

# Master of Regional Planning by Research



LOCATION	START
Sunshine Coast	
Caboolture	
Fraser Coast	
Gympie	

Drive change for regions of the future via research. The planning profession demands real-world solutions for the constantly changing environment we live in. Conduct research that advances the way town planners approach complex issues, and provide insights into the evolving needs of diverse communities and regions, in Australia and globally.

In this program you will:

- Complete one required research course and an original thesis on a topic of your choice, from coastal management to water allocation and planning, urban planning, design issues, dispute resolution, and more
- Develop advanced skills in research design, analysis and written communication
- Advance the way town planners approach complex issues, and contribute to future planning practice

## Career opportunities

- Strategic planning and policy
- Urban designer
- Place maker
- Planning consultancy
- Community development
- Development assessment
- Infrastructure development
- Social planner
- Transport planner
- Property development

CRICOS Code  
070697D

Duration  
2 years

Only a full-time option is available to international students on a Student visa. Online programs are not available to Student visa holders.

## Indicative 2024 fees

A\$29,600

Annual fee

Tuition fees are reviewed each calendar year. The fee you must pay for a given teaching period is that which has been approved by UniSC for the calendar year in which the teaching period commences

Delivery mode  
Blended Learning

UniSC program code  
AR863

## Program structure

A Higher Degree by Research (HDR) is a supervised research program that requires undertaking original research, resulting in a thesis, or a thesis and exegesis.

During the Master by Research program, Master by Research candidates are required to achieve several milestones that relate to their research training.

Milestones are program requirements and periodic assessments of candidature progression. Milestones are distributed throughout HDR candidature providing structure and mechanism for regular review and feedback on progress towards both the research project and attainment of the University's Research Graduate Attributes.

In addition to HDR program milestones, some candidates may also have:

[usc.edu.au/ar863](https://usc.edu.au/ar863)

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- project milestones (such as external progress reports to third party funding providers) that they are required to contribute to; and
- scholarship conditions as specified in their scholarship conditions document
- Coursework (discuss with your proposed supervisor prior to applying)

Information on HDR milestones is available in the UniSC Higher Degree by Research Candidature Progression - Guidelines.