Study Abroad at USC

WHY STUDY AT USC

- Five star teaching quality and graduate satisfaction*
- Personal attention and academic support
- Small class sizes
- Enjoyable and relaxing learning environment on a modern Australian campus
- Easy application process
- Study Abroad on the undergraduate or postgraduate level
- Opportunity to obtain USC degree in a short period of time with recognition of prior learning
- 10 km from sandy beaches and 90 km from Brisbane

* USC is the only Queensland public university to consistently rate five stars for teaching quality and overall graduate satisfaction in the national Good Universities Guide 2016.

USC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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| Study abroad undergraduate:  
  - have successfully completed at least one semester of study at a recognised tertiary institution (check with your home institution regarding credit transfer) | USC accepts the IELTS and TOEFL among other English language proficiency tests:  
  USC’s English language requirements  
  - USC also accepts the DAAD Certificate as evidence of English proficiency |

HOW TO APPLY

- USC has no application deadline for Study Abroad program
- USC recommends to submit your application by November/December for Semester 1 (February - June) or May/June for Semester 2 (July - November)
- USC will consider and accept late applications if enough time remains for you to arrange the appropriate visa and flights, ensuring you will reach USC in time for Orientation
- Please submit the following documents via your home university’s International Office:
  - Application form: Study Abroad
  - Official certified academic transcript of all completed studies (showing completed courses with titles in English, grades and ECTS)
  - English language proficiency certificate
  - Copy of passport

Jule Huber from DHBW Heilbronn

‘I chose USC because I was really impressed by the broad variety of courses the university offers. Studying abroad is the perfect opportunity to get to know the country and the people. I had plenty of time for travelling the country and discovering the beautiful Sunshine Coast. My favourite parts about my study abroad semester were getting to know so many different people, making new friends, exploring Australia and being able to call Sunshine Coast my home.’
APPLICATION PROCESS

STEP 1: Submit the completed application form together with your official certified academic transcript, copy of passport and English language certificate to your International Office at your home university. Please ask the International Office to send us the documents via email to Study@usc.edu.au. If your home university sends us the documents we will not need to receive the hard copies via postal mail.

STEP 2: You will receive a Letter of Offer within 72 hours and also an email regarding your course choices. Upon acceptance of the unconditional offer and payment of the tuition fee online you will be issued with a Confirmation of Enrolment document (eCoE). You will need the eCoE to apply for the Student Visa.

STEP 3: You will receive an email from USC with your log in details which will allow you to enrol in courses online.

STEP 4: Closer to our semester start Student Services will send you an email with information regarding Orientation and how to get prepared for your studies at USC.

STEP 5: Book your flights and accommodation.

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<td>German citizens can apply for their Student Visa using the online or e-visa service - Online or e-visa service takes usually three working days - Paper applications can take 4-6 weeks - Work in Australia up to 20 hours per week while you study Please note OSHC insurance cover from an Australian insurance provider is required.</td>
<td>This visa allows you to: - stay in Australia for up to 12 months - work in Australia, generally for up to six months with each employer - study for up to four months - leave and re-enter Australia any number of times while the visa is valid</td>
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Please refer to www.immi.gov.au for up to date information as changes occur. Processing times and requirements can differ according to nationality.

IMPORTANT DATES

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Academic calendar dates are subject to change, please check Semester dates.
COURSE SELECTION & VALUE OF UNITS

- Select your courses when you complete the application form. Upon acceptance at USC you will be able to pre-register in the courses online before you arrive in Australia.
- Study Abroad course lists
- Each course list is divided into semesters and by faculty and contains:
  - Pre-approved courses – which do not require our approval for enrolment
  - Courses requiring approval – some courses have prerequisites and your eligibility must be assessed before you can be approved for enrolment in these courses
- The standard fulltime enrolment is three or four courses per semester
- Course Credit value: All undergraduate courses are valued with 12 units which can be compared to 7.5 ECTS each
- After you completed your semester at USC we will send the official academic transcript of grades to your home institution

SUPPORT SERVICES

- USC International
- Student Services and Engagement and Student Wellbeing: Offer academic skills services, counselling service, accommodation assistance, and many more free of charge. We recommend you to join our workshops to learn about academic writing, Harvard style referencing and writing Business Reports or Essays and the English for Academic Study program (4 weeks for students from non-English speaking backgrounds)
- Career connection: Support for career development
- Student Guild

DOUBLE DEGREE OR DIPLOMA - USC BACHELOR/MASTER DEGREE OR DIPLOMA

USC offers you the opportunity to apply for recognition of prior studies towards a USC Bachelor/Master degree or Diploma Program. You may be able to complete a Diploma or a USC Master degree in as little as one semester or a Bachelor degree in two semesters. It is a great alternative to Study Abroad, which is a non-award program. You will have an additional Australian qualification.

- You can receive credit transfer towards a USC program if you have completed similar studies at your home university
- With a maximum credit transfer you can for example complete a USC Bachelor degree within one year (two semesters fulltime study) or a USC Master degree or Diploma within one semester fulltime study

For information on the double degree options (Bachelor or Master) please download the Double Degree brochure

- USC also offers a range of Diploma programs
- You can complete a Diploma in only one semester if you have completed at least 30 ECTS of your home undergraduate degree

USC offers the following Diplomas:
- Diploma in Business
- Diploma in Communication
- Diploma in General Studies
- Diploma in Outdoor Environmental Studies
- Diploma in Social Science
- Diploma in Sport and Fitness

- Please check with your home university if double degree or Diploma options are also credited towards your home degree.
- For more information and details how to apply please contact the International Office at your home university or USC International.
ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

ON-CAMPUS

Student Accommodation is located just a few minutes’ walk from campus and includes facilities such as swimming pools, tennis court, games rooms and barbeques. More information can be found on the homepages of the following Accommodation providers:

- UniCentral
- Varsity Apartments
- The Village

OFF-CAMPUS

- Homestay: stay with a local family
- Rent a flat, apartment or a room in Sippy Downs, Buderim, Mooloolaba, Alexandra Headland, Maroochydore or Kawana
- More information can be found here: Share Accommodation, Easy roommate, Gumtree, Flatmates or RealEstate

HEALTH COVER

OVERSEAS STUDENT HEALTH COVER (OSHC)

- OSHC is compulsory for all students who study in Australia on a Student Visa. You can find further details at: www.oshcallianzassistance.com.au
- OSHC cover is not required for students with Working Holiday Visa

BE PART OF OUR COMMUNITY

CLUBS AND EVENTS

- Join a club or society to become part of the local community
- USC and the Sunshine Coast has many clubs and societies that offer extra-curricular activities such as: Clubs at USC

Include USC Activate, USC Student Guild, Active minds, Humans of USC

- Clubs on the Sunshine Coast

Local Clubs include Alexandra Headland Surf Life Saving Club, The Surf Club Mooloolaba, Sunshine Coast Clippers Basketball, Buderim Indoor Sports Centre, Maroochy Squash Courts, Kawana Boxing Club and CrossFit Maroochydore

EVENTS

- Festivals: Maroochy Music and Visual Arts Festival, Noosa Craft Beer Festival, Noosa Jazz Festival, Woodfork Folk Festival
- Sporting events: Noosa Triathlon, Mooloolaba Triathlon, Sunshine Coast Marathon, Paddle in Pink, Kawana Aquathon
- Markets: Eumundi market, Noosa Farmer Market, Perenjobj Beach Market, Cotton Tree Market, Caloundra Street Fair
- Shows: Nambour Showgrounds, Mooloolaba Christmas Lights Boat Parade, Maleny Wood Expo
- More information on Sunshine Coast Events

FACILITIES AT USC

- Sporting facilities (swimming pool, gym, indoor sports stadium, athletics track, playing fields)
- Social sport (Volleyball, Soccer, Basketball, Badminton)

USC INTERNATIONAL ON FACEBOOK, YOUTUBE AND INSTAGRAM

- Like USC International on Facebook
- Get information about events and activities held on campus, on the Sunshine Coast and Australia
- Watch Videos about Student Life at USC
- USC International Student Blog
- Instagram uscinternational
FEES, STUDY AND LIVING COSTS

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| Study Abroad Undergraduate A$9900 per semester  
Study Abroad Postgraduate A$11800 per semester | Textbooks: new textbooks approx. A$400 per semester, second hand books are available at the Student Guild hub, or try second hand books on Gumtree textbooks, the Co-op book store on campus, on Facebook or StudentVIP | USC suggests A$1000 per month including rent, food and other costs (depending on personal lifestyle)  
On-campus accommodation between A$180-A$225  
Off-campus accommodation between A$120-A$180 |
| Students who are enrolled at a partner university and submit their applications via their International Office will receive a 10% partial scholarship on the above fees by USC. | | |
| Compulsory Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) approx. A$367 for one semester (2016 fees) | Additional material: only applies to students who study Science related courses – laboratory coats or design students A$60-100 per semester | |
| | Student Services and Amenities fee free of charge | |

* Please note fees are subject to change

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR GERMAN STUDENTS

The Bundesausbildungsförderungsgesetz (BAFöG) and DAAD offers stipends for German students studying overseas

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| Auslandsbafög  
For more information please visit the Auslandsbafög website | DAAD  
Funds the further academic development of outstanding German students, interns, student trainee, postgraduates, young academics and researchers  
For more information please visit the DAAD Homepage |
| | DAAD Stipend – 1 year Scholarship can be obtained once per education period (Bachelor, Master, PhD)  
For more information click: Scholarships |

Please contact USC if you need any forms completed for your Bafög application.
UNIVERSITY OF THE SUNSHINE COAST

The USC Sippy downs campus is located in a new education precinct close to shopping, banks, medical services, parklands, national parks and much more. The campus is 10 km from the beach side and most coastal townships, which can be easily reached by public bus within 15 minutes.

• **Bus timetable and information**
• The campus is on the edge of the Mooloolah River National Park and is home to kangaroos and a variety of other distinctive Australian flora and fauna

SUNSHINE COAST

• The Sunshine Coast is 90 km north of Brisbane
• About 350,000 people live on the Sunshine Coast
• Mild climate all year around:
  The average temperature in summer (December – February) is around 17-28 degrees and in winter (June – August) it is 7-22 degrees
• Relaxed lifestyle
• Natural beauty (Mooloolah River National Park, Glass House Mountains National Park, Noosa National Park and Rainforests)
• Surfing beaches, sporting facilities, restaurants, night clubs, art galleries and World Heritage listed Fraser Island, UnderWater World and Australia Zoo

Contact us

For information about any of the programs and how to apply please contact:

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