



Support the  
**journey**  
of pregnancy,  
birth and beyond

## Bachelor of Midwifery

Prepare to work as a registered midwife, giving women the necessary support and care during pregnancy, labour and the postpartum period.

In this program, you'll gain a strong understanding of the social, cultural, spiritual, psychological and physical experiences of women to provide quality maternity care. You'll study holistic assessment in midwifery; the nature of woman-centred midwifery practice; midwifery care across the childbearing continuum; legal and ethical requirements; bioscience and anatomy and physiology; research and evidenced based practice.

In this program you will:

- Learn how to provide woman-centred, evidence-based care to women and their families
- Learn midwifery skills in a simulated environment with state-of-the-art technology
- Gain practical experience through placements at clinics, maternity services, and private midwifery practices
- Engage with 10 women across the continuum of care, from antenatal visits, to labour and birth, and postnatal visits
- Learn from dedicated midwives, educators, and researchers

During the program, in addition to 10 continuity of care experiences, you will

complete a minimum of 700 midwifery practice hours. In some cases, additional practice hours may be undertaken to complete all the Midwifery Practice Experiences required for the program.

Students who are Registered Nurses in Australia with a degree in Nursing are eligible to apply for credit to follow the Registered Nurse Pathway. Students who wish to apply for the RN Pathway must submit an application for credit transfer, including their Nursing academic transcript and evidence of current RN registration with AHPRA.

### Post-admission requirements

Before undertaking clinical placement, students must obtain and maintain a current first aid and CPR certificate, provide evidence of hepatitis B and a number of other immunisations, undergo a criminal history check and obtain a Blue Card. Refer to clinical placement details for more information.

### Career opportunities

- Registered midwife in hospital or community settings, metropolitan, rural and remote locations or private practice midwife, midwifery educator and researcher.

### Membership

Australian College of Midwives.

**LOCATION** Sunshine Coast **QTAC CODE** 013471

**DURATION**  
3 years full time or equivalent part time

**COMMENCE**  
Semester 1

**RECOMMENDED PRIOR STUDY**  
English; General Mathematics, Mathematical Methods or Specialist Mathematics; at least one science subject

**SCHOLARSHIPS**  
Scholarships can give you money and other financial support to help you while you study. Find out more at [usc.edu.au/scholarships](http://usc.edu.au/scholarships).

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## Registration

Graduates are eligible to apply for registration as a midwife in Australia with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia, which is a Board of the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA). The Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia has a number of registration standards that graduates must demonstrate in order to be eligible for registration. For example, graduates must demonstrate English language skills at IELTS level 7, with 7 in all subtests, or equivalent before being considered for professional registration. For full details of the AHPRA Registration Standards, visit the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia website.