Study Abroad
2020

live, study, explore.

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CRICOS Provider: 01241G
10 REASONS TO STUDY AT SOUTHERN CROSS

1. Outstanding student support – ranked number one in Australia for overall international student support*, our specialised team will support you throughout your studies. Academic skills, counselling and mentoring is also on offer.

2. Study at one of the top 100 young universities in the world according to the Times Higher Education World University rankings.

3. Unique campus locations at the Gold Coast, Lismore and Coffs Harbour – combine study with a great lifestyle.

4. Benefit from a reduced cost of living at our Gold Coast, Lismore or Coffs Harbour locations.

5. Join the many creative, social, sporting and special interest groups on campus.

6. Access world class facilities – including high-tech engineering labs, drone technology, recording studios, digital media suites and analytical research equipment to support your learning and build work-ready skills.

7. Stay in convenient, comfortable on-campus accommodation just minutes from your lectures in Lismore or Coffs Harbour, or choose from a wide variety of off-campus accommodation close to all three campuses.

8. Add an international experience as part of your degree and make new friends from around the world.

9. Interesting and unique subjects offering practical hands-on learning with many offering field trips.

10. Combine study and travel – beautiful campus locations with good transport connections allow you to easily explore.

*based on the 2019 Student Support Survey conducted by The Australian Bureau of Educational Research and Innovation (ABERI)
STUDY A SESSION IN AUSTRALIA
and explore our beautiful country...

“The Outdoor Education trip taught me to stop anticipating the fear of the unknown, and to push myself to try new and exciting opportunities with an open mind and a positive attitude.”

Brianna – University of Scranton (USA)
“My time here at SCU has been very busy because I have been travelling almost every weekend. The Study Abroad team has been very helpful, showing us how to travel around this great country!”

Richie  
*University of Wisconsin-Stout (USA)*

“Studying abroad at Southern Cross University Lismore has been such a life changing experience for me! It has given me the opportunity to learn abroad while also fulfilling my dream of travelling through Australia. After being here, I wish I could stay forever!”

Maddie  
*University of Wisconsin-La Crosse (USA)*

“Adventure isn’t solely outside, it is within. I can feel it, you can see it.”

Dany – USA

Contributions by Study Abroad students from Session One 2019: Annika, Brianna, Caroline, Chelsea, Delaney, Maddie, Richie, Ruby, Thomas and Yoann.
OUR GOLD COAST CAMPUS

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, lecture theatres with live video broadcasting, computer labs and student lounges. More than 4,900 students study on campus at the Gold Coast. The University’s Digital Enterprise Lab, located at the Gold Coast, develops innovative IT solutions to real-world problems. A multitude of medical, leisure and service industries offer work and placement opportunities for health, business and tourism students.

Discipline-specific laboratories provide state-of-the-art facilities for biomedical science, podiatry, pedorthics, nursing and midwifery, sport science, speech pathology, osteopathy and occupational therapy students. The on-campus Health Clinic allows health sciences students to develop their clinical skills in a safe and supervised environment.

Other disciplines offered at the Gold Coast include law, arts, engineering management and social welfare.

ABOUT THE GOLD COAST

A sun-loving subtropical city of beaches, rainforests, parklands and thriving business and retail activity, the Gold Coast is the sixth largest city in Australia with a population of more than half a million people. Sport and entertainment, including major theme parks, are part of the relaxed lifestyle.

Visit: scu.edu.au/goldcoast
LISMORE CAMPUS

Our Lismore campus, in its beautiful rainforest setting, hums with vitality and is a creative hub for the music, media and visual arts degrees for which it is renowned.
It is also home to state-of-the-art engineering and environmental science facilities where you will find laboratories for activities as diverse as concrete stress testing and hydraulic water flow modelling, 3D printing and synchrotron technology.

Our sports science, osteopathy and nursing facilities, where students learn in specialist labs and simulated hospital wards, are world class. Health students also gain clinical experience in the on-campus Health Clinic.

A thriving local tourism industry provides internship and work opportunities for business and tourism students.

Other disciplines taught at Lismore include law, arts, social science, education, marine and forest science and Indigenous knowledge. The campus is home to Gnibi College of Indigenous Australian Peoples.

The campus includes a Learning Centre and library complex, heated pool and gym, and lush grounds with an abundance of wildlife.

ABOUT LISMORE

Lismore in the Northern Rivers region of NSW, with its surrounding villages and nearby coastal towns of Byron Bay and Ballina, is a superb location to live and study. Artistic, alternative and socially active, Lismore is renowned for its proximity to subtropical World Heritage rainforests, access to stunning beaches and signature events such as Splendour in the Grass, Byron Bay Bluesfest, Byron Writers Festival, Mullum Music Festival and Lismore Lantern Parade.

Visit: scu.edu.au/lismore
SCU INTERNATIONAL

SCU International has a dedicated team committed to helping international students from application to acceptance and throughout your studies. We were ranked number one for international student support in Australia by the International Student Support Barometer, an independent benchmarking survey.

ORIENTATION

Orientation week is the first week before studies commence. It is designed to help students settle into their new environment and meet new friends. Orientation includes tours to Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary where you can see Australian wildlife as well as other excursions to explore our local area.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Students can volunteer with local community organisations including the Koala Hospital located on the Southern Cross University Lismore campus, or at local festivals.

EXPLORE AUSTRALIA

Part of your study abroad experience includes exploring all Australia has to offer. SCU International organises a range of trips, from camping adventures in the Australian outback to exploring World Heritage rainforests and waterfalls, or surf lessons at our beautiful local beaches. Trips are designed to discover the best of our country and build lasting relationships with your new classmates from around the world.

AMBASSADORS

Student ambassadors are carefully selected international 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 invaluable support for international students coming into an unfamiliar environment, a new culture and language without the support of their families.

“Getting the chance to visit some of the most beautiful places in this wonderful country is only part of the adventure. When you arrive at Southern Cross University you fall in love with the stunning campus, seeing koalas and wallabies on the way to class is something that can only happen here.”

Imma
University of Barcelona (Spain)
ACCOMMODATION

GOLD COAST
The Gold Coast offers private housing options, from full board with private residents, to hostel accommodation, units, houses, or shared units or houses with others.
Unistays lists a range of off-campus accommodation in the local area, visit: unistays.scu.edu.au. Local real estate agents or portals such as realestate.com.au also list private rentals.
Homestay provides accommodation with a local Australian family for English language students, and is a great way to improve English skills and learn more about Australian culture, visit: scu.edu.au/englishlanguage

LISMORE
SCU Village, managed by Campus Living Villages, offers two-to-six-bedroom apartments at three colleges – Orion, Sirius and Magellan. Dedicated resident teams and evening duty managers provide a supportive and friendly environment within walking distance of the campus. Facilities include internet access and on-site laundries, outdoor entertainment areas and movie facilities. Visit: scuvillage.com.au for more details.
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COST OF LIVING

GOLD COAST AND LISMORE
Southern Cross University students may benefit from the reduced cost of living compared to Australian capital cities. The table below is a general weekly guide in Australian dollars for a single student living near the Gold Coast or Lismore campuses.

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Updated April 2019. Figures are per week.
* Does not include placement fee.
CAMPUS LIFE

Get more out of your university education by joining a club, playing a sport or participating in the many social and cultural activities that make our campuses such great places to study.

UNILIFE

Apart from getting a first-class education, going to university enables you to have fun and make friends for life.

The UniLife team offers professional services and innovative, dynamic programs to enrich your university experience under the banner ‘Live, Work, Play’. Their aim is to encourage both your academic success and support your wellbeing, by focusing on the achievement of your educational, professional and personal goals.

Programs and services include coordination of social sports competitions and events; Uni Games and championships; the Elite Athletes and Performers’ Program; clubs and societies; and University-wide events such as orientation, UniLife Awards, snow tour, learn-to-surf camps, and other national competitions.

Visit: scu.edu.au/unilife

GET SPORTY

Learn to surf at one of Australia’s famous surfing beaches. Run in the Gold Coast Airport Marathon or Southern Cross University 10km Run. While sports available at each campus differ, activities include mountain bike riding, swim clubs, water polo, rugby clubs, AFL, soccer, badminton, cricket and netball. 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.

JOIN A CLUB OR SOCIETY

Interested in something? You’re bound to find others who are too! There are clubs for interest and sporting groups, clubs for women, clubs for men, clubs for Indigenous awareness and for LGBTIQ and clubs for mature-aged students.

The University community joins together to celebrate our diversity and to learn more about each other throughout the year. This includes events relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples; cultural diversity and social inclusion; and gender and sexuality diversity. The Fusion festival showcases our cultural diversity every year.
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.

**UNDERGRADUATE**

Duration: 6 months (1 session)
Starts: March, July, November (November intake Gold Coast only)
Total units: 4
Location: Gold Coast, Lismore, Coffs Harbour
CRICOS: 019864G
2020 Tuition Fees: $8,400
$9,100 with the Explore Australia trip
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.

**POSTGRADUATE**

Duration: 6 months (1 session)
Starts: March, July, November (November intake Gold Coast only)
Total units: 3
Location: Gold Coast, Lismore
CRICOS: 019864G
2020 Tuition Fees: $8,500
Admission requirements: Qualification equivalent to Australian Bachelor degree; and English language comparable to Academic IELTS 6.5 with no band less than 6.0.

**COURSE OVERVIEW**

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.
- Outdoor education incorporates leadership training and camping trips exploring the local area.
- 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.

Exchange

Southern Cross University offers exchange opportunities to students from our Partner Institutions. Check with your home institution and request approval for one or two sessions.
COURSE OVERVIEW
This full-time course starts with a 10-week English language proficiency program (English for Academic Purposes), followed by four (4) units of academic study in either a business, tourism and hospitality, science or arts/humanities stream.

Students may be able to gain credit at their home institution.

ADVANCED STANDING
Students who successfully complete this course may receive up to four (4) units of credit towards the Diploma of Business or the Diploma of Science.

GOLD COAST STREAMS
Arts 18 Nov 2019
Business 18 Nov 2019, 30 Mar, 3 Aug 2020
Tourism & Hospitality 18 Nov 2019, 30 Mar, 3 Aug 2020
Science 18 Nov 2019

LISMORE STREAMS
Arts 18 Nov 2019, 30 Mar 2020
Business 18 Nov 2019, 30 Mar 2020
Tourism & Hospitality 18 Nov 2019, 30 Mar 2020
Science 18 Nov 2019

Duration: 6 months
Starts: See start dates by campus below
Total units: 4
Location: Gold Coast, Lismore
CRICOS: 096807M
2020 Tuition Fees: $12,040
Admission requirements: Qualification equivalent to Australian Year 12; and English language comparable to Academic IELTS 5.0 with no band less than 4.5.
ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES (EAP)

Duration: 5 to 50 weeks

Starts: See table below

Location: Gold Coast, Lismore

CRICOS: 064715B

2020 Tuition Fees: $450 per week*

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. English language of Academic IELTS 3.0 to 6.5 or equivalent.

*Courses are run every month, with dates available online.

COURSE OVERVIEW

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.

START DATES FOR SESSION 1, 2020

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1. **Apply** [scu.edu.au/international](http://scu.edu.au/international)

Apply online (preferred) OR complete the **International Application for Admission** form with all supporting documents:

- Original or Certified Copy of academic transcripts, with grading system
- English language test results (e.g. IELTS, TOEFL)
- Academic or employer references (if required)

Submit your completed **International Application for Admission** form with all supporting documents to [studyabroad@scu.edu.au](mailto:studyabroad@scu.edu.au)

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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.

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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**.

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.

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### Arriving in Australia

**Getting to Australia**

Make sure you know how to get to the campus before you leave as public transport in regional areas is limited. Remember to fill in the Greeting Service request online.

[scu.edu.au/international/arrive](http://scu.edu.au/international/arrive)

**Accommodation**

Review short-term and long-term accommodation options before you leave.

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

**Orientation**

Orientation week is compulsory and full of essential information. Bring your passport as identification.

[scu.edu.au/orientation](http://scu.edu.au/orientation)
SCU INTERNATIONAL

GOLD COAST
Southern Cross Drive
Bilinga
QLD 4225 Australia

LISMORE
Military Road
Lismore
NSW 2480 Australia

2020 KEY DATES

Session 1
Orientation: 24 – 28 February
Start: 2 March
Exams: 1 – 12 June

Session 2
Orientation: 29 June – 3 July
Start: 6 July
Exams: 6 – 16 October

Session 3
Orientation: during Week 1
Start: 2 November
Exams: 15 – 19 February 2021

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