This program gives you the opportunity to research an area you’re passionate about. A review of the big 4 accounting firms, KPMG, Price Waterhouse Coopers, Ernst & Young and Deloitte, revealed they seek graduates with advanced skills in problem solving, critical analysis and communication. Our Commerce Honours program is designed to enhance your skill base to increase your career opportunities with these employers. You’ll build your research skills with the support of a Faculty of Arts and Business academic with relevant research interests and expertise in your chosen area of study. Learn to critically review relevant published literature and undertake useful and meaningful research.

You are empowered to design and conduct a thesis study to contribute to commerce research. Join our research student community and attend the Faculty’s fortnightly research seminar, thesis seminars and discussion groups with other research students. You develop your presentation skills and deliver at least two lectures on your research progress. At the end of your honours program, continue your research with further postgraduate study or a higher research degree.

Career opportunities
Accounting, auditing, taxation, treasury, financial management, business advisory services, insolvency and business recovery, corporate services, merchant banking and management consulting.

Admission requirements
Applicants must have completed a Bachelor of Business, Bachelor of Commerce, or a related degree with a major in accounting, financial planning or finance from a recognised higher education institution, with at least eight courses in the area of study of their dissertation topic.

A cumulative GPA of at least 5.0 (Credit level) in the Bachelor’s degree is the normal standard for eligibility for admission to the Bachelor of Commerce (Honours). These are minimum requirements and do not guarantee entry. Enrolment is contingent upon the faculty’s capacity to provide appropriate supervision in the intended field of research.

Scholarships
A scholarship gives you freedom to focus on your study. In 2017, USC provided more than A$2.5 million in scholarships and bursaries to students. Find out more at usc.edu.au/scholarships.

Specialisations
Accounting; finance; financial planning.