

Degrees to help launch your career

Southern Cross University is a contemporary university which thinks big – its courses reflect global issues of significance from climate change to public health leadership.

The University has established a progressive reputation for world class degrees in business, environmental and health sciences, education, law, Indigenous studies, social science and a broad range of the arts.

Courses are designed in consultation with industry to produce work-ready graduates in traditional and emerging professions and are offered at three vibrant and beautiful campuses at Lismore, Coffs Harbour and Tweed Gold Coast – a region experiencing strong economic and population growth.

As a dynamic regional university, Southern Cross University takes pride in the commitment and quality of its lecturers, many of whom are recognised internationally and throughout Australia as leaders in their fields.

Flexible delivery options assist students to balance their busy lives. Many courses are offered by distance education, with an interactive study environment that strives to promote collaboration and a sense of community. The University is committed to equipping graduates with the skills and knowledge necessary to launch and further their careers.

While fast-tracking their careers is what many students want, Southern Cross University also strives to equip graduates with the skills to pursue personal and professional growth beyond their initial course of study to help realise their future ambitions.

The annual independent Good Universities Guide has given the University a glowing review, writing: “What it lacks in tradition, Southern Cross University makes up for with energy, confidence and accessibility”.

It has given the University a top five-star rating in the areas of entry flexibility and Indigenous participation, and four-star ratings in the areas of generic skills and graduate satisfaction.

Although it is a relatively young institution, the University’s research profile is increasing each year.

As a key partner in nine national Cooperative Research Centres, the research being undertaken at the University is significant and covers areas as diverse as climate change, plant genetics, phytochemistry and pharmacology, aged services, whale, dolphin and coral research, Indigenous issues, tourism, children and young people, peace and social justice, ecotechnology, and natural and complementary medicine.

Among current research projects are the photo identification of humpback whales to examine their migratory patterns, and to support international efforts to stop the harvesting of whales. Researchers estimate that there will be about 9000 whales

passing Byron Bay this year and many thousands are now identified.

Research is also underway to create a genetically modified strain of grain which is high in folic acid to be grown in Africa. Southern Cross University is also undertaking significant research into regional tourism.

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