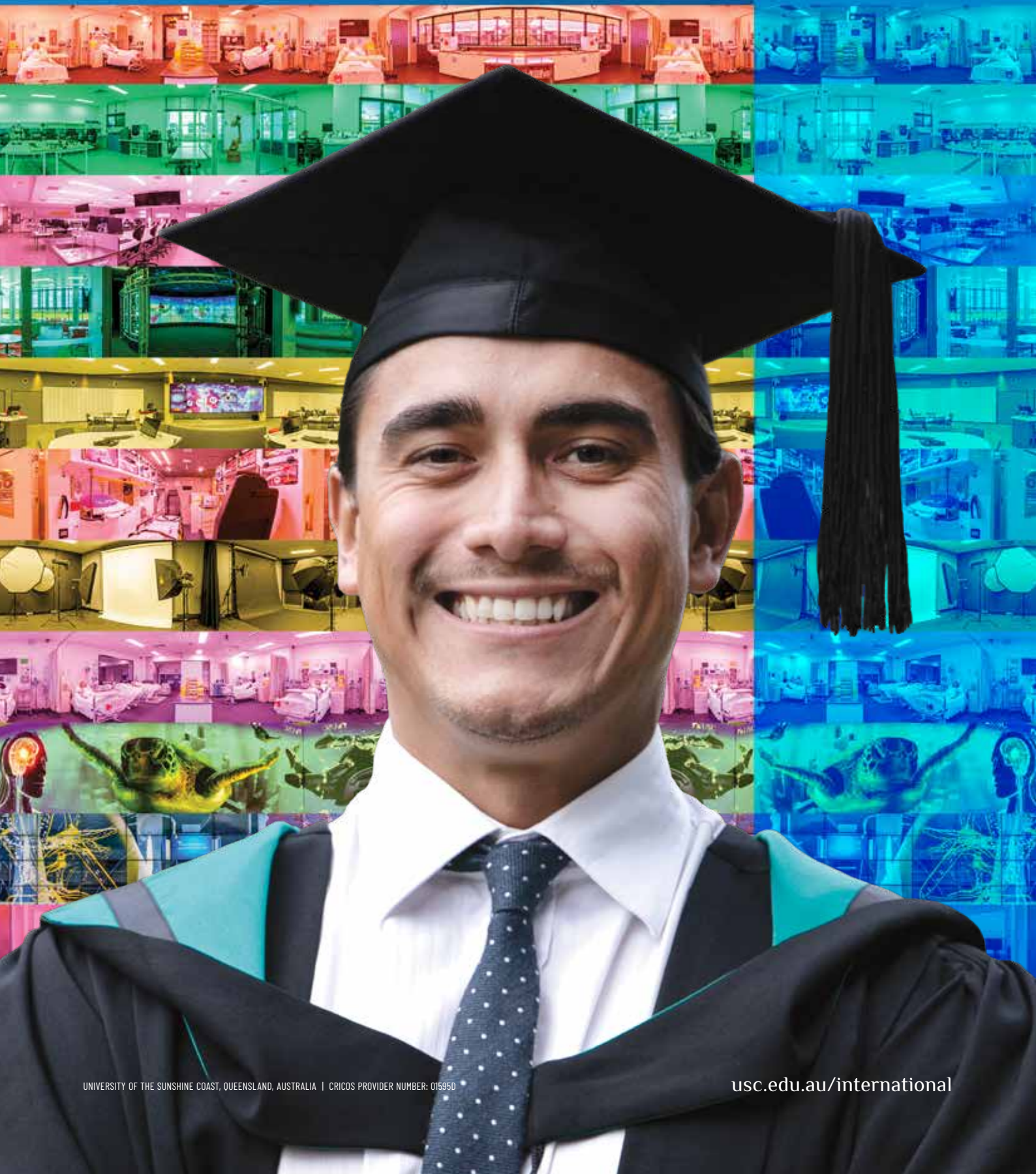


# INTERNATIONAL STUDENT GUIDE

Your guide to study at USC





# Welcome

to the University of the Sunshine Coast



At USC, we are renowned for our personal approach to teaching, whether it's in class or online. That's why we are consistently rated one of the top universities in Australia for teaching quality and overall student experience.

We offer hands-on learning and flexible study options across more than 120 programs, at a network of teaching

locations from Moreton Bay, just north of Brisbane, to the famous Fraser Coast. Since 1996, we have supported 28,000 graduates achieve their educational and career goals.

As all our programs include practical training or internships and focus on core skills students need to succeed in the future workplace, we are considered to be one of the best universities in Australia for employer satisfaction with graduates.

Our students learn from some of the most highly regarded experts in their fields, who are nationally awarded and regularly recognised for excellence in learning and teaching.

USC students come from diverse backgrounds but share the same goals: to discover their future path, to become the best they can be, and to make their mark on the world.

We look forward to helping you discover the world of opportunities that awaits.



Professor Helen Bartlett  
Vice-Chancellor and President

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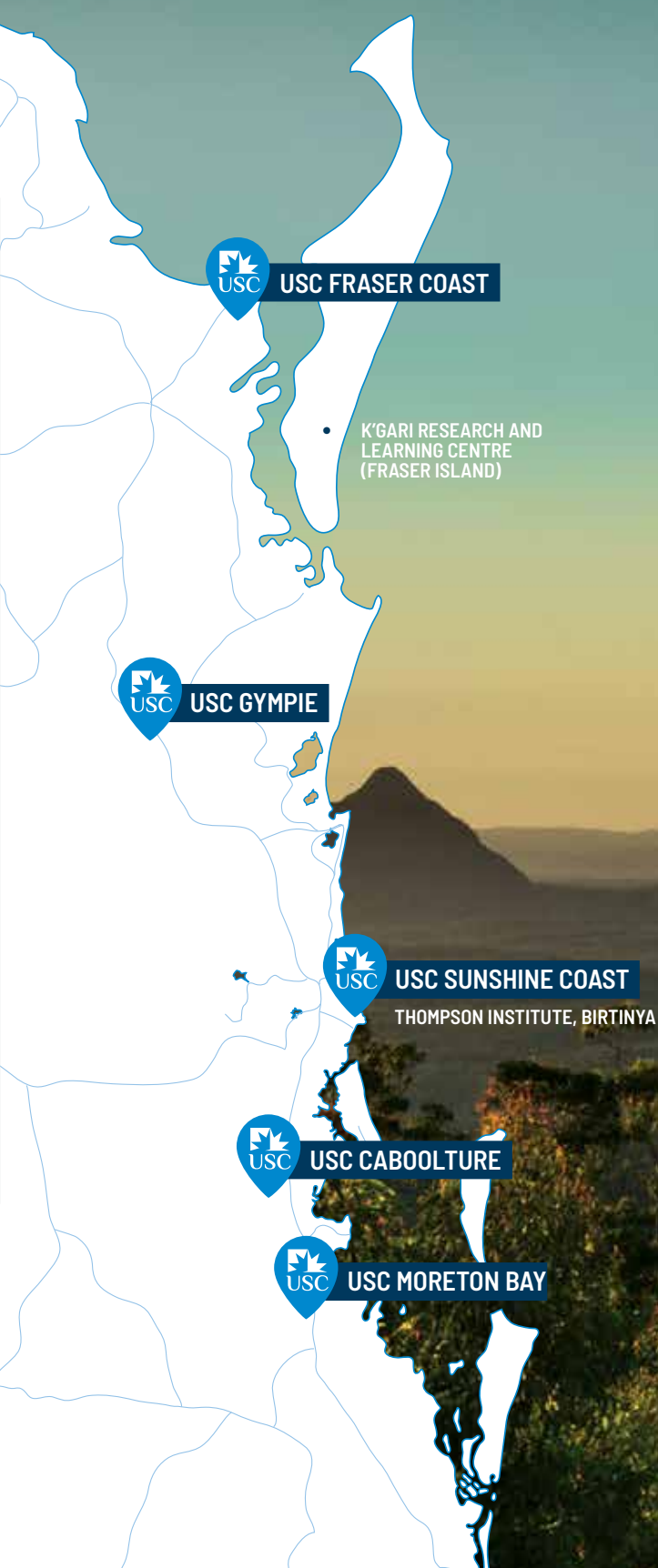


#### An international student is a person who:

- is not an Australian or New Zealand citizen, an Australian Permanent Resident or a permanent humanitarian visa holder
- is enrolled in, or intends to enrol in, a study program with an Australian higher education provider
- holds a visa that has appropriate study rights

#### An international student visa holder:

- is an international student who holds a Student visa issued by the Department of Home Affairs. Student visa holders should be aware of the ESOS Act 2000 and the National Code, which registered providers offering CRICOS registered programs to international student visa holders need to adhere to.



## University of the Sunshine Coast (USC)

At USC every student matters to us, which is why we're rated one of Australia's best universities for overall student experience.

No matter what kind of future you're looking for, you can find it at USC. Our programs offer the choice and flexibility you need to get started on any career goal.

USC programs include a strong focus on the core skills you'll need in the future workplace. No matter what you study, you'll learn to communicate well, solve problems and think creatively.

USC students receive a high quality educational experience, while enjoying the relaxed lifestyle that Queensland offers. Our students benefit from a friendly and supportive campus environment, access to highly qualified teaching staff, personal attention, and modern technology and facilities.

If you are looking to study abroad, either for a short period or for your entire degree, USC has something to offer you at study locations across coastal South East Queensland.

USC acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which its campuses sit. We recognise and pay respect to Elders past, present and emerging.

The Glass House Mountains (background image) is considered spiritually significant – a special meeting place where many First Nations Peoples gathered for ceremonies and trading.





# Queensland

The state of Queensland is renowned for its warm climate, pristine beaches, tropical rainforests, and access to the Great Barrier Reef. It also boasts vibrant cities and some of Australia's favourite coastal towns, including Noosa.

## 5

**WORLD HERITAGE AREAS:**  
Including Fraser Island and the Great Barrier Reef



## 200

**NATIONAL PARKS:**  
Explore the natural diversity of Queensland from rainforests to our famous beaches



## 7-8

**HOURS OF SUNSHINE:**  
On average per day in the South East region



## 3

**MILLION PEOPLE:**  
Living in the South East Queensland region, with all the benefits of a metropolitan area – shopping, food, culture, theatres, museums and nightlife



## 30

**THOUSAND YEARS OF HISTORY:**  
Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures are among some of the oldest in the world and Queensland offers plenty of opportunities to experience their history and traditional practices



## 7

**THOUSAND KILOMETRES OF COASTLINE:**  
Take part in some of Australia's favourite pastimes, participating in water sports such as surfing, paddleboarding and kite surfing





# Why choose USC

Serenity Falls, Buderim

Studying abroad not only provides life changing opportunities, but it is also an academic and cultural adventure – an adventure that allows you to move across the globe, and continue to undertake your academic studies, while fully immersing yourself in Australian culture.

Here are some good reasons for choosing USC:

## FIVE-STAR EDUCATION

USC has been awarded five stars for Teaching Quality, Overall Experience, First Generation, Learning Resources, Skills Development and Social Equity.<sup>1</sup>

## FIVE-STAR STUDENT SATISFACTION

USC is rated one of the top universities in Australia for the overall quality of their educational experience.<sup>2</sup>

## FLEXIBLE DEGREE OPTIONS

USC students can plan study pathways to meet their individual goals or gain credit from previous studies.

## FREE ENGLISH LANGUAGE SUPPORT

USC offers English for Academic Study (EAS) support if English is not your first language.

## ACADEMIC SKILLS ASSISTANCE

USC provides ongoing access to individual consultations, workshops and online self-help resources.

<sup>1</sup> Good Universities Guide 2021.

<sup>2</sup> Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT) 2020.

<sup>3</sup> 2020 full year preliminary data.  
Source: USCBI accessed 5 November 2020.



Noosa, Sunshine Coast



Hervey Bay, Fraser Coast



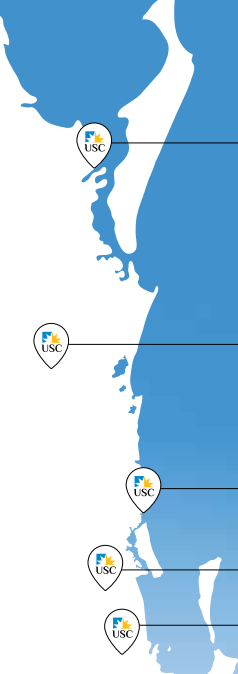
South Bank, Brisbane



Gympie, Wide Bay-Burnett

**USC FAST FACTS** • Established in 1996 • Type of institution: public university • 18,112<sup>3</sup> USC students • Number of campuses: 5





USC Fraser Coast

USC Gympie

USC Sunshine Coast

USC Caboolture

USC Moreton Bay

# STUDY LOCATIONS

USC offers flexible study options at a network of teaching locations between Brisbane and the Fraser Coast. Many programs include courses that can be completed at any campus, and some are available through off-campus study hubs. The following information can help you decide if your preferred location is the right choice for you.

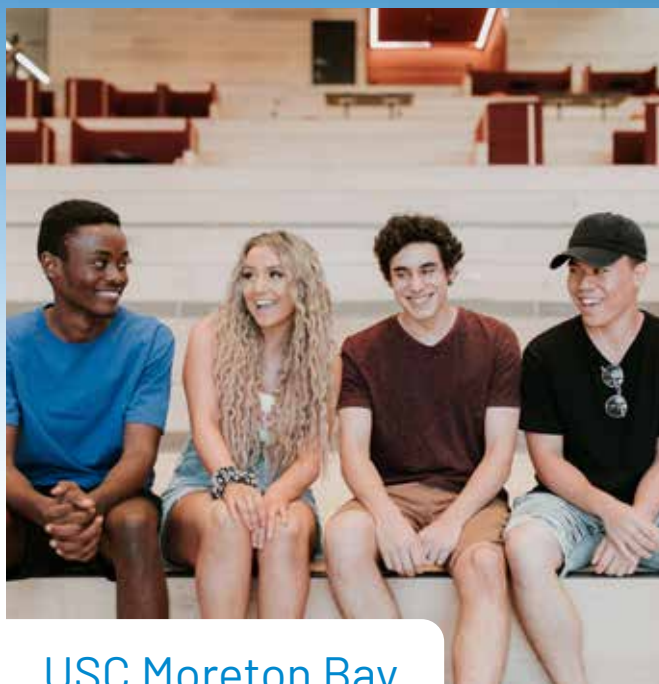


## USC Sunshine Coast

Choose from more than 100 undergraduate programs and study in some of Australia's most innovative learning and visualisation facilities.

The campus includes the 3D CAVE2™ visualisation studio, simulated nursing and paramedic labs, specialised computer, science, manufacturing and design labs, award-winning USC Library, Art Gallery with new performance space specially designed for drama and music students, nationally accredited sport science labs, and a range of interactive digital learning spaces.

	90 Sippy Downs Drive, Sippy Downs
	A short walk from three private student accommodation complexes
	Free and paid student parking
	Regular Translink bus services to and from campus. Free USC Express Shuttle service between some USC study locations and major transport hubs during teaching weeks
	Secure bike stations with parking, lockers, repair kits, showers and toilet facilities
	High Performance Sport Precinct with pool, gym, athletics track and USC stadium, home to the Sunshine Coast Lightning netball team, Australian Cycling Academy, and USC Spartans Olympic and Paralympic swimming squad
	Cafés and eateries
	Take a virtual tour of our Sunshine Coast campus <a href="https://usc.edu.au/usc-sunshine-coast-tour">usc.edu.au/usc-sunshine-coast-tour</a>



## USC Moreton Bay

Australia's newest university campus in Petrie is the foundation development at "The Mill at Moreton Bay", a vibrant civic, cultural and business precinct planned by Moreton Bay Regional Council.

The new campus includes a 460-seat capacity lecture theatre, \$15 million worth of state-of-the-art technology, nursing simulation labs, a 120-capacity Superlab for chemical experiments and specialist engineering labs designed for cross-discipline collaboration, and dedicated student study spaces with 24/7 library access.

Almost 50 undergraduate degrees, including business, engineering, nursing, education and psychology and new programs like computer science and mechatronics. More degrees will be added in 2021 and 2022.

	1 Moreton Parade, Petrie
	2-minute walk from Petrie train station, connecting to the Caboolture and Redcliffe Peninsula rail lines
	Located on the Petrie to Kippa-Ring shared path, with showers and secure bike storage facilities
	Free carpark and paid student parking. Easy access from Gympie Road and the Bruce Highway
	Cafés and retail outlets
	Take a virtual tour of our Moreton Bay campus <a href="https://usc.edu.au/usc-moreton-bay-tour">usc.edu.au/usc-moreton-bay-tour</a>

Travel distance by from USC Sunshine Coast • USC Moreton Bay: 40min



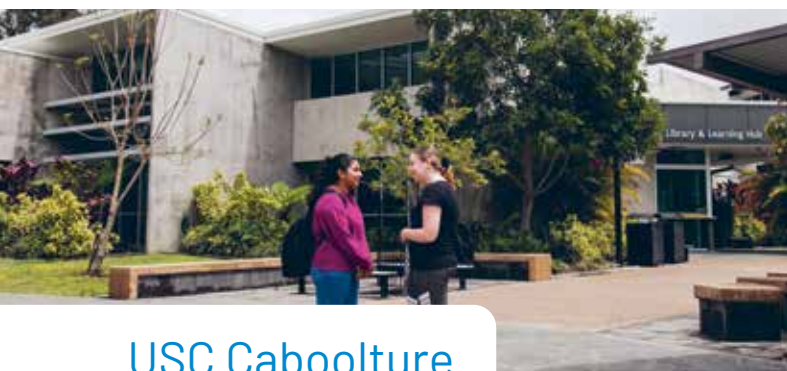
## USC Fraser Coast

Study in the heart of Hervey Bay, with easy access to USC's K'gari Research and Learning Centre on Fraser Island.

Facilities include interactive learning technologies, simulated nursing wards, specialist science laboratories, a student library with 24/7 access, a makerspace, collaborative study areas and computer labs.

Full degree programs in animal ecology, business, commerce, human services, nursing, social work and education. You can also study first-year courses from a range of other USC programs and then complete your degree at USC Sunshine Coast.

	161 Old Maryborough Road, Hervey Bay
	A short walk to the Hervey Bay CBD
	Easily accessible by car and bicycle
	Regular Wide Bay Transit bus services between campus and all major shopping centres and suburbs of Hervey Bay and Maryborough
	Café
	Take a virtual tour of our Fraser Coast campus <a href="https://usc.edu.au/usc-fraser-coast-tour">usc.edu.au/usc-fraser-coast-tour</a>



## USC Caboolture

A hands-on campus experience halfway between Brisbane and the Sunshine Coast, close to the USC Moreton Bay campus.

This campus includes collaborative learning spaces, interactive technologies, computer labs, student common rooms, sporting facilities, a campus library, and a Health Learning and Simulation Centre with industry-standard equipment simulating a hospital environment for nursing students.

	80-106 Tallon Street, Caboolture
	Easily accessible by public transport, including bus and train. Free shuttle bus service between the campus and Caboolture train station during semester
	Free student parking
	Café
	Take a virtual tour of our Caboolture campus <a href="https://usc.edu.au/usc-caboolture-tour">usc.edu.au/usc-caboolture-tour</a>



## USC Gympie

Located in beautiful natural surrounds, campus facilities include interactive learning technologies, collaborative study areas and computer labs.

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Full degree programs in nursing and education. You can also study first year courses from a range of other USC programs and then complete your degree at USC Sunshine Coast.

	71 Cartwright Road, Gympie
	USC Gympie connects to USC Sunshine Coast via a daily shuttle bus. An express shuttle service is available from USC Gympie (via Cooroy) to USC Sunshine Coast
	Café
	Take a virtual tour of our Gympie campus <a href="https://usc.edu.au/usc-gympie-tour">usc.edu.au/usc-gympie-tour</a>



## Unique learning spaces

We're also creating unique learning environments and opportunities for our students to contribute to new knowledge, at locations like the Sunshine Coast Health Institute (SCHI), USC's Thompson Institute, and USC's K'gari Research and Learning Centre on Fraser Island.

Travel distance by from USC Sunshine Coast • USC Caboolture: 30min • USC Fraser Coast: 2hr 30min • USC Gympie: 1hr



# SUPPORT

## WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED

The decision to study at university can be daunting, but knowing you're going to be supported through the entire process should reassure you that you're making the right choice.



USC has a variety of support services\* available. From academic and careers support, through to counselling and other student services, you'll have the confidence and assistance you need to give you the best chance to succeed in your studies.



### Academic and study support

USC offers a range of learning resources and support, including online advice, one-to-one support and academic skills workshops.



### Careers and employment

Arm yourself with the information and advice you need to get your career heading in the right direction.



### Health and wellbeing

Take care of yourself while you're studying with USC's range of health and wellbeing services.



### English for Academic Study

USC provides a free, four-part informal module specifically designed for international students from a non-English speaking background with minimum entry level English skills.



### Student Success Network

USC has an active network of student groups and support services to help you settle into your studies and make the most of your university experience.



### Counselling

A free, confidential counselling service with a qualified psychologist is available to all students.



### Disability and equity

If your studies are affected by a disability, learning disorder, injury or illness, AccessAbility Services can provide assistance, advocacy and academic support.

\* Student support services may vary across USC campuses. Check individual study locations for more information [usc.edu.au/explore/usc-locations](https://usc.edu.au/explore/usc-locations)

## Student Guild

The Student Guild at USC Sunshine Coast provides a range of support and social services which include recreational activities and events, clubs and societies, student advocacy and support, confidential welfare services, emergency food bank, community kitchen, tenancy advice and free legal referrals.

The Guild is a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to supporting, representing and enriching the experience of students at USC. Your Student Guild is governed by a committee of elected students working in tandem with our team of professional staff. Your Student Guild is funded by a combination of your Student Services and Amenities Fee and other income streams.





# ORIENTATION

## WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU TO USC IN PERSON

Orientation at USC is held during the week before the start of each semester, and is a mixture of workshops to help you settle in to your studies and fun activities where you can meet other students and explore the local area.

During Orientation, you can familiarise yourself with the campus, student support services, academic expectations and requirements. These events are a great way to make new friends and begin your Australian study experience.

The academic support services include workshops on topics such as assignment writing, library tutorials and new semester study essentials.

Each USC location has its own Orientation which often includes live music, entertainment, information about USC's sporting teams and interest groups and other activities.

Students commencing in a session have their own, smaller Orientations.

Orientation dates are available closer to the time. Refer to the relevant academic calendar: [usc.edu.au/calendars](https://usc.edu.au/calendars)

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#### STUDENT SUCCESS TEAM

The Student Success team is here to talk with you about your studies and connect you with information and support services. They offer a wide range of resources to help you feel prepared for your studies.

#### CONNECT WITH OTHERS

Enhance your university experience by connecting with others — build networks for learning, support and the social aspects of being a student.

Connect with the Student Success Network at [usc.edu.au/studentsuccess](https://usc.edu.au/studentsuccess)



TRAVEL OVERSEAS, EXPERIENCE DIFFERENT CULTURES AND GET A DEGREE – AT THE SAME TIME.

# STUDY OVERSEAS



I booked my plane ticket to the other side of the world to study at Masaryk University in the Czech Republic.

My trip kicked off with an awesome Eurail experience around Europe. By train, I travelled to many countries including Austria, Slovakia, Croatia, Germany, Belgium, France and Italy.

While studying at Masaryk University, there were lots of subjects to choose from that involved learning about Czech lifestyle and culture, and allowing me to gain credit towards my degree.

My time abroad gave me a new perspective on the world. I watched the seasons change and experienced a white Christmas. I learnt about new cultures and discovered more about my own, and made friends all around the globe. From watching the snow fall in Cesky Krumlov, visiting the Christmas markets in Krakow, to relaxing in the Budapest thermal baths, ice skating, to snow skiing, mountain hiking and exploring old cities, studying abroad well and truly exceeded my expectations.

## Breanna Fraser

USC student who studied in the Czech Republic



You don't have to choose between uni and travel. Spend one or two semesters abroad at one of USC's partner institutions, or take the opportunity to complete a placement or internship overseas.

## WHY STUDY OVERSEAS?

- Improve your language skills
- Explore a new culture
- Gain valuable life skills
- Broaden your career options
- Enhance your employability
- Establish a global network of friends
- Gain credit towards your degree







I decided to leave Norway and come to USC and Australia to study a Bachelor of Animal Ecology.

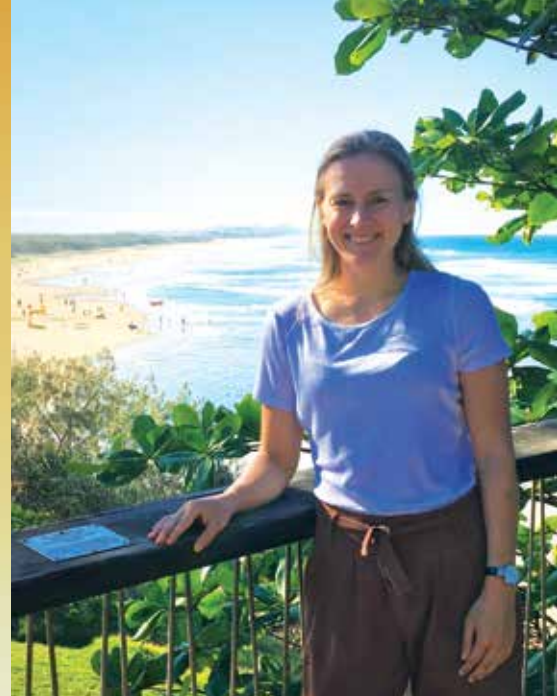
I have always been interested in animals and nature and thought this degree would be a good fit. Now, three years later and about to graduate, I do not regret my decision. My teachers have been amazing, I have learned and experienced so much through my courses.

The degree focuses on animals, their environment and conservation, and equips you with valuable skills and qualities. Whale watching, bird counting, running spiders and geckos, swimming with turtles and rays are only some of the things I have done through studying Animal Ecology.

Field trips have taken me to places like Fraser Island and Heron Island, and I have been introduced to a lot of cool research. Because of this, I decided to stay at USC another year to do my Honours degree. I am excited to see where it takes me!

### **Tina Haagensen (Norway)**

Bachelor of Animal Ecology and Bachelor of Science (Honours), USC Sunshine Coast



After one year of living in Sydney, I decided to pursue my profession as a nurse and initially I was looking for a university that is big on student support services, lo and behold, USC came up on top of the list. As an international student, it is highly valuable to be in a university that will support our academic and mental wellbeing while pursuing our personal and professional goals. For one year, I was flying back and forth between Sydney and Sunshine Coast before I finally moved to the region, but it's all worth it in the end because USC has provided me a lot of industry-related experiences not just in my degree as a nurse but also in leveraging my capabilities in networking, leadership, and cultural competency.

Having an Australian degree is an area that is difficult to let go, especially in the field of science and nursing, to better my knowledge and skills, likewise, to experience different proportions of nursing care and education because the opportunities in this profession are virtually limitless here and anywhere in the world. We have seen it first-hand, due to the pandemic, that healthcare is a vital aspect of a country's progress, hence, I am humbled to be in the frontline delivering the assistance needed by the people as a student RN and as an aged-care worker.

In line with this, I am able to put into practice my theoretical learnings from tutorials and practical skills from clinical placements to my current undertakings even before finishing my degree which is fulfilling enough during this current health crisis. All of these are happening in the fastest growing region of Queensland with beaches and mountains at the backdrop, I thought I could not ask for more, but I am also thrilled by the relentless support of the region and the state through Study Sunshine Coast and Study Queensland. Nursing and healthcare will continue to thrive but choosing USC as my education provider just made my journey more well-rounded and holistic.

### **Joe Bautista (Philippines)**

Bachelor of Nursing Science (Graduate Entry), USC Sunshine Coast



My name is Onella. I'm from a small multicultural country called Sri Lanka. I moved to Australia in 2020 and have been living in Hervey Bay for a year. I am currently in the second year of my Bachelor of Social Work and I am keen to gain experience while studying. Though, adjusting to a new environment has been a challenge amidst the ongoing pandemic, my academic journey has been great so far.

I visited Australia a couple of times before moving here. I loved everything about Australia, especially the small regional town of Hervey Bay. I visited USC Fraser Coast and absolutely loved it. Some of my family living in Hervey Bay recommended USC Fraser coast as the best place for a young beginner like me who has to adjust to major changes in life.

Social Work is a practice-based profession that concerns every individual in the community. Learning Social Work is very interesting and the support I get from my peers, lecturers and tutors is appreciated. Although USC Fraser Coast is a regional campus and a comparatively small campus, it has all the important facilities and is a great place to meet people and make friends.

### **Onella Barthelot (Sri Lanka)**

Bachelor of Social Work, USC Fraser Coast





# USC Sunshine Coast

90 Sippy Downs Drive, Sippy Downs QLD | [usc.edu.au/maps](http://usc.edu.au/maps)

USC Sunshine Coast is located in the heart of the Sunshine Coast at Sippy Downs and is home to some of the most innovative learning and visualisation facilities in Australia.

Campus facilities include a A\$37m Engineering Learning Hub with 3D CAVE2™ visualisation studio, simulated nursing and paramedic labs, specialised computer, science, manufacturing and design labs, nationally accredited sport science labs, and a range of interactive digital learning spaces.

Students have access to the award-winning USC Library and Art Gallery, modern teaching and study spaces, a community garden, and a space for multi-faith prayer and quiet reflection.

USC Sunshine Coast is a premier sporting destination with nationally-accredited facilities. The High-performance sport precinct includes the aquatic centre with a 50-metre Olympic-standard swimming pool, a six-lane 25-metre pool, cold immersion and warm plunge pool and aquatic recovery equipment, athletics track, playing fields, courts, fully equipped gym and the 3,000-seat indoor USC Stadium, which is home to the Sunshine Coast Lightning netball team.

## Getting around the Sunshine Coast

The USC Transit Centre includes a three-platform bus interchange and provides services to various Sunshine Coast locations. It also connects with trains to Brisbane and other inland towns. Bus services operate to and from USC Sunshine Coast seven days a week. However, services are limited at weekends and on public holidays.

For bus timetables and to plan your journey, visit [translink.com.au](http://translink.com.au)

The average cost of a one-way, full-time student award, on-peak bus fare from USC to Maroochydore is approximately A\$2.40 (paper ticket concession) or A\$1.63 ('Go Card' concession).

The USC Express shuttle service connects some USC study locations and major transport hubs. For more information and timetables visit [usc.edu.au/express](http://usc.edu.au/express)

## TRAVELLING TIMES ON THE SUNSHINE COAST

Bus	Campus to Kawana	25 minutes
	Campus to Mooloolaba	10 minutes
	Campus to Maroochydore or Nambour	30 minutes
	Campus to Landsborough Railway Station	20 minutes
	Maroochydore to Noosa or Caloundra	55 minutes
	Campus to Brisbane (bus and train link)	2 hours, 30 minutes
Car	Campus to Mooloolaba	10 minutes
	Campus to Kawana	15 minutes
	Campus to Maroochydore, Caloundra or Nambour	20 minutes
	Campus to Noosa	40 minutes
	Campus to Brisbane	1 hour
Train	Campus to Brisbane (bus and train link)	2 hours, 30 minutes
	Landsborough to Brisbane	1 hour, 30 minutes
	Nambour to Brisbane	1 hour, 45 minutes
Bicycle	Bicycle track between USC and Mooloolaba	30 minutes

## Weather

The Sunshine Coast climate suits the outdoor lifestyle and leisure activities enjoyed here. While the area does live up to its name, the Sunshine Coast also has its share of rain and the Australian summer months are usually the wettest. If you are coming in winter, you should bring warm clothes.

## Sunshine Coast weather and seasons



**Summer**  
December to February  
18–30°C  
Hot, humid and stormy



**Autumn**  
March to May  
11–27°C  
Becoming cooler



**Winter**  
June to August  
7–22°C  
Becoming cooler



**Spring**  
September to November  
10–27°C  
Becoming warmer





## ACCOMMODATION

It is essential for international students to organise either short or long-term accommodation before arriving on the Sunshine Coast so you know you have somewhere to stay when you get here. There are a variety of accommodation options close to campus whether you want to live in a student village, share a house or find a place of your own.

### Privately owned accommodation providers

Many international and Australian students live in one of the three privately-owned, fully-furnished accommodation complexes that are conveniently located next to the University.

UniCentral, Varsity Apartments and The Village all offer modern self-contained accommodation in resort-style complexes and are all linked by a pathway to the campus, which is an easy three-minute walk away.

You can book directly through the private accommodation providers' websites. Once you have signed a lease, it can be difficult and expensive to change your accommodation, so it is important you understand the terms and conditions of your lease arrangement.

On departure, you will have to pay for any damage to your room/apartment, and you risk eviction if you do not follow the accommodation provider's rules. If you have any problems with your accommodation, ask the managers for assistance.

#### THE VILLAGE

Tel: +61 7 5430 2500 | [thevillagesippydowns.com.au/](http://thevillagesippydowns.com.au/)

The Village offers two and three bedroom share villas, some with private garages attached. Each apartment is furnished and has a shared living room, kitchen and laundry facilities. Each private bedroom includes a double bed, some with a private bathroom, telephone, study desk and chair, internet connection and a free intercom system.

Facilities include:

- three pools including a four-lane 25-metre lap pool
- a flood-lit tennis court/basketball court
- outdoor recreational areas and barbecues
- secure gated complex with on-site managers and night security

#### UNICENTRAL

Tel: +61 7 5373 0000 | [unicentral.net.au](http://unicentral.net.au)

UniCentral offers four-share accommodation in modern, self-contained apartments. Each unit has a shared lounge, kitchen and laundry facilities, and a courtyard or balcony. Each private bedroom includes a double bed, bathroom, telephone, study desk and chair, internet connection, free USC intranet, and an intercom system.

Facilities include:

- six-lane, 25-metre swimming pool
- flood-lit tennis/basketball court
- outdoor recreational area and barbecues
- recreational pavilion with pool tables, table tennis, cable TV, DVD, stereo and more
- on-site managers and night security

#### VARSITY APARTMENTS

Tel: +61 7 5450 2000  
[varsityapartments.com.au](http://varsityapartments.com.au)

Varsity Apartments is a four-star, resort style property. All four bedroom apartments are self-contained with shared lounge and cooking facilities. Each bedroom has a private bathroom, double bed, telephone line and internet access. The apartments are fully furnished. The complex has on-site managers.

Facilities include:

- complimentary satellite television
- lap pool and resort-style swimming pool with spa
- beach volleyball, basketball and tennis courts
- gymnasium
- barbecue areas
- coin-operated laundry and linen hire

Varsity apartments also offers short-term accommodation for students for a minimum of two night stays at competitive rates (subject to availability).

### Homestay

Living with an Australian family gives you the opportunity to experience Australian culture and speak English on a daily basis.

You can search for homestay providers and listings online. One private, standards-based homestay organisation is the Australian Homestay Network (AHN), which gives international students the opportunity to be hosted by a specially trained AHN homestay host for their introduction to accommodation and living in Australia.

For details, costs and applications, visit [homestaynetwork.org](http://homestaynetwork.org)

### Other accommodation\*

USC is close to suburbs and towns where off-campus accommodation is easy to find.

If you would like to rent your own house, apartment, townhouse or flat, real estate agents and private providers advertise on the following websites:

- [domain.com.au](http://domain.com.au)
- [realestate.com.au](http://realestate.com.au)
- [easyroommate.com.au](http://easyroommate.com.au)
- [flatmates.com](http://flatmates.com)

**\* Please note:** The University of the Sunshine Coast does not provide accommodation or screen information, nor does it act as an agent in the provision of accommodation information. It is your responsibility to determine whether the housing arrangements are suitable. Any person utilising third party information, such as the privately owned accommodation provider information, is advised to read USC's Disclaimer [usc.edu.au/disclaimer](http://usc.edu.au/disclaimer)



## Thompson Institute

12 Innovation Parkway, Birtinya Qld | [usc.edu.au/maps](https://usc.edu.au/maps)

The Thompson Institute is located in Birtinya approximately 15-minute drive by car from the main USC Sunshine Coast campus.

The Institute is developing into a world-class facility for mental health and neurological research, teaching and clinical services. The institute will enable USC to make a major contribution to the understanding, diagnosis and treatment of disorders of the brain and mind and be at the forefront of vital research for the Sunshine Coast in the areas of aging, dementia and mental health issues relating to youth and adolescents.

**Please note:** Students studying either the Master of Psychology (Clinical) or Master of Professional Psychology will be based at this location.

International students from other programs cannot study at this location.

### Accommodation

The Institute is close to suburbs and towns where off-campus accommodation is easy to find.

If you would like to rent your own house, apartment, townhouse or flat, real estate agents and private providers advertise on the following websites:

- [domain.com.au](https://domain.com.au)
- [realestate.com.au](https://realestate.com.au)
- [easyroommate.com.au](https://easyroommate.com.au)
- [flatmates.com](https://flatmates.com)
- [share-accommodation.net](https://share-accommodation.net)

Study Queensland also provides comprehensive accommodation information: [studyqueensland.qld.gov.au/live/accommodation](https://studyqueensland.qld.gov.au/live/accommodation)

You may also consider living at one of the private accommodation providers close to our USC Sunshine Coast campus.

More information about this accommodation can be found on page 11.

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### Services and facilities

The Institute is a study hub and there are limited services available onsite. Students studying at the Institute can access all the services and facilities available at the USC Sunshine Coast campus.

Students should be aware of the distance between USC Sunshine Coast main campus and this study hub:

- Car: 15 minutes
- Bus: 30 minutes

For bus timetables and to plan your journey, visit [translink.com.au](https://translink.com.au)

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### COMPUTER ACCESS

Computer access is available at the institute. Additionally, computer labs are available 24/7 for current USC students at the USC Sunshine Coast campus.

Access is gained by placing your USC student ID card on the access point at the main entrance to the computer lab.

Visit **Find A PC** to locate an available PC on this campus or for locations, visit [usc.edu.au/maps](https://usc.edu.au/maps)

### STUDENT IT HELP

Tel: +61 7 5459 4455

Email: [StudentITHelp@usc.edu.au](mailto:StudentITHelp@usc.edu.au)

### PRINTING, COPYING AND SCANNING

You can print and photocopy at minimal costs using your USC student ID card. Scanning is free. For more information and printer locations, visit [usc.edu.au/library](https://usc.edu.au/library)

### LIBRARY

Thompson Institute students have access to the USC Library General Collection at the USC Sunshine Coast campus.

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Email: [LibraryHelp@usc.edu.au](mailto:LibraryHelp@usc.edu.au)  
Tel: +61 7 5430 2804  
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### FOOD SERVICES

There are no cafes or eateries onsite at the Institute. However, there are various shops and eateries close by.





## USC Moreton Bay

1 Moreton Parade, Petrie Qld | [usc.edu.au/maps](https://usc.edu.au/maps)

USC Moreton Bay is Australia's newest university campus in the heart of Moreton Bay. Located in Petrie, the campus offers world-class study opportunities for the region. Adjacent to the Petrie train station and bus stop, the campus is easily accessible by public rail and bus transport, as well as being connected to a dedicated cycle/walking path.

The university precinct is being built on the site of the former Petrie paper mill, two minutes south of the Petrie town centre. For its Traditional Owners, the site has long been a place of learning, and it will once again become a centre of education and knowledge in the region.

USC Moreton Bay is the anchor of The Mill at Moreton Bay, a vibrant civic, cultural and business precinct planned by Moreton Bay Regional Council.

The new campus includes a 460-seat capacity lecture theatre, \$15 million worth of state-of-the-art technology, nursing simulation labs, a 120-capacity Superlab for chemical experiments and specialist engineering labs designed for cross-discipline collaboration, and dedicated student study spaces with 24/7 library access.

### Getting around Moreton Bay

USC Moreton Bay is within easy reach of the Petrie train station (approximately 400 metres) connecting to the Caboolture and Redcliffe Peninsula rail lines and serviced by local buses. For route and fare information for the public bus and train [translink.com.au](https://translink.com.au)

During the semester, USC students and staff have access to the campus' free shuttle bus service which runs between USC Sunshine Coast (Sippy Downs) campus and the USC Moreton Bay campus throughout the day. This service is known as the Moreton Bay Shuttle.

For more information and timetables visit [usc.edu.au/express](https://usc.edu.au/express)

### Accommodation

It is essential for international students to organise either short or long-term accommodation before arriving in Australia so you know you have somewhere to stay when you get here.

Most students in the Moreton Bay region live in rental accommodation, which they often share with others.

Some students may also choose to live in one of the privately owned accommodation complexes situated in Brisbane, for example

- [iglu.com.au](https://iglu.com.au)
- [studentone.com](https://studentone.com)
- [urbanest.com.au](https://urbanest.com.au)





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For details, costs and applications, visit [homestaynetwork.org](http://homestaynetwork.org)

## Other accommodation\*

USC Moreton Bay is close to suburbs and towns where off-campus accommodation is easy to find.

If you would like to rent your own house, apartment, townhouse or flat, real estate agents and private providers advertise on the following websites:

- [domain.com.au](http://domain.com.au)
- [realestate.com.au](http://realestate.com.au)
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- [flatmates.com](http://flatmates.com)

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## Airport transfers

There are frequent international flights direct to Brisbane, or you can fly into Sydney, Melbourne, Perth or Cairns and take a domestic flight to Brisbane.

You can book airport transfers online at [con-x-ion.com](http://con-x-ion.com)

## Campus services and facilities

### STUDENT CENTRAL AND WELLBEING

Student Centre, Ground Floor  
1 Moreton Parade, Petrie 4502

#### STUDENT CENTRAL

Tel: +61 7 5430 2890  
Email: [studentcentral@usc.edu.au](mailto:studentcentral@usc.edu.au)

#### STUDENT WELLBEING

Tel: +61 7 5430 1226  
Email: [studentwellbeing@usc.edu.au](mailto:studentwellbeing@usc.edu.au)

#### STUDENT IT HELP

Tel: +61 7 5459 4455  
Email: [StudentITHelp@usc.edu.au](mailto:StudentITHelp@usc.edu.au)

## Computers on campus

Students can access computers on campus for general study purposes. You will need your student card to access the room and/or the building. Scheduled classes always have priority access.

At USC Moreton Bay, computers are available for student study in the 24/7 study space (MB-A.G.55), to the right of the main entrance.

Visit **Find A PC** to locate an available PC on this campus or for locations, visit [usc.edu.au/maps](http://usc.edu.au/maps)

## Printing, copying and scanning

You can print and photocopy at minimal costs using your USC student ID card.

Scanning is free. For more information and printer locations, visit [usc.edu.au/library](http://usc.edu.au/library)

## Library

USC Moreton Bay's library is open 24 hours a day for students.

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## Food services

There is a kitchen and a common room available for students' use. Various shops and eateries are nearby.



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## USC Caboolture

80–106 Tallon Street, Caboolture Qld | [usc.edu.au/maps](https://usc.edu.au/maps)

USC Caboolture is within easy reach of the Caboolture train station (approximately 1.5 kms) and is serviced by local buses.

As part of the Moreton Bay region, USC Caboolture is around 25 kilometers north of USC Moreton Bay and 50 kilometers south of USC Sunshine Coast. The campus is approximately a 50 minute drive north of Brisbane.

USC Caboolture offers a hands-on campus experience. The campus includes collaborative learning spaces, interactive technologies, computer labs, student common rooms, sporting facilities, a campus library, and the Health Learning and Simulation Centre, where nursing students build practical skills and work with industry-standard equipment in a simulated hospital environment.

USC Caboolture offers all USC student services, including academic and study support, library and IT services, counselling, health and wellbeing support, Indigenous Services and more.

### GETTING AROUND CABOOLTURE

A free shuttle service is offered for all USC students and staff travelling between the USC Caboolture campus and the Caboolture train station during semester. This service is called the Caboolture Loop Shuttle.

The campus is a 20 minute walk from the Caboolture train station which is also serviced by the Caboolture Bus Lines. The urban services are part of the Translink network.

For bus and train timetables and to plan your journey, visit [translink.com.au](https://translink.com.au)

Caboolture campus has plenty of free on-site parking available for students.

The University provides express shuttle buses between the Caboolture campus and the USC Sunshine Coast campus.

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## Campus services and facilities

### STUDENT CENTRAL AND WELLBEING

J Block — Level 1,  
Cnr Manley and Tallon Street, Caboolture  
Tel: +61 7 5430 2900

### STUDENT IT HELP

Tel: +61 7 5459 4455  
Email: [StudentITHelp@usc.edu.au](mailto:StudentITHelp@usc.edu.au)

**Please note:** The campus gates are locked daily and the campus is closed on Sundays and all public holidays. Please refer to the Library and Student Central for their campus opening hours as they differ to the computer lab/common room hours.

### COMPUTERS ON CAMPUS

USC Caboolture has a number of student computer labs for research, assignment preparation, printing and group study. The labs are located in the following Buildings J2.02, B2.07, the Library, N Block — Student Common Building and H Block — Indigenous Services Learning Hub. Labs are only available when formal classes are not running.

Visit **Find A PC** to locate an available PC on this campus or for locations, visit [usc.edu.au/maps](http://usc.edu.au/maps)

### PRINTING, COPYING AND SCANNING

You can print and photocopy at minimal costs using your USC student ID card. Scanning is free. USC Caboolture has four colour copier/printer/scanners available in the library and in Building J and H.

For more information and printer locations, visit [usc.edu.au/library](http://usc.edu.au/library)

### LIBRARY

The library is a shared facility with TAFE Queensland and has a dedicated USC Library Helpdesk. The library offers Reserve and General collections.

For more information, visit [libguides.usc.edu.au/usclib](http://libguides.usc.edu.au/usclib)

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Tel: +61 7 5430 2804  
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### FOOD SERVICES

There is a Cafeteria on campus and also a common room for students' use.

Other shops and cafés are just a short walk from the USC Caboolture campus.

## Caboolture weather and seasons



**Summer**  
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Hot, humid and stormy



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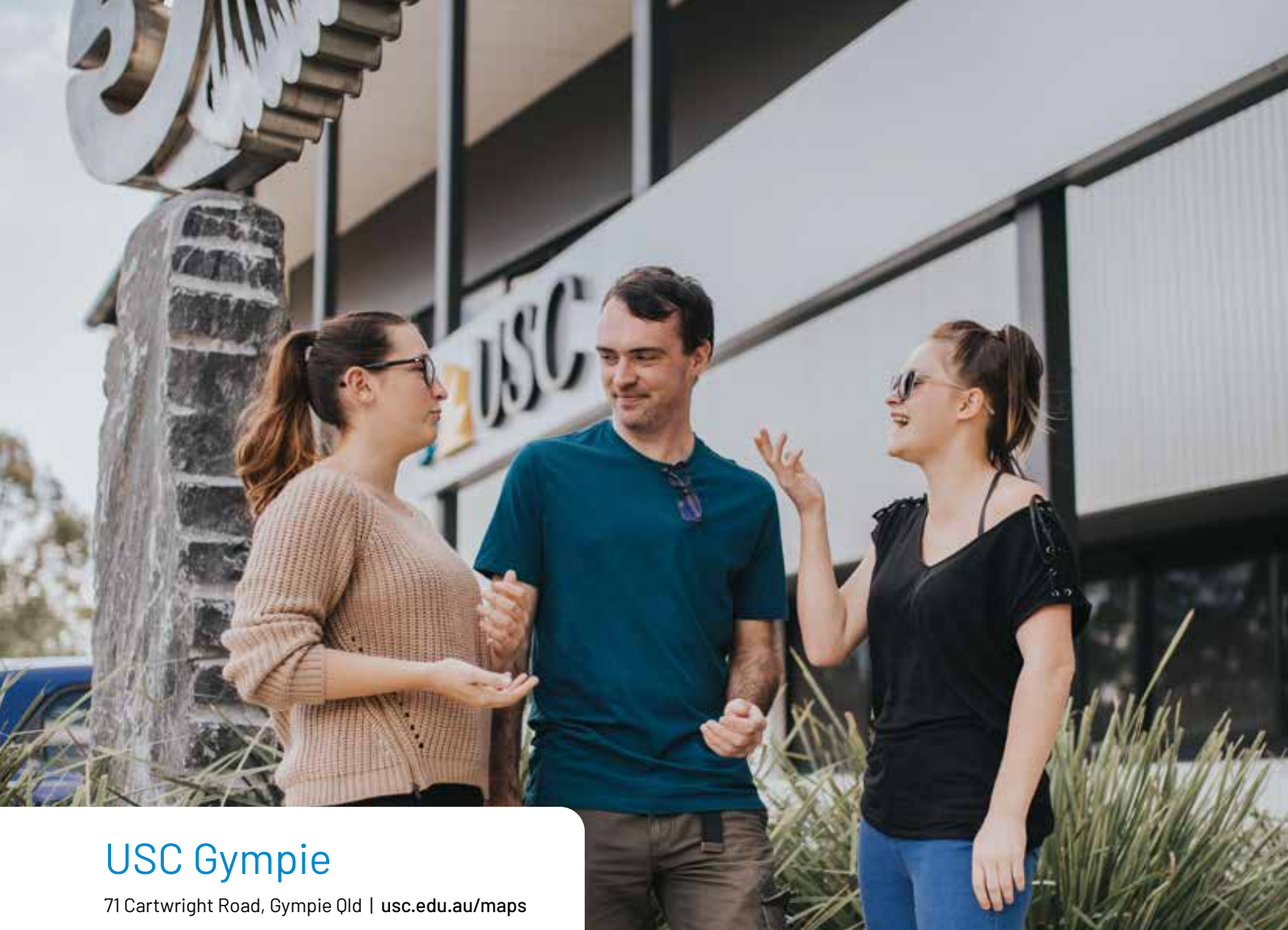


**Winter**  
June to August  
10–24°C  
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**Spring**  
September to November  
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## USC Gympie

71 Cartwright Road, Gympie Qld | [usc.edu.au/maps](https://usc.edu.au/maps)

USC Gympie is located in beautiful natural surrounds and connects to USC Sunshine Coast via a daily shuttle bus. The campus is approximately an hour's drive north of the USC Sunshine Coast campus.

The Gympie region is ideally situated only two hours from Brisbane and 30 minutes from Noosa. It is on the doorstep of the World Heritage listed Fraser Island and Great Barrier Reef and is home to an abundance of state and national parks and part of the Great Sandy Biosphere.

The population of the Gympie region is approximately 50,000 people.

Campus facilities include interactive learning technologies, collaborative study areas and computer labs.

USC Gympie offers all USC student services, including academic and study support, library and IT services, counselling, health and wellbeing support, Indigenous Services and more.

### GETTING AROUND GYMPIE

Public transport via bus in the Gympie area is provided by Polleys and operates between the hours of 8am and 5pm Monday to Friday with some routes providing services on weekends.

For route information and bus timetables, visit [polleys.com.au](https://polleys.com.au)

Queensland Rail runs two train services daily between Gympie, the Sunshine Coast and Brisbane. For more information, visit [translink.com.au](https://translink.com.au)

The University provides express shuttle buses between the Gympie campus (via Cooroy) and the USC Sunshine Coast campus.

For more information and timetables, visit [usc.edu.au/express](https://usc.edu.au/express)

### Accommodation

It is essential for international students to organise either short or long-term accommodation before arriving in Australia so you know you have somewhere to stay when you get here.

There are currently no student accommodation providers based in Gympie.

USC Gympie is close to suburbs and towns where off-campus accommodation is easy to find.

If you would like to rent your own house, apartment, townhouse or flat, real estate agents and private providers advertise on the following websites:

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- [easyroommate.com.au](https://easyroommate.com.au)
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## Airport transfers

There are frequent international flights direct to Brisbane International Airport, which is the closest international airport to Gympie.

You can fly direct to Brisbane, or fly into Sydney or Melbourne, and take a connecting flight to Brisbane or the Sunshine Coast.

There are daily domestic flights from Sydney and Melbourne to Maroochydore (Sunshine Coast) Airport, which is a 60-minute drive from Gympie.

You can book airport transfers online at [con-x-ion.com](http://con-x-ion.com)

## Campus services and facilities

### STUDENT CENTRAL AND WELLBEING

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Tel: +61 7 5456 5800

### STUDENT IT HELP

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### COMPUTERS ON CAMPUS

Students have access to three computers and a virtual IT Helpdesk in the learning commons area opposite the student kitchen as well as an additional eight computers on Level 1. You will need your USC student ID card to access the building outside standard office hours.

Visit **Find A PC** to locate an available PC on this campus or for locations, visit [usc.edu.au/maps](http://usc.edu.au/maps)

### PRINTING, COPYING AND SCANNING

You can print and photocopy at minimal costs using your USC student ID card. Scanning is free. USC Gympie has 1 colour printer (A4), binding machine and guillotine located in the Student Commons Area.

For more information and printer locations, visit [usc.edu.au/library](http://usc.edu.au/library)

### LIBRARY

The library is a shared space with the Wide Bay Institute of TAFE (Gympie Campus) and offers Reserve and General collections.

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### FOOD SERVICES

There is a canteen located opposite the USC Gympie building in Block A of the Wide Bay Institute of TAFE (Gympie Campus).

There is also a student kitchen equipped with a fridge, microwave, basic cutlery and utensils.

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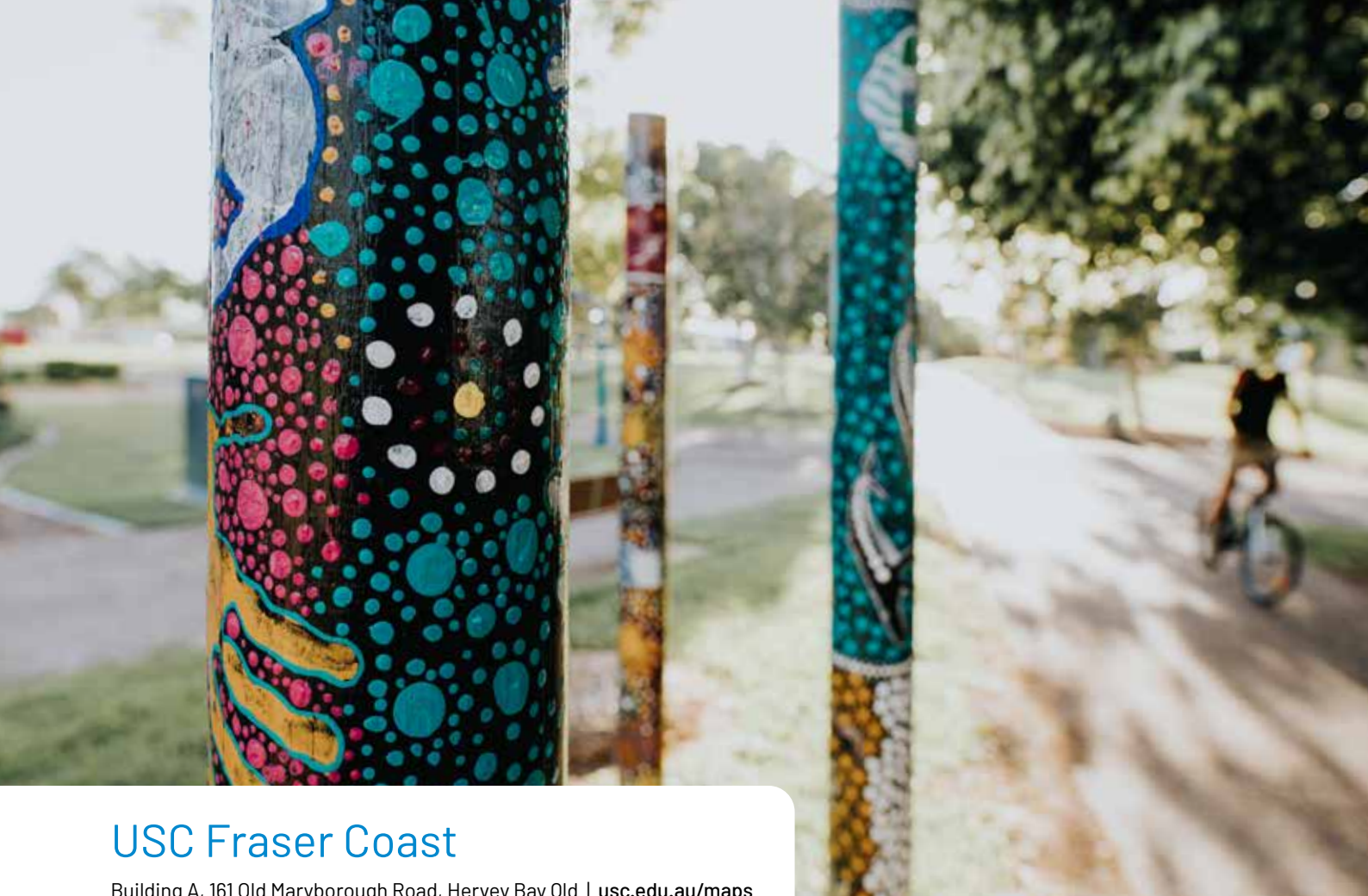


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## USC Fraser Coast

Building A, 161 Old Maryborough Road, Hervey Bay Qld | [usc.edu.au/maps](https://usc.edu.au/maps)

USC Fraser Coast is located in the heart of Hervey Bay, approximately 2.5 hours north of the USC Sunshine Coast campus by car and with easy access to USC's K'gari Research and Learning Centre.

The campus is located in the central business district, a short walk from local shops and cafés and a few minutes' drive to quiet bayside beaches.

Campus facilities include interactive learning technologies, simulated nursing wards, specialist science laboratories, a student library, a Makerspace, collaborative study areas and computer labs.

USC Fraser Coast offers all USC student services, including academic and study support, library and IT services, counselling, health and wellbeing support, Indigenous Services and more.

### GETTING AROUND HERVEY BAY

Wide Bay Transit buses link the campus with all major shopping centres and suburbs of Hervey Bay and Maryborough.

For route information and bus timetables, visit [widebaytransit.com.au](https://widebaytransit.com.au)

USC Fraser Coast is easily accessible by car and bicycle, with ample parking.

### Accommodation

It is essential for international students to organise either short or long-term accommodation before arriving in Australia so you know you have somewhere to stay when you get here.

USC Fraser Coast is close to suburbs and towns where off-campus accommodation is easy to find.

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### Airport transfers

There are frequent international flights direct to Brisbane International Airport, which is the closest international airport to Hervey Bay.

Fraser Coast Airport is a 10-minute drive from the campus, with direct flights to both Brisbane and Sydney.

You can book airport transfers online at [con-x-ion.com](https://con-x-ion.com)

## Campus services and facilities

### STUDENT CENTRAL AND WELLBEING

Building A,  
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Tel: +61 7 4128 5200

### STUDENT IT HELP

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### COMPUTERS ON CAMPUS

USC Fraser Coast has a number of student computer labs for research, assignment preparation, printing and group study. The labs in Building A are available 24/7 with swipe-card access. Students also have 24/7 access to computers and desk space for laptops in the quiet study area of the Library.

Visit **Find A PC** to locate an available PC on this campus or for locations, visit [usc.edu.au/maps](http://usc.edu.au/maps)

### PRINTING, COPYING AND SCANNING

You can print and photocopy at minimal costs using your USC student ID card.

Scanning is free. USC Fraser Coast has 2-colour copier/printer/scanners a binding machine and laminator located in the library and Building A.135.

For more information and printer locations, visit [usc.edu.au/library](http://usc.edu.au/library)

### LIBRARY

The library is a shared building with the Fraser Coast Regional Council public library. The library is accessible 24/7 via student ID card but the collection is only accessible during opening hours.

The library offers access Reserve and General collections.

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### FOOD SERVICES

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## 2021 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

For more details and for session/trimester dates,  
view the academic calendar at [usc.edu.au/calendars](https://usc.edu.au/calendars)

Semester 1, 2021	1 March–25 June
Orientation	22–26 February
Semester 1 begins	1 March
Census date	26 March
Mid-semester break	2–9 April
Exam preparation	7–11 June
Exams	14–25 June
Semester 2 ends	25 June

Semester 2, 2021	26 July–19 November
Orientation	19–23 July
Semester 2 begins	26 July
Census date	20 August
Mid-semester break	27 September–1 October
Exam preparation	1–5 November
Exams	8–19 November
Semester 2 ends	19 November



# STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM

USC's Study Abroad program allows you to study at USC for one or two semesters, where you can enjoy an exceptional international and intercultural education experience.

## LOCATION

USC Sunshine Coast (Sippy Downs)

## CRICOS CODES

Study Abroad ..... 026639B

Study Abroad (Full Year) ..... 056828D

## COMMENCES

Semester 1 or Semester 2

## DURATION

### Study Abroad Undergraduate:

One semester (4 months) or two semesters (full year)

### Study Abroad Postgraduate:

Two sessions (4 months) or four sessions (full year)

**Note:** Enrolment in Study Abroad Postgraduate is subject to course availability and meeting course prerequisites.

## MORE INFORMATION

For more information on the Study Abroad programs and tuition fees, visit [usc.edu.au/studyabroad](https://usc.edu.au/studyabroad)

\* Credit transfer (including credit weighting) towards your home degree is based on your home institution's approval.

If you are currently studying at a university or college, you can earn credit\* for the courses you study at USC towards your home degree. You can have an international study experience without extending the time it takes to complete your studies.

If you are a secondary school graduate, you will have the opportunity to gain international experience before starting your degree.

Study Abroad students generally study four courses per semester, which equates to approximately 30 ECTS or 15-18 US credit points\*. For a full range of courses, visit [usc.edu.au/studyabroad](https://usc.edu.au/studyabroad)

## Flexibility to plan your studies

This program is a great option if you have just finished high school and want to study abroad without committing to a degree program. It is also a good option if you are currently enrolled at an overseas institution and only want to study abroad for a short time, while possibly earning credit towards your home degree.

This program is available as a one semester (four months) option, or two semesters (full year) option.

## Take classes with the locals

You will be able to choose three or four courses (36 or 48 units) from USC's extensive course catalogue. The courses on offer are taken directly from within USC's undergraduate programs, which means you have the opportunity to take classes with the locals and you will have a wide range of study disciplines to choose from.

## An academic and cultural adventure

Studying abroad not only provides life-changing opportunities, but it is also an academic and cultural adventure — an adventure that allows you to move across the globe, and continue to undertake your academic studies, while fully immersing yourself in Australian culture.

Australian culture is certainly on offer at USC Sunshine Coast. Located in the sunny state of Queensland on Australia's east coast and only a short one-hour drive north of the state's capital, Brisbane — the Sunshine Coast is a destination of endless beaches, lush rainforests, and expansive hinterlands. It is home to the architecturally diverse USC Sunshine Coast campus — a campus renowned for its environmentally sustainable approach.

## Memories to last a lifetime

At USC Sunshine Coast, you will become one of the locals in no time and enjoy making friends with Australians, while also meeting students from around the world.

The friendships, experiences and memories you make at USC are sure to last a lifetime.





# DIPLOMA PROGRAMS

Are you looking to study abroad for one\* or two semesters, and want to receive an Australian qualification while you study? If your answer is yes, then one of USC's diploma programs may be the program for you!

## LOCATION

USC Sunshine Coast (Sippy Downs)

## CRICOS CODES

Diploma in Business .....	084894F
Diploma in Communication.....	084895E
Diploma in Criminology and Justice .....	0100425
Diploma in General Studies.....	084896D
Diploma in Outdoor Environmental Studies .....	088627D
Diploma in Social Science.....	084897C
Diploma in Sport and Fitness .....	088628C

## COMMENCES

Semester 1 or Semester 2

## DURATION

Two semesters (full year)

## MORE INFORMATION

For more information on Diploma programs and tuition fees, visit [usc.edu.au/diploma-programs](http://usc.edu.au/diploma-programs)

USC offers six diploma programs. USC's diplomas are recognised one-year (96 units) Australian Qualification Framework (AQF) award programs.

These programs are a great option if you have just finished high school and want to study abroad without committing to a three- or four-year degree program. They are also a good option if you are currently enrolled at an overseas institution and only want to study abroad for a short time, while possibly earning an AQF qualification to use towards your home degree\*\*.

## Course flexibility while studying among the locals

To be eligible to graduate from this program, you are required to successfully complete eight courses (96 units) over two semesters.

Each semester you will be required to enrol in four courses (or 48 units) from USC's extensive course catalogue.

The courses on offer are taken directly from within several of USC's undergraduate programs, which means you have the opportunity to enrol in classes with the locals, while having the flexibility to choose your preferred courses.

## Graduate with an award and celebrate your achievements

Students who successfully complete a USC diploma program are eligible to:

- graduate with an (AQF) diploma
- participate in the USC Graduation ceremony, and/or
- participate in the International Ceremony of Completion

## Apply for credit and complete your program in one semester<sup>#</sup>

USC offers eligible students the opportunity to apply for their preferred diploma with up to 50 percent credit transfer<sup>#</sup>, which means students could complete the program in one semester.

- students can apply for credit for up to four courses (48 units)
- if four courses of credit transfer are granted, students will be required to successfully complete the remaining four courses (48 units) at USC to graduate
- eligibility of credit transfer can only be assessed once an application has been received

\* To be eligible, students with recognised prior tertiary studies must apply for and receive credit transfer.

\*\* Subject to home institution approval.



# DOUBLE DEGREE PROGRAMS

Maximise your study by earning degrees from both USC and your home university in the same time period.

Credit transfers from your home university toward a USC program, could see you earn a USC Bachelor degree in just two semesters or a USC Master degree in just one semester, while completing your home degree at the same time.

Completing a degree at the USC will further enhance your English language skills enabling you to experience Australian culture whilst providing you a competitive advantage in the global business environment.

## How does it work?

You could complete a USC Bachelor degree in as little as two semesters (one year full-time study) if you have completed similar tertiary study at home.

Are you already enrolled in postgraduate study? You could complete a USC Master in only one semester if you have completed similar postgraduate studies at home.

If your home university provides credit transfer for your USC studies, you may be able to complete both your home degree and USC degree in the same time period.

## What can I study?

Our most popular degrees for this study option are:

- Bachelor of Business (CRICOS code: 022807A)
- Master of International Business (CRICOS code: 077420K)
- Master of Management (CRICOS code: 082695G)
- Master of Business Administration (CRICOS code: 066777E)

Double degree options are available in other study areas as well. If you would like to find out more about obtaining degrees from both USC and your home university at the same time, please contact the International Office.

### LOCATION

USC Sunshine Coast (Sippy Downs)

### COMMENCES

Semester 1 or Semester 2

### MORE INFORMATION

For more information on Double degree programs and tuition fees, visit [usc.edu.au/study/international-students/programs-and-fees/double-degrees#tab-what-can-i-study](https://usc.edu.au/study/international-students/programs-and-fees/double-degrees#tab-what-can-i-study)



It has definitely been the best decision of my life to study abroad in Australia. I was one of the first Master students of my home university who went to the USC and had the chance of doing a double degree during one semester. The Orientation days at USC have given the students enough information to not worry about a thing and the chosen courses have been very enjoyable (besides giving us a lot of free food and the chance to meet the other international students). The classes were smaller in comparison to classes in Austria and the lecturers communicate with the students on a more personal level. They were always willing to help and always available for any concerns, which was a pretty pleasant study experience. The campus itself is very well equipped and it was actually a lot of fun to work on assignments at the library with all the other students. What is more, besides the USC gym, there were a lot of activities and clubs for students to join. One of the best experiences for me was living in the student accommodation, which was only five minutes walk from the campus. Living there made it a lot easier to get to know all those awesome people from all over the world I've met! Other little extras are all the beautiful beaches nearby and the kangaroos chilling directly on the campus, or the travels you can do in this stunning country! To sum up, I had the time of my life and it was worth every dollar I've spent! I am so grateful for this unique experience and would recommend it to everyone!

### Christina Bloms

Master of Management from University of Applied Sciences and Management Vienna, Austria







## Why choose a USC degree?

### FIVE-STAR RATINGS FROM GRADUATES

We're one of Australia's highest-rated public universities for Teaching Quality, Overall Experience, First Generation, Learning Resources, Skills Development and Social Equity.\*

Our graduates have also told us that the quality of teaching and the personalised attention they receive makes all the difference to their overall satisfaction and the skills they gain from study.

### FLEXIBLE LEARNING

Learn whichever way works best for you with multiple campus locations, blended learning modes and staff-to-student ratios that give you inclusive, personalised support.

### WORK AND OVERSEAS STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

USC networks and partnerships provide you with opportunities for work placements and overseas study.

### CUTTING-EDGE TEACHING

As a USC student you'll learn from educational leaders who are committed to student-centred learning. You'll also be surrounded by innovative learning facilities, many of which are the first of their kind in education.

### WORLD-CLASS RESEARCH

USC's international reputation for research is growing every year with 26 research fields now rated at world standard or above. This means that you'll be learning from frontrunners in your field in an environment where you're surrounded by people at the leading edge of discovery.

# DEGREE PROGRAMS

USC's degree programs prepare you for your future career.

## Areas of study

- Arts and International Studies
- Business, Tourism and Events
- Communication, Design and Creative Industries
- Education
- Environmental Studies
- Law and Criminology
- Medical and Health Sciences
- Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedicine
- Psychology and Social Sciences
- Science, IT and Engineering
- Sport and Exercise Science

## Undergraduate degrees

No matter what kind of future you're looking for, you can find it at USC. Our degrees (also called 'programs') give you the choice and flexibility you need to get started on any career goal.

## Postgraduate degrees

Postgraduate study can give you a competitive edge and advance your career.

## Higher Degree by Research

A Higher Degree by Research (HDR) is a supervised research program that requires original research in an area that both interests you and is of broader significance to the University and the community.

### MORE INFORMATION

For more information on study locations, options and tuition fees, visit [usc.edu.au/internationalprograms](https://usc.edu.au/internationalprograms)

\* Good Universities Guide 2021.



## Credit transfer

You may be able to gain credit towards your USC program if you have previously completed some tertiary study. Depending on your prior qualifications or studies, you may be able to complete a USC bachelor degree in as little as two semesters (one academic year).

As well as study at undergraduate and postgraduate level, USC also recognises study completed at associate degree or diploma level for credit transfer, such as:

- French – BTS or DUT
- Denmark – Academy Profession (AP) Degree
- Sweden – Högskoleexamen
- USA – Associate Degree

If you are currently studying, you may be able to credit the study completed at USC towards your home qualification, meaning you could graduate with two qualifications in the same time period.

## International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma

Your IB Diploma could earn you up to four courses (a full semester) of credit towards a USC bachelor degree. The credit you gain is determined by the IB Diploma subjects you completed and your choice of USC degree program. You can apply for credit transfer at the time of submitting your application form to the International Office.

To assist us in determining what credit can be awarded, where available include course outlines of courses you have already completed as supporting documentation with your application.

## Professional Recognition of USC Programs

Some of USC's programs are accredited or recognised by professional bodies in Australia.

Professional recognition may afford graduates automatic membership of a professional body or allow graduates to apply for membership.

In some cases, membership of a professional body requires meeting criteria in addition to a higher education qualification. For example, you may need to demonstrate a specific level of English language proficiency or hours of work experience.

To practice in certain professions, membership of the relevant professional body is required. Some key things to keep in mind are:

- you should investigate the requirements for membership of professional bodies relevant to your degree program.
- you should confirm with any relevant overseas (or Australian professional body that your USC qualification will entitle you to work in your intended profession, and what other criteria you might be required to meet).

You can find information about USC degrees and professional recognition on individual program information pages at [usc.edu.au/internationalprograms](https://usc.edu.au/internationalprograms)





# PATHWAYS to tertiary study

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAMS

USC offers English for Academic Purposes (EAP) programs at four levels: pre-intermediate, intermediate, upper intermediate and advanced.

The EAP programs are excellent preparation for further study and where completed at the appropriate level, can meet English language requirements for most of USC's undergraduate and postgraduate programs.

Our programs offer:

- skills to participate in seminars and lectures
- essay writing
- assessment includes assignments, reading and listening tests and an oral presentation
- use of University facilities and resources
- IELTS exam preparation
- a certificate on course completion (if satisfactorily attended)

All programs are offered in hybrid mode which means they will run via face to face and online learning. Students who are studying in Australia on a Student visa must attend face to face.

**LOCATION:** USC Sunshine Coast (Sippy Downs)

**CRICOS CODE:** 059941A

**DURATION:** 10 weeks (25 hours per week, 250 hours per program)

**TUITION FEES AND MORE INFORMATION:** Visit [usc.edu.au/english](http://usc.edu.au/english)

ACADEMIC LEVEL	PATHWAY**	PROGRAM DATES
EAP F Pre-Intermediate	Successful completion will meet entry requirements for EAP 1.	7 June-13 August 2021
EAP 1 Intermediate	Successful completion will meet entry requirements for EAP 2.	8 February-16 April 2021 23 August-29 October 2021
EAP 2 Upper Intermediate	Successful completion will meet entry requirements for most undergraduate and postgraduate programs.	8 February-16 April 2021 26 April-2 July 2021 23 August-29 October 2021 8 November 2021-28 January 2022 (Holiday break: 20 December 2021-2 January 2022)
EAP 3 Advanced	Successful completion at the required level will satisfy the minimum English language requirement for entry into most undergraduate, postgraduate programs and some programs which have higher English language requirements than standard programs.	26 April-2 July 2021 8 November 2021-28 January 2022 (Holiday break: 20 December 2021-2 January 2022)

## TERTIARY PREPARATION PATHWAY

**LOCATION:** USC Sunshine Coast (Sippy Downs)

**CRICOS CODE:** 058561K

**COMMENCES:** Semester 1 or 2

**DURATION:** One semester

**TUITION FEES AND MORE INFORMATION:** Visit [usc.edu.au/tpp](http://usc.edu.au/tpp)

The Tertiary Preparation Pathway (TPP) equips you with the skills and knowledge needed to succeed in undergraduate degree studies. TPP provides a pathway to most USC undergraduate degree programs if you do not meet our academic admission requirements.

Courses completed through TPP cannot be used as credit towards a USC degree program.

Students study four courses over one semester from the following:

- TPP101 Academic Skills for Success (compulsory)  
*PLUS*
- three courses from: Digital Futures; Chemistry; Mathematics; Statistics; Introduction to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Societies; Australian Society and Identity; An Introduction to Working within the Community; Biology; Business Study Skills and Mathematical Methods for Science and Engineering.

## POSTGRADUATE QUALIFYING PATHWAY

**LOCATION:** USC Sunshine Coast (Sippy Downs)

**CRICOS CODE:** 096508M

**COMMENCES:** Semester 1 or 2

**DURATION:** One semester

**TUITION FEES AND MORE INFORMATION:**  
Visit [usc.edu.au/postgraduate-qualifying-pathway](http://usc.edu.au/postgraduate-qualifying-pathway)

The Postgraduate Qualifying Pathway is for students who require or would benefit from additional undergraduate study in English before entry to a USC postgraduate coursework qualification.

This non-award pathway is part of a packaged offer with a USC masters degree, and is available to specifically identified students.

Students complete 48 units (four courses), which are determined by the discipline focus of the masters degree in which enrolment is sought (eg business, education, health, information and communication technology, or social science), and by course availability in the semester of study.







# ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

At USC students need to meet USC program requirements:

- ➔ be at least 18 at the commencement of their USC study
- ➔ meet the program:
  - English language requirements
  - Academic admission requirements

Additionally, students who are going to apply for a Student visa in Australia will also be assessed as to whether they meet the Department of Home Affairs' requirement of being considered a Genuine Temporary Entrant.

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

### ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES (EAP) F

One of the following (or equivalent as approved by the International Office on a case-by-case basis):

- Overall Academic IELTS score of 4.5 (with minimum of 4.5 in each subtest), or
- Internet based TOEFL (IBT) 55 (with minimum score of 13 for writing), or
- Pearson Test of English (PTE) 36 (with no communicative score less than 36)

### ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES (EAP) 1

One of the following (or equivalent as approved by the International Office on a case-by-case basis):

- Successful completion of EAP F, or
- Overall Academic IELTS score of 5.0 (with minimum of 5.0 in each subtest), or
- Internet based TOEFL (IBT) 60 (with minimum score of 15 for writing), or
- Pearson Test of English (PTE) 36 (with no communicative score less than 36)

### ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES (EAP) 2

One of the following (or equivalent as approved by the International Office on a case-by-case basis)\*:

- Successful completion of EAP 1, or
- Overall Academic IELTS score of 5.5 (with minimum of 5.0 in each subtest), or
- Internet based TOEFL (IBT) 70 (with minimum score of 15 for writing), or
- Pearson Test of English (PTE) 42 (with no communicative score less than 36)

\*Where EAP 2 is used to progress into EAP 3, different entry requirements will apply.

### ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES (EAP) 3

**EAP 3 used to prepare for a formal English language test to meet Nursing or Social Work program requirements**

One of the following (or equivalent as approved by the International Office on a case-by-case basis):

- Successful completion of EAP 2, or
- Overall Academic IELTS score of 6.5 (with a minimum score of 6.5 in each subtest), or
- Internet based TOEFL (IBT) 85 (with minimum score of 22 for writing), or
- Pearson Test of English (PTE) 61 (with no communicative score less than 61)

**EAP 3 used to meet standard English language requirements**

One of the following (or equivalent as approved by the International Office on a case-by-case basis):

- Successful completion of EAP 2, or
- Overall Academic IELTS score of 6.5 (with a minimum score of 6 in each subtest), or
- Internet based TOEFL (IBT) 85 (with minimum score of 21 for writing), or
- Pearson Test of English (PTE) 58 (with no communicative score less than 50)

➔ All students are required to complete a comprehensive level test on arrival at USC, even if English test results have been supplied.



## MEETING ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

At USC, all lectures and tutorials are delivered in English. If English is not your first language, you need to meet the minimum English language requirements for your chosen program.

The following information provides a guide for the ways in which you may demonstrate English language proficiency and the minimum achievement levels for most USC programs. Some USC programs have different English language requirements, which are detailed on our website.

For the most current information on individual program requirements, review Tables 1 and 2 at [usc.edu.au/Englishlanguagereqs](https://usc.edu.au/Englishlanguagereqs)

If you do not meet our English language requirements, you may like to consider USC's English language programs. We also accept some country specific qualifications, for example:

- DAAD certificate
- Danish Upper Secondary School
- GCE Advanced level
- Swedish Upper Secondary School

English language requirements are correct at the time of publishing, however you should check our current entry requirements available on the USC website. For more information about the types of qualification accepted and the required level to meet English language requirements, visit [usc.edu.au/Englishlanguagereqs](https://usc.edu.au/Englishlanguagereqs)

### Standard English language requirements

Test or other preparation	Undergraduate (including Undergraduate Study Abroad and TPP)	Postgraduate coursework (including PQP, Honours and Postgraduate Study Abroad)	Higher Degrees by Research (including Master by Research and Doctoral degrees)
<b>IELTS (Academic)</b>	Overall score of 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each subtest	Overall score of 6.5 with minimum 6.0 in each subtest	Overall score of 6.5 with minimum 6.0 in each subtest
<b>TOEFL: Internet-based</b>	Overall score of 76 with minimum score of 18 for writing	Overall score of 85 with minimum score of 21 for writing	Overall score of 85 with minimum score of 21 for writing
<b>Pearson Test of English</b>	Overall score of 50 with no communicative score less than 50	Overall score of 58 with no communicative score less than 54	Overall score of 58 with no communicative score less than 54
<b>English for Academic Purposes (EAP) 2</b>	Successful completion	Successful completion	Successful completion
<b>English for Academic Purposes (EAP) 3</b>	Successful completion	Successful completion	—
<b>Language of Instruction English (LOI) can be considered on a case by case basis</b>	Minimum one-year full-time tertiary study, or one-year full-time other post-secondary study, or two-years full-time secondary study, successfully completed in last five years in one of the following countries: Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Republic of Ireland, South Africa, United Kingdom and United States of America	Minimum two-year full-time tertiary study, or two-year full-time other post-secondary study, successfully completed in the last five years in one of the following countries: Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Republic of Ireland, South Africa, United Kingdom and United States of America	Minimum two-years full-time tertiary (university level) study successfully completed in the last five years in one of the following countries: Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Republic of Ireland, South Africa, United Kingdom and United States of America

➔ For English language requirements for non-standard programs refer to Table 2 [usc.edu.au/Englishlanguagereqs](https://usc.edu.au/Englishlanguagereqs)



# ACADEMIC ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

You can use the table below as a general guide to USC's academic admission requirements. For more detail, refer to [usc.edu.au/internationaladmissionrequirements](https://usc.edu.au/internationaladmissionrequirements)

Program of study at USC	Academic requirements
English language programs	There are no academic admission requirements for entry into our English language programs, however if you intend to pathway into a Study Abroad, undergraduate or postgraduate degree then you will need to meet the academic admission requirements for that program.
Study Abroad	<p><i>Undergraduate</i> applicants should have successfully completed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least one semester of study at a recognised tertiary institution, OR</li> <li>• Senior secondary school studies at a similar level to Australian Year 12.</li> </ul> <p><i>Postgraduate</i> applicants should have successfully completed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a bachelor level qualification at a recognised tertiary institution.</li> </ul> <p>If you are currently enrolled at an accredited tertiary institution, you should check with your home institution regarding credit transfer for courses studied at USC, prior to commencing your Study Abroad program.</p> <p>For more information, visit <a href="https://usc.edu.au/studyabroad">usc.edu.au/studyabroad</a></p>
Undergraduate programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A minimum level of education comparable to successful completion of Australian Year 12, with good grades</li> <li>• Further studies, for example, a semester or more at college or university, can also be considered for entry and may give you credit towards a degree</li> </ul> <p>For a general guide to country-specific academic entry requirements, visit <a href="https://usc.edu.au/internationalundergradrequirements">usc.edu.au/internationalundergradrequirements</a></p> <p>Academic requirements differ between undergraduate (graduate entry) programs. For specific requirements, visit the individual program pages on the USC website.</p>
Honours programs	<p>Academic requirements differ between programs, but generally you will need to demonstrate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successful completion of an undergraduate degree, or equivalent, with a high level of achievement in the intended area of honours study</li> </ul> <p>For individual program descriptions and academic requirements, visit <a href="https://usc.edu.au/internationalundergradrequirements">usc.edu.au/internationalundergradrequirements</a></p>
Postgraduate coursework programs	<p>Academic requirements differ between programs.</p> <p>For individual program descriptions and academic requirements, visit <a href="https://usc.edu.au/internationalpostgradrequirements">usc.edu.au/internationalpostgradrequirements</a></p>
Higher degrees by research	<p>Academic requirements differ between programs, but generally you will need to demonstrate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A bachelor (undergraduate) degree (comparable to an Australian bachelor degree) with at least second-class honours, division one from a recognised higher education institution AND</li> <li>• A suitable research proposal and the availability of supervision and resources to support the proposed research topic</li> </ul> <p>Applicants who have completed a bachelor degree and have achieved, by subsequent work and study, a standard equivalent to at least second-class honours, division one may also be considered.</p> <p>In exceptional cases, applications may be considered on the basis of other evidence of general and professional qualifications as approved by the Research Degree Committee.</p> <p>For individual program descriptions and academic requirements, visit <a href="https://usc.edu.au/internationalHDRrequirements">usc.edu.au/internationalHDRrequirements</a></p>

# HOW TO APPLY



The following steps will enable you to apply and enrol at USC.



You will also find step-by-step instructions and further information at [usc.edu.au/internationalapply](https://usc.edu.au/internationalapply)

If you need help with the process, or have any questions, email [international@usc.edu.au](mailto:international@usc.edu.au)

If you would like additional assistance with your application, you may like to apply through one of our representatives [usc.edu.au/internationalreps](https://usc.edu.au/internationalreps)

If you are applying via one of USC's partner institutions, please visit your home international office to assist you with submitting your USC application.

# 1

## Choose your program and review the program fees

Explore USC's programs in this guide, or visit [usc.edu.au/internationalprograms](https://usc.edu.au/internationalprograms) to find a program that suits your study and career goals.

# 2

## Check entry requirements

Check the admission and English language requirements for your chosen program. An overview is available in this guide, or visit [usc.edu.au/internationaladmissionrequirements](https://usc.edu.au/internationaladmissionrequirements)

This will help you decide if you need further study or to take an English language test before starting your degree program. If you are unsure whether you will meet USC's requirements, please submit an application for the International Office to assess.

There is no application fee for USC programs (excluding English language programs).

# 3

## Apply for admission

### 1. COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION FORM

### 2. APPLY FOR ACADEMIC CREDIT TRANSFER

You may be eligible for academic credit transfer on the basis of prior studies. To apply, use the form available at [usc.edu.au/internationalcredit](https://usc.edu.au/internationalcredit)

### 3. GATHER YOUR SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

You must provide evidence of the qualifications that will meet the entry requirements of the program you have selected. Ensure all documents are certified copies, signed and stamped by a witnessing or government authority (or an approved USC representative if you are applying through a representative)

### 4. SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

**HOW:** Scan and email or post your completed application form and supporting documentation, including application for academic credit transfer (if applicable), to the International Office.

**WHEN:** USC accepts applications for most programs at any time of the year. However, you should try to submit your application as early as possible to allow you time to apply and be granted a visa which allows study in Australia.

# 4

## What happens next?

You will normally receive an email, acknowledging your application, within 48 hours. An offer is usually made within 72 hours. It may take longer if academic credit needs to be assessed, or your application is incomplete. Delays will occur, if you do not include all required supporting documentation.

### YOUR OFFER

Once your application has been assessed, and your eligibility for the program confirmed, you will receive an offer. If you have applied for academic credit transfer, you will also receive advice about any credit awarded.



# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## FEES, LIVING AND OTHER COSTS

### Tuition fees

Annual tuition fees are based on 2021 rates and the equivalent full-time student load as per the recommended study sequence in the relevant program. Actual fees payable are based on the actual enrolment load in a teaching\* period (excluding Study Abroad and Postgraduate Qualifying Pathway).

You should check the recommended study sequence of your chosen program for further information about the course enrolment in each teaching period.

Tuition fees are reviewed each calendar year. The fee you must pay for a given teaching period is that which has been approved by USC for the calendar year in which the teaching period commences. Any increase in tuition fees from one calendar year to the next will be no more than seven percent.

All prices quoted are in Australian dollars (A\$).

Refer to the Student Fees and Charges Policy and associated procedure: [usc.edu.au/internationalprograms](https://usc.edu.au/internationalprograms)

### Course-related costs

As a general guide, allow A\$400 per semester for new textbooks. Second-hand textbooks are often available at reduced prices.

Some courses require additional materials, for example laboratory coats (from A\$28) or art supplies.

Students taking design courses should allow an additional A\$60 to A\$100 per semester for materials and printing costs.

English language program students are loaned textbooks for the duration of their course.

### Living costs

You'll need around A\$400 per week to live comfortably on the Sunshine Coast. This does not include airfares to Australia, visa applications, health cover and tuition fees. Allow more if you have a spouse or dependant(s) accompanying you.

For more information, visit [usc.edu.au/living-costs](https://usc.edu.au/living-costs) or [studyinaustralia.gov.au/global/live-in-australia/living-costs](https://studyinaustralia.gov.au/global/live-in-australia/living-costs)

### Education for school-aged children

Students with school-aged children have numerous education options. For more information, visit:

- Public schools: [education.qld.gov.au/schools-educators/school-types](https://education.qld.gov.au/schools-educators/school-types)
- Private schools: [privateschoolsguide.com/queensland-private-schools](https://privateschoolsguide.com/queensland-private-schools)
- Independent schools: [isq.qld.edu.au](https://isq.qld.edu.au)

Fees apply at private and public (government) schools. Allow at least A\$8,300 per year per child for school fees.

### WORKING IN AUSTRALIA

Student visa holders are normally allowed to work up to 40 hours per fortnight during semester and full-time during semester breaks.

Students undertaking Higher Degrees by Research have unlimited work rights.

For more information, visit [homeaffairs.gov.au](https://homeaffairs.gov.au)



\* Teaching period could refer to Semester, Trimester or Session.

## EDUCATION SERVICES FOR OVERSEAS STUDENTS (ESOS) FRAMEWORK

The ESOS Act and National Code ensure international students in Australia get the education they desire.

To access the National Code of Practice 2018, or for a description of the ESOS framework for students, visit [internationaleducation.gov.au/regulatory-information](http://internationaleducation.gov.au/regulatory-information)

## OVERSEAS STUDENT HEALTH COVER (OSHC)

OSHC is health insurance to assist international students meet the costs of medical and hospital care that they may need while in Australia.

The Department of Home Affairs requires overseas students to maintain OSHC for the duration of the time they are in Australia.

USC can organise visa length OSHC cover for you, with our preferred provider Allianz Global Assistance, or you can arrange your own OSHC with an alternative provider.

For students with an OSHC policy from Allianz Global Assistance, there is a representative available on our Sippy Downs campus to assist with claims and answer any OSHC enquiries you may have.

Costs for OSHC vary depending on the type and length of cover you choose. Fees can range from \$376 for one semester to \$2,138 over three years for a single cover policy.\*\*

## VISAS

If you're not an Australian or New Zealand citizen, or an Australian permanent resident, you'll need a visa that has study rights before you can enter Australia and undertake study.

If you intend to study in a program that is longer than three months, you will normally need a Student visa.

If you hold or are going to apply for a visa other than this, contact the Department of Home Affairs for advice regarding your eligibility to study.

To find out what type of visa you need and how to apply, visit:

- Department of Home Affairs (DOHA) [homeaffairs.gov.au](http://homeaffairs.gov.au)

For advice or assistance with your application for a visa to study in Australia, you can contact a registered migration agent to assist you:

- Migration Agents Registration Authority (MARA) [mara.gov.au](http://mara.gov.au)

## Simplified Student Visa Framework (SSVF)

Under the SSVF:

- all international students will now apply for a single Student visa (subclass 500), regardless of their chosen course of study
- all international students will be required to apply for their Student visa online
- an immigration risk framework will be used to guide the evidence of English language and financial capacity that a student needs to provide with their visa application.



Students must familiarise themselves with important policy information, including when they will be eligible for a refund and the circumstances in which they can defer, cancel or suspend their study.

[usc.edu.au/learn/international-students/while-you-are-studying](http://usc.edu.au/learn/international-students/while-you-are-studying)

\*\* Information pertaining to fees is correct at the time of publication.





**Established:** 1996

**Type of institution:** Public university

**Student population:** 18,100+  
(90 percent Australian students)

**Locations:**

- USC Sunshine Coast (pictured)
- USC Moreton Bay
- USC Caboolture
- USC Fraser Coast
- USC Gympie



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