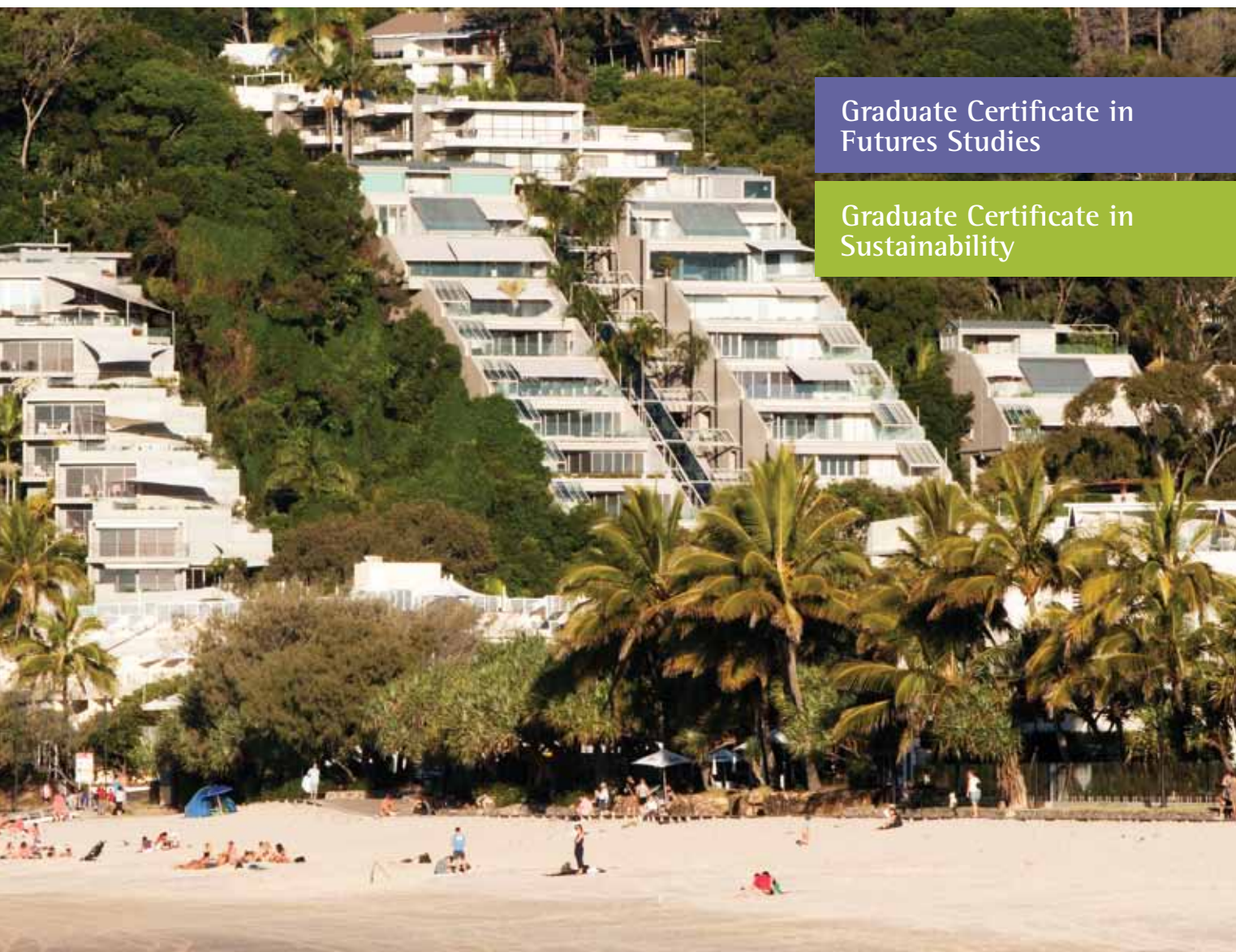




Postgraduate studies



Graduate Certificate in
Futures Studies

Graduate Certificate in
Sustainability

Why choose USC?

It's the best of both worlds. Students choose USC for its industry focused degrees, experienced academics, student support and relaxed campus atmosphere.



Graduate Certificate in Futures Studies

- Help shape the future of our world
- Contribute to the wellbeing of society
- Generate alternatives for better opportunities

Learn how to anticipate and effectively manage change.

Futures Studies is a powerful tool for managing institutional dynamics and negotiating periods of change. It seeks to empower you to identify and engage with the forces that shape your operational and working contexts. It has strategic value to anyone working in business and government where change is rapid and creative open-ended thinking a necessary tool for negotiating turbulence and rapid change. It is therefore a vehicle that develops personal and social adaptive capacity, and can contribute substantially to social and economic wellbeing.

The Graduate Certificate in Futures Studies provides you with a sound foundational knowledge of the futures field. It introduces a range of futures methods, concepts and tools designed to help you better understand your working context and future proof your organisation. The program hones leadership skills, covers a wide range of facilitation techniques, links personal and organisational values to actions and their outcomes, and stimulates creative engagement that generates a range of alternatives to business as usual for you and your organisation.

Futures Studies is therefore about the present. The present reinvented in the light of probable, possible, and preferable futures that may occur as a result of social, technological, environmental, economic or cultural change. It hinges on flexibility of thinking, the ability to reframe context and critically assess our role in its maintenance, and to identify points of leverage that, when addressed, can lead to new possibilities.

This program fosters strategic foresight, which is of key relevance to emerging issues facing our region and the planet. It draws on the innate capacity of the human mind to engage in foresight or futures thinking. You learn to clarify values and develop effective strategic processes to navigate a turbulent environment where success and failure impact on both present and future generations. Courses blend academic and action-based learning to bridge the divide between theory and practice. All courses are offered in both face-to-face on campus or fully external (online) modes; with the exception of FUT700 Applied Futures Studies: Methods, Values and Strategy, which is only available online.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates can expect to find employment in government, business, education or community development.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A student entering the Graduate Certificate in Futures Studies will normally be required to hold an undergraduate (Bachelor) degree, or equivalent, from a recognised higher education institution.

FEES

For the most up-to-date information on postgraduate coursework fees visit the website: www.usc.edu.au/fees

■ Graduate Certificate in Futures Studies

Duration: Program only available part-time. Not all courses available concurrently.

Commence: Semester 1 or Semester 2

Study mode: on campus; online

Total courses: 4

CRICOS code: Not available to international students on a Student visa.

Comprehensive program information: www.usc.edu.au/AR510

ENQUIRIES

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Graduate Certificate in Sustainability

- Help chart a sustainable future
- Learn to direct societal change
- You CAN make a difference

Make a difference and become an innovator in sustainability.

Sustainability is fundamental to the future of society, economy and the environment. The Graduate Certificate in Sustainability is designed to create future leaders in the area of sustainability. Sustainability studies focus on a process to build an active and engaged society for the achievement of environmental, economic and social sustainability. Study this innovative program to gain an understanding of the principles underpinning sustainability. You learn about the latest tools and technologies to achieve sustainable outcomes at individual and societal levels, and explore systems approaches to chart sustainable futures.

You explore sustainability in contemporary society and examine aspects such as socio-ecological trends, historical underpinnings, leadership and governance, and future scenarios. You are encouraged to examine your own personal ideologies and to reflect on educational and societal influences.

From individual and societal perspectives, you study the most pressing sustainability issues and design strategies focused on achieving sustainability at local, regional and global scales. Encouraged to think as a global citizen, you apply the latest theory to real world examples. With both on campus and online modes of study, as well as the option of mid-year entry, studying sustainability has never been more accessible.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

As a sustainability professional, you will have innovative and adaptable problem-solving skills for a rapidly changing world. Skills enabling you to tackle pressing issues such as climate change and take advantage of opportunities such as the emerging green economy. As a graduate, you can expect to find employment in all tiers of government and private industry, both within Australia and internationally.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A student entering the Graduate Certificate in Sustainability will normally be required to hold an undergraduate (Bachelor) degree, or equivalent from a recognised higher education institution. Entry by non-graduates who have extensive relevant industry experience may be considered on a case-by-case basis by the Executive Dean, Faculty of Arts and Business.

FEES

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■ Graduate Certificate in Sustainability

Duration: 1 year part-time. Program is only available part-time

Commence: Semester 1 or Semester 2 (subject to enrolment numbers)

Study mode: on campus; online

Total courses: 4

CRICOS code: Not available to international students on a Student visa.

Comprehensive program information: www.usc.edu.au/SC525

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