



**Southern  
Cross  
University**  
Australia

# 2025 International Student Guide

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# Southern Cross University

Southern Cross University is a world-ranked university on Australia's east coast with main campuses at the Gold Coast in Queensland and at Lismore in the Northern Rivers and Coffs Harbour in New South Wales. The regions we call home all have unique characteristics as study locations – from cosmopolitan cities, thriving industries and coastal lifestyles to living laboratories of great natural beauty and ecological diversity within easy reach of the campuses.

We have metro campuses in Sydney, Melbourne and Perth and our unique partnership with Mulpha Australia – The Hotel School – has campuses in Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and at Hayman Island Resort.



## Legend

- Main campuses  
Gold Coast, Northern Rivers, Coffs Harbour
- Metro campuses  
Sydney, Melbourne, Perth
- The Hotel School campuses  
Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, & Hayman Island



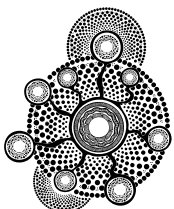
3 main campuses  
6 metro campuses  
& Hayman Island



18,000+ students



78,000+ graduates



We acknowledge Widjabal Country as the Country where Southern Cross University originated and grew, and from where it continues to grow. It seeded the growth of our Gumbaynggirr Campus in Coffs Harbour, our Yugambeh Campus in Coolangatta and it planted the seeds to transform the Countries we are on.

Understanding our origins will make each step into the future a more purposeful one, leading all to transform tomorrow.



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5-star skills development  
in 7 study areas



Top 700 Universities  
Top 450 Environmental Sciences



Top 100 Oceanography  
Top 150 Nursing  
Top 200 Hospitality  
and Tourism Management



Top 100 Young Universities  
Top 300 Physical Sciences  
Top 400 Psychology and  
Life Sciences

## Our campuses

# Gold Coast campus

Our Gold Coast campus is located at Coolangatta on the lands of the Yugambah Nation, 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.



Transport hub



On-campus Health Clinic



Digital Enterprise Lab



Beachside campus



Take a virtual tour of our Gold Coast campus



## Our campuses

# Lismore, Northern Rivers campus

Lismore is the foundation Southern Cross campus, located in the heart of the Northern Rivers on the lands of the Bundjalung Nation. Set on acres of lush rainforest that includes a koala hospital, Lismore is a hub for our creative degrees and is 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 and a Health Clinic.



On-campus  
Health Clinic



Innovation  
Hub



On-campus  
accommodation



Surrounded  
by nature



Take a virtual tour of our  
Lismore campus



## Our campuses

# Coffs Harbour campus

Coffs Harbour campus is located on the lands of the Gumbaynggirr Nation at the heart of an education and innovation hub. 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.

A multi-million-dollar Health Sciences Building on campus features a biomechanics running track and high-tech simulation teaching laboratories. The campus also has a fitness centre, 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.



Coastal lifestyle



International sports



Health Sciences precinct



On-campus accommodation



Take a virtual tour of our Coffs Harbour campus



# Metro campuses

## Sydney-Melbourne-Perth

Southern Cross University has metro\* campuses in Sydney, Melbourne and Perth, offering courses in business, business administration, accounting, information technology, engineering and education at diploma, undergraduate and postgraduate level.

The Sydney campus is located on the south side of Sydney's central business district in Surry Hills, with excellent transport and sporting facilities at the doorstep.

The Melbourne campus is located in the heart of the central business district with modern classroom facilities, student lounge and dedicated student welfare support team.

Perth is the latest addition to our network of campuses and offers students the opportunity to study in a relaxed environment in a picturesque city.

### Courses available at our metro campuses

	Starts	Duration	CRICOS	Annual Fees 2025*
Diploma of Business	March, June, October	1 year	086030E	\$32,960
Diploma of Information Technology	March, June, October	1 year	111518B	\$32,960
Bachelor of Business	March, June, October	3 years	115141J	\$32,960
Bachelor of Information Technology	March, June, October	3 years	086031D	\$32,960
Graduate Diploma of Business	March, June, October	1 year	115300K	\$36,320
Graduate Diploma of Education (Early Childhood) (Sydney and Melbourne only)	March, June, August and October	1 year	115298K	\$29,400
Master of Business Administration	March, June, October	2 years	080919A	\$36,320
Master of Professional Accounting	March, June, October	2 years	081533M	\$36,320
Master of Engineering Management, Master of Business Administration	March, June, October	2 years	0101720	\$36,320
Master of Computing	March, June, October	2 years	115299J	\$36,520

\*Not all facilities and activities are available on our metro campuses.

### Aaditya Mahata (Nepal), Bachelor of Information Technology student, Sydney campus.

"My undergraduate education is truly transforming, laying the groundwork for my personal and academic development. I was welcomed by a vibrant group of teachers and staff that were committed to creating a stimulating learning environment.

The great sense of community at Southern Cross as well as the unwavering support from both instructors and fellow students are what I value the most.

I am enjoying the whole new way of teaching which is very different as compared to the method in my home country. I feel like making decision to study at Southern Cross University is one of the best decisions I have ever made in my life."



# The Hotel School

Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney, Hayman Island

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 central business districts of Brisbane, Melbourne, and Sydney, as well as on Hayman Island, The Hotel School offers undergraduate and postgraduate business degrees in hotel management and tourism, with skills that are transferable to other sectors. It also offers extended Work Integrated Learning and industry placements in some of the world's best brands and locations.

## Courses available at The Hotel School

	Starts	Duration	CRICOS	Annual Fees 2025*
Diploma of Hotel Management	March, June, October	1 year	0100351	\$31,864
Associate Degree of International Hotel and Tourism Management	March, June, October	2 years	104631D	\$31,864
Bachelor of Business in Hotel Management	March, June, October	3 years	111082C	\$31,864
Graduate Certificate of Business in Global Hotel Leadership	March, June, October	4 months	0101395	\$14,008
Graduate Diploma of Business in Global Hotel Leadership	March, June, October	1 year	0101394	\$28,016
Master of Business in Global Hotel Leadership	March, June, October	2 years	0101393	\$28,016





# Student Support

## Southern Cross Global

Southern Cross Global has a dedicated team committed to helping international students from application to acceptance and throughout your studies.

## Ambassadors

Our international student ambassadors are carefully selected students who work with our international student support team. Their role is to provide a point of contact for new students, having experienced the same challenges of living and studying in a new country. Ambassadors mentor students, organise and participate in events and coordinate volunteering. They provide valuable support for international students coming into an unfamiliar environment and a new culture without the support of their families.

## SCU Mates– connecting students

The SCU Mates program connects you with an experienced student mentor studying in the same discipline area as you. SCU Mates can advise on a range of student issues, from the best way to navigate an online study environment to where to buy textbooks. You and your mentor can meet face-to-face, communicate via email, or catch up on Facebook and other social media sites. The SCU Mates program is available to commencing undergraduate on-campus and online students and is coordinated by the Equity and Diversity Office.

For more details visit

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



## Supporting your studies

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



Careers and employability service



Equity and inclusion services



Mentor programs



Academic skills help



Counselling services



Student advocacy



Dedicated international support team



Wifi and tech services

# Life at Southern Cross

## UniLife

Our UniLife program aims to encourage your academic success and support your wellbeing. You can get involved in social sports, clubs and societies, as well as 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](https://scu.edu.au/unilife)



## Get sporty

Join team SCU for the Gold Coast Airport Marathon, the Coffs Harbour Running Festival or the Samson Challenge in Lismore. While available sports differ at each campus, activities include mountain bike riding, swim clubs, water polo, rugby clubs, AFL, soccer, badminton, cricket and netball.

## 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

Scholarships are valued up to \$32,000 over 4 years, which could help pay your living expenses and allow you to study full-time.

Scholarships are available to undergraduate and postgraduate international students for:

- Academic achievement
- Aspirations to succeed.

For more details visit

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



# Cost of Living in Australia

The cost of living in Australia can vary greatly. Our campuses are located in regional areas where students may benefit from a reduced cost of living. Below is a guide to approximate weekly expenses in Australia.

Expense	Private rental	Unilodge (Lismore or Coffs Harbour)	Homestay
Accommodation	\$170-\$300 room \$400-\$800 house	\$230	\$300-\$345*
Food	\$140-180	\$100-\$150	Included
Public transport	\$30-\$60	Walk to university	Varies depending on location
Utilities	\$25+	Included	Included
internet	\$20+	Included	Included

Updated March 2024. \*Does not include placement fee

For more information, visit:

[costofliving.studyaustralia.gov.au/](https://costofliving.studyaustralia.gov.au/)



# Support to build your career

## Careers and Employability team

Give your career the head start it deserves and make contact with the Careers and Employability team from the first year of your studies. The team are here to help you with online CareerSuccess resources on CareerHub and you can also have career counselling.

Career counselling appointments assist you to:

- discover your passion
- choose the right degree
- prepare job applications including for part-time work
- prepare for an interview network
- target graduate employers.

## CareerHub

Browse part-time and graduate job vacancies and the latest online careers resources such as the new CareerSuccess App.

## Working in Australia

International students undertaking an undergraduate or postgraduate qualification can work a maximum of 48 hours per fortnight during session, and unlimited hours during holidays and non-compulsory study sessions. PhD or Masters by research students can work unlimited hours throughout the year.

# Accommodation

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

## On-Campus

UniLodge at Lismore offers a range of four-to-six-bedroom apartments at two colleges.

Facilities at each college include internet access and on-site laundries, indoor and outdoor entertainment areas and movie facilities. Weekly room rental starts from \$230 (in 2024).

UniLodge 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 \$230 (in 2024).

For more details, please visit:  
[scu.edu.au/accommodation](https://scu.edu.au/accommodation)



## Gold Coast Jobs Club

Connect with the Gold Coast Jobs Club for lunchtime expert and peer support to find part-time work and progress your career aspirations.

## Bright Futures industry mentors

Second-year students are matched with an experienced graduate mentor for one session to support your career goals and help you develop industry networks and professional confidence.

## Work Integrated Learning (WIL)

Many of our courses include professional placements for work integrated learning and professional experience. See the courses section from page 86 of this guide for information specific to each course.

For more information:

Email: [careers@scu.edu.au](mailto:careers@scu.edu.au)

Visit: [scu.edu.au/careers](https://scu.edu.au/careers)

## Off-Campus

Check out UniStays for a range of off-campus accommodation in the local area: [unistays.scu.edu.au](https://unistays.scu.edu.au)

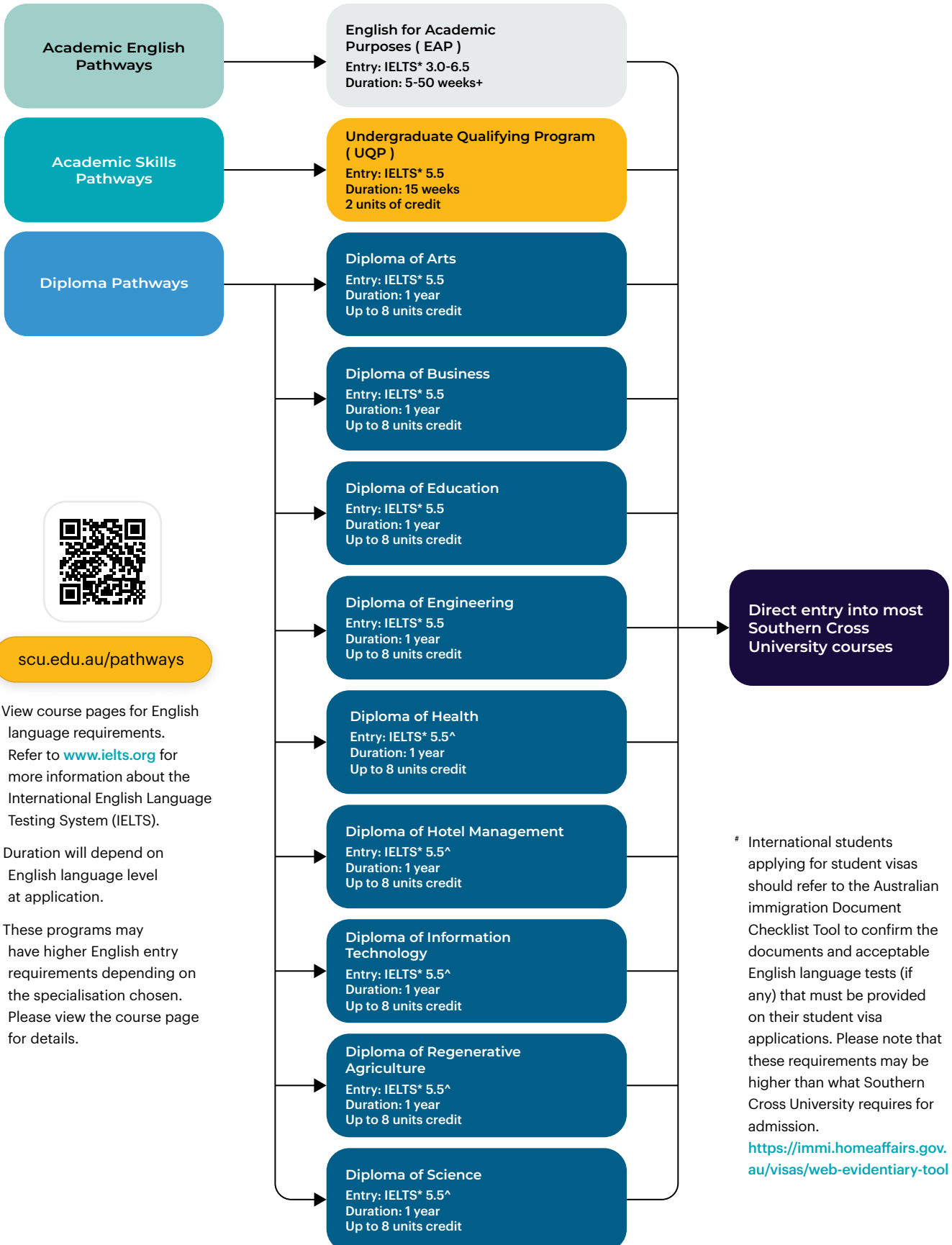
Local real estate agents also list private rentals.

For homestay options, check out Australian Homestay Network: [homestaynetwork.org](https://homestaynetwork.org)



# Pathways to university

There are many pathways to Southern Cross University degrees through the SCU College English language, Diploma and academic preparation programs.



# Academic English pathways

## English for Academic Purposes (EAP)



<b>Duration</b>	5 to 50 weeks
<b>Starts</b>	See table below
<b>Location</b>	Gold Coast
<b>CRICOS</b>	064715B
<b>2025 Tuition fees*</b>	\$460 per week for 15 weeks or less \$420 per week for 16 weeks or more \$260 enrolment fee (non-refundable)



Scan here to find out more about your Homestay options

**Admission requirements:** Students will be assigned to an appropriate English language level based on proficiency scores (e.g. SCU College English Language Test, IELTS) presented on application.

English for Academic Purposes (EAP) prepares students for study at Southern Cross University. EAP builds on existing English language abilities in reading, writing, speaking and listening. It then develops students' academic and digital literacy practices, including: researching, referencing, note taking, using the Southern Cross University Learning Management System and giving presentations. The length of EAP studies will depend on a student's English language level at application. Successful completion of EAP provides direct entry to a range of Southern Cross University degrees. Homestay is strongly recommended for students studying EAP, please scan the QR code for more information for more information.

## EAP start dates

Leading into Term	Weeks of English	Start Date	End date
<b>Term 1, 2025</b> Starts: Monday 10 March (O week 3 March 2025)	30	1 July 2024	14 February 2025
	25	5 August 2024	14 February 2025
	20	16 September 2024	14 February 2025
	15*	21 October 2024	14 February 2025
	10	25 November 2024	14 February 2025
	5	13 January 2025	14 February 2025
<b>Term 3, 2025</b> Starts: Monday 7 July (O week 30 June 2025)	50	3 June 2024	13 June 2025
	45	8 July 2024	13 June 2025
	40	19 August 2024	13 June 2025
	35	23 September 2024	13 June 2025
	30	28 October 2024	13 June 2025
	25	2 December 2024	13 June 2025
	20	20 January 2025	13 June 2025
	15*	24 February 2025	13 June 2025
	10	31 March 2025	13 June 2025
	5	12 May 2025	13 June 2025
<b>Term 5, 2025</b> Starts: Monday 27 October (O week 20 October 2025)	50	30 September 2024	10 October 2025
	45	4 November 2024	10 October 2025
	40	9 December 2024	10 October 2025
	35	27 January 2025	10 October 2025
	30	3 March 2025	10 October 2025
	25	7 April 2025	10 October 2025
	20	19 May 2025	10 October 2025
	15*	23 June 2025	10 October 2025
	10	28 July 2025	10 October 2025
	5	8 September 2025	10 October 2025

\*These are the 2025 fees. Check our website for the latest update.

## General English



<b>Duration</b>	4 to 50 weeks
<b>Starts</b>	Monday of any teaching week
<b>Location</b>	Gold Coast, Lismore
<b>CRICOS</b>	064715B
<b>2025 Tuition fees*</b>	\$460 per week for 15 weeks or less \$420 per week for 16 weeks or more \$260 enrolment fee (non-refundable)



Scan here to find out more about your Homestay options

**Admission requirements:** Students will be assigned to an appropriate English language level based on proficiency scores (e.g. SCU College English Language Test, IELTS) presented on application. The student's proficiency is monitored to determine progress.

General English helps students develop their English speaking, listening, reading and writing skills with a focus on communicative English. Students will have the opportunity to develop their language skills as well as strategies for learning and using English in a range of contexts (e.g. work, holidays). Classes may be mixed-level ability. Homestay is strongly recommended for students studying General English, please scan the QR code for more information for more information.

# Academic skills pathways

## Undergraduate Qualifying Program (UQP)

<b>Duration</b>	15 weeks
<b>Starts</b>	March, June, October
<b>Location</b>	Gold Coast
<b>CRICOS</b>	091558G
<b>2025 Tuition fees*</b>	\$ 13,640

**Admission requirements:** Be a minimum of 18 years old at the start of the program. Have completed High School with an ATAR (or equivalent) which is recognised as having successfully completed an Australian Year 11; and English language comparable to Academic IELTS 5.5 with no band less than 5.0.

The Undergraduate Qualifying Program (UQP) prepares international students for undergraduate study. The course combines English language and academic skills development with academic, content-based studies. It is designed for international students whose academic qualifications and/or English proficiency levels are slightly below Southern Cross University's entry requirements for undergraduate degrees. This course also offers College Connect Services.

Students who successfully complete this course will meet the academic and English language requirements for entry into the following degrees with two (2) units of advanced standing: Diploma of Business, Bachelor of Business and Enterprise or the Bachelor of Information Technology.

Specialisations	
Business (Aviation, Tourism and Hospitality)	March, July, November
Information Technology	March, November

\*These are the 2025 fees. Check our website for the latest update.

# The Southern Cross Model

At Southern Cross University, we're always looking for a better way to do things. That's why all our courses are taught in a unique academic model that's designed to set you up for success at university and beyond.

The Southern Cross Model divides the academic year into six-week terms. You'll study two units (subjects) each Term, for four Terms a year, enabling you to focus deeply on what you are learning.

Content is highly interactive, with engaging face-to-face and active learning formats that have real-world applications. A shorter unit structure gives you a greater sense of momentum and motivation as you achieve milestones quickly.

Use the QR code below to learn more about the Southern Cross Model – a better way to learn.

## Six-week Terms

Terms are six-weeks long with a break between each one. You'll typically study across four Terms a year.

## Increased success

Since the Southern Cross Model was implemented, our students have achieved higher grades than ever before.

## Immersive learning

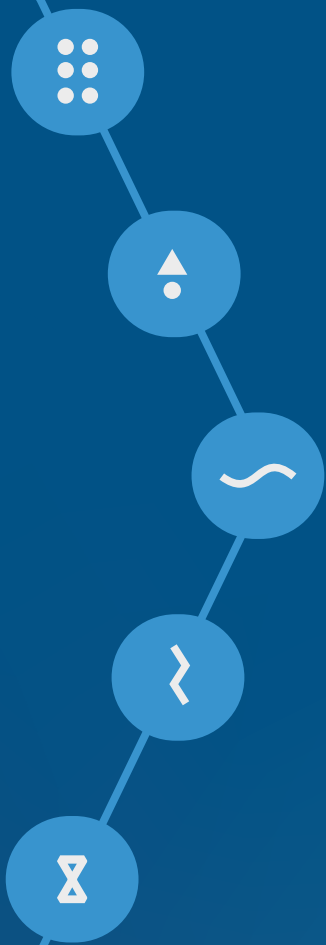
Focus on just two units each Term for an immersive study experience. Learn more, quickly, in workshops and tutorials.

## Greater completion

More students complete their units successfully in the Southern Cross Model. It's a better, and more enjoyable way to learn.

## You're in control

The Southern Cross Model works with you in juggling all your other commitments – family, work, sport, friends. It's university for the 21st century.



“You work hard for a few weeks, but that time pays off. Unlike in most universities, at Southern Cross you don't need to wait six months to travel and do whatever you enjoy the most.”

Jairo Escobar Lopez, Master of Teaching student from Colombia.





# 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.



Industry partnerships: build experience and networking opportunities



5-star overall experience in Humanities and Social Sciences

(Good Universities Guide 2023)



Design your own Arts degree with shared majors.

For more info, and to apply visit

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



# Music and Creative Arts

Get ready for a dynamic career in the creative industries. Study exchanges or tours to international arts hubs can be part of your studies in music and creative arts.

Our lecturers are practising artists and students have the best of modern production facilities at their disposal. The University has an active multidisciplinary and creative learning community.

The University is a sponsor of major music and arts festivals which offer great opportunities for work placements and networking.



Industry connections with HOTA, Swell Festival and Byron Writers Festival



State-of-the-art facilities: on-campus visual arts, recording and performing studios



Do a study exchange to an international arts hub

For more info, and to apply visit

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



# Education

Southern Cross graduate teachers have a lasting and profound impact on the lives of their students, from the early childhood years right through to secondary school.

All degrees engage with the most contemporary and transformative thinking in education. Initial teacher education courses include extensive and meaningful placements, ensuring that graduates are profession-ready. Dual-state accreditation expands career opportunities in both NSW and QLD.



Extensive and meaningful work placements prepare you to work as a teacher



Global top 5% in Education  
(Times Higher Education World Universities Rankings 2023)



Dynamic research community

For more info, and to apply visit

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



**Michel Alzate Lopez,**  
born in Colombia, is studying  
the Master of Teaching.

“My student advisor is always there to answer my questions. You really feel looked after, they take care of both your academic and personal welfare.”



# Engineering

Engineers solve real problems and deliver practical and innovative solutions to improve the quality of society. This dynamic discipline is involved in every facet of our lives, from rockets and robotics, health and wellbeing, roads and bridges, to coastal protection, flood mitigation and agriculture systems.

Employers are looking for engineers with practical skills and work preparedness. That's why our engineering degrees are industry-focused and designed to help you launch an exciting and rewarding professional career. It pays off – most of our students have jobs before they graduate.



No. 1 in Australia for overall experience and skills development

(Good Universities Guide 2023)



Work around the world with accredited degrees



State-of-the-art engineering precinct

For more info, and to apply visit

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



**George Jose Mattamana,**  
Master of Engineering Management,  
Master of Business Administration  
alumnus from India

“Southern Cross is a great university for international students. It provided me with ample support to adapt to Australian studies and to succeed in the program.”



# Health

The healthcare sector offers fantastic employment prospects and a diverse range of satisfying and meaningful careers.

At Southern Cross University we are deeply committed to delivering training of the highest standard for the professionals our communities need, with a global focus on practice and learning.



2 on-campus Health Clinics provide safe and supervised environments for practicums



90% full-time graduate employment in Nursing

(Good Universities Guide 2023)



Simulation hospital environments for advanced learning

For more info, and to apply visit

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



Steinhoff Dominic, originally from Nigeria, is studying the Bachelor of Nursing at the Gold Coast campus.

“One of the unique things about Southern Cross is the friendly environment. I love the easy access to the lecturers and the support we receive as international students.”



# Information Technology

A career in IT is a journey into innovation. Be at the cutting edge of tomorrow's technology where you can be a catalyst for change and a creator of solutions.

Whether you see yourself as an Artificial Intelligence maestro, a coding wizard, a cybersecurity superhero, or a data artist, our information technology courses mark the exciting starting point of a future filled with limitless possibilities.



5-star overall  
experience in Computing  
and Information Systems



Australian Computer  
Society accreditation for  
Bachelor of Information  
Technology



Work on real-world  
projects in the Digital  
Enterprise Lab

For more info, and to apply visit

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



Nepalese student **Mrisha Upadhyay**  
is currently enrolled in the Master of IT.

"I feel like there is so much room for creativity in  
information technology. You can make it very fun."



# Law

Whether it's defending a client in court, challenging a ruling before a tribunal, building a case to protect the environment or kick-starting a corporate career, a law degree can get you there.

With a focus on social justice, critical thinking, academic rigour and work-ready skills, our professionally-accredited qualifications open the way to a range of careers in law and justice.



5-star student support in  
Law & Paralegal Studies

(Good Universities Guide 2023)



Double degrees: expand your  
career options with only one  
extra year of study



Get your Law degree in  
just three years

For more info, and to apply visit

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



**Sarah Ashley**  
Clayton Utz, Brisbane  
Bachelor of Laws graduate

"I learned so much at Southern Cross, it was the foundation I needed for my workplace where I'm learning, developing and growing as not only a lawyer but a person as well."



# 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.

Our business degrees have a strong emphasis on entrepreneurship and applied knowledge, developing transferable skills for a range of industries.



5-star overall experience in Business and Management

(Good Universities Guide 2023)



94% graduate employment in Business and Management

(Graduate Outcomes Survey 2019-2021)



Design your own Business degree with shared majors.

For more info, and to apply visit

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



**Gideon Akaadom, Associate Degree of International Hotel and Tourism Management graduate currently studying the Bachelor of Business in Hotel Management at The Hotel School.**

“I wanted to experience the best of both worlds. I completed my Associate Degree of International Hotel and Tourism Management on Hayman campus but I wanted to further my studies in a new environment, so I decided to move to Sydney campus to enrol in the Bachelor of Business in Hotel Management. I chose to study at The Hotel School because I knew that the course would propel my learning and broaden my knowledge across a wide range of sectors including tourism, aviation, food and beverage, event management, and hotels.”



# Science and Environment

Unlock the secrets of our world with a science degree. Delve into environmental science, cultivate sustainable agriculture, specialise in marine studies, or champion wildlife conservation.

Our degrees develop the skills and knowledge you'll need to understand complex environmental systems for a meaningful career that can help solve some of the big challenges of the future.



National Marine Science Centre: World-renowned teaching and research facility in a unique Coffs Harbour location



Global top 3% in Physical Sciences  
(Times Higher Education World Universities Rankings 2023)



Design your own Science degree with shared majors.

For more info, and to apply visit

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





# Social Work and Community Welfare

Be an agent for positive change with a meaningful career in social work, counselling and community welfare.

Our degrees are a rigorous grounding and a pathway to professional registration and high job growth areas in social work, human services, social policy and analysis, counselling, or research.

Gain professional recognition with accreditation from key bodies including the Australian Association of Social Workers, the Australian Counselling Association and the Australian Community Workers Association. Our Bachelor courses include between significant, supervised on-the-job training so you will be ready to hit the ground running once you graduate.



Extensive on-the-job training and strong practical foundations



Global top 5% in Social Sciences  
(Times Higher Education World Universities Rankings 2023)



Professionally accredited degrees

For more info, and to apply visit

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



**Binqiang 'Johnny' Zhang,**  
Master of Social Work  
(Professional Qualifying)  
from China

"As an international student, it's usually overwhelming at the beginning. However, I was really supported not only by my lecturers but also by my international student advisor and my friends from all over the world."



# Tourism and Hotel Management

Whether you're studying our shared major in Tourism Management as part of an undergraduate 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.

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.



Global top 200 for Hospitality and Tourism  
(2022 Academic Ranking of World Universities)



Industry connections facilitate work placements in Australia and abroad



5-star graduate employment in Tourism and Hospitality  
(Good Universities Guide 2023)

For more info, and to apply visit

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



**Diksha Gidwaney, Bachelor of Business Management graduate, originally from India**

“Being the first person in my family to move to Australia to study, I wanted to find somewhere I would feel safe and supported, and also where I could fast-track my course if I wanted to.”



# Study Abroad

Study Abroad is arranged through your home institution or through a Study Abroad representative in your home country. Students can choose from three or four-unit options at either undergraduate or postgraduate level. Students can combine their academic studies with a trip.

## Study Abroad Undergraduate

<b>Duration:</b>	<b>6 months</b>
<b>Starts:</b>	<b>February, June, August, October</b>
<b>Total units:</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Gold Coast, Lismore, Coffs Harbour</b>
<b>CRICOS:</b>	<b>019864G</b>
<b>2025 Tuition Fees*:</b>	<b>\$9,640</b>

**Admission requirements:** Qualification equivalent to an Australian Year 12 with the required entry grade; and English language comparable to Academic IELTS 6.0 with no band less than 5.5.

## Study Abroad Postgraduate

<b>Duration:</b>	<b>6 months</b>
<b>Starts:</b>	<b>February, June, August, October</b>
<b>Total units:</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Gold Coast</b>
<b>CRICOS:</b>	<b>019864G</b>
<b>2025 Tuition Fees*:</b>	<b>\$9,694</b>

Southern Cross University offers a range of subjects in business, management, marketing, tourism and event management, hotel and hospitality management, information technology, Australia-specific cultural or Indigenous studies, creative arts, music, media, creative writing, social welfare, humanities, environmental science, engineering, marine science, health and exercise science. Students can choose units that suit their study program or try something completely different.

Our Study Abroad program also offers unique specialist areas including: Learning about the world's oldest living culture through Gnibi College of Indigenous Australian Peoples on our Lismore campus. Community engagement provides opportunities to volunteer with our local community or work on a group project including the Koala hospital on our Lismore campus. Environmental science units incorporate field trips to the living laboratories of World Heritage rainforest, marine parks or national parks in our surrounding regions.

# Career Start (Study Abroad)

<b>Duration:</b>	<b>35 weeks full-time</b>
<b>Starts:</b>	<b>March, June, October</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Gold Coast</b>
<b>CRICOS:</b>	<b>096807M</b>
<b>2025 Tuition Fees*:</b>	<b>\$13,900</b>

**Admission requirements:** Be a minimum of 18 years old at the start of the program. Have an education qualification recognised as equivalent to having successfully completed Australian Year 12; and English language comparable to Academic IELTS 5 with no band less than 4.5.

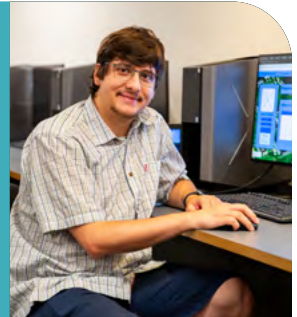
Career Start helps students to refine their English language and academic skills, while enjoying a Study Abroad experience in Australia. The course begins with 10 weeks of English. Students must complete ENGL1002 with SCU College Exit Test scores of 5.5 overall and a minimum score of 5.0 in each subtest. This is followed by four units of academic study aligned to your chosen field. Students will choose a specialisation in business and tourism or arts.

# See Australia while you study

Combine your Study Abroad program with a trip to see some of the most beautiful places in Australia!

“What’s fantastic about Southern Cross lectures is that they are very accessible. You can just email or directly ask them and you get a response within 24 hours.”

German student Giona Mendicino spent two terms studying IT at the Gold Coast campus.



## A trip to the tropics

A group of our international students had the opportunity to head to Cairns in Tropical North Queensland for their study abroad trip. The students snorkelled on the Great Barrier Reef, learning about the biology of the reef and the coral larval project, a research initiative led by Southern Cross University.



# Design your own degree with a shared major

Want to study Arts, but also passionate about helping solve global environmental challenges? Or perhaps you're interested in psychology but also in 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 one year of full-time study.

## You can study a shared major with the following degrees:

Bachelor of Arts  
Bachelor of Business and Enterprise  
Bachelor of Indigenous Knowledge  
Bachelor of Psychological Science  
Bachelor of Science

## You can choose from these shared majors:

Art and Design	Indigenous Knowledge
Aviation Management	International Business
Biomedical Science	Law and Justice
Business and Data Analytics	Marketing
Creative Writing	Politics and International Relations
Cultural Studies	Psychology
Digital Media	Regenerative Agriculture
Entrepreneurship and Innovation	Social Science
History	Tourism Management

For more details on shared majors:

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



# Course list 2025

Please note fees displayed are indicative only. Please consult the website for updated fee and course information: [scu.edu.au](http://scu.edu.au)

	Pathways	Annual Fee 2025	Professional accreditation	IELTS	Location	Duration	Units	Starts
<b>Business</b>								
<b>Undergraduate</b>								
<b>Diploma of Business</b> CRICOS 079231K CRICOS 086030E (metro campuses) <b>Specialisations in:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business and Enterprise</li> <li>• Tourism</li> </ul>	UQP EAP 1	Varies by location		5.5	Gold Coast, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney	1 year	8	March, June, October
<b>Bachelor of Business</b> CRICOS 115142H CRICOS 115141J (metro campuses) <b>Majors in:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business and Data Analytics</li> <li>• Entrepreneurship and Innovation</li> <li>• Tourism Management</li> <li>• International Business</li> <li>• Marketing</li> </ul> <b>+ Shared majors available</b> <b>Specialisations in:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accounting</li> <li>• Financial Services</li> <li>• CRICOS 115092B</li> </ul>	UQP EAP 1 DIP BUS	Varies by location	CPA Australia (Accounting) FASEA (Financial Services)	6.0	Gold Coast, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney	3 years	24	March, June, October
<b>Bachelor of Business (Aviation Management)</b> CRICOS 115095K	UQP EAP 1 DIP BUS	\$32,520		6.0	Gold Coast	3 years	24	March, June, October
<b>Postgraduate</b>								
<b>Graduate Certificate in Business</b> CRICOS 082684K	EAP 2	\$16,900		6.0	Gold Coast	6 months	8	March, June, October
<b>Graduate Diploma of Business</b> CRICOS 081762J CRICOS 115300K (metro campuses)	EAP 2	Varies by location		6.5	Gold Coast, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney	1 year	8	March, June, October
<b>Graduate Diploma of Accounting</b> CRICOS 055689G	EAP 2	\$33,000		6.5	Gold Coast	1 year	8	March, June, October
<b>Master of Business Administration</b> CRICOS 079662J CRICOS 080919A (metro campuses)	EAP 2	Varies by location		6.5	Gold Coast, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney	2 years	16	March, June, October
<b>Master of Professional Accounting</b> CRICOS 078675A CRICOS 081533M (metro campuses)	EAP 2	Varies by location	CPA Australia CA ANZ	6.5	Gold Coast, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney	2 years	16	March, June, October

	Pathways	Annual Fee 2025	Professional accreditation	IELTS	Location	Duration	Units	Starts
<b>Education</b>								
<b>Undergraduate</b>								
<b>Diploma of Education</b> CRICOS 112794G		\$32,520		6.5	Gold Coast	1 year	8	March, June
<b>Bachelor of Early Childhood Education</b> CRICOS 110055C	EAP 2	\$32,520	ACECQA	6.5	Gold Coast	3 years	24	March, June
<b>Bachelor of Education</b> Specialisations in: • Early Childhood/Primary (CRICOS 110583A) • Primary/Secondary (CRICOS 110586J) • Primary (CRICOS 110584M) • Secondary (CRICOS 110585K)		\$32,520	NESA, QCT, AITSL, ACECQA (Primary/Early Childhood)	7.5	Gold Coast	4 years	32	March, June
<b>Postgraduate</b>								
<b>Graduate Diploma of Education (Early Childhood)</b> CRICOS 102984F CRICOS 115298K (metro campuses)	EAP 2	\$29,400	ACECQA	6.5	Gold Coast, Melbourne, Sydney	1 year	8	March, June, August, October
<b>Master of Teaching</b> CRICOS 111196D Specialisations in: • Early Childhood (CRICOS 111196D) • Primary (CRICOS 110588G) • Secondary (CRICOS 110587H)	EAP 3	\$31,000	NESA, AITSL ACEQA	7.0	Gold Coast	2 years	16	March, June, August, October
<b>Engineering</b>								
<b>Undergraduate</b>								
<b>Diploma of Engineering</b> • CRICOS 111853J	EAP 1	\$38,000		5.5	Gold Coast, Lismore	1 year	8	March, June
<b>Associate Degree of Engineering</b> • CRICOS 112800C	EAP 1 DIP ENG	\$38,000	EA	6.0	Gold Coast, Lismore	2 years	16	March, June
<b>Bachelor of Engineering Systems (Honours)</b> Specialisations in: • Civil Engineering CRICOS 112798C • Mechanical Engineering CRICOS 112801B	EAP 1 DIP ENG	\$38,000	EA	6.0	Gold Coast, Lismore	4 years	32	March, June
<b>Postgraduate</b>								
<b>Master of Engineering Management, Master of Business Administration</b> CRICOS 094098G CRICOS 0101720 (metro campuses)	EAP 2	Varies by location		6.5	Gold Coast, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney	2 years	16	March, June, October

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	Pathways	Annual Fee 2025	Professional accreditation	IELTS	Location	Duration	Units	Starts
<b>Health</b>								
<b>Undergraduate</b>								
<b>Diploma of Health</b> CRICOS 0101136	EAP 1	\$32,520		5.5-6.5^	Gold Coast	1 year	8	March
<b>Bachelor of Biomedical Science</b> CRICOS 0102161	EAP 1 DIP HEALTH	\$32,520		6.0	Gold Coast	3 years	24	March
<b>Bachelor of Clinical Exercise Physiology</b> CRICOS 112797D	EAP 1 DIP HEALTH	\$32,520		7.0	Gold Coast	4 years	32	March
<b>Bachelor of Clinical Sciences (Osteopathic Studies)</b> CRICOS 091528C	EAP 3 DIP HEALTH	\$32,520	OBA	7.0	Gold Coast, Lismore	3 years	24	March
<b>Bachelor of Counselling</b> CRICOS 114108G	EAP 1	\$32,520	ACA	6.0	Gold Coast, Lismore, Coffs Harbour	3 years	24	March
<b>Bachelor of Exercise Science and Psychological Science</b> CRICOS 0102160	EAP 1	\$32,520	APAC, ESSA	6.0	Gold Coast, Coffs Harbour	4 years	32	March
<b>Bachelor of Health Science (Health and Lifestyle)</b> CRICOS 108299A	EAP 2 DIP HEALTH	\$32,520		6.5	Gold Coast, Lismore	3 years	24	March, June
<b>Bachelor of Midwifery</b> CRICOS 078636G		\$32,520	NMBA	7.0	Gold Coast, Coffs Harbour	3 years	24	March
<b>Bachelor of Nursing</b> CRICOS 016165C	DIP HEALTH	\$32,520	ANMAC	7.0	Gold Coast, Lismore, Coffs Harbour	3 years	24	January, March, June
<b>Bachelor of Nursing (for Enrolled Nurses)</b> CRICOS 093295K		\$32,520	ANMAC	7.0	Gold Coast, Lismore, Coffs Harbour	2 years	24	March, June
<b>Bachelor of Occupational Therapy</b> CRICOS 082680C <b>Optional major in:</b> • Indigenous Health	EAP 3 DIP HEALTH	\$32,520	OTA OTC	7.0	Gold Coast, Coffs Harbour	4 years	32	March
<b>Bachelor of Psychological Science</b> CRICOS 071464B	EAP 1 DIP HEALTH	\$32,520	APAC	6.0	Gold Coast, Coffs Harbour	3 years	24	March, June
<b>Bachelor of Psychological Science with Honours</b> CRICOS 071465A	EAP 1	\$32,520	APAC	6.0	Gold Coast, Coffs Harbour	1 year	8	March
<b>Bachelor of Psychological Science, Bachelor of Business</b> CRICOS 115094M Business majors and specialisations see page 28	EAP 1 DIP HEALTH	\$32,520	APAC	6.0	Gold Coast	4 years	32	March
<b>Bachelor of Speech Pathology</b> CRICOS 085520F <b>Optional major in:</b> • Indigenous Health		\$32,520	SPA	8.0	Gold Coast, Coffs Harbour	4 years	32	March
<b>Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science</b> CRICOS 059883F <b>Majors in:</b> • Business and Management • Physical Education • Strength, Conditioning and Coaching	EAP 3 DIP HEALTH	\$32,520	ESSA, AusActive ASCA	7.0	Gold Coast, Lismore, Coffs Harbour	3 years	24	March

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^ Some streams require up to IELTS 6.5



	Pathways	Annual Fee 2025	Professional accreditation	IELTS	Location	Duration	Units	Starts
<b>Postgraduate</b>								
<b>Master of Naturopathic Medicine</b> CRICOS 108576G	EAP 3	\$33,800	ANTA, ANPA, ATMS, CMA, ARONAH	7.0	Gold Coast, Lismore	2 years	16	March, June
<b>Master of Nursing (Graduate Entry)</b> CRICOS 113008H	EAP 3	\$33,800	ANMAC	7.0	Gold Coast, Coffs Harbour, Lismore	2 years	16	January
<b>Master of Osteopathic Medicine</b> CRICOS 098206J	EAP 3	\$33,000	AOAC	7.0	Gold Coast, Lismore	1.5 years	12	March

## Information Technology

<b>Undergraduate</b>								
<b>Diploma of Information Technology</b> CRICOS 111198B CRICOS 111518B (metro locations)	EAP 1	Varies by location		5.5	Gold Coast, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney	1 year	8	March, June, October
<b>Bachelor of Information Technology</b> CRICOS 019840D CRICOS 086031D (metro campuses) <b>Majors in:</b> • Networks and Cybersecurity • Software Development • Digital Interaction and the User Experience	UQP EAP 1 DIP IT	Varies by location	ACS	6.0	Gold Coast, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney	3 years	24	March, June, October
<b>Bachelor of Information Technology, Bachelor of Business</b> CRICOS 115093A IT majors see above; Business majors and specialisations see page 28	UQP EAP 1 DIP IT	\$32,520	ACS	6.0	Gold Coast	4 years	32	March, June

## Postgraduate

<b>Master of Computing</b> CRICOS 113013M CRICOS 115299J (metro campuses)	EAP 2	\$36,520		6.5	Gold Coast, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney	2 years	16	March, June, October
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## Law

<b>Undergraduate</b>								
<b>Associate Degree of Law (Paralegal Studies)</b> CRICOS 016182B <b>Optional major in:</b> • Conveyancing	EAP 1	\$32,520	NSW Fair Trade (Conveyancing major)	6.0	Gold Coast	2 years	16	March, June
• <b>Bachelor of Laws</b> • CRICOS 102591A	EAP 1	\$32,520	LPAB	6.0	Gold Coast	3 years	24	March, June
<b>Bachelor of Legal and Justice Studies</b> • CRICOS 022342G • <b>Optional major in:</b> • Conveyancing	EAP 1	\$32,520	NSW Fair Trade (Conveyancing major)	6.0	Gold Coast	3 years	24	March, June

English for Academic Purposes: EAP 1 – entry to courses with IELTS 5.5 and 6; EAP 2 – entry to courses with IELTS 6.5; EAP 3 – entry to courses with IELTS 7.0.

^ Some streams require up to IELTS 6.5

	Pathways	Annual Fee 2025	Professional accreditation	IELTS	Location	Duration	Units	Starts
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## Music and Creative Arts

### Undergraduate

<b>Bachelor of Art and Design</b> • CRICOS 096003C	EAP 1	\$32,520		6.0	Lismore	3 years	24	March
<b>Bachelor of Digital Media</b> • CRICOS 102203G	UQP EAP 1	\$32,520		6.0	Lismore	3 years	24	March, June

## Science and Environment

### Undergraduate

<b>Diploma of Science</b> • CRICOS 086408J	EAP 1	\$33,520		5.5	Lismore	1 year	8	March
<b>Bachelor of Science</b> CRICOS 104730A <b>Majors in:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applied Chemistry</li> <li>• Biology</li> <li>• Applied Mathematics</li> <li>• Physics</li> </ul> <b>+ Shared majors available</b> <b>Specialisation in:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Earth and Environmental Systems</li> <li>• Marine Systems</li> <li>• Regenerative Agriculture</li> </ul>	EAP 1 DIP SCI	\$34,520		6.0	Lismore Marine Systems specialisation available at National Marine Science Centre Coffs Harbour	3 years	24	March

### Postgraduate

<b>Graduate Diploma of Regenerative Agriculture</b> • CRICOS 109436M	EAP 3	\$36,520		6.5	Lismore	1 year	8	March
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## Social Work and Community Welfare

<b>Bachelor of Social Work</b> CRICOS 102204F	EAP 3 DIP HEALTH	\$32,520	AASW	7.0	Gold Coast	4 years	32	March, June
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### Postgraduate

<b>Master of Social Work (Professional Qualifying)</b> CRICOS 082686G	EAP 3	\$31,000	AASW	7.0	Gold Coast	2 years	16	March, October
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Pathways	Annual Fee 2025	Professional accreditation	IELTS	Location	Duration	Units	Starts
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## Tourism and Hotel Management

### Undergraduate

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diploma of Hotel Management</b></li> <li>• CRICOS 0100351</li> </ul>	EAP 1	\$31,864		5.5	The Hotel School Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane	1 year	8	March, June, October
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Associate Degree of International Hotel and Tourism Management</b></li> <li>• CRICOS 104631D</li> </ul>	EAP 1	\$31,864		6.0	The Hotel School Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Hayman Island	2 years	16	March, June, October
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bachelor of Business in Hotel Management</b></li> <li>• CRICOS 111082C</li> <li>• Also see Bachelor of Business and Enterprise majoring in Tourism Management (under Business)</li> </ul>	EAP 1	\$31,864		6.0	The Hotel School Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane	3 years	24	March, June, October

### Postgraduate

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Graduate Certificate of Business in Global Hotel Leadership</b></li> <li>• CRICOS 0101395</li> </ul>	EAP 1	\$14,008		6.0	The Hotel School Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane	0.5 year	8	March, June, October
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Graduate Diploma of Business in Global Hotel Leadership</b></li> <li>• CRICOS 0101394</li> </ul>	EAP 1	\$28,016		6.0	The Hotel School Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane	1 year	8	March, June, October
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Master of Business in Global Hotel Leadership</b></li> <li>• CRICOS 0101393</li> </ul>	EAP 2	\$28,016		6.5	The Hotel School Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane	2 years	16	March, June, October

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### Key to professional bodies:

<b>AASW</b>	Australian Association of Social Workers	<b>CA ANZ</b>	ANZ Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand
<b>ACA</b>	Australian Counselling Association	<b>CPA</b>	Certified Practising Accountants
<b>ACECQA</b>	Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority	<b>CMA</b>	Complementary Medicine Australia
<b>ACS</b>	Australian Computer Society	<b>EA</b>	Engineers Australia
<b>ACWA</b>	Australian Community Workers Association	<b>ESSA</b>	Exercise and Sport Science Australia
<b>AITSL</b>	Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership	<b>FAS</b>	Financial Adviser Standards (The Treasury)
<b>ANMAC</b>	Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council	<b>LPAB</b>	Legal Profession Admission Board (NSW)
<b>ANPA</b>	Australian Naturopathic Practitioners Association	<b>MMA</b>	Massage and Myotherapy Australia
<b>ANTA</b>	Australian Natural Therapists Association	<b>NESA</b>	NSW Education Standards Authority
<b>AOAC</b>	Australian Psychology Accreditation Council	<b>NMBA</b>	Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia
<b>APAC</b>	Australian Psychology Accreditation Council	<b>OBA</b>	Osteopathy Board of Australia
<b>ARONAH</b>	Australian Register of Naturopaths and Herbalists	<b>OTA</b>	Occupational Therapy Australia
<b>ASCA</b>	Australian Strength and Conditioning Association	<b>OTC</b>	Occupational Therapy Council
<b>ASLM</b>	Australasian Society of Lifestyle Medicine	<b>QCT</b>	Queensland College of Teachers
<b>ATMS</b>	Australian Traditional Medicine Society	<b>SPA</b>	Speech Pathology Australia

# English language requirements

Most applications must include evidence of English language proficiency. Academic IELTS is the benchmark score indicated in the admission requirements for each course. All English language results must have been achieved in the past two years.

For most Diploma programs, the minimum score required is IELTS of 5.5 with no band less than 5.0.

For most undergraduate degrees, the minimum score required is IELTS of 6.0 with no band less than 5.5 with the exception of health sciences, nursing and midwifery degrees.

For most postgraduate degrees, the minimum score required is IELTS of 6.5 overall. The English language requirement may also be satisfied by completing an English for Academic Purposes or pathway program with SCU College.

IELTS	5.5 no band less than 5.0	6.0 no band less than 5.5	6.5 no band less than 6.0	7.0 no band less than 6.5	7.0 all bands
TOEFL (Internet)	46 W: 17 R: 5 S: 17 L: 5	60 W: 17 R: 11 L: 11 S: 17	79 W: 21	94 W: 24	94 W: 27 R: 24 L: 24 S: 23
C1 Advanced	162 -168	169 – 175	176 - 184	185 – 190	185 – 190
C2 Proficiency	162 -168	169 – 175	176 - 184	185 – 190	185 – 190
ISPLR	3 in all 4 skills	3+ or better in all 4 skills	4 in all 4 skills	4 in all 4 skills	4+ in all 4 skills
CEFR	-	B2	N/A	N/A	N/A
Pearsons PTE	42 Com score: 36	50	58 Com score: 50	65 Com score: 58	65 Com score: 65

NOTE: SCU College offers free English language proficiency placement testing for students going into non-award College programs such as the English Language Program, Career Start and the Undergraduate Qualifying Program. Contact [scucollege@scu.edu.au](mailto:scucollege@scu.edu.au) for our regular test dates and times.



# Academic requirements

The minimum academic requirement for undergraduate degrees is displayed in the 'Academic Score by Country' shown on the International Future Students admission requirements tab of the website.

For postgraduate degrees, assessment is made on an equivalent Australian Bachelor degree plus any other course-specific requirements.

Advanced standing refers to previous study undertaken which may reduce the duration of your degree. You need to apply for advanced standing at the time of application.

When assessing applications against the relevant Academic Standards, the University will use accepted educational resources, including Australian Education International – National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition (NOOSR), United Kingdom National Recognition Information Centre (UK ENIC), University Admissions Centre (UAC) Assessment of Qualifications Manual and the Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) Schedule to establish the Australian equivalent of an applicant's overseas qualifications.

For more information visit [scu.edu.au/international/apply](https://scu.edu.au/international/apply)

Please note that some courses in nursing, midwifery and health sciences have inherent requirements.

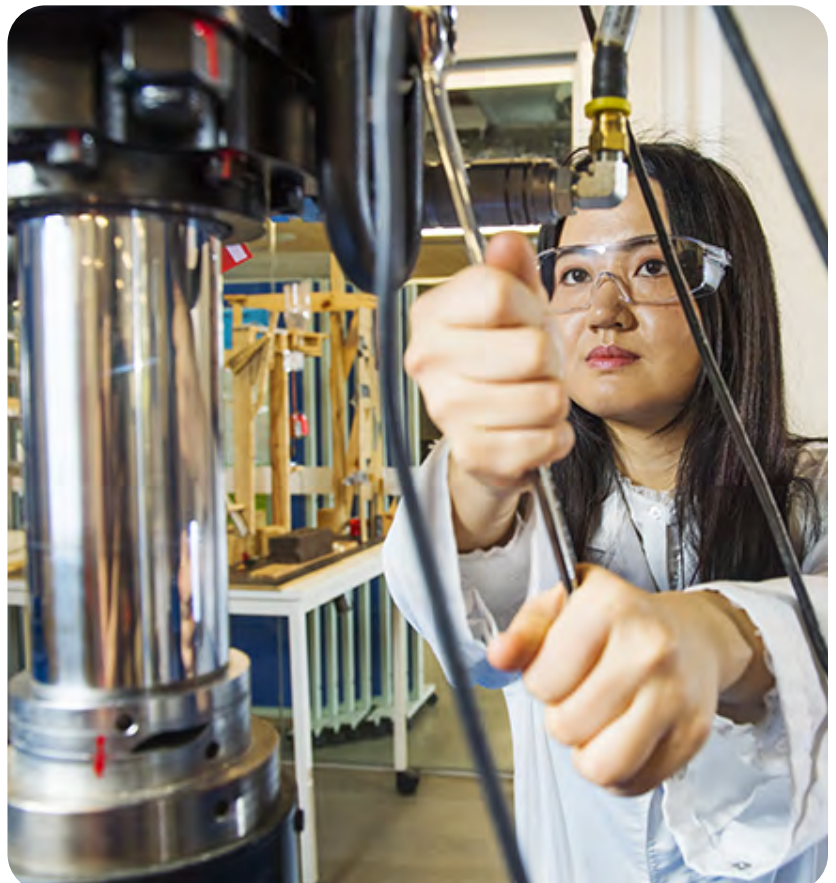
For more details visit

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



'English language comparable to Academic IELTS 6.0 with no band less than 5.5' means that to meet the English requirement, the minimum overall IELTS score is 6.0, and no band in reading, writing, speaking or listening can be below 5.5.

Southern Cross University also accepts comparable scores from CPE (Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency), CAE (Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English), TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language – internet-based test), PTE (Pearson Test of English), ISPLR (International Second Language Proficiency Rating), and CEFR (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages).



# How to apply

## Step 1. Start your application

Apply online at

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



## Step 2. Assessment

Applications will be acknowledged and responded to within 10 days\*.

Successful applications receive an International Offer Package (Offer) including:

- Offer
- Information for Accepting Your Offer
- Offer Acceptance Agreement.

\*Time period relates to complete application for the immediate study period. International students applying for student visas should refer to the [Australian immigration Document Checklist Tool](#).

## Step 3. Accept

1. Review the Offer to make sure all information is correct and submit extra documents if requested.  
Once conditions are met, send the signed Offer Acceptance Agreement before the Offer Lapse Date.
2. Pay the 'fee payable on acceptance' amount on the Offer once Genuine Temporary Entrant (GTE) conditions are met.
3. Once all documents are received and conditions are met, Southern Cross University will issue an electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCOE) so you can apply for an Australian visa.



## Under 18 application and admission

If you are under the age of 18 years, you can apply to the main campuses of Southern Cross University and The Hotel School, however your parent or guardian must sign your letter of offer on your behalf.

## Accommodation and welfare

If you are an under 18 international student visa holder and will not be accompanied by a parent or guardian, they must request, in writing, that Southern Cross University accepts responsibility for your accommodation and welfare arrangements until your 18th birthday. Your accommodation will be arranged for you with Southern Cross University's approved accommodation provider, Homestay, and you must stay at this address until at least your 18th birthday. You will have a student advisor appointed to meet with you every fortnight to manage your welfare and wellbeing until your 18th birthday. They will also assist you to access appropriate learning or personal support services if required.

You will be issued with a Confirmation of Appropriate Accommodation and Welfare (CAAW) form once these arrangements have been agreed, together with your eCoE (Electronic Confirmation of Enrolment) for the purposes of applying for a visa.

## Information and support

You will be provided with clear, appropriate information before you arrive, during orientation and throughout your studies to ensure you are informed about your academic progress, support services available to you, and ways to keep yourself safe and manage an emergency.



Students are required to pay Overseas Health Cover (OSHC) for the duration of their visa in advance. In addition, students will be charged a Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF), and indicative non-tuition fees. Visit: [scu.edu.au/international](https://scu.edu.au/international) for more information. Published by Southern Cross University April 2024.

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