

SCU at a Glance - Annual Trend

Total Number of Students	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Total (Persons)	18,931	20,329	20,119	18,817	17,350	17,729	19,139	21,639
Total (EFTSL)	11,309.9	12,227.6	11,906.1	11,156.4	10,194.1	10,729.6	11,697.9	13,859.6

Persons by Location								
Lismore Campus	2,522	2,417	2,176	1,818	1,443	1,253	1,070	1,081
Gold Coast Campus	4,966	5,730	5,634	5,625	5,458	5,616	5,756	6,107
Coffs Harbour Campus and NMSC	1,110	1,173	1,328	1,264	1,158	1,106	1,120	1,122
Online	5,100	5,009	5,662	5,417	5,251	6,091	7,948	9,027
TAFE Coomera	1	1	60	83	86	105	97	72
The Hotel Schools	959	1,056	918	676	575	538	521	478
Metro Campuses (SCU Ventures from 2024)	1,888	2,303	1,428	1,014	750	694	846	2,034
SCU Online	1,754	2,099	2,468	2,432	2,068	1,706	1,286	1,151
Offshore	734	658	622	652	727	766	693	711

Persons by Course Level								
Undergraduate	12463	12605	13,001	12,963	12,064	11,347	10,835	11,157
Postgraduate	5056	6219	5,506	4,834	4,437	5,187	6,740	8,939
Non Award	1397	1482	1,605	1,011	843	1,195	1,896	1,845

Persons by Residency								
International	5131	5936	4149	3338	3360	4,475	6,159	8,322
Domestic	13,800	14,393	15,970	15,479	13,990	13,254	12,980	13,317

International Students (Persons)								
Onshore	4341	5210	3,451	2,597	2,566	3,447	5,466	7,600
Offshore	790	726	698	741	794	1,028	693	711
Total	5131	5936	4,149	3,338	3,360	4,475	6,159	8,311

On Campus EFTSL								
Lismore Campus	1340.8	1242.6	963.8	783.9	574.1	521.4	488.9	555.4
Gold Coast Campus	2766.6	3394.9	2,902.4	2,694.4	2,766.9	3,119.3	3,190.1	3,500.9
Coffs Harbour Campus	582.8	663.6	675.8	664.0	574.1	591.3	604.6	624.5
Other Australian Locations	1891.8	2227.9	1,607.9	1,180.3	877.3	798.9	833.5	1,883.1
Offshore (Non Australia Locations)	524.6	460	445.8	464.1	517.1	520.3	499.3	535.6
Off Campus EFTSL	4203.3	4238.6	5,310.5	5,370.3	4,884.6	5,178.5	6,081.5	6,756.9

Number of Courses (with enrolments)								
Educational Partnerships Board	1	1	5	5	5	6	7	7
Faculty of Business, Law and Arts	76	67	66	55	50	45	50	48
Faculty of Education	15	13	16	15	19	17	22	25
Faculty of Health	34	35	37	36	36	38	43	46
Faculty of Science and Engineering	28	28	30	22	23	25	33	32
Gnibi College of Indigenous Australian Peoples	7	7	5	2	5	2	5	5
SCU College	9	12	21	19	16	20	20	21
Office of Research	4	4	1	1	0	0	2	2
Other Academic Units	15	16	11	9	11	12	12	12
Total	189	183	192	164	165	165	194	198

Number of Courses by course level (with enrolments)								
Undergraduate	87	83	91	87	92	91	97	102
Postgraduate	83	80	86	86	82	80	78	76
Other**	19	20	16	14	14	17	19	20

Number of Units								
	965	983	959	960	960	993	1053	1040

Total Staff (FTE)*	837.5	872.7	914.4	812.3	891.4	955.4	1023.7	1073.0
Academic Staff (FTE)	301	322.4	339.8	301.3	295.3	310.9	332.0	332.0
Professional Staff (FTE)	536.5	550.3	574.5	510.9	596.1	644.6	691.7	741.0
Domestic Equity Proportions								
First Nations	4.8%	4.5%	4.5%	4.3%	4.6%	4.5%	4.8%	5.2%
Regional/Remote [#]	44.8%	43.8%	42.1%	41.3%	40.6%	40.0%	40.3%	38.2%
First in Family [^]	36.6%	24.1%	16.9%	15.7%	13.5%	26.6%	30.9%	30.1%

* These Total Staff FTE figure do not include Sessional or Casual FTE

** Other courses include cross-institutional study, study abroad courses, masters/postgraduate qualifying courses, enabling courses and non-award study

~ Source: SCU Data Warehouse. Data as at 03/03/2026

[^] First in Family aligned with Government calculation in May 2025

[#]Regional and Remote calculation changed in 2025 to align with government definition