



**Southern Cross
University**

Term 1 Orientation 2026



Orientation

Congratulations on starting your journey with Southern Cross University. We can't wait to show you what SCU has to offer.

Whether you're an on-campus, online, cross-institutional, or international student, your journey as a university student starts with Orientation.

Orientation is delivered both on campus and online. As part of your Orientation experience, we provide a range of workshops in the weeks leading up to Orientation week. These workshops are designed to help you transition into university life, connect you with our services, and set you up for success.

We also offer a comprehensive online module, **New to SCU**, that steps you through everything you need to get started on your journey at SCU.

Whether it's your essential admin tasks, attending your course information session, or learning about the technology you'll be using and support services available to you, FYI covers it all.

You can log in to **[New to SCU here.](#)**

Orientation week is essential for all international students. Please get your passport and VEVO Visa status details ready for check in registration.

Offshore students who are unable to attend, due to the time difference, will have a one-on-one appointment with an international student support staff member. To arrange an appointment, please email **ioadviser-gc@scu.edu.au**.



Schedule of Orientation Workshops

3 weeks until Orientation

Please note, all times are displayed in NSW time (Australian Eastern Daylight Time, AEDT) unless otherwise stated.

Monday 9 February

Join New to SCU Facebook Page

[Link](#)

Tuesday 10 February

Plan and register for your workshops

[Link](#)

Confirm the time for your Course Information Session

[Pg 10](#)

Wednesday 11 February

Complete the New to SCU module

[Link](#)

Thursday 12 February

Take a breather — our workshops kick off tomorrow!

Friday 13 February

Client Services Course Navigation: Course Progressions,
Enrolment & Class Registration

1pm - 1:45pm

[Link](#)



Schedule of Orientation Workshops

2 weeks until Orientation

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Monday 16 February

Introduction to Post Graduate study	6pm - 6:30pm	Link
Thriving as a Mature Age Student: Strategies for Success	7pm - 8pm	Link

Tuesday 17 February

Uni on a budget: Real solutions for financial stress	1pm - 1:45pm	Link
Academic Skills: Busting Common Assessment Myths & GenAI	5pm - 6pm	Link

Wednesday 18 February

Academic Skills: Source-ology: Navigating the world of academic sources	1pm - 2pm	Link
Client Services Course Navigation: Course Progressions, Enrolment & Class Registration	5pm - 5:45pm	Link

Thursday 19 February

Student Support — We are here to help!	1pm - 1:45pm	Link
Getting involved at SCU	6pm - 7pm	Link

Friday 20 February

Wellbeing Warriors: Counselling & Safety	11am	Link
Indigenous Students Yarn Up	1pm	Link



Schedule of Orientation Workshops

1 week until Orientation

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Monday 23 February

International Student Visa Information Session	11am - 12pm	Link
Your Library	4pm - 4:45pm	Link
Academic Skills: Structure Smarts: Level up your writing	5pm - 6pm	Link
First in your family to go to Uni? What you need to know!	7pm - 8pm	Link

Tuesday 24 February

Client Services Course Navigation: Course Progressions, Enrolment & Class Registration	10am - 10:45pm	Link
International Students Health and Safety in Australia Session	12pm - 1pm	Link
Careers hints & tips for starting Uni	1:30pm - 2pm	Link
From fear to focus - Turning self doubt into study power	6pm - 7pm	Link

Wednesday 25 February

International Students Finance, Budget and Support Services Session	2pm - 3pm	Link
My SCU — Understanding your learning sites	5pm - 5:45pm	Link
Academic Skills: Write it Right: Academic language made simple	6pm - 7pm	Link

Thursday 26 February

Southern Cross Model Unlocked: Inside tips from students who've nailed it	1pm - 1:45pm	Link
International Students Study Abroad Session	3pm - 4pm	Link

Friday 27 February

International Students IT Essentials	11am - 12pm	Link
The Neurodivergent Advantage — Let's go!	1pm - 1:45pm	Link

Schedule of Orientation Workshops

Orientation Week

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Monday 2 March

Coffs Harbour on-campus orientation	8:30am - 3pm	
Coffs Harbour Welcome Party	3pm - 6pm	
International on-campus Orientation Lismore	10am - 4pm	
International Education Students - Your Study Journey in a snapshot	6pm - 7pm	Link

Tuesday 3 March

Lismore on-campus orientation	8:30am - 2pm	
International on-campus Orientation (Gold Coast)	10am - 4pm (QLD time)	
International Education Students - My SCU Overview and Q&A Session	6pm - 7pm	Link

Wednesday 4 March

Gold Coast on-campus orientation	8:30am - 2pm (QLD time)	
Gold Coast Welcome Party	3pm - 6pm (QLD time)	
Online orientation	7pm - 8pm	Link

Thursday 5 March

Course Information Sessions		
Vet Sciences on-campus day	10am - 2pm	
Meetup sessions for online students	7pm - 8pm	Link

Friday 6 March

Dreamworld — depart from Lismore	8:30am	
Dreamworld — depart from Gold Coast	9am (QLD time)	
Big Banana — Coffs Harbour	9am	

Monday 2 March

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Coffs Harbour

Morning mingle — Grab a snack and meet new friends	8:30am	Front of D Theatre
Campus Tours	8:45am	Gathering Space
New to SCU session	9:30am	D Theatre
Faculty Sessions	10:45am	
Health		D Theatre
Education		AG19/20
Business and Law		EG12
SCU College		A109/11
Science and Engineering		NMSC
Campus Expo / Campus tours /TS drop in sessions	12pm	Gathering Space
Kickstart Your Success: Discover clear paths to academic support and know where to turn for help (optional)	1:30pm	A109/11
Health Placements WIL Session	2:15pm	D Theatre
Welcome Party — brought to your by the First Year Advisers	3pm-6pm	Aanuka Beach House

Lismore

International Students' Session	10am - 4pm	Goodman Plaza
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Tuesday 3 March

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Lismore

Morning mingle — Grab a snack and meet new friends	8:30am	Goodman Plaza
Campus Tours	8:45am	Goodman Plaza
New to SCU session	9:30am	Whitebrook Theatre
Faculty Sessions	10:45am	
Health		Whitebrook
Education		D1.05
SCU College		H1.08
Science and Engineering		A2.05, A2.06 & A2.41
Campus Expo / Campus tours /TS drop in sessions	12pm	Goodman Plaza
Kickstart Your Success: Discover clear paths to academic support and know where to turn for help (optional)	1:30pm	H1.08
Campus Tours	1:30pm	Goodman Plaza

Gold Coast

International Students' Session	10am - 4pm	White Marquee
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Wednesday 4 March

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Gold Coast		
Morning mingle — Grab a snack and meet new friends	8:30am	White Marquee
Campus Tours	8:45am	White Marquee
New to SCU session	9:30am	C105/6
Faculty Sessions	10:45am	
Health		C105/6
Education		A220
Law		C414
Business		C414
Preparing for Success		C516
Diplomas		C517
Information Technology		B328
Engineering		B329
Campus Expo / Campus tours /TS drop in sessions	12pm	The Quad
Kickstart Your Success: Discover clear paths to academic support and know where to turn for help (optional)	1:30pm	C415
Bachelor of Physiotherapy session	1:30pm	B329
Placements WIL Session	2:15pm	
Education — Primary and Secondary		A220
Education — Early Childhood		A204
Health		C105
Welcome Party — brought to your by the First Year Advisers	3pm-6pm	Rydges Hotel
Online		
Online orientation	7pm - 8pm	Link

Thursday 5 March

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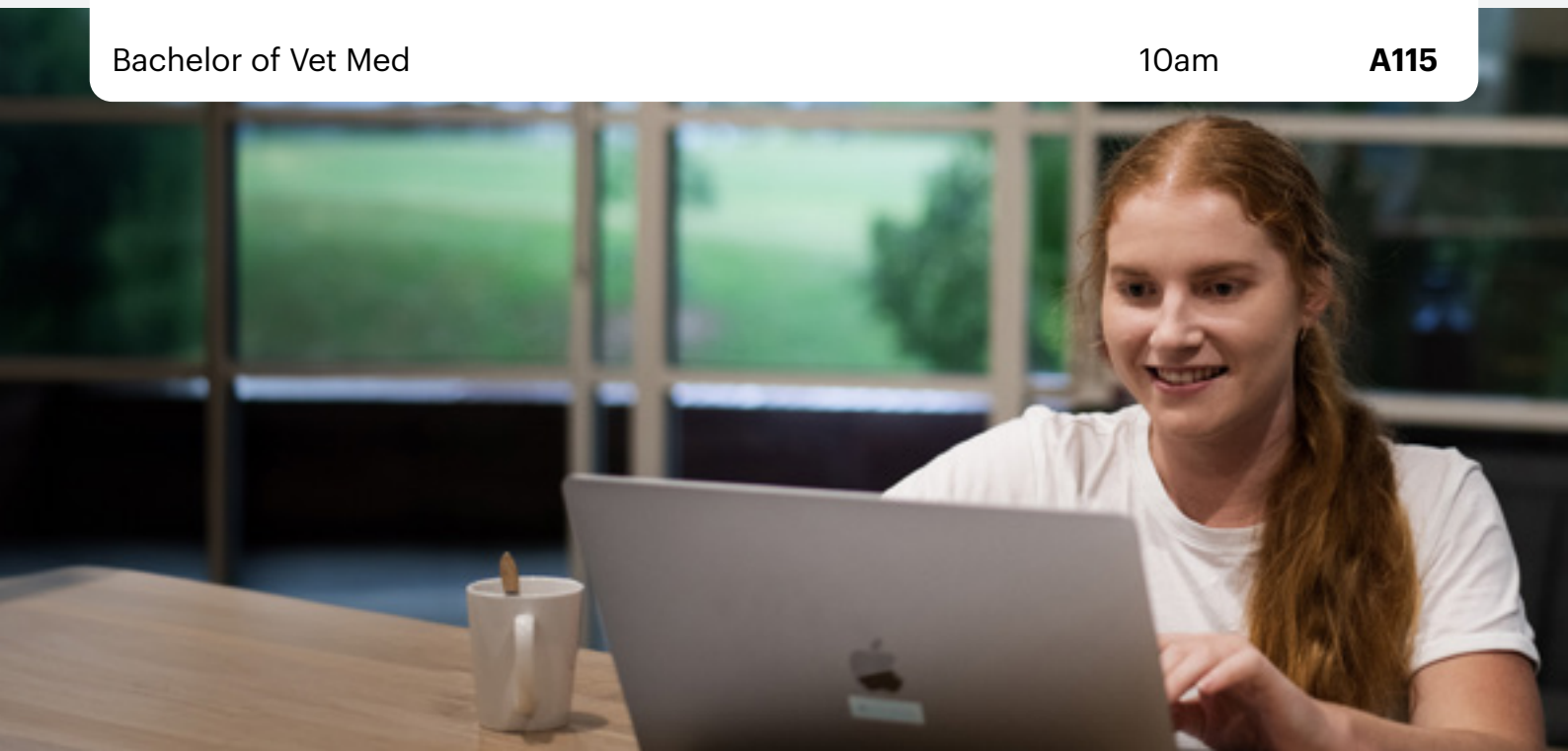
Course Information Sessions Online via New to SCU module



Preparing for Success	10am	Link
Diplomas	12pm	Link
Scholars	5pm	Link
Bachelor of Innovation	6pm	Link
Gnibi College	10am	Link
Faculty of Health	12pm	Link
Faculty of Health Work Integrated Learning session	1:30pm	Link
Faculty of Science and Engineering	1pm	Link
Faculty of Education	2pm	Link
Faculty of Education Placements session	3pm	Link
Faculty of Business, Law and Arts	3pm	Link

Lismore — Vet Sciences on-campus Day Course Information Sessions

Bachelor of Vet Tech	10am	A114
Bachelor of Vet Med	10am	A115





Orientation Checklist

Make sure you:

Complete the [New to SCU](#) module - Catch up on any orientation workshop videos you may have missed. You can also rewatch your Course Information session.

Update contact details in [MyEnrolment](#)

Complete the compulsory [Academic Integrity Module](#)

Join the [New to SCU](#) Facebook group

Provide a [USI number](#)

Apply for a [Student ID card](#)

Take some time to ensure you're up to date with the latest announcements from the Department of Home Affairs

Check out the [2026 Key dates](#)

Know about all the support available to you.

Check out [student services and support](#) and [International student support](#)

Contact us if you have questions: 1800 SC HELP/1800 72 4357 enquiry@scu.edu.au



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