

University of Southern Queensland  
Postgraduate Guide 2027



UniSQ

**You'll lead from here**

# Why UniSQ?

## World-class education

UniSQ sits in the **top 2%** of universities worldwide.<sup>1</sup>

## Learn and save

You could save up to **85%** on your degree with a Commonwealth-supported place.

## Networking opportunities

UniSQ collaborates with **hundreds** of local, national, and international industry partners.

## Expert education

**Over 50 years** of students learning from home.

## Earn more

Your salary could **increase by 28%** after graduating from postgraduate study.<sup>2</sup>

## Personalised learning

5-star student-to-teacher ratio means more support and guidance for your learning.<sup>2</sup>

The University of Southern Queensland acknowledges the First Nations of southern Queensland and their ongoing connection to Country, lands, and waterways. Further, we recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the first educators and researchers of Australia. We pay deep respect to Elders past and present.

1 Times Higher Education World University Rankings, 2026

2 Good Universities Guide, 2026



### Professor Paul Mazerolle

Vice-Chancellor and President

At UniSQ, our postgraduate students are welcomed into a dynamic, transformative community. Your study is not only designed to advance your knowledge, but to support you to create meaningful impact in the communities that matter to you.

You will learn alongside leading academics, expert researchers and industry partners to pioneer change. Together, guided by a strong sense of purpose and a commitment to innovation, you will be supported to explore new ideas, challenge thinking and lead in your field.

We are delighted that you are considering UniSQ to support you as you take this next step – building on your achievements and helping to shape the future.



### Kathryn

Alumnus

UniSQ is a big university that feels small. I never felt like just one of the many students. The lecturers took the time to get to know each of us and to strongly foster our enthusiasm for learning.



### Amber

Graduate diploma student

I was able to complete my graduate diploma at UniSQ whilst I worked full-time because the degree was online and flexible. The staff and teaching team made everything easy and were supportive.



### Jamil

Masters graduate

Studying at UniSQ has opened doors to limitless opportunities, equipping me with the skills to shape a safer, smarter world through innovation.



### Farina

PhD graduate

UniSQ provided the mentorship, support and research environment that enabled me to pioneer Quantum Artificial Intelligence and shape my PhD into a journey of innovation, impact and international recognition.

# You'll lead from here



**You'll lead from here; from your region, your campus, your home, or anywhere in between.**

We offer flexibility that fits around real lives; online, on campus, or both. Our knowledge isn't abstract; it's applied, adaptable, and ambitious.

Our teaching and impact is connected to industry, so what you learn today prepares you for tomorrow's needs.

Whether you're building your career, supporting others, or strengthening your community, this is where your impact takes shape.

You'll lead from here, because this is where opportunity meets impact, where ambition becomes reality, where community becomes belonging.

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# About this guide

This guide provides an overview of all UniSQ postgraduate degrees – there are a few things to be aware of to help you find the perfect qualification for you.

## Commonwealth-supported places

Commonwealth-supported places (CSP) have fees that are subsidised by the government. Degrees with CSP have been marked with this icon . To learn more about CSP and managing the cost of study, please see Page 31

## Duration

Speed up or slow down your degree to suit your lifestyle. Throughout this guide we have listed degrees in terms of full-time study (unless otherwise stated). Part-time study options are available for most degrees.

## Key dates

You can study where and when it suits you. Our degrees are taught in an innovative academic calendar to give you flexibility within your degree and study patterns.

Please note, not all courses are available in every study period. Learn more via [unisq.edu.au/key-dates](https://unisq.edu.au/key-dates)

## Study modes

**On-campus** students attend lectures, tutorials, workshops, and practical sessions in-person at UniSQ Toowoomba, Springfield, or Ipswich, and online.

**Online** study can be from anywhere, all study materials are available through our student portal, and library resources can be delivered.

**External** is a mixed study mode; course theory is studied online and practical learning is completed on campus through residential schools or off campus as part of industry placements.

## Placements

Placements are a form of practical work experience. Before starting a placement, you may need to provide documentation, certificates, or evidence of immunisations. Sometimes there is a requirement to purchase and wear a uniform.

## Residential schools

Residential schools provide students with the opportunity to complete hands-on, practical activities, and attend face-to-face lectures and tutorials. Residential schools are held at UniSQ Toowoomba, Springfield, or Ipswich.





# The right qualification for you

A postgraduate degree can be your ticket to becoming a leader, earning more, or changing careers.

## Graduate certificate

Add to your resume, enjoy something new, or get started in further study with a graduate certificate. Typically consisting of four units, a graduate certificate usually takes four to five months of full-time study to complete and can be a pathway to a graduate diploma or master (coursework).

## Graduate diploma

A graduate diploma often takes one year of full-time study to complete and can be a great way to explore your interests before studying a masters. Once you know the topic is right for you, it's easy to apply the credits you received from your graduate diploma to a masters.

## Master (coursework)

Build on your expertise or develop your knowledge of a new discipline with a coursework masters. Typically taking one to two years of full-time study to complete, this is the most common type of masters and involves a combination of lectures, tutorials, project work, and research.

## Master (research)

If you're interested in completing a PhD, a research masters can be a good way to trial this type of study and build your research skills. Our Master of Research is a two-year qualification that includes a substantial thesis or research project.

## Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

Help advance society's collective knowledge and make your mark in your chosen field with a PhD. This doctoral research degree is the highest university qualification. With supervision and support from expert academics, you'll develop a significant and original piece of research. A PhD typically takes three to four years of full-time study to complete.

### Want to know more?

Discover your postgraduate study options via [unisq.edu.au/postgrad](https://unisq.edu.au/postgrad)

# Locations

## Toowoomba

Explore beautiful buildings and thriving gardens at UniSQ's founding campus.

UniSQ Toowoomba offers an expansive library, 24/7 computer labs, industry-leading Agricultural Science and Engineering Precinct, and a Psychology and Counselling Clinic. Balance life and learning with a modern gym, art gallery, and Japanese Gardens. We are also proud to have Queensland's only professional astronomical research facility located near Toowoomba.

Free parking

Sporting and social clubs

Tennis centre

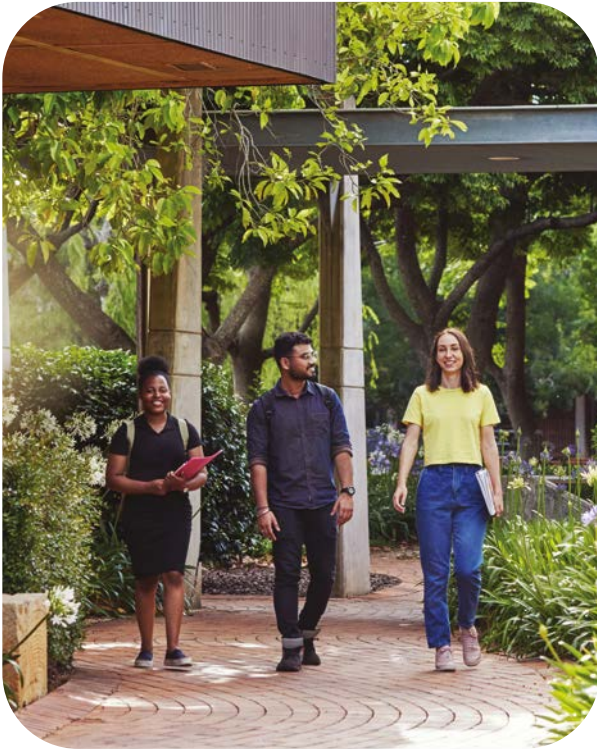
Counselling and wellness support

Cafes

Post office

Three residential colleges

90 mins from Brisbane



## Springfield

Reach new heights and excel with the latest technology.

Benefit from innovative laboratories, collaborative teaching rooms, and interactive facilities when studying at UniSQ Springfield. This campus is a hub for digital production and your place to be creative; it is also home to a Boeing 737-800 flight simulator – the first of its kind in Queensland.

Free parking

Cafe

Residential village

Gym

30 minutes from Brisbane and Ipswich

Less than one hour from the Gold Coast



### Learn more

Explore our locations at  
[unisq.edu.au/locations](https://unisq.edu.au/locations)

## Ipswich

Experience historic architecture and purpose-built facilities.

Benefit from facilities that foster practical learning and academic excellence such as our Psychology and Counselling Clinic and clinical nursing laboratories. Opening early in 2027, the UniSQ Ipswich Health Building, is a new purpose-built facility designed to support health education, research, and training for students at Ipswich campus, supporting the growing demand for health professionals across regional and rural Australia.

Free parking

Cafe

Counselling and wellness support

Library

45 minutes from Brisbane



## Online

Access excellence from anywhere. Study on your own terms, in your own time, at your own place.

Feeling connected and studying online are not mutually exclusive – as an online student, you'll receive the same level of support as someone studying on campus. For more than five decades we've been delivering flexible university courses, making us leaders in online learning.

Join lectures live or listen to the recording

Connect with your peers

Receive friendly support in real-time



### Learn more

Explore your online study options at [unisq.edu.au/online](https://unisq.edu.au/online)



# Aviation

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Elevate your aviation career with postgraduate study and become a leader in aviation strategy. This is your opportunity to sharpen your decision-making skills and learn how to navigate the technical, cultural and organisational nuances of the aviation industry.

## Want to know more?

Discover how you can progress your career by visiting [unisq.edu.au/aviation](https://unisq.edu.au/aviation)

Degrees	Start	Details	Learn more
<b>Master of Business Administration Aviation</b>	February June September	1.5 years full-time  Online	
<b>Graduate Diploma of Aviation</b>	February June September	1 year full-time  Online	
<b>Graduate Certificate of Aviation</b>	February June September	0.5 year full-time  Online	

The commercial air travel industry will need over 2.4 million aviation professionals by 2043 to support its growth.<sup>1</sup>

Graduate ready for executive roles with a unique blend of strategic leadership and advanced aviation expertise.



My UniSQ experience helped me soar to new heights; not only did I learn from the best, I was able to upskill and use my Graduate Certificate of Aviation to pursue further career opportunities.

**David**  
Graduate Certificate of Aviation

1 Boeing, 2024



# Business











Position yourself as an expert business leader and propel your career forward by studying with UniSQ. Be at the forefront of business evolution – discover the trends and technologies shaping the world we live in. Enhance your expertise, explore cutting-edge strategies, and master real-world problem-solving at a university rated five stars for business graduates in full-time employment.<sup>1</sup>

Upskilling pays off – the median graduate salary for UniSQ postgraduate business and management students is 50% higher than the undergraduate median salary in the same field.<sup>1</sup>

95% of UniSQ graduates are employed full-time four months after completing their postgraduate degree.<sup>1</sup>

## Want to know more?

Discover how you can progress your career by visiting [unisq.edu.au/business](https://unisq.edu.au/business)

Degrees	Start	Details	Learn more
<b>Master of Business Administration</b>	February June September	1.5 years full-time  Online 	
<b>Graduate Diploma of Business Administration</b>	February June September	1 year full-time  Online 	
<b>Graduate Certificate of Business Administration</b>	February June September	0.5 year full-time  Online 	
<b>Master of Business<sup>1</sup></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Counselling Leadership</li> <li>• Digital Marketing</li> <li>• Finance</li> <li>• Health Leadership</li> <li>• Leadership</li> <li>• People and Culture</li> </ul>	February June September	2 years full-time <sup>2</sup>  On-campus (Toowoomba, Springfield)  Online 	
<b>Graduate Diploma of Business<sup>1</sup></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business Foundations</li> <li>• Counselling Leadership</li> <li>• Digital Marketing</li> <li>• Finance</li> <li>• Health Leadership</li> <li>• Leadership</li> <li>• Managing Cyber Risk</li> <li>• People and Culture</li> </ul>	February June September	1 year full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba, Springfield)  Online 	
<b>Graduate Certificate of Business<sup>3</sup></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business Foundations</li> <li>• Counselling Leadership</li> <li>• Digital Marketing</li> <li>• Finance</li> <li>• Health Leadership</li> <li>• Leadership</li> <li>• Organisational Project Management</li> <li>• People and Culture</li> </ul>	February June September	0.5 year full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba, Springfield)  Online 	
<b>Master of Organisational Project Management</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health</li> <li>• Professional Practice</li> <li>• Public Administration</li> <li>• Information Systems</li> </ul>	February June September	1.5 years full-time  Online 	
<b>Graduate Certificate of Project Management (Delivering Business Strategy)</b>	February June September	0.5 year full-time  Online 	
<b>Graduate Certificate of Project Management (Enhancing Business Performance)</b>	February June September	0.5 year full-time  Online 	
<b>Graduate Certificate of Project Management (Leading Business Innovation)</b>	February June September	0.5 year full-time  Online 	

1 Not all specialisations are available on-campus.

2 Duration may be reduced, depending on credits awarded.

3 Depending on specialisation undertaken, this degree may not be able to be undertaken in full-time mode. Not all courses are available on-campus.

## Materials

- > plastic
- > wood
- > metal
- > fabric
- > paper
- > foil
- > cardboard



## Education and Teaching










Postgraduate study at UniSQ can empower you to make meaningful contributions to education and increase your earning potential. If you're wanting to change careers, we can also help you become a qualified teacher in just 18 months.

As a qualified early childhood educator you'll be in demand – there's currently a shortage of skilled pre-primary school educators.<sup>1</sup>

Through UniSQ's partnership with the Australian Government and the Turn to Teaching Internship program, you could receive \$20,000 for study expenses, a paid internship, and permanent employment upon graduation.

### Want to know more?

Discover how you can progress your career by visiting [unisq.edu.au/education](https://unisq.edu.au/education)

Degrees	Start	Details	Learn more
<b>Master of Education</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guidance, Counselling and Careers</li> <li>• Professional Advancement</li> <li>• Special and Inclusive Education</li> </ul>	February June	1.5 years full-time  Online 	
<b>Graduate Diploma of Education</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guidance, Counselling and Careers</li> <li>• Professional Advancement</li> <li>• Special and Inclusive Education</li> </ul>	February June September	1 year full-time  Online 	
<b>Graduate Certificate of Education Studies</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Career Development</li> <li>• Counselling in Education Contexts</li> <li>• Professional Advancement in Educational Contexts</li> <li>• Special and Inclusive Education</li> </ul>	February June	0.5 year full-time  Online 	
<b>Master of Learning and Teaching (Early Years)</b>	February June September	1.5–2 years full-time  External (including placements) 	
<b>Master of Learning and Teaching (Primary)</b>	February June September	1.5–2 years full-time  External (including placements) 	
<b>Master of Learning and Teaching (Secondary)</b>	February June September	1.5–2 years full-time  External (including placements) 	
<b>Graduate Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care</b>	February June September	1 year full-time  External (including placements) 	
<b>Graduate Certificate of Early Childhood Education and Care</b>	February June September	1 year part-time  External (including placements) 	
<b>Graduate Certificate of Social Research</b>	February June	1 year full-time  Online 	








# Engineering

Advance your knowledge and career at UniSQ – the university ranked number one in Queensland for engineering graduates in full-time employment.<sup>1</sup> Work with expert, industry-experienced lecturers, gain invaluable networking and research opportunities, and set yourself up to become a leader in your field.

## Want to know more?

Discover how you can progress your career by visiting [unisq.edu.au/engineering](https://unisq.edu.au/engineering)

Degrees	Start	Details	Learn more
<b>Master of Engineering Practice</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Civil Engineering</li> <li>• Electrical and Electronic Engineering</li> <li>• Mechanical Engineering</li> <li>• Mechatronic and Robotic Engineering</li> <li>• Structural Engineering</li> </ul>	February June September	3 years part-time  Online 	
<b>Graduate Certificate of Engineering Practice</b>	February June September	0.5 year full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba)  Online 	
<b>Master of Professional Engineering</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural Engineering</li> <li>• Civil Engineering</li> <li>• Electrical and Electronic Engineering</li> <li>• Engineering Management and Enterprise</li> <li>• Mechanical Engineering</li> <li>• Mechatronic and Robotic Engineering</li> <li>• Structural Engineering</li> </ul>	February June September	2 years full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba)  External (including residential schools) 	
<b>Graduate Diploma of Professional Engineering</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural Engineering</li> <li>• Civil Engineering</li> <li>• Electrical and Electronic Engineering</li> <li>• Engineering Management and Enterprise</li> <li>• Mechanical Engineering</li> <li>• Mechatronic and Robotic Engineering</li> <li>• Structural Engineering</li> </ul>	February June September	1 year full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba)  External 	
<b>Graduate Certificate of Professional Engineering</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural Engineering</li> <li>• Civil Engineering</li> <li>• Electrical and Electronic Engineering</li> <li>• Engineering Management and Enterprise</li> <li>• Mechanical Engineering</li> <li>• Structural Engineering</li> </ul>	February June September	0.5 year full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba)  External 	

UniSQ is one of only six leading Australian Trailblazer universities, spearheading space manufacturing research that is of national priority through the iLAUNCH hub.






# Health

Further study in health opens the door to diverse and rewarding careers where you can create real impact. Whether you're focused on patient care, mental health, community wellbeing, or human performance, UniSQ will help you build practical, industry-ready skills. Learn from experienced professionals, work with real clients, and graduate connected to a supportive professional network committed to your ongoing success and growth.

## Want to know more?









Discover how you can progress your career by visiting [unisq.edu.au/health](https://unisq.edu.au/health)

Degrees	Start	Details	Learn more
<b>Master of Clinical Psychology</b>	January	2 years full-time  On-campus (Ipswich)  External (including placements and residential schools) 	
<b>Master of Clinical Psychology – Advanced Entry</b>	January	1 year full-time  External (including placements and residential schools) 	
<b>Master of Professional Psychology</b>	January	1 year full-time  On-campus (Ipswich)  External (including placements and residential schools) 	
<b>Master of Counselling</b> Choose either a qualifying or advanced entry pathway. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child, Youth and Family Therapy</li> <li>• Mental Health Practice</li> <li>• Trauma Focused Practice</li> </ul>	February June September	2 years full-time  External (including placements and residential schools)	
<b>Graduate Diploma of Counselling</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child, Youth and Family Therapy</li> <li>• Mental Health Practice</li> <li>• Trauma Focused Practice</li> </ul>	February June September	1 year full-time  External (including on-campus residential schools)	
<b>Graduate Certificate of Counselling</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Addiction</li> <li>• Child, Youth and Family Therapy</li> <li>• Mental Health Practice</li> <li>• Trauma Focused Practice</li> </ul>	February June September	1 year part-time  Online	
<b>Master of Social Work (Qualifying)</b>	February June	2 years full-time  On-campus (Ipswich)	

The first qualification of its kind in Australia, the Master of Clinical Psychology – Advanced Entry provides fast-tracked study for registered psychologists wanting to gain endorsement as a clinical psychologist.

UniSQ is number 1 in Australia for postgraduates in full-time employment in nursing.<sup>1</sup>



Degrees	Start	Details	Learn more
<b>Graduate Diploma of Midwifery</b>	February	1 year full-time  External  	
<b>Master of Nursing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced Practice</li> <li>• Clinical Education</li> <li>• Gerontology</li> <li>• Leadership and Management in Health</li> <li>• Rural and Remote</li> </ul>	February June September	3 years part-time  Online  	
<b>Graduate Diploma of Nursing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clinical Education</li> <li>• Gerontology</li> <li>• Leadership and Management in Health</li> <li>• Rural and Remote</li> </ul>	February June September	2 years part-time  Online  	
<b>Graduate Certificate of Nursing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clinical Education</li> <li>• Gerontology</li> <li>• Leadership and Management in Health</li> <li>• Rural and Remote</li> </ul>	February June September	1 year part-time  Online  	
<b>Master of Public Health</b>	February September	2 years full-time  On-campus (Ipswich) (including placement)  Online (including placement)  	
<b>Graduate Diploma of Public Health</b>	February September	1 year full-time  On-campus (Ipswich)  Online  	
<b>Graduate Certificate of Public Health</b>	February September	0.5 year full-time  On-campus (Ipswich)  Online  	
<b>Graduate Certificate of First Nations Culturally Safe Health Leadership</b>	January May	Online  	








# Information Technology

UniSQ offers a wide range of future-focused courses, ensuring you're ready for a career in the information and communications technology industry. Engage in hands-on, collaborative projects with industry leaders and use the latest software to address real-world challenges. This is your place to become a leader and technology expert equipped to pioneer the future.

## Want to know more?

Discover how you can progress your career by visiting [unisq.edu.au/it](https://unisq.edu.au/it)

Degrees	Start	Details	Learn more
<b>Master of Cyber Security</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cyber Security Management</li> <li>• Technical</li> </ul>	February June September	2 years full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba)  Online	
<b>Master of Data Science</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning</li> <li>• Data Analytics</li> </ul>	February June September	2 years full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba)  Online 	
<b>Master of Information Systems</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business Analytics</li> <li>• Digital Innovation</li> <li>• Managing Cyber Risk</li> </ul>	February June September	2 years full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba, Springfield)  Online 	
<b>Graduate Diploma of Information Systems</b>	February June September	1 year full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba, Springfield)  Online 	
<b>Graduate Certificate of Information Systems</b>	February June September	0.5 year full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba, Springfield)  Online 	
<b>Master of Information Technology</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Computing Technology</li> <li>• Network Engineering</li> <li>• Software Development</li> </ul>	February June September	2 years full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba)  Online 	
<b>Graduate Diploma of Information Technology</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Computing Technology</li> <li>• Network Engineering</li> <li>• Software Development</li> </ul>	February June September	1.5 years full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba)  Online	

UniSQ is rated 5 stars for student support in computing and information technology.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Good Universities Guide, 2026



# Law

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Driven for a career in law, or ready to take your legal expertise further? At UniSQ, our postgraduate law degrees are designed for graduates and professionals seeking contemporary, industry-relevant legal education. Experience personalised learning, connect with experienced legal academics, stay current and build the skills to make a meaningful impact in today's legal landscape.

## Want to know more?

Discover how you can progress your career by visiting [unisq.edu.au/law](https://unisq.edu.au/law)

Degrees	Start	Details	Learn more
<b>Juris Doctor</b>	February June September	2–3 years full-time  Online	
<b>Master of Laws</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commerical Law</li> <li>• Family Law</li> <li>• Legal Practice</li> <li>• Public Law</li> </ul>	February June September	1 year or part-time equivalent	

Choose to fast-track the Juris Doctor and complete your study in 2 years.<sup>1</sup>



I chose to study at the University of Southern Queensland because it was a university that offered online education. I appreciate universities that strive to make learning accessible for everyone.

**Hayley**  
Juris Doctor

<sup>1</sup> Full-time study over six consecutive semesters.



## Sciences and Agriculture




Tailor study to your interests with degrees that offer a range of specialisations and draw on a blend of coursework, research, and hands-on learning. Whether you're interested in astrophysics, agriculture, the human body, the environment, or data and analytics, UniSQ's science and agriculture degrees can open a world of opportunity.

UniSQ is ranked number 1 in Australia for overall educational experience and student support for science and mathematics.<sup>1</sup>

Collaborate with NASA – UniSQ hosts the only ground-based support in the Southern Hemisphere for NASA's Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite mission.

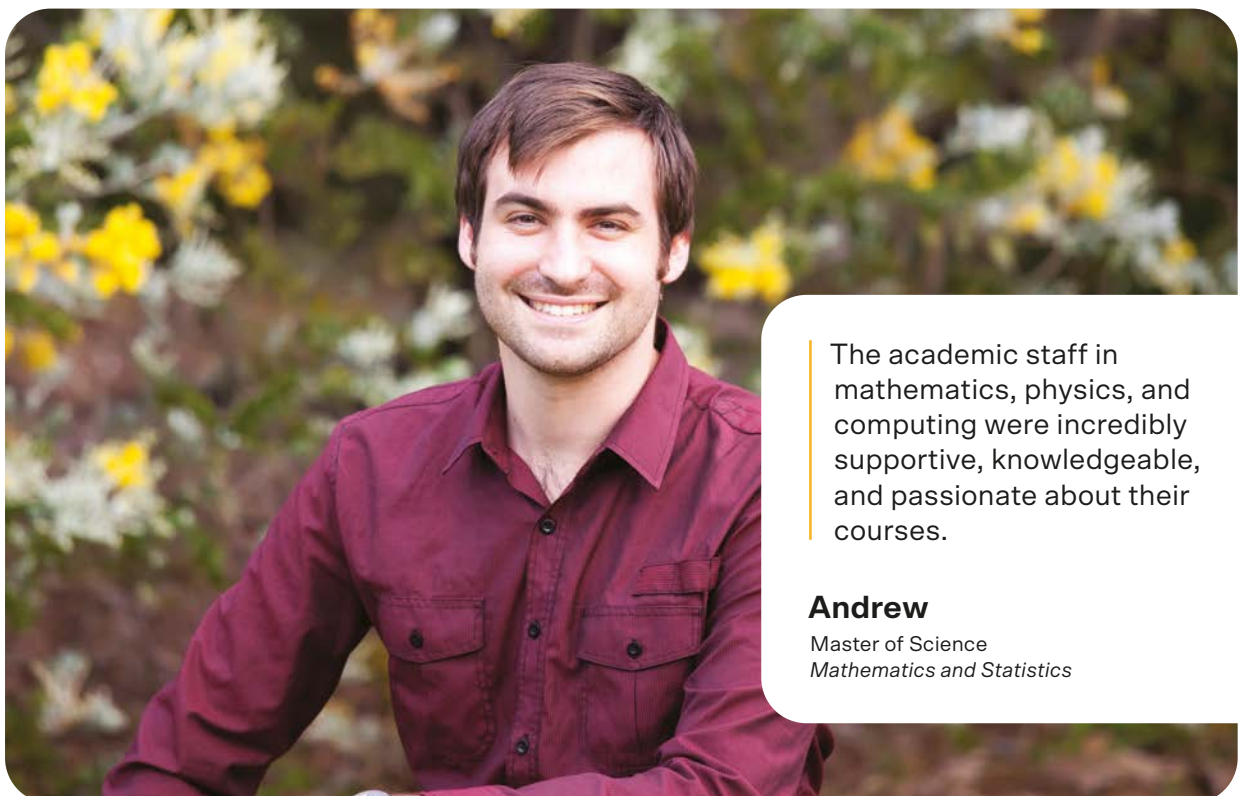
### Want to know more?

Discover how you can progress your career by visiting [unisq.edu.au/sciences-and-agriculture](https://unisq.edu.au/sciences-and-agriculture)

Degrees	Start	Details	Learn more
<p><b>Master of Science</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural Science<sup>1</sup></li> <li>• Astrophysics</li> <li>• Environment and Sustainability</li> <li>• Mathematics and Statistics</li> <li>• Sport and Exercise<sup>1</sup></li> </ul>	February June September	2 years full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba, Ipswich)  External (including residential schools)  Online 	
<p><b>Graduate Diploma of Science</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural Science<sup>1</sup></li> <li>• Astrophysics</li> <li>• Environment and Sustainability<sup>2</sup></li> <li>• Mathematics and Statistics</li> <li>• Sport and Exercise<sup>1</sup></li> </ul>	February June	1 year full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba, Ipswich)  External (including residential schools)  Online 	
<p><b>Graduate Certificate of Science</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural Science<sup>1</sup></li> <li>• Astrophysics<sup>2</sup></li> <li>• Environment and Sustainability<sup>2</sup></li> <li>• Mathematics and Statistics<sup>2</sup></li> </ul>	February June September	0.5 year full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba)  External (including residential schools)  Online 	

1 This specialisation involves on-campus residential schools and therefore is not offered online.

2 This specialisation is only available through part-time study.



The academic staff in mathematics, physics, and computing were incredibly supportive, knowledgeable, and passionate about their courses.

**Andrew**

Master of Science  
*Mathematics and Statistics*

# Higher degrees by research

From medical breakthroughs and technological innovations, to policy advancements – research underpins the progress of our communities and society. As a UniSQ researcher you'll be supported by leading academics and supervisors and be encouraged to go beyond, challenge established thinking, and question the status-quo. By completing a research degree you will increase your own knowledge and employability, contribute to your chosen field, and ultimately lead the way to a more informed future.

Degrees	Start	Details	Learn more
<b>Doctor of Philosophy</b>	January February April May June August September November	4 years full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba, Springfield, Ipswich)  Online	
<b>Master of Research</b>	January May August	2 years full-time  On-campus (Toowoomba, Springfield, Ipswich)  Online	

UniSQ conducts ground-breaking research with government, non-government, and industry partners. Although the communities that we serve are diverse, our teaching and research activities are underpinned by our strong expertise across our four flagships, led by our research institutes.

## Want to know more?

Discover how you can progress your career by visiting [unisq.edu.au/research](https://unisq.edu.au/research)

# Research with impact

Think big, be ambitious and achieve incredible things with the support of UniSQ. As a researcher you can make a true difference for individuals, communities and industries.

Work alongside globally recognised academics on projects with significant national and international impact. You can help meet global demands by utilising UniSQ's leading research institutes, centres and world-class facilities.

## Discover UniSQ flagships

### Agriculture, Climate and Environment

Strengthen agricultural productivity and work towards a more sustainable future as a UniSQ researcher. Tackle climate change, drought mitigation and crop health and advance agricultural technology at a university renowned for agriculture and environment studies.

### Health

From supporting children in need by providing access to quality care and treatment, to using artificial intelligence to detect diseases early – as a UniSQ researcher you could help solve today's health problems and change lives. Choose from a range of study areas including allied health, biomedical science, mental health, and sport and exercise science, and find a topic that inspires you.

### Space, Defense and Advanced Technologies

As one of only six Australian trailblazer universities, UniSQ's global partnerships with NASA, the US Airforce, Boeing, and BAE Systems allow our researchers to have a real impact and build quality networks. Propel your career forward and find rewarding employment in the space sector by studying with a university committed to your growth and success.

### Communities and Regional Development

Boost global food security, help regional Australia thrive, or collaborate with other Queensland universities to strengthen the economic resilience of regional communities – these are just some of the ways you can make a difference as a UniSQ researcher. Explore a range of regional development study areas including agribusiness, energy, sustainable economic development, workforce development, community wellbeing, climate variability and heritage and culture.

The people and community I made throughout my PhD is something that I'll treasure for a long time. The Centre for Astrophysics at UniSQ is a very special place. The researchers there continually find opportunities to prop their students up and make them the future STEM leaders they need to be. I learnt a lot from these incredible people and am continually inspired by them.

### Jake

PhD graduate





# Manage the cost of study

When considering postgraduate study it's important to know degrees either require full-fee payment or are Commonwealth supported. There are many ways to manage your tuition costs, including scholarships, loans, and tax deductions.

## Commonwealth supported places

Commonwealth supported places (CSP) are subsidised - the Australian Government shares the cost of your study by paying part of your fees directly to the University. Students in CSP pay a reduced fee called a 'student contribution' and eligible students may defer this portion of their fees to a HECS-HELP loan. CSP are only available to eligible domestic students.

When you are accepted to study with UniSQ, we will indicate if you have been offered a Commonwealth supported place.

Throughout this guide degrees with CSP have been marked with this symbol . Learn more via [unisq.edu.au/csp](https://unisq.edu.au/csp)

## HECS-HELP loan

A HECS-HELP loan allows eligible students in a Commonwealth supported place (CSP) to defer their Student Contribution to a HELP loan, rather than paying upfront. To be eligible for this loan you must meet certain criteria. Learn more via [unisq.edu.au/hecs-help](https://unisq.edu.au/hecs-help)

## FEE-HELP loan

A FEE-HELP loan defers the payment of tuition fees for domestic students enrolled in degrees that require full-fee payment (i.e. those without CSP). Learn about eligibility criteria and more at [unisq.edu.au/hecs-help](https://unisq.edu.au/hecs-help)

## SA-HELP loan

A SA-HELP loan covers the cost of the Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF) for eligible domestic students. The SSAF fee supports a wide range of activities and initiatives, not related to tuition. Learn more at [unisq.edu.au/ssa-fee](https://unisq.edu.au/ssa-fee)

## Research Training Program

The Research Training Program (RTP) provides government scholarships for most domestic students enrolled in higher degrees by research. Learn more via [unisq.edu.au/rtp](https://unisq.edu.au/rtp)

## Scholarships

A scholarship can assist with textbooks, living costs and practical experience expenses. Some scholarships are one-off payments, while others continue for the duration of the degree. Learn more via [unisq.edu.au/scholarships](https://unisq.edu.au/scholarships)

## Tax deductions

You may be eligible for tax deductions on tuition fees and study materials if your postgraduate degree relates to your current career.

## Recognition of work experience and prior study

Your work and study experience can count towards course credit and reduce the number of courses you need to complete. Learn more via [unisq.edu.au/credit](https://unisq.edu.au/credit)

# How to apply

Congratulations on your decision to study - we're excited for you and all the possibilities your future holds! Whether you're seeking a career change, or wanting to upskill, UniSQ will help you achieve your goals.

## Check the entry requirements

Each degree has unique entry requirements – you can find the specifics for your chosen degree on the UniSQ website. If you haven't previously studied but have work experience in a similar field, you may be eligible for postgraduate study and course credit. To learn more, contact UniSQ or visit [unisq.edu.au/study](https://unisq.edu.au/study)

## Apply online

Apply to UniSQ by visiting [unisq.edu.au/apply](https://unisq.edu.au/apply). Please note you may require supporting documentation, for example academic transcripts or resumes.

## Accept your offer

When you receive an email with your offer, follow the steps to accept. If you do not receive an offer, don't stress, we can recommend suitable pathways to help you work towards your chosen degree.

### Want to know more?

Find detailed information and apply at [unisq.edu.au/apply](https://unisq.edu.au/apply)





## We're here to help

Our degree advisors can help answer any questions about your next move. Delve into the detail of our degrees, discover relevant scholarships, or chat to us about what it's like to study at UniSQ.

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