

Bachelor of Creative Arts (Honours) (BCAH) - BCRA(Hons)

CRICOS code (International applicants): 077427C

	On-campus	Online
Start:	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)
Campus:	Toowoomba	-
Fees:	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
Standard duration:	1 year full-time, 2 years part-time	
Program articulation:	From:	

Notes:

In 2023 the program follows the Semester calendar. The [Academic Calendar and Important Dates](#) webpage will allow you to view and download a copy of the important dates for the Semester calendar.

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Program aims

Students will acquire the ability to research independently, apply theory and develop academic expertise in their chosen fields. The program will extend students' appreciation of the cultural contributions offered by the creative arts to local and regional communities in Australia. The program accommodates supervisory focus across discipline specialisations including: Film, Television & Radio, Music, Theatre, Visual Arts, and Creative Arts and Community Wellbeing.

The program aims to produce graduates who:

- Possess advanced knowledge and skills specific to their focus discipline or individual creative practice
- Can research independently, apply theory and develop academic expertise in their chosen fields
- Are well positioned to contribute to ongoing cultural growth and knowledge through engagement with the arts in local and regional communities throughout Australia
- Think critically, creatively and ethically with cultural awareness when identifying and solving problems
- Are responsible and accountable for their ongoing learning, both independently and in collaboration with others, within a range of professional contexts.

Program objectives

On successful completion of the program, students should be able to:

- Use broad and coherent body of knowledge, with depth in the underlying principles and concepts in one or more disciplines as a basis for independent lifelong learning

- Independently evaluate and apply methods, concepts, techniques and theories in the design and realisation of creative arts projects in a broad range of professional contexts
- Display an advanced level of initiative and appraisal in planning and implementing professional practical outcomes and/or scholarship
- Utilise advanced cognitive and creative skills to conduct focused research by identifying and solving problems with intellectual independence
- Exercise effective communication skills to present clear, coherent and innovative exposition of knowledge and ideas using an appropriate range of modes and techniques.

Australian Qualifications Framework

The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) is a single national, comprehensive system of qualifications offered by higher education institutions (including universities), vocational education and training institutions and secondary schools. Each AQF qualification has a set of descriptors which define the type and complexity of knowledge, skills and application of knowledge and skills that a graduate who has been awarded that qualification has attained, and the typical volume of learning associated with that qualification type.

This program is at AQF Qualification Level 08. Graduates at this level will have advanced knowledge and skills for professional or highly skilled work and/or further learning.

The full set of levels criteria and qualification type descriptors can be found by visiting www.aqf.edu.au.

Program Information Set

View UniSQ's admission criteria, student profiles and a summary of all offers made under [Course Admission Information Set](#) via the QTAC website.

Admission requirements

To be eligible for admission, applicants must satisfy the following requirements:

- Completion of an Australian Bachelor degree, or equivalent in Creative Arts or a related discipline, with a minimum Grade Point Average of 5.0.
- English Language Proficiency requirements for Category 2.

Applicants are advised to also note the following:

- Applicants will be required to write a proposal outlining the initial direction of their Honours research (750 words).
- Students will also be required to have an interview with relevant supervisor/s (telephone or face-to-face).

Some consideration for significant professional practice can be given to applicants at the discretion of the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts. Specific entry requirements can be:

- credit level (grade point average of 5.0/7) in the entire program and permission of the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts
- a grade point average of 5/7 across all levels in the proposed Major Study
- a grade point average of 5.2/7 in the third level of the program (i.e. Major and Option), including an 'A' or better level pass in at least one course of the Major
- grades of 'A' or High Distinction in all courses in the third-level of the Major
- for a candidate with equivalent qualifications or relevant work experience by special permission of the Faculty of Business, Education, Law and Arts.

All students are required to satisfy the applicable [English language requirements](#).

If students do not meet the English language requirements they may apply to study a University-approved [English language program](#). On successful completion of the English language program, students may be admitted to an award program.

Program fees

Commonwealth supported place

A Commonwealth supported place is where the Australian Government makes a contribution towards the cost of a students' higher education and students pay a [student contribution amount](#), which varies depending on the courses undertaken. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Schedules](#).

Commonwealth Supported students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [HECS-HELP](#).

Domestic full fee paying place

Domestic full fee paying places are funded entirely through the full fees paid by the student. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Schedule](#)

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [FEE-HELP](#) provided they meet the residency and citizenship requirements.

Australian citizens, Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who will be resident outside Australia for the duration of their program pay full tuition fees and are not eligible for [FEE-Help](#).

International full fee paying place

International students pay full fees. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken and whether they are studied on-campus, external or online. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Schedules](#).

Program structure

The Bachelor of Creative Arts (Honours) consists of a minimum of 4 courses (comprising 8 units). The program can be undertaken full-time in one academic year, or part-time over two years. Part-time enrolment will normally be course-work in year one, and dissertation project in year two.

Please refer to the Recommended Enrolment patterns for further details on offerings from each Discipline.

Program completion requirements

8 units of study

Required time limits

Students have a maximum of 2 years to complete this program.

Core courses

Core courses are essential to developing the skills required to conduct scholarly activity and independent research at Honours level. All students must enrol in:

[SCA4000 Honours Dissertation 1](#)

[SCA4001 Honours Dissertation 2](#)

IT requirements

All students wishing to take advantage of online (Internet-based) systems and services provided by the University should be aware that UniSQ makes recommendations about the type of hardware and software best suited to match our systems. Compliance with these recommendations will ensure students receive the computing help needed if experiencing problems.

Students studying on-campus or externally should ensure they have access to a computer that meets these [minimum standards](#). Compliance with these recommendations will ensure students receive the computing help needed if experiencing problems.

UniSQ has a number of hardware and software agreements with suppliers that may result in various benefits being passed onto University staff, students and alumni when they purchase privately.

For some students the financial cost of purchasing computing equipment may be a barrier to studying with UniSQ. In view of this, the University provides the following assistance:

- Computer laboratories at the Toowoomba, and Springfield campuses which are available for student use.
- Scholarships and financial support in the form of financial assistance that may help cover study costs such as computer equipment.

For further advice on IT requirements, please visit [AskUniSQ](#)

Credit

According to University policy, no credit can be given for study in an 8 unit degree program.

Honours

The level of honours awarded will be determined based on the UniSQ procedure. Please refer to the [Class of Honours Standard Schedule](#).

Recommended enrolment pattern - Theory Pathway (Dissertation)

Students will choose an enrolment pattern to suit their proposed Honours project, in consultation with their supervisor.

Students are able to enrol in any offered mode of a course (On-campus, or Online), regardless of the program mode of study they enrolled in.

Course	Year of program and semester in which course is normally studied						Enrolment requirements
	On-campus (ONC)		External (EXT)		Online (ONL)		
	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	
SCA4000 Honours Dissertation 1	1	1			1	1	Pre-requisite: Students must be enrolled in the following Program: BCAH Enrolment is not permitted in SCA4000 if HMT4001 has been previously competed
HMT4007 Becoming a Researcher	1	1			1	1	Pre-requisite: Students must be enrolled in one of the following Programs: MARA or BAHN or BCAH
SCA4001 Honours Dissertation 2	1	2			1	2	Pre-requisite: Students must be enrolled in the following Program: BCAH Enrolment is not permitted in SCA4001 if HMT4002 has been previously completed
SCA4003 Research Practice B	1	2			1	2	Pre-requisite: Students must be enrolled in the following Program: BCAH Enrolment is not permitted in SCA4003 if BCA8004 has been previously completed

Recommended enrolment pattern - Practice Pathway (Creative Practice & Exegesis)

Students will choose an enrolment pattern to suit their proposed Honours project, in consultation with their supervisor.

Students are able to enrol in any offered mode of a course (On-campus, or Online), regardless of the program mode of study they enrolled in.

Course	Year of program and semester in which course is normally studied						Enrolment requirements
	On-campus (ONC)		External (EXT)		Online (ONL)		
	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	Year	Sem	
SCA4000 Honours Dissertation 1	1	1			1	1	Pre-requisite: Students must be enrolled in the following Program: BCAH Enrolment is not permitted in SCA4000 if HMT4001 has been previously competed
SCA4002 Research Practice A	1	1			1	1	Pre-requisite: Students must be enrolled in the following Program: BCAH Enrolment is not permitted in SCA4002 if BCA8003 has been previously completed
SCA4001 Honours Dissertation 2	1	2			1	2	Pre-requisite: Students must be enrolled in the following Program: BCAH Enrolment is not permitted in SCA4001 if HMT4002 has been previously completed
SCA4003 Research Practice B	1	2			1	2	Pre-requisite: Students must be enrolled in the following Program: BCAH Enrolment is not permitted in SCA4003 if BCA8004 has been previously completed