Credit transfer
The Diploma is usually completed in two semesters, but if you have already completed Bachelor studies with a minimum of 30 ECTS at your home university, you could receive up to four courses credit towards the USC Diploma. This means you can graduate with an Australian Diploma qualification after successfully completing only one semester (4 courses) of study at USC.

The Diploma is a great alternative to the traditional Study Abroad program as you can gain an additional Australian Diploma qualification in only one semester.

For further information about the Diploma programs please visit: usc.edu.au/diploma-programs

Diploma programs
The University of the Sunshine Coast offers exciting Diploma programs in business, communication, general studies, sport and fitness, outdoor environmental studies and social sciences. The USC Diploma is a university qualification under the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) and allows you to study a range of courses on the undergraduate (Bachelor) level. With a Diploma you complement your studies, obtain an Australian Diploma qualification and enhance your English language fluency and cross-cultural knowledge.

The following Diploma programs are on offer:
- Diploma in Business (084894F)
- Diploma in Communication (084895E)
- Diploma in General Studies (084896D)
- Diploma in Outdoor Environmental Studies (088627D)
- Diploma in Social Science (084897C)
- Diploma in Sport and Fitness (088628C)

Why study at USC
- Five star teaching quality, graduate satisfaction, student support, learning resources and skills development.*
- Opportunity to obtain a USC Diploma in only one semester by gaining credit for already completed courses in your home Bachelor program (maximum 30 ECTS).
- Personal attention and continuous academic support.
- Opportunity to achieve a very good grade point average as you will complete several assessments instead of only one final exam.
- Enjoyable and relaxing learning environment on a modern Australian campus located next to a National Park.
- Discount on public transport when enrolled in a Diploma program.
- Participation in the Ceremony of Completion with traditional graduation robe.
- Large number of social clubs, sporting clubs and facilities.
- Only 15 minutes (10km) by bus to local sandy beaches and one hour by car to Brisbane (pokm).
- High Quality on campus accommodation or off campus options near the beach.
- The Sunshine Coast offers a relaxed lifestyle and a safe environment.


We chose USC because of the unique possibility to do a Diploma in only one Semester and to receive a qualification certificate from an Australian university. USC is an innovative university with great lecturers and tutors who provide continuous support to students and make studying at USC a pleasure!

The highlights of studying at USC were the proximity to the beach, the relaxed Aussie lifestyle and the beautiful nature surrounding USC. We made friends with people from all around the world and got the chance to travel to some of the most beautiful places of Australia. We had an amazing time at USC and can highly recommend the Diploma program to everyone who wants to study a semester abroad!

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HS Emden/Leer, Germany | Diploma in Business (2017)
English language requirements
USC accepts the IELTS and TOEFL among other English language proficiency certificates.
USC also accepts the DAAD Certificate as evidence of English language proficiency.
For further information on USC’s English language entry requirements please visit: usc.edu.au/learn/how-do-i-apply/english-language-requirements

How to apply
Please visit our website: usc.edu.au/international
For further information or assistance with your application please contact USC International.

Visa options
Student Visa: Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) is required
Working Holiday Visa: For German applicants only (conditions apply). Overseas travel insurance recommended.

Accommodation
On-campus
Uni Central, Varsity Apartments and the Village are located just a few minutes’ walk from campus and include facilities such as swimming pools, tennis court, games rooms and barbecues.

Off-campus
Stay with a local family (homestay) or share a flat, house or apartment near the campus or near the beach.
For further information on accommodation options, visit: usc.edu.au/accommodation

Sport at USC
Sporting facilities: Olympic-standard swimming pool, gym, indoor sports stadium, athletics track, playing fields.
Social sport: Volleyball, Soccer, Basketball, Badminton, Rugby and much more.

Academic calendar
Semester 1, 2018
19–23 February Welcome Week
26 February Classes commence
2–6 April Mid-semester break
11–22 June Exam period

Semester 2, 2018
16–20 July Welcome Week
23 July Classes commence
24–28 September Mid-semester break
5–16 November Exam period

Tuition fees
For current tuition fees please contact USC International.
Financial assistance for German students:
• Auslandsbafoeg
• DAAD stipends

Living costs
You will need approximately A$360 per week to live comfortably on the Sunshine Coast depending on personal lifestyle. This covers typical accommodation costs, food, transport and other daily life expenses.

Location
The USC Sippy Downs campus is located 90km north from Brisbane and 10km from the beach and most coastal townships, which can be easily reached by public bus within 15 minutes.

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USC has been consistently rated five stars for teaching quality and overall graduate satisfaction in the national Good Universities Guide 2018.