required GPA	> Bachelor of Laws
Associate Degree of Creative Writing	> Bachelor of Arts
Associate Degree of Civil Construction (Engineering and Management)	> Bachelor of Engineering Systems (Honours)

\*University approval pending

# The Southern Cross Model

**Most courses in 2022 will be delivered in the Southern Cross Model. This is an academic model designed to give you more control over the way you study and to make your studies flexible and dynamic.**

The Model divides the academic year into six terms of eight weeks each. You have the option to complete one or two units in each term, so you are only studying one or at the most two subjects at a time.

A full-time study load is a minimum of six units and a maximum of 12 units per year. You can take a term off when you need to, or do more study when you have the time.

You determine the speed and pace of your studies, with greater flexibility in balancing life and work commitments. Taking one or two units at a time means your learning is focused and assessments are more evenly spaced out during the year, giving you a greater chance of success in your studies.



Choose your study speed



Greater flexibility in study plans



Enhanced student success

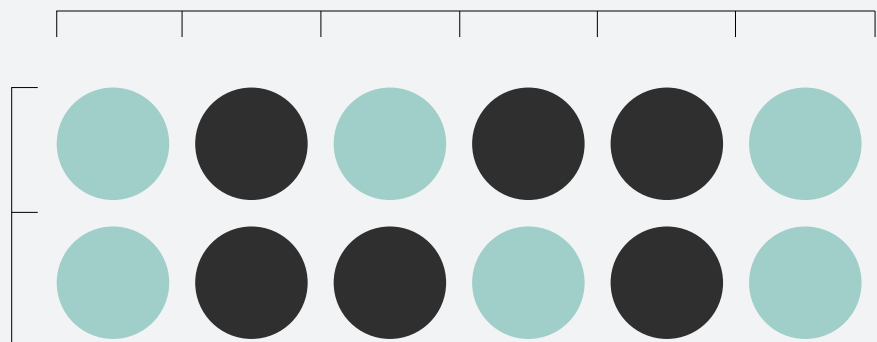
## How does it work?

- Six terms of eight weeks each.
- Complete one or two units per term
- A minimum of six units and a maximum of 12 units per year in a full-time study load.
- Take a term off when you need to, or do more study when you can.

Learn more: [scu.edu.au/southern-cross-model/](https://scu.edu.au/southern-cross-model/)

6 terms per year

Choose 1 or 2 units  
per term





# Design your degree

Want to study arts, but also passionate about helping to solve global environmental challenges? Or perhaps you're interested in business but also psychology? Or science but also digital media? Depending on which course you are enrolled in, you may be able to combine more of your interests by choosing a shared major from a wide range of disciplines across the University. A shared major is the equivalent of eight units, or a third of a three-year Bachelor degree.

**You can combine one of these 4 degrees with any shared major:**

**Bachelor of Arts**

**Bachelor of Business and Enterprise**

**Bachelor of Psychological Science**

**Bachelor of Science**

## Shared majors

### Art and Design

Students will develop drawing skills, fabrication skills and an understanding of contemporary art and its theory. They will learn the fundamentals of art making and critique through individual assessment and group learning.

### Aviation Management

Students will be exposed to the strategic and operational facets of the global aviation industry, including six core aviation units and a further two elective units. This major is ideal for students who are looking to work in aviation including pilots, cabin crew, logistics, transport, infrastructure, retail and customer service.

### Biomedical Science

This major provides students with a solid foundation in the basic sciences that underpin the structure and function of the human body in relation to health and disease, with options to explore genetics, infection and immunity, population health, medical laboratory sciences and more.

### Business and Data Analytics

This major will develop the ability to use data analysis for insights into authentic problems. Students use a variety of tools to clean and transform data, before employing techniques to visualise and communicate information.

### Contemporary Music

Focusing on music making in the 21st century, this major will develop a student's practical, theoretical, creative, collaborative and contextual skills through a program of ensemble performance, musicianship, musicology and industry studies.

### Creative Writing

This major provides an introduction to creative writing genres and techniques, developing students' ability to engage with the world creatively, increasing their creative writing skills and understanding of literature.

### Cultural Studies

This major introduces students to critical approaches in the study of different cultural forms and practices and the political dynamics of contemporary culture. It includes units on identity, gender and sexuality, ecocultural studies and Australian perspectives.

### Digital Media

This major introduces students to a core set of cross-media production skills and software proficiencies, media history and theory, and knowledge of various narrative and story structures. Students gain experience in the production and critical study of contemporary digital media.

### Entrepreneurship and Innovation

This major allows students to develop a nuanced understanding of the critical components of entrepreneurship and what factors will ensure success in a highly competitive business environment. Successful development of innovative ideas is explored in depth.

### Environmental Solutions

This major is for students who wish to gain insight into how nature works, and how communities can support nature to regenerate in the face of environmental change. Students learn to develop creative solutions to the world's complex environmental challenges from ecology and marine pollution to wildlife conservation and regenerative farming.



### History

Studying the past and how we have interpreted history is essential to understanding contemporary issues. As well as units on Australian and colonial histories, this major includes units on the US, Asia and other world history, writing and research.

### Indigenous Knowledge

This major includes units that increase the knowledge and understanding of Indigenous peoples, their cultures and associated rights. It examines historical and contemporary issues affecting Indigenous Australian Peoples.

### Law and Justice

Students gain legal perspectives that will complement their degree and a foundational understanding of law and basic legal principles that will be useful in any employment situation.

### Politics and International Relations

With an emphasis on social justice and positive change, this major will develop students' ability to interpret, analyse and offer creative solutions to issues in contemporary society, encouraging them to become dynamic citizens in the public sphere.

### Psychology

This major is ideal for students who are interested in the scientific study of how humans think, feel and behave. Please note this major is not accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council and does not provide entry into the Bachelor of Psychological Science with Honours.

### Regenerative Agriculture

This major examines human ecology, agroecology, regenerative agronomy and soil management as well as the planning of rural landscapes. It draws on the University's specialist expertise across these areas, developing knowledge in a whole-of-system approach to food production and farm management.

### Sustainability

This major examines the social, cultural, economic and environmental aspects of sustainability. It equips students with concepts and tools enabling multidisciplinary sustainable solutions to be found within a broad range of industry applications.

### Tourism Management

This major develops a contemporary understanding of the tourism industry, tourist experience, destination management and the conceptual and applied aspects of responsible and sustainable tourism management.



A shared major is the equivalent of eight units or one year of full-time study in a Bachelor degree.

Learn more:

[scu.edu.au/design-your-degree](https://scu.edu.au/design-your-degree)

# Take a tour

Did you know that you can take a virtual tour of all of our campuses online?

Explore laboratories, watch videos, check out the best our campuses have to offer – all from the comfort of your loungeroom!

[scu.edu.au/locations](https://scu.edu.au/locations)





# Arts and Humanities

In our technology-driven lives, critical thinking and an understanding of how our human world works are more important than ever.

Our arts and humanities degrees equip you with the skills you need for a career in today's dynamic cultural industries.

For more info, and to apply visit [scu.edu.au/arts](https://scu.edu.au/arts)



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humanities and social sciences  
(Good Universities Guide 2020)





## My degree became a book and a publishing deal

Emily Brugman

**Bachelor of Arts with Honours graduate**  
**Author, shortlisted for the 2020**  
**Vogel Literary Award**

A fascinating family history inspired Emily Brugman to explore her love of creative writing.

Under the guidance of creative writing course coordinator Dr Lynda Hawryluk at Southern Cross University's Lismore campus, the aspiring young writer spent a year weaving the history of her Finnish migrant family into a series of stories.

Her creative research took her to the Houtman Abrolhos archipelago, located 60km off the coast of Western Australia where her grandfather worked as a cray fisherman in the 1950s and 60s.

During her Honours year, Emily wrote a collection of five fiction stories based on life on the islands and the Finnish migrant experience. Since graduating, Emily has developed these stories into a novel entitled *The Islands* which was shortlisted for the 2020 Vogel Literary Award.

As Australia's richest prize for an unpublished manuscript by a writer under the age of 35, the literary recognition for *The Islands* did not go unnoticed. Her shortlisting was followed by a publishing deal with Allen and Unwin. Her novel is due to hit the shelves in 2022.



# Bachelor of Arts

**ATAR** 60

**Duration** 3 years full-time/6 years part-time

**Starts** February, June

**Location** Gold Coast, Lismore, online

The Bachelor of Arts focuses on human cultures, values and beliefs that will broaden your mind with challenging ideas. The course fosters transferable skills that are highly valued across all sectors – such as communication, analysis, critical thinking and problem solving.

At Southern Cross you'll have the opportunity to apply those skills to the real world through community engagement as you delve deeper into contemporary social and environmental justice issues. The Bachelor of Arts is a very flexible degree – you can tailor your studies through the choice of a major in Creative Writing, Cultural Studies, Digital Media, History or Political and International Relations or choose a shared major from a wide range of disciplines across the University.

## Majors

### Creative Writing

A rich blend of study across fiction and non-fiction, experimental writing, journalism, life writing, poetry, writing for stage and screen, and writing for young adults, taught by published writers from the Northern Rivers arts community and beyond.

### Cultural Studies

Cultural Studies introduces you to critical approaches in the study of different cultural forms and practices, everyday life and the political dynamics of contemporary culture.

### Digital Media

This major introduces key digital media production skills and theories. It provides a background in media history and theory, as well as practical experience in design, journalism, narrative forms and audio-visual media production.

### History

Historical study fosters critical approaches to evidence and argument and the ability to interpret and communicate complex ideas, as well as insight into how personal and cultural values are shaped over time.

### Political and International Relations

This major takes a strong social justice approach to cover political, cultural and economic relations from local government to international relations.

### Shared majors

You can choose a shared major as part of your degree. See page 12 for details.

## Professional placement

You can undertake placements and learning opportunities in the community through a number of units and assessments.

## Career opportunities

The Bachelor of Arts opens up a range of career opportunities in communication industries, community relations, journalism, cultural policy, management and administration, publishing, public service, multimedia design, creative and cultural industries, politics, social justice and human rights, and secondary school teaching (with further study).

## Entry pathways

Graduates of the Associate Degree of Creative Writing are guaranteed entry into this course with up to 16 units of credit.

## Double degrees

The Bachelor of Arts is also available as a double degree with the Bachelor of Laws (page 57) or the Bachelor of Business and Enterprise (page 21).

# Diploma of Arts and Social Sciences

ATAR	45
Duration	1 year full-time/2 years part-time
Starts	February, June
Location	Gold Coast, Lismore, online

Looking for a career in the humanities and a pathway to a Bachelor degree in arts, media, community welfare, social work or education? Successful completion of the Diploma of Arts and Social Sciences will guarantee you entry and up to eight units of credit towards a Southern Cross University Bachelor degree in one of these fields.

The Diploma of Arts and Social Sciences is offered through SCU College, where we understand that learners have diverse experiences and ways of learning. The College connects you to your peers and supports your study success through additional workshops to develop your academic and study skills.

## Specialisations

In addition to core units, you choose a specialisation in one of the following areas:

- Arts
- Community Welfare\*
- Digital Media
- Education.

*\*Students seeking a pathway into Social Work should complete the Community Welfare specialisation.*

## Career opportunities

In addition to being a pathway to a Bachelor degree in either arts, digital media, education, community welfare or social work, graduates of the Diploma are well prepared for entry-level roles in a range of industries including administrative support and advocacy; professional services in education; positions in advertising, media and communications such as a social media intern or media officer; in arts and cultural organisations; as community workers, support or project workers.



# Business

Business professionals of tomorrow need more than an understanding of core business disciplines – they need adaptability, curiosity and agility to respond to a changing future.

For more info, and to apply visit [scu.edu.au/business](https://scu.edu.au/business)



**Top 6%**

of universities worldwide in  
**Business and Economics**  
(Times Higher Education World  
University Rankings 2021)



**93% graduate employment**

in **Business and Management**  
(Graduate Outcomes Survey  
2018-2020)





## Business is more than the bottom line

**Michelle Fragar**

**Bachelor of Business graduate  
Managing Director BRANDiT**

For Business graduate Michelle Fragar, the mark of a successful marketer and a career in business is not just about the bottom line; it's about impact, leadership and what you can give back.

In 2020, Michelle was named the Australian Marketing Institute's Certified Practising Marketer of the Year, the peak professional benchmark for marketers in the Asia Pacific Region.

In addition to her busy role as Founder and Managing Director of BRANDiT, a marketing agency based on the Gold Coast, Michelle also offers one-on-one consulting to small businesses.

"I've connected with a federal government grant to offer one-on-one consulting called ASBAS, so I like to give my time one day a week to consult with any small businesses and offer marketing and branding advice," Michelle said.

"When I left corporate, I thought I was going to help every small business out there and everything would be great but then I realised that's just not the way it works. So, this is my way of giving back, using my skills and expertise as a marketer and business woman."



# Bachelor of Business and Enterprise

ATAR	60
Duration	3 years full-time/6 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	Gold Coast, online

The Bachelor of Business and Enterprise has a focus on developing innovation and impact in a complex and changing business world, with inspired and multidisciplinary learning experiences. You'll become equipped with the practical skills, tools and knowledge that are vital for the sustainability of society, business and industry.

You'll build a portfolio of professional experiences through a range of real-world interactions with employers, industry and the community. Specialise in accounting or financial services, or focus your studies through a major in aviation management, business and data analytics, entrepreneurship and innovation, sustainability or tourism management.

## Specialisations

### Accounting

Put yourself on an accredited pathway to become a CPA or Chartered Accountant. Gain the skills and knowledge needed to navigate the multi-faceted world of helping people and organisations make accounting decisions.

### Financial Services

Learn to provide sound and unbiased financial advice to clients and organisations. Become career-ready for a number of diverse roles such as financial planning, superannuation and retirement planning, investment and wealth management, insurance, estate planning, tax and corporate finance.

## Majors

### Aviation Management

Ideal for students who are looking to work in aviation including pilots, cabin crew, logistics, transport, infrastructure, retail and customer service. Includes the opportunity to obtain a Commercial Pilots Licence.

### Business and Data Analytics

This major develops your expertise in contemporary data analytics tools and technologies, data analytics solutions, and data analytics insights in order to support decision-making and inform long-term strategies.

### Entrepreneurship and Innovation

Develops your entrepreneurial ideas into new ventures and your capacity to work within organisations in creative and innovative ways.

### Sustainability

Develops expertise in sustainable management of enterprise, transport, development, waste technology and social entrepreneurship.

### Tourism Management

Develop skills to plan, organise and manage corporate events, conferences, and festivals responsibly and sustainably.

### Shared majors

You can choose a shared major as part of your degree. See page 12 for details.

## Professional placement

You may choose one or two double-weighted internship units. Internships can be undertaken in a relevant industry sector in Australia or abroad.

## Career opportunities

Graduates of the Bachelor of Business and Enterprise gain the professional, critical thinking and communication skills to run their own business or to pursue career opportunities in a broad range of sectors, including marketing, product management, investment, finance and more.

## Professional recognition

The Accounting specialisation is pending accreditation from Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand, and CPA Australia. Students may apply for membership of the Institute of Public Accountants. The Financial Services specialisation is currently undergoing accreditation with FASEA. Students are eligible to join the Australian Institute of Management.

## Entry pathways

Graduates of the Diploma of Business are guaranteed entry to this course with up to 8 units of credit.

# Diploma of Business

ATAR	45
Duration	1 year full-time/2 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	Gold Coast, online

The Diploma of Business gives you the opportunity to develop your academic and business skills in areas that could include digital business, finance, management, economics and marketing. You tailor your studies through the choice of a business or information technology or tourism specialisation.

The course is offered through SCU College, where we understand that learners have diverse experiences and ways of learning. The College supports your study success and connects you to your peers through additional workshops to develop your academic and study skills.

## Specialisations

In addition to core units, you choose a specialisation in one of the following areas:

- Business and Enterprise
- Information Technology
- Tourism.

## Career opportunities

Graduates will be well equipped to apply their skills across a range of business areas including accounting, finance and marketing.

Graduates of the Diploma of Business are guaranteed entry and up to 8 units of credit towards a Bachelor-level Southern Cross degree in business and enterprise or information technology.



## Double degrees

The Bachelor of Business and Enterprise is also available as a double degree with the Bachelor of Laws (page 59) or the Bachelor of Arts (page 17).



# Education

Teachers can have a lasting and profound impact on the lives of their students, from the early childhood years right through to secondary school.

Contemporary education settings demand teachers who are equipped with tools for contemporary practice. At Southern Cross University, we are deeply invested in nurturing these skills and in fostering our next generation of talented educators.

For more info, and to apply visit [scu.edu.au/study-education](https://scu.edu.au/study-education)



## 5-Star

rating for learning resources in  
Teacher Education  
(Good Universities Guide 2021)



## 90% undergraduate employment

in Teacher Education  
(Graduate Outcomes Survey 2018-2020)





## Bringing language and culture into the classroom

**Eli Cook**

**Bachelor of Arts/ Bachelor of Education (Primary) graduate  
Primary School teacher Goonellabah Public School**

Southern Cross University Education graduate and Bundjalung language tutor Eli Cook brings both his culture and language into the classroom, incorporating stories and songs into teaching maths and other subjects.

“Traditional education models fail many kids and especially Indigenous kids. I want to explore learning on Country and other options for teaching Indigenous kids to improve outcomes at school and their options for uni after school.

It’s not only how Indigenous kids are taught though. I think there is a lot of room to improve how non-Indigenous students get taught about Indigenous people. Eventually I’d like to work on improving the curriculum in that way too.”

Studying Education at Southern Cross was a formative experience for Eli. “The lecturers weren’t trying to churn out dozens of the same teacher. We were very much encouraged to find our own way which I think is important. You need to bring your own strengths and personality to teaching, to find your own style, and be your own teacher. Don’t compare yourself to anyone else.”



# Bachelor of Education

ATAR 60

Duration 4 years full-time/8 years part-time

Starts February, June

Location Gold Coast, Lismore, Coffs Harbour, online

The Bachelor of Education is a gateway degree to work as registered teacher in Australia. First year is a foundation year with a solid grounding in literacy, numeracy and pedagogy as well as issues in contemporary education.

You will choose a specialisation depending on your teaching preference. This will determine your career outcome, as you'll either be qualified as a primary or secondary teacher or if you choose a combined specialisation, you'll be able to teach across a wider range of age groups.

In the secondary programs you will choose from a variety of teaching subjects depending on your teaching preference.

## Specialisations

You can choose a single or combined specialisation:

### Early Childhood/Primary

For teaching in both early childhood settings and primary schools.

### Primary

For teaching in primary schools from kindergarten to Year 6. Includes an approved compulsory English Primary Specialisation with opportunities for an approved Specialisation in Mathematics or Science.

### Primary/Secondary

For teaching in both primary schools and in secondary schools in one subject. Includes a compulsory English Primary Specialisation.

### Secondary

In this teaching area, you choose two teaching subjects from the full range of secondary subjects.

### Technology

In this specialisation you choose from either Design and Technology or Food and Fibre and a second teaching area from a range of subjects.

## Professional placement

You'll complete a substantial program of in-school professional teaching experiences as part of your degree, enabling you to apply your theoretical knowledge in real-world educational settings.

## Career opportunities

Graduates are qualified to work as teachers across Australia. Depending on the specialisation chosen, graduates may work in early childhood settings, primary or secondary schools.

## Professional recognition

This course is pending accreditation from the NSW Education Standards Authority and nationally through the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership. The Early Childhood/Primary specialisation is also pending accreditation from the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority.

# Bachelor of Early Childhood Education

ATAR 60

Duration 3 years full-time/6 years part-time

Starts February, June

Location Gold Coast, Lismore, Coffs Harbour, online

There is strong demand for qualified early childhood educators. This degree gives you a three-year qualification to work in early childhood settings with children from six-weeks-old to six-years-old.

Core units cover early childhood principles and practices, literacy, language and pedagogical approaches for early childhood education.

Students will investigate contemporary issues in early childhood education, leadership and management; and health and wellbeing in the early childhood environment.

## Professional placement

You'll complete a substantial program of professional teaching experiences as part of your degree in a range of early childhood environments, enabling you to apply your theoretical knowledge in real-world educational settings.

## Career opportunities

Graduates will be three-year-trained Early Childhood educators.

## Professional recognition

This course is pending accreditation from the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority.

Check with your state-based accreditation authorities regarding status as an early childhood teacher.





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## Engineering the roads of the future

**Marnie Atkins**

**Bachelor of Engineering in Civil Engineering (Honours) graduate  
Engineer, Transport NSW**

In the second year of her degree, Marnie was offered a role as cadet engineer with Transport NSW in roadworks construction and maintenance.

She was accepted into the Transport NSW two-year graduate program and began her role in transport modelling in 2021.

"The best thing about studying at Southern Cross is the knowledgeable and diverse teaching staff, who facilitate great conversations in class, are always available for a chat, and who really prepared us to become leaders in the engineering field.

Also, the facilities in Lismore are fantastic. It's a new building so has state-of-the-art engineering labs and teaching spaces."

# Bachelor of Engineering Systems (Honours)

**ATAR** 70

**Duration** 4 years full-time/8 years part-time

**Starts** February, June

**Location** Lismore, online

The Bachelor of Engineering Systems (Honours) is designed to meet the requirements for accreditation at the level of Professional Engineer by Engineers Australia. Foundational core units build knowledge of the basic sciences, and the processes and philosophy that underpin the engineering profession.

You'll then choose a specialisation to build discipline knowledge and technical skills with a strong emphasis on project-based learning. This will determine your career outcomes as you develop expertise in an area of engineering practice - either civil, coastal systems or mechanical engineering.

The final year of the course contains a mixture of advanced core units and advanced discipline-specific units that are designed to build skills in independent investigation, critical thinking, creative problem solving, and ethical and professional behaviour.

The course is structured around 16 key competencies identified by Engineers Australia as being essential to the graduating engineer. These competencies are broadly grouped into: knowledge and skills, application, personal and professional skills.

## Specialisations

### Civil Engineering

Students develop skills and knowledge across the breadth of disciplines encompassed by civil engineering, including construction, project management, hydraulic engineering, water and wastewater engineering, geotechnical engineering, traffic and transport engineering, and environmental engineering.

Graduates from the Civil Engineering specialisation will be able to work in a range of settings, including traffic and transport, humanitarian organisations, engineering design, government authorities, water supply and management agencies, construction companies, natural resource management organisations, consulting engineering companies, mining companies, irrigation authorities.

Students who have graduated from the Associate Degree of Civil Construction (Engineering and Management) may also elect to major in Construction Engineering as part of this specialisation.

### Coastal Systems Engineering

Students develop skills and knowledge in core areas that include coastal engineering and management, floodplain engineering and management, project management, hydraulic engineering, water and wastewater engineering, engineering geochemistry and hydrology.

Graduates from the Coastal Systems Engineering specialisation will be able to work in water resource and/or environmental engineering roles in a range of settings involving systems and infrastructure in the coastal zone, including municipal and government authorities, water supply and management agencies, construction companies, natural resource management organisations, consulting engineering companies, airport authorities, mining companies, irrigation authorities, research organisations, and education organisations.

### Mechanical Engineering

Students develop skills and knowledge in three main areas that cover all aspects of mechanical engineering, which are design and production systems, thermo-fluid mechanics and energy systems, and mechatronics and control Systems.

Graduates from the Mechanical Engineering specialisation have broad employment prospects. They can work in diverse industries including heavy machinery, power generation, mining, manufacturing, production planning, automotive, aerospace, medical, robotics, environment, building industries and consumer product design.

## Professional placement

This course includes a compulsory 60-day industry experience unit in a relevant engineering role.

## Professional recognition

This course is accredited by Engineers Australia at different levels according to the specialisation chosen. Please see the website for details. Courses accredited

by Engineers Australia at this level are recognised in many different countries worldwide through the Washington Accord.

## Entry pathways

Graduates of the Diploma of Science are guaranteed entry into this course and receive up to 8 units of credit for their previous study.



# Associate Degree of Civil Construction (Engineering and Management)

Apply directly to the University

Duration 32 months part-time

Starts February, June, October

Location Online

There is strong demand for site supervisors and project managers in the civil construction industry. This course develops the fundamental technical and practical skills needed for these roles and is suited to school leavers or those with a trade qualification who are looking to enter the industry or progress their careers to a supervisory or management level.

It has a focus on developing both practical and technical engineering skills, particularly around familiarity with technology, and includes a strong work-integrated learning component.

It also provides a pathway to further study in civil engineering at a Bachelor degree level. Graduates of the Associate Degree of Civil Construction (Engineering and Management) who continue to the Bachelor of Engineering Systems (Honours) will have the opportunity to major in Construction Engineering as part of the Civil Engineering specialisation to develop the necessary skills and expertise for work as a professional engineer in the civil construction industry.

## Professional placement

All students will need to undertake at least three seven-week work placements. Ideally, students will complete the entire course while working in industry, although this is not mandatory.

## Career opportunities

This course prepares graduates to work at the paraprofessional level as site superintendents, site supervisors, site engineers, and project managers at the level of engineering associate in the civil construction industry. It is also a pathway to further study.

## Professional recognition

Recognised by Engineers Australia at the level of Engineering Associate.



# Diploma of Civil Construction (Engineering and Management)

Apply directly to the University

Duration 2 years part-time

Starts February, June, October

Location Online

This course is designed for school leavers or those with a trade qualification who are looking to upskill and move into supervisory roles.

The course has a focus on developing technical and practical skills sought after by industry. It also provides a pathway to further study in civil engineering at a Bachelor or Associate Degree level.

## Professional placement

All students will need to undertake at least one seven-week work placement. Ideally, you will complete the entire course while working in industry, although this is not mandatory.

## Career opportunities

This course prepares graduates for further study or to work at the paraprofessional level as project managers and site supervisors in the civil construction industry.



“Southern Cross has a strong point of difference with a whole-of-systems approach. We believe engineers don’t just design and build, but work across the entire science gamut to solve problems, including the health sciences and social sciences. We even teach business skills in our engineering courses now, making for the country’s most well-rounded graduates and internationally competitive degrees.”

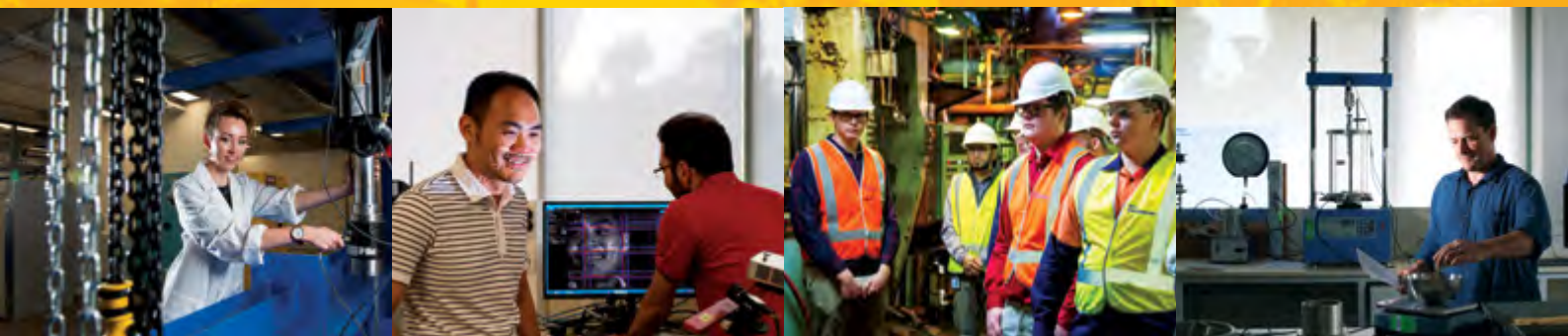
Chair of Engineering Professor Peter Coombes





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## Working for my community in many different ways

**Sophie Longworth**  
**Bachelor of Nursing graduate**  
**Registered Nurse, Tweed Hospital**

For Bachelor of Nursing graduate Sophie Longworth, working under pressure and helping others is in her DNA.

In a family full of paramedics, nurses and hospital workers, a career in health services might seem like a natural progression for her. But she is not your average nurse, outside of the hospital, Sophie is also a trained firefighter and surf lifesaver.

"I've always had the drive to do what I can for my community, plus who wouldn't want to get on the big red truck?"

"It perfectly complements the achievement of successfully gaining a graduate position at my first preference hospital and ward within the hospital."

She credits practical classes at University, led by experienced industry professionals, in preparing her to hit the ground running at a busy hospital.

"The practical classes we had were such a benefit to my education, being able to practice nursing skills on the simulated mannequins, under the guidance of teachers who have actually worked in the industry, gives you a huge step forward when it comes to doing it on a real person."

# Bachelor of Nursing

ATAR	65 Coffs Harbour and Lismore, 70 Gold Coast
Duration	3 years full-time/6 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	Gold Coast, Lismore, Coffs Harbour

The Bachelor of Nursing offers an outstanding combination of practical training while building knowledge in health assessment, diagnosis, person-centred care and health plan development. This course responds to contemporary nursing practice and builds knowledge and skills in professional nursing, biological sciences and social sciences. You will learn in state-of-the-art facilities with interactive models and simulation laboratories.

## Professional placement

Supervised clinical placements of approximately 860 hours provide you with nursing experience in public and private hospitals and health agencies. These may include acute and low care health facilities, community settings, mental health facilities, extended residential aged care, GP practices, Indigenous health, health promotion and education, intensive care, paediatrics, health clinics, accident and emergency, palliative care, primary health care settings and related nursing and health services. Elective opportunities include rural, remote, and international placements.

## Career opportunities

Graduate opportunities for Registered Nurses exist in a range of public and private health sectors in clinical, education, management and research roles. These range from public health, justice and defence services through to non-for-profit organisations such as Médecins Sans Frontières (Doctors Without Borders).

## Professional recognition

This course is approved by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia and provides the necessary academic qualification for eligibility as a Registered Nurse in Australia. Please note: In order to register to practise, the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency standards for English language must be met.

# Bachelor of Nursing (EN to RN pathway)

Apply directly to the University. Admission requires AHPRA registration as an Enrolled Nurse and is open to graduates of an ANMAC-approved Diploma in Nursing.

Duration	2 years full-time/4 years part-time
Starts	February or June (June start Gold Coast only)
Location	Gold Coast, Lismore, Coffs Harbour

The Bachelor of Nursing Enrolled Nurse to Registered Nurse Pathway is specifically designed for Enrolled Nurses to become Registered Nurses in just two years. Specialist conversion units develop your knowledge in professional nursing, biological sciences and social sciences, building on your professional experience and previous study. You'll have the opportunity to specialise in specific clinical areas of interest based on availability and supervisory facilities and learn in state-of-the-art facilities with interactive models and simulation laboratories.

## Professional placement

Professional placements of approximately 680 hours are spread across several units within the course. These placements are located across a variety of healthcare settings. Included are several specifically designed professional experience placements for Enrolled Nurse Pathway students to facilitate progression towards the role of a Registered Nurse.

## Professional recognition

This course is approved by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia and provides the necessary academic qualification for eligibility as a Registered Nurse in Australia. Please note: In order to register to practise, the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency standards for English language must be met.



# Bachelor of Midwifery

ATAR	80 [Interview process part of admission requirements]
Duration	3 years full-time/6 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	Gold Coast, Coffs Harbour

The Bachelor of Midwifery is specifically designed to prepare you for entry to professional midwifery practice. You will develop the skills, knowledge and attitude to provide high quality care through safe and effective midwifery practice in accordance with the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Council Midwife standards for practice. Study areas include anatomy and physiology, midwifery theory and practice, primary healthcare, women's health, mental health and psychosocial sciences. Graduates will be equipped to work in multi-disciplinary teams and in partnership with women to contribute to healthier outcomes for mother and baby.

## Professional placement

You undertake placements of approximately 1,000 hours and may attend antenatal and postnatal assessments/visits with women; provide direct care to women during labour; assist women during birth and support women and their babies with diverse needs across pregnancy, labour and birth, and the postnatal period.

## Career opportunities

Registered midwives may practise midwifery in various capacities in public and private hospitals and community, maternity and neonatal health care settings in urban, rural and remote areas. They can practise as group practice midwives, clinical midwifery consultants, midwifery educators, midwifery unit managers, community midwives, researchers, and as independent midwives (with further training). They can work in any state of Australia and in New Zealand.

## Professional recognition

The Bachelor of Midwifery is approved by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia and provides the necessary qualification for graduates to be eligible to register and practise as a midwife in Australia. Further training is required to work as a privately practising midwife. Please note: In order to register to practise, the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency standards for English language must be met.

## Entry pathways

A Registered Nurse (RN) only needs to complete the midwifery specific units, (60% of the total course, mostly part-time) in order to complete the Bachelor of Midwifery.





# Bachelor of Biomedical Science

ATAR	70
Duration	3 years full-time/6 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	Gold Coast

The Bachelor of Biomedical Science provides you with a scientific understanding of the structure and function of the human body and the interrelationships between health and disease. Together with foundational sciences, you will explore the intricacies of human health and examine the pathological basis of disease processes by studying human pathophysiology, molecular genetics, immunology, microbiology and neuroscience.

This course has a strong mathematical component and is taught in laboratories equipped with cutting edge analytical equipment. It provides a solid base in biomedical science, from anatomy, immunology, neuroscience and microbiology to haematology and more.

## Professional placement

Professional placements of 420 hours provide invaluable workplace experience in health and research facilities, such as pathology labs or research labs.

## Career opportunities

Graduates find positions in biomedical, health, university and government research; hospital, veterinary and pathology laboratories and scientific sales; quality assurance, health departments and pharmaceutical and cosmetic industries. Graduates may qualify for postgraduate degrees such as pharmacy and physiotherapy or choose to pursue medicine or other careers.

## Entry pathways

Graduates of the Diploma of Health are guaranteed entry to this course and will receive credit for their previous study.



# Bachelor of Clinical Sciences (Osteopathic Studies)

ATAR	60
Duration	3 years full-time/6 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	Gold Coast, Lismore

The Bachelor of Clinical Sciences (Osteopathic Studies) has a strong clinical focus and provides you with a comprehensive grounding in biomedical science and health. During the course, you will gain the knowledge and skills required to continue postgraduate study in osteopathic medicine, which is required for registration as an osteopath. Core units include the study of advanced levels of anatomy and physiology, particularly the structure and function of the muscular and nervous systems.

## Professional placement

Professional placements provide you with approximately 320 hours of experience under the supervision of a qualified practitioner in the practice of safe and effective manual therapy and the application of a wide range of treatment and management plans. You have opportunities to work with a diverse range of patients in areas including injury and illness prevention and management, rehabilitation and health promotion. Clinical practice-based learning is also undertaken at the Southern Cross University Health Clinic, located at the Lismore and Gold Coast campuses.

## Career opportunities

To become a registered osteopath, you need to successfully complete both the Bachelor of Clinical Sciences (Osteopathic Studies) and the Southern Cross University Master of Osteopathic Medicine. Total full-time duration of both courses is four years. Graduates of the Bachelor degree will receive four units of advanced standing into the Master of Osteopathic Studies.



## Osteopathy

Osteopathy is a hands-on manual therapy that restores movement and function through a combination of massage, joint movement, stretches, gentle joint manipulation and exercise. In Australia, osteopaths are government registered allied health practitioners who complete university training in anatomy, physiology, pathology, general healthcare diagnosis, and osteopathic techniques. Osteopaths can provide all-round osteopathic care, as well as concentrating on specific areas of practice, such as exercise-based rehabilitation, pain management, paediatric and sports medicine.

Southern Cross University is one of just three universities in Australia to offer studies in osteopathy.



# Bachelor of Exercise Science and Psychological Science

ATAR	65
Duration	4 years full-time/8 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	Coffs Harbour, Gold Coast, Lismore

The Bachelor of Exercise Science and Psychological Science provides understanding of the structure and function of the human body as it relates to movement, the interrelationships between health and disease, and the psychological basis of human behaviour.

Core studies for the exercise science component of the course include anatomy, biomechanics, physiology, sports conditioning and motor control. The psychological science component addresses analytical skills in solving human, organisational and community-wide problems, with core topics such as social psychology, cross-cultural psychology, abnormal psychology, biological psychology, and research methods. Two elective units are also available.

## Professional placement

You complete a 140-hour exercise science professional placement in the third year of the course. Placements might be in health and sporting centres, clubs, schools and academies or sport and recreation centres.

## Career opportunities

Graduates may also choose to pursue further training to gain registration as a psychologist or as an accredited exercise physiologist. Other opportunities exist in careers that have therapeutic connections to sport and exercise, such as physical activity promotion and rehabilitation.

## Professional recognition

This course has Australian Psychology Accreditation Council accreditation for entrance into postgraduate training. The course also has qualifying accreditation with Exercise and Sport Science Australia (ESSA) with full accreditation pending the first graduate cycle.

## Entry pathways

Graduates of the Diploma of Health are guaranteed entry to this course and will receive credit for their previous study.







## Where science and human behaviour meet

**Batoul Hodroj**  
Bachelor of Psychological Science  
(Honours) graduate  
Provisional Psychologist and  
PhD candidate

The workplace can be either a battleground or a fertile ground for growth, depending on how you look at it. Batoul Hodroj spends a lot of time looking at workplaces in her ongoing training in organisational psychology.

She receives requests from companies interested in developing their workplace culture, for example increasing the number of women or people from diverse backgrounds in leadership positions or managing significant change.

"We apply science and our deep knowledge of human psychology to the problems an organisation faces. By collecting both quantitative and qualitative data like surveys and interviews, we can triangulate that with our analysis to come up with a solution that's based on evidence."

Batoul completed her Honours year at Southern Cross University in Coffs Harbour and is now completing a PhD. "I fell in love with Coffs Harbour and especially with research during my Honours year," she said. "The teaching staff and my supervisors lit a fire for me in that direction. It completely changed the trajectory of my life and what I had done to that point."

# Bachelor of Psychological Science

ATAR	70
Duration	3 years full-time/6 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	Coffs Harbour, Gold Coast, online

The Bachelor of Psychological Science provides the first three years of full-time (or part-time equivalent) study and training required to prepare you for employment in a range of careers that benefit from knowledge of human psychological factors.

The degree focuses on providing a thorough understanding of the theoretical basis of psychological science, as well as the importance of research and evidence. The course covers analytical skills in solving human, organisational and community-wide problems; core topics such as social psychology, cross-cultural psychology, abnormal psychology, and biological psychology; competency in the design of research and interpretation of research findings; and a comprehensive understanding of statistical methods. You can study this course completely online, or with a mix of on-campus and online units.

## Career opportunities

This is a pathway to the postgraduate study for eligible students. Completion of undergraduate and postgraduate study is the minimum educational qualification required to apply for conditional registration as a postgraduate intern in psychology in Australia. Psychologists are employed in health, social and disability services, youth services, corrective services, the armed services, research agencies such as the CSIRO, and in education. Private industry is also a large employer of psychologists who receive further specialised training for work in management, human resources and corporate consultancy services.

## Professional recognition

This course has Australian Psychology Accreditation Council accreditation for entrance into postgraduate training.

## Entry pathways

Graduates of the Diploma of Health are guaranteed entry to this course and will receive credit for their previous study.





# Bachelor of Occupational Therapy

ATAR	60
Duration	4 years full-time/8 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	Gold Coast, Coffs Harbour

Occupational therapists' work is diverse – they assist people of all ages and abilities to do what they need and want to do at home, work, school and in the community by transforming and adapting environments, activities or equipment where necessary to enhance participation in everyday tasks. In the Bachelor of Occupational Therapy you'll undertake studies in occupational therapy theory and practice, therapy assessments and interventions, occupational transitions across the lifespan, environmental modification, equipment prescription, task adaptation, facilitation, inclusion, participation and engagement, health promotion, social sciences, biological sciences; and have the option to major in Indigenous Health.

## Majors

### Indigenous Health (optional)

You will build theoretical and practical capability in areas including cultural protocols and Indigenous ways of knowing and being. This major includes embedded placement opportunities.

### Professional placement

All students undertake professional placements of approximately 1,000 hours to build clinical and practical skills in settings that may include hospitals, community health, disability and mental health services, primary schools, work environments, aged care and private practice.

### Career opportunities

Career opportunities as an occupational therapist exist in hospitals, community health, mental health services, schools, work rehabilitation and occupational health and safety in various industries, private practice, early intervention, aged care and a variety of health, education and disability services, including the provision of occupational therapy services under the National Disability Insurance Scheme.

## Professional recognition

This course is accredited by Occupational Therapy Australia and the Occupational Therapy Council of Australia, and is approved by the World Federation of Occupational Therapists. Graduates of accredited occupational therapy programs are eligible for national registration. Graduates are also eligible for membership of Occupational Therapy Australia. Please note: In order to register to practise, the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency standards for English language must be met.

## Entry pathways

Graduates of the Diploma of Health are guaranteed entry to this course and will receive credit for their previous study.





# Bachelor of Speech Pathology

ATAR	75
Duration	4 years full-time/8 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	Gold Coast, Coffs Harbour

The Bachelor of Speech Pathology prepares you for entry into professional speech pathology practice. Speech pathologists assess and treat adults and children exhibiting acquired or congenital disorders of speech, fluency, voice, language and swallowing. The course includes arts and science-based units including phonetics and linguistics, audiology and neurology for speech pathology. Embedded throughout the course are principles of evidence-based practice, cultural competency and multimodal communication.

## Majors

### Indigenous Health (optional)

You will build theoretical and practical capability in areas including cultural protocols and Indigenous ways of knowing and being. This major includes embedded placement opportunities.

### Professional placement

You complete approximately 1,000 hours of professional placements in diverse settings which might include the University's on-campus health clinic, public hospitals, private practice, community health, rehabilitation centres, aged care facilities, schools and rural health locations.

## Career opportunities

Speech pathologists are employed in private practice, schools programs, in government agencies or in the health and wellbeing industry. Speech pathologists work independently and also with other health and education specialists in interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary teams.

## Professional recognition

The Bachelor of Speech Pathology is accredited by Speech Pathology Australia, the national professional and accrediting body.

## Entry pathways

Graduates of the Diploma of Health are guaranteed entry to this course and will receive credit for their previous study.





## A global career in sport

**Theo Pickles**

**Bachelor of Human Movement Science  
(now Bachelor of Sport and Exercise  
Science) graduate**

**Lead Strength & Conditioning Coach  
Rowing/Swimming, Team Netherlands**

From the Queensland Academy of Sport to training the Bangladesh Cricket Team and Olympic rowers and swimmers in the Netherlands, Theo's career in sport has spanned the globe.

"The best part without a doubt is seeing your athletes achieve on the world stage. One of my swimmers set a new world record in the 50m – it makes all those hours of meetings, programming, trying to come up with solutions to problems worth it.

"We apply scientific theory and technology to produce some of the best athletes in the world. Completing my degree at Southern Cross has been a key ingredient to my success as a high performance strength and conditioning coach."



# Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science

ATAR	60
Duration	3 years full-time/6 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	Gold Coast, Lismore, Coffs Harbour

The Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science prepares you to work with people who want to improve their health, fitness and wellbeing, prevent chronic conditions, or improve sporting performance. The course is focused on anatomy, physiology, human movement, exercise physiology, exercise psychology, exercise prescription and sports conditioning and training. This course also provides an accelerated pathway towards postgraduate study to achieve professional accreditation as an accredited exercise physiologist or as a secondary school PDHPE teacher.

## Majors

- Exercise Science
- Education.

## Professional placement

You complete a 140-hour exercise science placement in the final year of the course. This may be within clinical settings, the health and fitness industry, community and professional sport, elite programs of state and national sport organisations, schools, academies of sport, and within the wider sport, recreation and leisure industries.

## Career opportunities

As an exercise scientist, graduates can expect to gain employment in sports coaching, strength training and conditioning, sport development, performance testing, health promotion, and sports or recreation facility and program management.

Graduates may also choose to pursue further postgraduate study, receiving up to four units of credit towards the Master of Clinical Exercise Physiology, which enables accreditation as an exercise physiologist. Total duration of the combined Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science and Master of Clinical Exercise Physiology is four years.

This degree is also a pathway to the Master of Teaching that can prepare students as PDHPE teachers in secondary settings.

## Professional recognition

The Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science is accredited by Exercise and Sport Science Australia (ESSA) at the Exercise Science level.

All graduates, regardless of the major completed, will be eligible for full membership as Exercise Scientists with ESSA.

Please note: In order to apply to be an Accredited Exercise Scientist, ESSA's requirements for English language must be met.

The course is also recognised by the National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA) of America. Undergraduates are eligible for registration as an Exercise Professional with Fitness Australia (FA) after completing the first two years of study in the Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science. Graduates are eligible for registration as a Level 1 Strength and Conditioning Coach with the Australian Strength and Conditioning Association (ASCA).

Graduates of the Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science may undertake further postgraduate study to gain registration as an Accredited Exercise Physiologist (AEP).

## Entry pathways

Graduates of the Diploma of Health are guaranteed entry to this course and will receive credit for their previous study.



# Diploma of Health

ATAR	45
Duration	1 year full-time/2 years part-time
Starts	February, October (October start Gold Coast only)
Location	Gold Coast, Coffs Harbour, online*

The Diploma of Health is a pathway program into a range of Southern Cross University Bachelor degrees, equipping you with foundational knowledge and skills across a range of health disciplines. You may tailor your course by choosing a specialisation from the following: sport and exercise science, occupational therapy, speech pathology, psychological science, biomedical science and osteopathic studies.

## Career opportunities

Graduates of the Diploma of Health can seek professional work in a range of health professions including as health care assistants. It is also a pathway into a range of Bachelor degrees. Successful completion of the Diploma of Health guarantees entry and up to 8 units of credit (depending on the stream taken) towards a linked Southern Cross degree in biomedical science, speech pathology, occupational therapy, sport and exercise science, osteopathic studies or psychological science.

\*Please note that not all units are offered online in health sciences. If you are interested in studying online, some units must be completed on-campus as they are not available online and require mandatory attendance. Psychological Science is the only stream offered entirely online.

This course is offered through SCU College, where we understand that students have diverse experiences and ways of learning. The College supports your study success and connects you to your peers through additional workshops to develop academic and study skills.



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with local Elders and communities as  
well as international relationships







## Indigenous knowledge is knowing, doing, being, seeing

**Sheldon Harrington**

**Bachelor of Indigenous Knowledge  
with Honours student**

**Visual artist**

As a young local Widjabul Artist (Lismore) from the Bundjalung Nation on the Far North Coast of New South Wales, Sheldon has been immersed in strong cultural grounding and practice his entire life.

In just a few years, he has amassed an impressive CV as an artist, collaborating on large-scale installations and performances in the Lismore Quad, installations in the University Library for Reconciliation Week, and starting his own business designing logos, murals, digital artworks and even a highway overpass.

Studying the Bachelor of Indigenous Knowledge with Honours, Sheldon is investigating the ways in which Indigenous Art can effectively influence the recognition and greater acceptance of Indigenous culture within society.

"I want to contribute to the existing literature by grounding through story and connection to place.

"My art encompasses values, kinship systems, ways of learning and teaching, communicating and decision making through our ways of knowing, doing, being and seeing.

"Aboriginal Knowledge is alive, living and moving within the country that it belongs to," he said.

# Bachelor of Indigenous Knowledge

ATAR	60
Duration	3 years full-time/6 years part-time
Starts	February
Location	Lismore, online

The Bachelor of Indigenous Knowledge generates greater understanding of Indigenous world views, by exploring histories, knowledge systems, determinants of health and wellbeing and ways of living, in a culturally diverse and supportive environment.

You will build theoretical and practical capability in areas including cultural protocols and Indigenous ways of knowing and being. You learn to engage with communities and work towards better environmental, social and economic outcomes.

## Majors

- Community and Land Management
- Aboriginal Health Care.

## Career opportunities

Career opportunities exist in project management or administration with Indigenous, government or community-based organisations, especially those with a focus on Indigenous issues. Typical career sectors include: health services, paralegal work, social welfare, environmental management, education or business.

Eligible graduates can apply for the Bachelor of Indigenous Knowledge with Honours as a pathway to the Doctor of Indigenous Philosophies and to other postgraduate programs offered by Southern Cross University.







## Gnibi College of Indigenous Australian Peoples

Situated on the University's Lismore campus in the heart of the Bundjalung Nation on the North Coast of NSW, Gnibi College of Indigenous Australian Peoples is also represented at the Coffs Harbour and Gold Coast campuses, on the territories of the Gumbaynggirr People and Nganduwal Minjungbal/Yugambeh People of the northern end of Bundjalung Country respectively. The name Gnibi was gifted to the University by Widjabul Elders of the Bundjalung Nation and is the Bundjalung word for 'black swan'. It is also the name the Bundjalung people gave to the star system, or constellation, that early European explorers called the 'Southern Cross'.

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## A dream tech career in Silicon Valley

**Jack Russell**

**Bachelor of Information Technology graduate**

**Front End Software Engineer, Amazon Web Services**

San Francisco's Silicon Valley is a global hub for tech lovers, programmers, app creators and web developers. It's the headquarters for companies such as Google, Facebook and Apple, it's also the place Southern Cross University Bachelor of Information Technology graduate Jack Russell now calls home.

Just months before international travel came to a halt in 2020, Jack was offered his dream job as Front End Software Engineer for Amazon Web Services (AWS), one of the 'Big Five' tech giants.

His role involves developing the search and navigation systems on the AWS Management Console. Jack works with designers, product managers, and other engineers to build and release new features for these systems.

Jack's interest in programming began in high school when he learned how to develop websites. He decided to pursue further study through Southern Cross University's STAR Early Entry.

The opportunities available to Southern Cross students to gain hands on experience through the University's industry partnerships and work placements was a major draw card.

"I saw the industry placement component as an excellent way to gain real-world work experience. During my degree, the University worked with me to set up an internship with the CSIRO and this was really the springboard for my career," he said.

"Tech is a thriving and rapidly changing field, and I strongly recommend it as a career path to anyone with an interest in understanding how complex things work."

# Bachelor of Information Technology

ATAR	60
Duration	3 years full-time/6 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	Gold Coast, Coomera, online

The Bachelor of Information Technology offers students the opportunity to explore a wide variety of technical and business-related IT units. Core studies include web development, programming, systems analysis and design, cyber security, database development, networking and communications theory.

The course also covers contemporary issues confronting the IT industry including employer obligations, employee rights, impacts on society, privacy and security, use of 'big data', and future directions of the industry. Choosing a major enables you to focus on your area of interest.

## Majors

### Business Analytics

Provides students with the skills needed to investigate Big Data and solve real-world business problems through the application of modern data analytics tools.

### Networks and Cybersecurity

Students gain the skills needed to develop, implement, manage and secure enterprise networks and systems.

### Software Development

Students acquire the skills to efficiently develop and maintain high quality software systems and to participate in and manage software projects.

### User Experience

Students develop the skills to design and develop multimedia resources and interactive programs that support a great user experience. Students develop an ability to select and use multimedia resources that facilitate engagement and usability.

## Professional placement

Students can undertake optional internship units. Internship positions vary depending on each student's discipline area, placement firm size and industry. Recent roles undertaken by internship students include software quality assurance, coordinator, IT support officer, network support officer, software development and various other management and IT roles in private and government sectors.

## Professional recognition

This course has full professional accreditation from the Australian Computer Society (ACS).

## Career opportunities

Graduates can look forward to good employment prospects as a software developer, user-experience designer and developer, web or app developer, systems analyst, data analyst, or network analyst.

## Entry pathways

Graduates of the Associate Degree of Information Technology are guaranteed entry into this course and receive up to 16 units of credit for their previous study.



# Associate Degree of Information Technology

Apply directly to the University.

ATAR 55

Duration 2 years full-time/4 years part-time

Starts February, June, October

Location online

The Associate Degree of Information Technology will prepare you with technical and problem-solving abilities that virtually every modern organisation needs. This course has a strong technical focus with core units that cover web development, programming, systems analysis and design, cyber security, databases, networking and communications theory, and contemporary issues in IT.

You'll be equipped with skills in a field that is integral to our world with a qualification that offers professional opportunities in almost all industries.

You'll be surrounded by people who are interested in exploring ideas and pushing innovation –the University is home to the Digital Enterprise Lab that develops IT solutions to real-world problems.

This course is also a great pathway to Bachelor studies –with just an additional year of study following your Associate Degree, you can graduate with a Bachelor of Information Technology.

## Career opportunities

Career opportunities exist as user-experience designers and developers, web developers, systems administrators, and technical support personnel.

The Associate Degree of Information Technology is an ideal pathway to the Southern Cross Bachelor of Information Technology with up to 16 units of credit in this ACS-accredited Bachelor degree.



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## The law taught me to ask the right questions

**Hayley Foster**

**Bachelor of Laws (Honours)**

**CEO Women's Safety NSW**

As a child of the women's refuge movement, Hayley Foster knew from a young age she'd follow in her mother's footsteps and pursue her own passion for justice, wellbeing, and social change advocacy.

Decades later, while managing the Northern Rivers Community Legal Centre, Hayley completed her Bachelor of Laws at Southern Cross University and went on to become CEO of Women's Safety NSW.

"I find my job extremely fulfilling, working with innovative experts across many sectors, our amazing member organisations on the frontline who support over 50,000 women escaping violence each year, and with victim-survivors of violence themselves.

"The knowledge and skills I have gained in my law degree have been instrumental in ensuring my effectiveness in the role as CEO of Women's Safety NSW.

"Knowing the law and how it operates in practice means I am able to ask the right questions of my members and better engage with key stakeholders. I would not be in the position I am today, driving these changes, without my law degree from Southern Cross University."

# Bachelor of Laws

ATAR	80
Duration	3 years full-time/6 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	Gold Coast, online

The Bachelor of Laws will equip you with the intellectual, critical and practical skills needed in the professional practice of law. The course meets the academic requirements to practise law in Australia.

In addition to the core units, which comply with professional accreditation requirements, the course includes unique core units such as jurisprudence and environmental law that reflect our focus on justice, sustainability and critique.

Elective units cover areas as diverse as human rights, race and the law, animal law, climate law and policy, psychology and the law and ecological jurisprudence. An elective in mediation meets national requirements, setting you on the way to becoming a nationally accredited mediator. You may also undertake work placements and law mooting as part of your studies.

## Professional placement

You may undertake voluntary legal experience and professional placement with legal firms or offices to build your practical legal skills and develop your professional networks.

## Career opportunities

This course will equip graduates with the skills to start a legal career and practise as a lawyer, and for a wide range of careers in corporate management, in the community sector or the private sector.

## Professional recognition

The Bachelor of Laws is accredited by the Legal Profession Admission Board of NSW and fulfils the academic requirements to practise law in Australia. Professional admission authorities also require law graduates of all universities to complete practical legal training or similar to practise as a lawyer.

## Entry pathways

Associate Degree in Law (Paralegal Studies) and Bachelor of Legal and Justice Studies students who achieve the required grade point average may be eligible for entry into this course.





# Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Laws

ATAR	80
Duration	4 years full-time/8 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	Gold Coast, online

The Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Laws offers you the opportunity to study two dynamic disciplines concurrently, pursuing areas of special interest from a wide range of arts subjects while qualifying as a lawyer.

## Majors

The Bachelor of Laws degree does not include majors, however a diverse range of discipline-based majors is available through the Bachelor of Arts.

Majors for the Bachelor of Arts:

- History
- Creative Writing
- Cultural Studies
- Digital Media
- Politics and International Relations
- Shared majors available.

## Professional placement

You may undertake voluntary legal experience and professional placement with legal firms or offices to build your practical legal skills and develop your professional networks.

In the Bachelor of Arts, you can undertake professional learning opportunities in the community through a number of units as well as through assessments.

## Career opportunities

Graduates can pursue career opportunities that combine knowledge of arts and law; and those specific to each discipline.

## Professional recognition

The Bachelor of Laws is accredited by the Legal Profession Admission Board of NSW and fulfils the academic requirements to practise law in Australia. Professional admission authorities also require law graduates of all universities to complete practical legal training or similar to practise as a lawyer.

## Entry pathways

Associate Degree in Law (Paralegal Studies) students who achieve the required grade point average may be eligible for entry into this course.

Applicants who do not have the required entry mark for a double degree in law are encouraged to apply for the Bachelor of Arts. If a student achieves the required grade point average during that course, they may then apply for transfer into the double degree.

# Bachelor of Laws, Bachelor of Business and Enterprise\*

**ATAR** 80

**Duration** 4 years full-time/8 years part-time

**Starts** February, June, October

**Location** Gold Coast, online

This is an ideal degree for a dynamic career in corporate law or a long-term career in business. The double degree prepares you for admission to the legal profession in Australia, and may offer professional recognition with business industry bodies.

## Majors

There are no majors in this course, however a diverse range of law elective units is available.

## Professional placement

You may undertake voluntary legal experience and professional placement with legal firms or offices, to complement your practical legal skills and become familiar with the issues facing working lawyers.

## Career opportunities

Graduates qualify for admission to legal practice in Australia with a Bachelor of Laws degree and may enjoy enhanced career opportunities in legal practice and the private sector with the addition of a Bachelor of Business and Enterprise.

## Professional recognition

The Bachelor of Laws is accredited by the Legal Profession Admission Board of NSW and fulfils the academic requirements to practise law in Australia. Professional admission authorities also require law graduates of all universities to complete practical legal training or similar to practise as a lawyer.

## Entry pathways

Associate Degree in Law (Paralegal Studies) students may transfer into this degree providing they achieve the required grade point average.



\*University approval pending



# Bachelor of Psychological Science, Bachelor of Laws

ATAR 80

Duration 5 years full-time/10 years part-time

Starts February, June, October

Location Gold Coast, Coffs Harbour, online (October start online only, Coffs Harbour starts February only)

This double degree will equip you with the skills, knowledge and experience required to embark on a career in law, as well as a strong grounding in psychology and psychological theory, providing insights into the workings of the human mind. Core units in both law and psychology provide a thorough preparation in both disciplines. You can select from a wide range of law electives.

## Professional placement

You may undertake voluntary legal experience and professional placement with legal firms or offices to build their practical legal skills and develop their professional networks.

## Career opportunities

Employment opportunities exist as barristers or solicitors; or in law-related areas in private, corporate, or government organisations. There is a range of career opportunities in government departments, particularly those connected with health, social and disability services, youth services, corrective services, the armed services, research agencies and in education. Graduates may also pursue further training to become a registered clinical psychologist with career options in health services, education, research and more.

## Professional recognition

The Bachelor of Laws is accredited by the Legal Profession Admission Board of NSW and fulfils the academic requirements to practise law in Australia. Professional admission authorities also require law graduates of all universities to complete practical legal training or similar to practise as a lawyer.

The course also has Australian Psychology Accreditation Council accreditation for entrance into postgraduate training.

This course can be taken fully online, or with a mix of on-campus and online units. Please note: not all on-campus units are available at all locations and some online units require attendance at on-campus workshops.



# Bachelor of Legal and Justice Studies

**ATAR** 60

**Duration** 3 years full-time/6 years part-time

**Starts** February, June, October

**Location** Gold Coast, online

The Bachelor of Legal and Justice Studies brings together studies in law and politics. It is an excellent degree for those wanting to work in policy development, paralegal positions, conveyancing, and in the justice sector. It provides a thorough practical grounding in legal knowledge and a strong understanding of Australian and international politics and society. If you have already been working professionally in the fields of law and justice, this course will extend your knowledge, skills and expertise.

## Major

Conveyancing (optional)

## Professional placement

You may undertake voluntary legal experience and para professional placement with legal firms or offices to complement your practical legal skills and become familiar with the issues facing working paralegals.

## Career opportunities

Law-related work in legal firms, government policy making, corporate firms, government legal departments, law enforcement agencies, legal aid offices, court administration, public prosecutions, and in the corporate sector in banking, insurance and conveyancing.

## Professional recognition

When studied with the conveyancing major, this is a recognised educational qualification for a licensed conveyancer in NSW, accredited by NSW Fair Trading.

## Entry pathways

This course is an extension of the Associate Degree in Law (Paralegal Studies). Graduates of the Associate Degree in Law (Paralegal Studies) receive 16 units of credit towards the Bachelor of Legal and Justice Studies. Students who want to become lawyers and who achieve the necessary grade point average may apply for admission to the Bachelor of Laws during or upon completion of their studies.





## Associate Degree in Law (Paralegal Studies)

**ATAR** 55

**Duration** 2 years full-time/4 years part-time

**Starts** February, June, October (October start online only)

**Location** Gold Coast, online

The Associate Degree in Law (Paralegal Studies) provides an academic qualification as a paralegal or conveyancer and an entry pathway to the Bachelor of Laws.

You will gain foundational knowledge about the Australian legal system and its processes, develop skills in legal research and writing, and a working understanding of key legal principles. This is a fantastic opportunity to gain a formal qualification and start working in a wide range of industries as a paraprofessional.

### Major

Conveyancing (optional)

### Professional placement

You may undertake voluntary legal experience and para-professional placement with legal firms or offices to complement your practical legal skills and become familiar with the issues facing working paralegals.

### Career opportunities

Paralegals work with solicitors and barristers, in government legal departments, law enforcement agencies, legal aid offices, court administration, public prosecutions, in the community sector and in the corporate sector in finance, banking, insurance and conveyancing.

Students who achieve the required grade point average during or on completion of this degree may apply for admission into the undergraduate entry Bachelor of Laws.

Graduates may also choose to transfer into the Bachelor of Legal and Justice Studies and graduate with a Bachelor degree after just one additional year of study.

### Professional recognition

When studied with the conveyancing major, this is a recognised educational qualification for a licensed conveyancer in NSW, accredited by NSW Fair Trading.



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## Rolling Stone scholarship a boost to budding muso

The future is tuning up to be major for Southern Cross University Bachelor of Contemporary Music student Leon Holstegge who has been awarded the inaugural Rolling Stone sponsored scholarship.

Leon couldn't believe his luck after applying for the scholarship which will give him a total of \$15,000 to help with his studies and align him with the internationally-acclaimed Rolling Stone magazine.

"I was scrolling through Facebook and saw the link for the Rolling Stone Scholarship and thought 'this could be nice' and then just went for it. I thought I wouldn't have much of a chance then I got an email saying I was one of the top 10 applicants," Leon said.

"Currently I'm playing drums, bass and guitar and I've been messing around with piano a bit. My main goal is to become a session musician. I just like to play with everyone and across all the styles as well."

Southern Cross University and Rolling Stone have partnered to offer similar scholarships to students for the next three years. It's open to commencing and current students undertaking the Bachelor of Contemporary Music at the University's flagship Lismore campus close to Byron Bay, and Coomera Creative Campus on the Gold Coast.

Pictured is Dr Barry Hill (L), Senior Lecturer in Contemporary Music with scholarship recipient Leon Holstegge

# Bachelor of Contemporary Music

ATAR 60

Entry to this course requires an interview/audition.

Duration 3 years full-time/6 years part-time

Starts February, June

Location Lismore, Coomera

The Bachelor of Contemporary Music prepares you for a portfolio career in music – the multi-faceted career pathway that is now most common for contemporary musicians.

You will learn in a professional music industry environment, using state-of-the-art facilities, with lecturers who are practising musicians with strong industry links. You can tailor your degree towards your area of interest, whether it's production, performance, songwriting or other professional areas of the music industry.

On-campus facilities include recording studios, rehearsal studios, music production labs, keyboard lab, and professional-standard performance spaces. You can immerse yourself in the rich local music scene that includes major annual events such as Splendour in the Grass and the APRA AMCOS songwriters' workshops featuring visiting artists.

Students participate in collaborative, practical music-making activities throughout the degree.

An extensive ensemble program includes small and large repertoire-focused groups and student-led project bands.

## Professional placement

Students have the opportunity to undertake professional placements at major local festivals such as Splendour in the Grass and with music organisations.

## Career opportunities

This course prepares students for a career as a performer, songwriter, producer, sound engineer, music educator, session musician, musical director, music event promoter or venue manager. Graduates may also study the Master of Teaching and teach secondary school music.



## Develop your skills

in our professional recording studios with the opportunity to perform at events throughout the year. Lismore and Coomera are at the heart of a vibrant arts and music scene – you could even find yourself doing a professional placement at a major music festival like Splendour in the Grass.





## Mentoring opportunities with Screenworks

As a flight attendant and cabin crew manager, Danica Ainsworth spent nine years travelling the world and creating short films in her spare time before enrolling in the Bachelor of Digital Media to pursue her long-term filmmaking dream.

During layovers in Japan, Bali and Hawaii, she'd spend a few days filming and editing, and fitting in her online university study and assignments in whatever time zone she found herself in.

"I looked at the digital media degree structure and everything about it was exactly what I wanted to do. The different jobs I had been interested in across marketing, production and content creation – Southern Cross Uni's degree aligned with those so well," said Danica, who was awarded a Screenworks mentorship during her degree.

"I was mentored by Sara Taghaode who has a long history in productions and directing roles in the media industry.

"I was able to spend a whole day on set with her on the Gold Coast to see the inner workings of an ad they produced for Lite n' Easy with The Block contestants Deb and Andy – which is such a cool experience. She taught me a lot about working with people for short-form television commercials, and with industry knowledge and networking, which I found so insightful and helpful."

# Bachelor of Digital Media

ATAR 60

Duration 3 years full-time/6 years part-time

Starts February

Location Lismore, Coomera, online

The Bachelor of Digital Media prepares you to tell the stories that matter, while you develop the creative and production skills you need for a career in today's fast-paced media environments. You'll develop skills in writing, production, research and visual storytelling, and gain access to work experience opportunities and networks of industry professionals across the media and communications spectrum. Southern Cross University is proud to partner with Australia's premier regional industry association Screenworks to provide mentoring and internship opportunities for our creative arts students.

## Professional placement

This course includes a compulsory 100-hour professional placement that allows you to gain invaluable workplace experience across the media and communications spectrum: at radio or television stations, in newspapers and publishing houses, on film shoots, at film festivals or in graphic design or post-production companies.

## Career opportunities

Digital media specialists work in fields such as film, television and radio, newspapers and magazines, online media, graphic design, marketing, advertising and public relations.





# Bachelor of Art and Design

Admission by portfolio and interview

Duration 3 years full-time/6 years part-time

Starts February

Location Lismore

The Bachelor of Art and Design develops your artistic range and skills base, while also building an understanding of art theory. You will enjoy rich and diverse studio experiences, developing and exploring your capabilities and potential as an artist, while immersed in an atmosphere that nurtures and inspires creativity.

You'll complete core studio studies in painting, printmaking, mixed-media, 3D studies; art theory; curating; studio drawing and design. In second and third year, you'll select from a range of creative and media units or units from across the University to complement your areas of interest.

## Professional placement

Students have the opportunity to undertake an internship in the dynamic arts industries of the New South Wales North Coast. They can also study for a session at universities overseas including the prestigious Pratt Institute in New York, University of Hertfordshire in England, Universitat de Barcelona in Spain, University of Massachusetts in USA, and Kansai Gaidai University in Japan.

## Career opportunities

Graduates typically become practising artists and fine art researchers or may find career opportunities in other art and design-related fields.



## Creative arts as a shared major

You can also study Art and Design, Contemporary Music, Creative Writing or Digital Media as a shared major in an undergraduate arts, business, psychological science or science degree. See page 12 for details.

# Associate Degree of Creative Writing

ATAR	55
Duration	2 years full-time/4 years part-time
Starts	February, June
Location	Lismore, online

The Associate Degree of Creative Writing offers a rich mix of creative writing and literary studies across a range of genres in fiction and nonfiction, including life writing, poetry, editing and publishing and writing for young adults.

This program is taught by published writers from the Northern Rivers arts community and beyond. It provides opportunities for hands-on experience with the Byron Writers Festival, the inaugural Kyogle Writers Festival and other literary events.

## Professional placement

You can undertake an optional professional placement unit of 70 – 100 hours in an appropriate organisation.

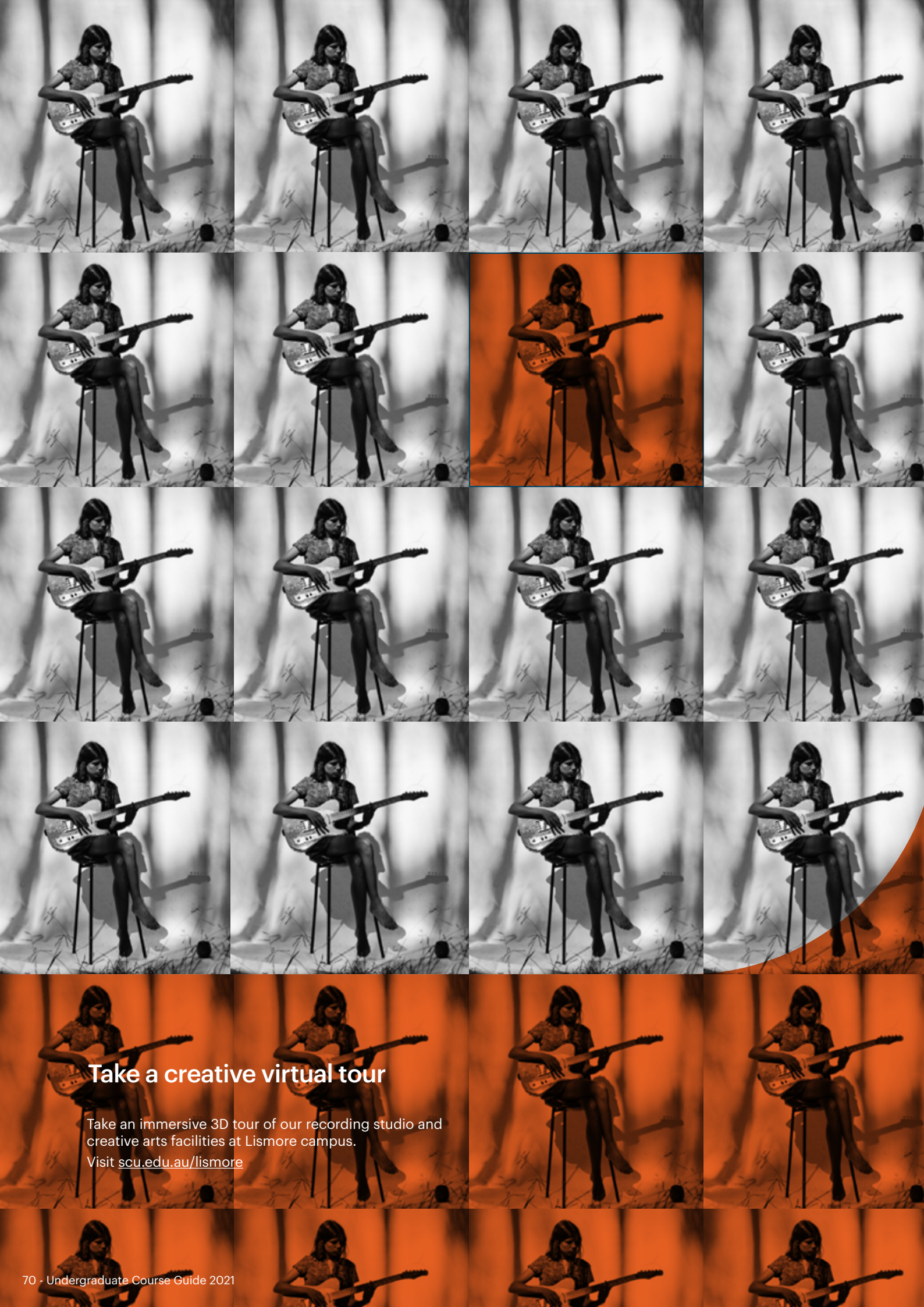
## Career opportunities

Graduates might find work as a writer of novels and stories; food, nature, art or travel writer; feature journalist; critic and reviewer; essayist; poet; editor and publisher; or writer for marketing and public relations, the public service and arts-related industries.

Successful completion of the Associate Degree of Creative Writing offers up to 16 units of credit towards a Southern Cross University Bachelor of Arts.







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## When rescuing turtles is your day job

**Olivia (Olly) Pitt**

**Bachelor of Marine Science and Management and Bachelor of Science (Honours) graduate  
General Manager Australian Seabird Rescue**

Olivia (Olly) Pitt is the general manager for Australian Seabird Rescue, the Ballina-based organisation responsible for rescuing and rehabilitating more than 80 turtles as well as dozens of pelicans and seabirds every year. Their injuries range from ingested fishing line, hooks and ocean plastic, gut infections and even attacks from other animals like goannas or dogs.

For Olly it's a dream job. "You never know what's going to come in – we might be monitoring pelicans, scrubbing down turtles, working with our fantastic volunteers – no two days are ever the same," she said.

"When I began my degree we started studying rocks and I thought, why are we studying rocks in a marine science degree? But understanding the natural world is critical to understanding how and where these animals are living."

The practical component of her degree proved invaluable. "Southern Cross University has a good reputation for being out in the field and every subject we did had fieldwork involved. That was excellent preparation for the kind of work we are doing now," said Olly. "People neglect uni because they think they're not smart enough but I think you don't have to be a genius, you just have to be passionate, and that passion will get you there."

# Bachelor of Science

ATAR 60

Duration 3 years full-time/6 years part-time

Starts February, June

Location Lismore, National Marine Science Centre Coffs Harbour, online

The Bachelor of Science is a flexible degree that allows you to incorporate a wide range of subjects with career-focused science specialisations.

You can focus on an area of professional practice by choosing a specialisation in Earth and Environmental Systems, Marine Systems, Forestry Systems or Regenerative Agriculture. These specialisations are identified on your graduating testamur. Alternatively, you can choose a major from Applied Chemistry, Biology, Mathematics, Environmental Solutions or a shared major from disciplines across the University.

You can effectively design your own science degree. In addition to the specialisation or major you choose, you will study core units that provide a strong foundation in science, including field and laboratory experimentation and analytical techniques, as well as socioecological systems, management and critical thinking. Core skills and knowledge are reinforced and expanded across the three-year program, finishing with capstone research projects in Impactful Science and Practice.

The Bachelor of Science is characterised by a high level of practical and field experience in all years, making the most of our easy access to a variety of subtropical terrestrial, coastal and marine ecosystems.

## Specialisations

Specialisations are a group of units which develop specialist skills and knowledge. All specialisations provide capstone units that reinforce your chosen field via research and applied practice.

In the Bachelor of Science you can choose one of the following specialisations:

### Earth and Environmental Systems

This specialisation develops your skills in and understanding of environmental science and management, to address how we interact with Earth systems in the Anthropocene. You will study units covering ecology, ecosystem regeneration, biogeochemistry, modelling and resource management (including water, catchments and waste/resources in the circular economy). You can choose a shared major as part of this specialisation or choose from a range of elective units, including ecological economics, wildlife conservation, and protected area management.

Career opportunities exist in public and private sectors, national park and protected area management, environmental protection, waste management, environmental impact assessment and monitoring, environmental education and interpretation, ecotourism, land/river/coast care programs; and in environmental science research.

### Marine Systems

This specialisation builds on introductory earth systems knowledge with units at our National Marine Science Centre adjacent to the Solitary Islands Marine Park. These Marine units cover

oceanography, marine ecology, fish and aquaculture, reefs, fisheries and marine parks management. You can choose a shared major as part of this specialisation or choose from a range of elective units including marine megafauna, ocean change biology, drone technology and special spatial analysis, and coastal fluvial hydrodynamics.

Career opportunities exist in marine park management, fisheries and aquaculture, reef restoration, marine monitoring, marine-based tourism, state or federal government, marine consulting, or marine science research and technical assistance.

### Forestry Systems

This specialisation covers the vital role forests play in natural and managed systems. Building on core science principles, you will study native forest silviculture, fire ecology and management, planted trees and forests, wood science and utilisation, forest operations and technology. You can choose a shared major as part of this specialisation or choose from a range of elective units including modelling natural systems, plant and disease management, agriculture and forest value chains, and plant biology.

Changes in the industry continue to drive demand for degree-qualified foresters able to work in production, conservation and restoration forestry, in plantation establishment and management; native forest management, fire prevention and control; forest resource assessment; policy development; pest and disease management; agroforestry and farm forestry advisory services; forest growth



modelling and yield prediction; protected area management and forest science research.

### **Regenerative Agriculture**

The specialisation investigates human ecology, soil processes, regenerative strategies and soil management, as well as the planning of rural landscapes, developing specialist knowledge and taking a holistic approach to food production and farm management. A key aspect of this practice specialisation is practical on-farm residential schools. You can also choose seven units from any other specialisation.

Career opportunities exist in public and private sectors as a regenerative agriculture specialist/consultant, farmer, resource manager, regenerative agronomist, sustainability advisor and planner, policy developer, biologist, ecologist, soil health scientist, or in scientific research.

### **Majors**

If you do not choose a specialisation, you can choose one or two majors from the following:

- Applied Chemistry
- Biology
- Mathematics
- Environmental Solutions.

You can also choose a shared major as part of your studies. See page 12 for details.

### **Career Opportunities**

Graduates are prepared to apply science in the context of broader systems to address complex intellectual, professional, practical and societal challenges in the Anthropocene.

Career opportunities include natural resource management in local council, state Commonwealth Government or not-for-profit organisations; consulting, as an industry adviser or practitioner; research technician; quality control/quality assurance officer; data analyst or science communicator.

Combined with further study in education, graduates may also be prepared for roles in high school science teaching.

Specialisations allow students to develop expertise in an area of practice including Marine, Forest, Earth and Environmental Science or Regenerative Agriculture. Career opportunities in these more specific areas are detailed above.

### **Professional placement**

You can undertake an optional internship in a career-relevant organisation.

### **Professional recognition**

Depending on the specialisation or major taken, graduates may be eligible for membership of professional organisations such as the Institute of Foresters of Australia.

### **Entry pathways**

Graduates of the Diploma of Science are eligible for entry to this course with up to 8 units of credit.

# Diploma of Science

ATAR 45

Duration 1 year full-time/2 years part-time

Starts February

Location Lismore, online

The Diploma of Science will prepare you with a grounding in scientific knowledge and skills and a taste of the many opportunities that science provides. You will learn the language and nature of science and mathematics and be able to follow your interests in specific areas of science.

The course includes specialisations in the following disciplines: Earth and Environmental Systems, Forestry Systems, Marine Systems, Regenerative Agriculture or Engineering and a pathway to linked degrees in these areas should you wish to pursue further study.

The Diploma of Science is offered through SCU College, where we understand that learners have diverse experiences and ways of learning. The College connects you to your peers and offers additional workshops to develop your academic and study skills.

## Career opportunities

The Diploma is a pathway to linked Bachelor degrees in science or engineering with up to 8 units of credit, depending on course and units taken.

Graduates of the Diploma of Science may also find work in para-professional roles, including positions as field assistants, laboratory assistants and environmental monitoring officers.







## National Marine Science Centre

The National Marine Science Centre (NMSC) is part of Southern Cross University's Faculty of Science and Engineering.

Located in Charlesworth Bay, Coffs Harbour, the Centre sits on the edge of the beautiful Solitary Islands Marine Park.

The Solitary Islands have a unique range of tropical and temperate habitats such as corals and kelp forests – the perfect environment for marine research and education programs. In fact the National Marine Science Centre is one of the world's best-located facilities for studying coastal and marine habitats and their inhabitants.

The Centre has state-of-the-art teaching facilities, climate-controlled laboratories, aquaculture facilities including a commercial hatchery, a public aquarium and a world-class flowthrough sea water system.

Teaching and research at the NMSC equips a new generation of marine scientists with the knowledge and skills to address marine sustainability issues and develop our understanding of marine and coastal life.

Take a virtual tour of the National Marine Science Centre: [scu.edu.au/nmsc](https://scu.edu.au/nmsc)

# Social Work and Community Welfare

Whether you want to create an impact on one individual's life or the lives of many, a rewarding and fulfilling career awaits in social work and community welfare.

This high job growth area offers a variety of careers in client service roles, service management, research, community work, and policy development.

For more info, and to apply visit [scu.edu.au/social-work](https://scu.edu.au/social-work)



**No. 1 in Australia**

for learning resources in Social Work  
(Good Universities Guide 2021)



**Global top 5%**

in Social Sciences  
(Times Higher Education World  
University Rankings 2021)







## Turning it around

Jock Mackenzie

**Master of Social Work (Professional Qualifying) graduate**  
**Drug and Alcohol Counsellor,**  
**Tweed Hospital**

With years of experience in drug and alcohol research, and qualifications in counselling and psychology, Jock Mackenzie was already well versed in the theoretical requirements of social work before he started his degree at Southern Cross.

"I had a background in research but I was really looking for a degree that would put me where I am now, working clinically. As I continued studying, I came to value the discipline of social work for itself and its focus on the social and structural aspects of human life which gives a more holistic understanding of what it means to be human," he said.

Jock works at the Tweed Hospital in a program for offenders with a treatable drug or alcohol problem. Participants in the program have been granted an adjournment in their sentencing and the opportunity to turn things around.

"We are essentially dealing with people who are at a critical point in their lives. We help them to stop and reorientate themselves – it might be through treatment programs or finding housing or whatever they need.

"The best thing about my job is having a clear structure, a defined timeframe and process for helping people to hopefully turn a crisis into a turning point in their life. The most challenging (and interesting) part is dealing with the clash of cultures and processes in the interface between two very different systems – justice and health," said Jock.

# Bachelor of Community Welfare

ATAR 60

Duration 3 years full-time/6 years part-time

Starts February, June

Location Gold Coast, Coffs Harbour, online

The Bachelor of Community Welfare provides you with the theoretical and practical foundations for work in the human services sector. You will gain skills in case management, community development, counselling, social research, policy work, advocacy, trauma-informed practice, and grief and loss counselling.

Particular emphasis is placed on social justice and human rights as the basis for community welfare practice. The course articulates with a range of VET awards and is a pathway to the Master of Social Work (Professional Qualifying) which fulfils the academic pre-requisites for qualification as a social worker.

Core units focus on counselling, case management, mental health, human services, research, youth work, disability and community development.

## Professional placement

You complete 400 hours of supervised on-the-job training in a range of organisations to prepare for a career in social welfare. Please note students must obtain a National Police Check and a Working with Children Check.

## Career opportunities

Graduates of this course will have opportunities to use their transferable skills in human services careers that might include government and non-government positions in fields such as child protection, disability services, housing services, youth work, aged care, alcohol and drug rehabilitation, community engagement, mental health services, and domestic violence services.

The course also provides a pathway to the Southern Cross Master of Social Work (Professional Qualifying) to qualify as a social worker.

## Professional recognition

The course is accredited by the Australian Community Workers Association (ACWA). Graduates are eligible to join ACWA.



# Bachelor of Social Work

ATAR	60
Duration	4 years full-time/8 years part-time
Starts	February, June
Location	Gold Coast, online

The Bachelor of Social Work is an entry-level, professionally-accredited qualification to practise as a social worker. Particular emphasis is placed on social justice and human rights as the basis for social work practice.

Core units focus on counselling, case management, mental health, human services, research, child protection, disability and community development, combined with the choice of electives or an embedded Honours program if you are interested in pursuing research in this field.

This course prepares graduates for employment as a social worker in a range of health and community services settings with the ability to work with people of all backgrounds and needs.

## Professional placement

You complete 1,000 hours of supervised placement in a human service organisation as part of your course. Please note you must obtain a National Police Check and a Working with Children Check.

## Career opportunities

Graduates of this course will be qualified to work as social workers in government and non-government positions in fields such as child protection, disability services, housing services, health care, youth work, aged care, alcohol and drug rehabilitation, community engagement, mental health services, and domestic violence services.

## Professional recognition

The course is accredited by the Australian Association of Social Workers (AASW).



# Tourism

Whether you're studying our shared major in Tourism Management as part of an undergraduate business degree or studying a course at The Hotel School in Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne or even on Hayman Island, you'll be taught by one of Australia's premier tourism universities.

For more info, and to apply visit [scu.edu.au/tourism](https://scu.edu.au/tourism)



**94% graduate employment**

Tourism, Hospitality, Personal Services, Sport and Recreation  
(Graduate Outcomes Survey 2018-2020)



**Top 75 Worldwide**

in Hospitality and Tourism Management  
(Academic Rankings of World Universities 2020)



## The Hotel School

The Hotel School is a unique partnership between Southern Cross University and Mulpha Australia, a global hotel investment group with a portfolio of properties around the world.

With campuses in the centres of Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane and on Hayman Island, The Hotel School is perfectly located not only for study but also for internships in leading tourism and hospitality businesses.

The Hotel School offers undergraduate and postgraduate studies in tourism and hotel management, with extended Work Integrated Learning and placements.

Practical training in hotels and tourism structures with mentorship from experienced management professionals forms a fundamental part of our courses. This means you will be well-prepared for the demands of this dynamic sector once you graduate, with professional networks already in place – a key factor for career success.

As a Southern Cross University student at The Hotel School, you will not only join a globally-ranked university, you'll be part of a brand that is synonymous with excellence in hotel and hospitality management around the world.

Learn more:

[hotelschool.scu.edu.au](https://hotelschool.scu.edu.au)



## Bachelor of Business and Enterprise

with a major in Tourism Management

ATAR	60
Duration	3 years full-time/6 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	Gold Coast, online
Full course details see page 21	

## Bachelor of Business in Hotel Management

Admission by interview.

Duration	3 years full-time/6 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	The Hotel School Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane

Includes compulsory internship.

Pathways into this course include the Associate Degree in International Tourism and Hotel Management or the Diploma of Hotel Management.

## Associate Degree in International Tourism and Hotel Management

Admission by interview.

Duration	2 years full-time/4 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	The Hotel School Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Hayman Island Resort

Includes paid internship of 880 hours.

## Diploma of Hotel Management

Admission by interview.

Duration	1 year full-time/2 years part-time
Starts	February, June, October
Location	The Hotel School Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane or online







# Our campuses

## Gold Coast



5,000+ students



Health Clinic



Digital Enterprise Lab

Our Gold Coast campus is located at Coolangatta, just 400 metres from North Kirra Beach, and adjacent to the Gold Coast Airport. Many vantage points offer stunning views of the Pacific Ocean.

The campus is spread across three contemporary buildings that house innovative learning spaces, health science laboratories, computer labs, student lounges, the University's Digital Enterprise Lab and an on-campus Health Clinic.

### At the Gold Coast you can study:

- Accounting and Financial Services
- Arts
- Biomedical Science
- Business and Enterprise
- Education
- Information Technology
- Law, Legal and Justice Studies
- Nursing and Midwifery
- Occupational Therapy
- Osteopathic Studies
- Pathway programs
- Psychological Science
- Social Work and Community Welfare
- Sport and Exercise Science
- Speech Pathology.

### At the Gold Coast Coomera Creative Campus you can study:

- Contemporary Music
- Digital Media
- Information Technology.



# Lismore



2,000+ students



Enterprise Lab



Accommodation

Lismore is the foundation Southern Cross campus, located in the heart of the Northern Rivers. Set on acres of lush rainforest that includes a koala hospital, Lismore is a hub for our creative degrees, within easy reach of both national parks and the ocean.

It is also home to state-of-the-art engineering and environmental science facilities, specialist health labs and simulated hospital wards, a Learning Centre and library complex, heated pool and gym, on-campus accommodation, the University's Enterprise Lab and a Health Clinic.

## At Lismore you can study:

- Art and Design
- Arts
- Contemporary Music
- Creative Writing
- Digital Media
- Education
- Engineering (Civil, Coastal Systems, Construction, Mechanical)
- Indigenous Knowledge
- Nursing
- Osteopathic Studies
- Pathway programs
- Science (Earth and Environmental, Forestry, Marine, Regenerative Agriculture or science majors)
- Sport and Exercise Science.





# Coffs Harbour



1,200+ students



International sports



Health Sciences precinct

**Coffs Harbour boasts a relaxed coastal lifestyle but this growing city also hosts international sporting events and regional festivals thanks to outstanding facilities and a major regional airport.**

The Coffs Harbour campus is at the heart of an education and innovation hub. A multi-million-dollar Health Sciences Building features a biomechanics running track and high-tech simulation teaching laboratories. The campus also has a fitness centre, extensive landscaped grounds, on-campus accommodation, sporting fields and close proximity to beautiful beaches and national parks. The University's world renowned National Marine Science Centre is located in nearby Charlesworth Bay.

## At Coffs Harbour you can study:

- Community Welfare
- Education
- Nursing and Midwifery
- Occupational Therapy
- Pathway programs
- Psychological Science
- Science (Marine Systems)
- Speech Pathology
- Sport and Exercise Science.



# Study online

Geography is no longer a barrier to an excellent university education. Online learning the Southern Cross way is a dynamic and interactive environment, where you can access pre-recorded and live lectures and events, online study materials and interact with your peers and lecturers.

As an online student you have access to all campus facilities including libraries and study spaces as well as campus activities and clubs. It's a quality Southern Cross University education with the convenience of studying where, and when, it suits you best.



Learn anywhere, anytime



Connected student community



Access campus facilities

## Courses you can study online:

### Arts and Humanities

Bachelor of Arts

Diploma of Arts and Social Sciences

### Business

Bachelor of Business and Enterprise

Bachelor of Business and Enterprise, Bachelor of Arts

Diploma of Business

### Creative Arts

Bachelor of Digital Media

Associate Degree of Creative Writing

### Education

Bachelor of Education\*

Bachelor of Early Childhood Education\*

### Engineering

Bachelor of Engineering Systems (Honours)

Diploma of Civil Construction (Engineering and Management)

Associate Degree of Civil Construction (Engineering and Management)

### Health

Bachelor of Psychological Science

Diploma of Health

### Indigenous Knowledge

Bachelor of Indigenous Knowledge

### Information Technology

Bachelor of Information Technology

Associate Degree of Information Technology

### Law

Bachelor of Laws

Bachelor of Legal and Justice Studies

Associate Degree in Law (Paralegal Studies)

Double degrees in Law:

Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Laws

Bachelor of Laws, Bachelor of Business and Enterprise\*

Bachelor of Psychological Science, Bachelor of Laws

### Science and Environment

Bachelor of Science

Diploma of Science

### Social Work and Community Welfare

Bachelor of Community Welfare

Bachelor of Social Work

### Pathway programs

Preparing for Success Program

Some units may require attendance at on-campus workshops, field trips or practical activities. Check the website for details. \*University approval pending.



# Accommodation

**At both Lismore and Coffs Harbour you can enjoy quality on-campus accommodation just minutes away from your classes, while the Gold Coast offers a range of private accommodation.**

## On-Campus

SCU Village at Lismore offers a range of two-to-six-bedroom apartments at three colleges – Orion, Sirius and Magellan.

Facilities at each college include internet access and on-site laundries, indoor and outdoor entertainment areas and movie facilities. Weekly room rental starts from \$179 (in 2021).

SCU Village at Coffs Harbour provides modern, fully furnished four-bedroom apartments with wireless internet access, laundry facilities, and a recreation lounge for group gatherings and organised social events. Weekly room rental starts from \$201 (in 2021).

**For more details please visit**

[scuvillage.com.au](http://scuvillage.com.au)

## Off-Campus

Check out Unistays for a range of off-campus accommodation in the local area:

[unistays.scu.edu.au](http://unistays.scu.edu.au)

Local real estate agents also list private rentals.



SCU Village



# Services for students

## Library services

Libraries are located at all campuses and provide students with print and online resources, computers, printing and photocopying facilities, and spaces for both group work and individual study.

The Library's online resources include electronic books and journals that can be accessed anywhere, anytime on your desktop, laptop or mobile device. You can borrow print resources from all Southern Cross University libraries. Items not held at your home campus can be requested through the catalogue and will be delivered free of charge, either to the campus of your choice or to your home address if you study online.

Librarians are available in person, over the phone, via online chat or email to help you. The Library website offers a range of useful online guides and other information that will help you to find the resources you need.

Students studying online can benefit from having print books mailed out to them, with free return postage included. They can also request copies of journal articles or book chapters from print sources in the library to be scanned and delivered electronically.

Other universities in Australia and New Zealand extend borrower status to our students. You'll need to provide your student photo ID card and proof of current enrolment to the University library from which you wish to borrow. Charges may apply at some libraries.

[scu.edu.au/library](https://scu.edu.au/library)

## Developing your academic skills

The Learning Experience team helps students realise their full academic potential. Online resources provide self-guided assistance in areas such as essay and report writing and academic writing generally, approaches to effective reading, note-taking, critical analysis, time management, academic integrity and exam technique.

Workshops, group study sessions and individual consultations are available along with a peer-led study group program.

Study Buddi Drop-in is an academic peer support program where students help students with questions about assignments and academic study skills like referencing on a just-in-time drop-in basis. No appointments are needed and students are welcome to drop-in, discuss their work and ask questions with student leaders in their discipline.

[scu.edu.au/learning-zone](https://scu.edu.au/learning-zone)

## IT services

Apart from our well-equipped computer labs with scanning, printing and copying services, currently enrolled students have access to a range of technology services including:

### MYSCU – your university online

- Student administration services including My Enrolment where you can check your progress, grades and more
- Blackboard Learn, your online access to unit resources, communication, collaboration tools and, in many cases, lecture recordings
- Online readings, eBooks, journal articles, books and multimedia provided by the library
- Booking study rooms and library help services
- Access to timetables for lectures and exams
- University news and events happening around the campuses and beyond.

## Mobile technologies

Mobile@SCU is a free mobile application that lets you stay connected wherever you are. It offers access to phone directories, searchable campus maps, news, videos, the library, iTunesU and your learning sites in Blackboard Learn.

## Eduroam

Eduroam is a worldwide roaming wireless service between participating educational institutions to allow sharing of wireless access. Eduroam provides a secure wireless connection for staff, students and visitors.

Being part of Eduroam allows you to visit a participating institution or partner and connect to the internet the same way you do on campus without having to request a guest account. Access to Eduroam is free. There are no account fees, no connection fees and no access fees.

[scu.edu.au/eduroam](https://scu.edu.au/eduroam)

## Student email

All currently enrolled students are given access to our cloud-based email service and free access to Microsoft Office products for installation on up to five devices.



# Supporting your studies

No student is an island. No matter the extra help you need – we've got you covered.



Careers and  
employability service



Student equity  
and inclusion



Mentor programs



Academic skills  
support



Counselling services



Student advocacy



Indigenous student  
support



Wifi and tech services

## The Enterprise Lab

The Southern Cross University Enterprise Lab is the University's innovation, entrepreneurial and outreach hub. The Enterprise Lab offers a space for industry, government and community to collaborate with Southern Cross University researchers on some of the biggest challenges of our time.

It also offers a space for students and budding entrepreneurs to test their ideas and skills in a safe and progressive ecosystem that matches the University's research and teaching strengths with the leadership of tomorrow.

**More info:**

[scu.edu.au/enterprise-lab](https://scu.edu.au/enterprise-lab)



## Southern Cross University Health Clinics

On-campus clinics at the Lismore and Gold Coast campuses provide safe and supervised environments for health students to gain clinical experience. Student clinics run throughout the year and might focus on exercise physiology, osteopathy or even speech pathology.

**Visit**

[scu.edu.au/health-clinic](https://scu.edu.au/health-clinic)

## Work Integrated Learning

Most of our degrees have a strong practical component. You may need to complete a certain number of hours of placement for example as part of your studies.

Some degrees offer you the option to integrate a work placement with study, giving you vital experience and the chance to apply the theory you're learning to a real-world situation.

The University's Work Integrated Learning teams provide you with the support you need to secure placements and develop those important professional networks.



# Take the stress out of Year 12 with a STAR Early Offer

Secure your place at Southern Cross before ATAR  
results are released

STAR is a direct offer to Year 12 students based on recommendation by  
the Principal of a Southern Cross University partner school.

Learn more at:

[scu.edu.au/star](https://scu.edu.au/star)



# Quick reference

	ATAR	Location	Duration	Starts	Page
<b>Arts and Humanities</b>					
Bachelor of Arts	60	GC, L, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun	17
Diploma of Arts and Social Sciences	45	GC, L, O	1FT/2PT	Feb, Jun	18
<b>Business</b>					
Bachelor of Business and Enterprise	65	GC, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	21
Bachelor of Business and Enterprise (Accounting)	65	GC, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	21
Bachelor of Business and Enterprise (Financial Services)	65	GC, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	21
Bachelor of Business and Enterprise, Bachelor of Arts	65	GC, O	4FT/8PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	17, 21
Diploma of Business	45	GC, O	1FT/2PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	22
<b>Education</b>					
Bachelor of Early Childhood Education	60	GC, L, CH, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun	26
Bachelor of Education	60	GC, L, CH, O	4FT/8PT	Feb, Jun	25
<b>Engineering</b>					
Bachelor of Engineering Systems (Honours) (Civil Engineering)	70	L, O	4FT/8PT	Feb, Jun	29
Bachelor of Engineering Systems (Honours) (Coastal Systems Engineering)	70	L, O	4FT/8PT	Feb, Jun	29
Bachelor of Engineering Systems (Honours) (Mechanical Engineering)	70	L, O	4FT/8PT	Feb, Jun	29
Diploma of Civil Construction (Engineering and Management)	n/a	O	2PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	30
Associate Degree of Civil Construction (Engineering and Management)	n/a	O	4PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	31
<b>Health</b>					
Bachelor of Biomedical Science	70	GC	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	37
Bachelor of Clinical Sciences (Osteopathic Studies)	60	GC, L	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	38
Bachelor of Exercise Science and Psychological Science	65	GC, L, CH	4FT/8PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	39
Bachelor of Midwifery	80	GC, CH	3FT/6PT	Feb	36
Bachelor of Nursing	65-70	GC, L, CH	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	35
Bachelor of Nursing (for Enrolled Nurses)	n/a	GC, L, CH	2FT/4PT	Feb, Jun	35
Bachelor of Occupational Therapy	60	GC, CH	4FT/8PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	42
Bachelor of Psychological Science	65	GC, CH, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	41
Bachelor of Speech Pathology	75	GC, CH	4FT/8PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	43
Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science	60	GC, L, CH	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	45
Diploma of Health	45	GC, CH, O	1FT/2PT	Feb	46
<b>Indigenous Knowledge</b>					
Bachelor of Indigenous Knowledge	60	L, O	3FT/6PT	Feb	49
<b>Information Technology</b>					
Bachelor of Information Technology	60	GC, C, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	53
Associate Degree of Information Technology	55	O	2FT/4PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	54

	ATAR	Location	Duration	Starts	Page
<b>Law</b>					
Bachelor of Laws	80	GC, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	57
Bachelor of Legal and Justice Studies	60	GC, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	61
Associate Degree in Law (Paralegal Studies)	55	GC, O	2FT/4PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	62
<b>Double degrees in Law</b>					
Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Laws	80	GC, O	4FT/8PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	58
Bachelor of Laws, Bachelor of Business and Enterprise*	80	GC, O	4FT/8PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	59
Bachelor of Psychological Science, Bachelor of Laws	80	GC, CH, O	5FT/10PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	60
<b>Music and Creative Arts</b>					
Bachelor of Art and Design	n/a	L	3FT/6PT	Feb	68
Bachelor of Contemporary Music	60	L, C	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun	65
Bachelor of Digital Media	60	L, C, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun	67
Associate Degree of Creative Writing	55	L, O	2FT/4PT	Feb, Jun	69
<b>Science and Environment</b>					
Bachelor of Science (Earth and Environmental Systems)	60	L, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun	73
Bachelor of Science (Forestry Systems)	60	L, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun	73
Bachelor of Science (Marine Systems)	60	NMSC, L, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun	73
Bachelor of Science (Regenerative Agriculture)	60	L, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun	73
Bachelor of Science (with other majors)	60	L, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun	73
Diploma of Science	45	L, O	1FT/2PT	Feb	75
<b>Social Work and Community Welfare</b>					
Bachelor of Community Welfare	60	GC, CH, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun	79
Bachelor of Social Work	60	GC, O	4FT/8PT	Feb, Jun	80
<b>Tourism</b>					
Bachelor of Business and Enterprise, major in Tourism Management	65	GC, O	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	21
Bachelor of Business in Hotel Management	n/a	The Hotel School Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane	3FT/6PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	82
Associate Degree of International Hotel and Tourism Management	n/a	The Hotel School Sydney, Melbourne Brisbane and Hayman Island Resort	2FT/4PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	82
Diploma of Hotel Management	n/a	The Hotel School Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane	1FT/2PT	Feb, Jun, Oct	82
<b>Pathway programs</b>					
Preparing for Success	n/a	GC, L, CH, O	3moFT	Feb, Jun, Oct	9
Transition to Uni	n/a	O	6weeksFT	Jan, Apr, July	9

GC - Gold Coast, C - Coomera, L - Lismore, CH - Coffs Harbour, O - Online  
Please note ATAR ranks are based on 2021 intake and are indicative only.

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# How to apply

Step 1. Choose a course

Step 2. Check the course requirements on [scu.edu.au](https://scu.edu.au)

Step 3. Talk to a student adviser if you need more information on 1800 626 481

Step 4. Apply!

To apply as a school leaver with an ATAR, go to [uac.edu.au](https://uac.edu.au) or [qtac.edu.au](https://qtac.edu.au)

To apply as a non-school leaver or for online study, apply directly to the University by going to the course page and clicking on the Apply Now button.

[scu.edu.au/howtoapply](https://scu.edu.au/howtoapply)











## For all course enquiries

1800 626 481  
[futurestudent@scu.edu.au](mailto:futurestudent@scu.edu.au)

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Lismore  
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### Coffs Harbour


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Coffs Harbour  
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## 2022 Key dates

### February start

Orientation:  
21 – 25 February 2022  
Start: 28 February 2022

### June start

Orientation:  
27 June – 1 July 2022  
Start: 4 July 2022

### October start

Orientation:  
24 – 28 October 2022  
Start: 31 October 2022