



**Southern Cross  
University**

*Gold Coast*





# Gold Coast

The Gold Coast is an international tourist destination, famous for its beautiful beaches, cosmopolitan nightlife and dynamic business industry.







The Gold Coast is one of Australia's fastest-growing cities, with a population of about 570,000. It stretches along 57 kilometres of coastline on the edge of the Asia-Pacific rim, a tourist mecca with an international airport that welcomes millions of visitors every year.

The hinterland is a lush array of forested valleys where hidden waterfalls and dramatic escarpments never cease to amaze.



The Gold Coast has been a coastal destination from as far back as the 1800s, when the more affluent inhabitants of Brisbane began to frequent the area to escape the stifling summer heat in the city, and holiday homes, guesthouses and hotels sprang up along the coast.

Today the skyline is punctuated by high rise apartment buildings and hotels, traversed by the city's many waterways.



A foodie paradise, the Gold Coast boasts a range of affordable yet world-class cafes, restaurants, micro-breweries and wine bars.

A vibrant retail culture can be seen in the malls of Pacific Fair and Harbour Town where shoppers have access to goods from all over the world in stylish settings.



# Lifestyle



The Gold Coast's tourism industry is no accident – the area enjoys a subtropical coastal climate with an average 300 days of sunshine per year. The relaxed outdoor lifestyle blends seamlessly with thriving commercial precincts that include shopping villages, major theme parks and luxury hotels.

Sports enthusiasts are spoiled for choice with the beach, rivers and all manner of water sports never far away. The Gold Coast



is home to several stadiums where fans enjoy headline concerts and national sporting events. Following the hosting of the Commonwealth Games in 2018, the city also boasts many world-class sporting facilities for both elite athletes and fitness enthusiasts. The annual Gold Coast Marathon attracts 25,000 participants from more than 50 countries.

If nature is more your thing, the Gold Coast hinterland is a treasure trove of national



parks, waterfalls and spectacular valleys where you can hike, horse ride and mountain bike.

Arts and culture are a feature of the Gold Coast lifestyle with festivals running throughout the year that include the Swell sculpture festival, the Bleach performing and visual arts extravaganza and numerous small galleries and music venues.



# 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 boast stunning views of the Pacific Ocean.

The campus is spread between three contemporary buildings that house innovative learning spaces, health science laboratories, lecture theatres with live video broadcasting, computer labs and student lounges. More than 4,000

students study on campus at the Gold Coast.

The Gold Coast is the perfect location for studying IT or digital business with close proximity to industry partners such as the Gold Coast Airport. The University's digital enterprise lab is also located at the Gold Coast, where students develop innovative IT solutions to real-world problems. A multitude of leisure and service industries offer work and placement opportunities

for business and tourism students.

Other disciplines offered at the Gold Coast include arts, nursing, midwifery, biomedical science, engineering management, occupational therapy, osteopathy, podiatry and pedorthics, psychological science, speech pathology, sport and exercise science, law, social science and social welfare, and education.



The student services hub in Building A is designed to provide a one-stop shop for student support and enquiries. The new learning centre in Building C provides a series of individual and group work spaces with computer access and a suite of library services. Café and food services are located on the ground floor of Building B and outside Building C, and kitchen facilities are also available for students.

If you are studying one of our health science degrees, you will learn in discipline-specific laboratories with high-tech interactive models that provide simulated training experiences and contemporary equipment. Students also gain clinical experience providing health services to the public in the Southern Cross University Health Clinic located in Building B.

# Facilities



Other facilities and services include:

- Chaplain
- Multifaith prayer and reflection room
- Student association
- Banking facilities
- Counselling service
- Medical services, massage and osteopathy services (Southern Cross University Health Clinic)
- Free Microsoft Office products
- Eduroam Wifi service
- Computer labs, printing
- Academic skills workshops
- Studiosity after-hours tutor service
- Indigenous Australian Support Service
- Career development service
- Mentoring service
- Disability support services.



# Accommodation



There is no on-campus accommodation at the Gold Coast but the city offers a variety of options for affordable, well-located housing.

Unistays lists off-campus accommodation in the local area: [unistays.scu.edu.au](http://unistays.scu.edu.au).

Local real estate agents or portals such as [realestate.com.au](http://realestate.com.au) or [flatmates.com.au](http://flatmates.com.au) also list private rentals and share houses.



# Getting around

Our campus is adjacent to the Gold Coast Airport which is well-connected to major Asian capitals, Europe and the United States. The Gold Coast has an excellent network of trams, buses and trains.

## Public transport

The Gold Coast campus is serviced by Translink bus services. For timetables, maps and journey planners visit: [translink.com.au/gold-coast](http://translink.com.au/gold-coast) or download the free MyTransLink app. For discounted travel on public transport in Queensland visit: [translink.com.au/tickets-and-fares/concessions](http://translink.com.au/tickets-and-fares/concessions)

## Cycling and walking

Bike racks are located at the entrance to B block. Showers are located on Level 1.

For further information on the best routes for cycling and walking please see the links below:

Gold Coast Cycleways  
[www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au/thegoldcoast/cycling-bikeways-312.html](http://www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au/thegoldcoast/cycling-bikeways-312.html)

Tweed Cycleways and footpaths [www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CyclewaysAndFootpaths](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CyclewaysAndFootpaths)

## Parking

The campus is easy to reach by car, and is located a short distance from the M1 highway exit. There is ample free parking around the campus buildings and student parking is clearly marked.

Additional parking is available within the Gold Coast Airport uncovered long-term car park, which is located about 150 metres north of the campus. Spaces in this car park are via swipe card access.

Students are allocated these swipe cards via a ballot system.



From international tourism to human rights law and the use of artificial intelligence in health monitoring, Southern Cross has established a reputation for cutting-edge research with regional and global significance.

We work closely with industry, government sectors and our community to fulfil an innovative research program. In the latest Excellence in

Research for Australia national report, nine of our research areas were rated as 'well above world standard'. Visit: [www.scu.edu.au/era](http://www.scu.edu.au/era)

The Gold Coast is home to the University's digital enterprise lab where you can participate in industry-led IT projects for real-world solutions. The Gold Coast is an ideal place to conduct tourism research.



The University has nine research centres, driven by passionate academics and industry leaders:

- Centre for Children and Young People
- Centre for Coastal Biogeochemistry
- Centre for Organics Research

- Forest Research Centre
- Marine Ecology Research Centre
- National Centre for Flood Research
- National Marine Science Centre
- Southern Cross GeoScience
- Southern Cross Plant Science.

The National Marine Science Centre is located in Coffs Harbour but academics conduct research throughout Australia and abroad.

You can undertake Masters by Thesis, a Professional Doctorate in Business Administration and PhD research degrees at the Gold Coast through our Graduate School. Visit [www.scu.edu.au/graduate-school](http://www.scu.edu.au/graduate-school)

## **ARTS, HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES**

Bachelor of Arts  
Bachelor of Social Science  
Bachelor of Social Welfare  
Associate Degree of Arts  
Master of Social Work  
(Professional Qualifying)

## **BUSINESS & TOURISM**

Bachelor of Accounting  
Bachelor of Business  
Bachelor of Business in  
Convention and Event  
Management  
Bachelor of Business in Tourism  
and Hospitality Management  
Associate Degree of Business  
Diploma of Business  
Graduate Certificate  
in Accounting

Graduate Certificate in Business  
Graduate Certificate in  
international Tourism and  
Hotel Management  
Graduate Diploma in Accounting  
Graduate Diploma in Business  
Graduate Diploma in  
international Tourism and Hotel  
Management  
Master of Business  
Administration  
Master of international Tourism  
and Hotel Management  
Master of international Tourism  
and Hotel Management,  
Master of Business  
Administration  
Master of Professional  
Accounting  
Doctor of Business  
Administration

## **DIGITAL MEDIA & IT**

Bachelor of Digital Business  
Bachelor of information  
Technology  
Master of information  
Technology

## **EDUCATION & TEACHING**

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor  
of Education (Primary)  
Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor  
of Education (Primary/  
Early Childhood)  
Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of  
Education (Primary/Secondary)  
Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor  
of Education (Secondary)

## **ENGINEERING & SCIENCE**

Master of Engineering  
Management, Master of  
Business Administration

# What can I study? 2019 courses

## **NURSING & MIDWIFERY**

Bachelor of Midwifery  
Bachelor of Nursing  
Bachelor of Nursing  
(For Enrolled Nurses)

## **HEALTH SCIENCES**

Bachelor of Biomedical Science  
Bachelor of Clinical Sciences  
(Osteopathic Studies)  
Bachelor of Occupational  
Therapy  
Bachelor of Podiatry  
Bachelor of Podorthics  
Bachelor Podiatry, Bachelor of  
Podorthics  
Bachelor of Psychological  
Science  
Bachelor of Psychological  
Science, Bachelor of Laws  
Bachelor of Speech Pathology

Bachelor of Sport and Exercise  
Science  
Bachelor of Sport and Exercise  
Science, Bachelor of Laws  
Associate Degree of Health  
Graduate Certificate in Australian  
Nursing (Epiq)  
Master of Clinical Exercise  
Physiology

## **LAW & JUSTICE**

Bachelor of Laws (Graduate  
Entry)  
Bachelor of Laws  
(Undergraduate Entry)  
Bachelor of Laws and  
Creative Writing  
Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of  
Laws  
Bachelor of Business,  
Bachelor of Laws

Bachelor of Legal and  
Justice Studies  
Bachelor of Legal and Justice  
Studies, Bachelor of Laws  
Bachelor of Social Science,  
Bachelor of Laws  
Associate Degree in Law  
(Paralegal Studies)

## **PATHWAY PROGRAM**

Preparing For Success  
Program (PSP)

## **ONLINE STUDY**

Southern Cross University offers most courses in online study mode. Undergraduate and postgraduate courses available exclusively online are not listed here. Please visit [ourcourses.scu.edu.au](http://ourcourses.scu.edu.au) for more information or contact our student advisers on 1800 626 481.

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