

# Master of Sport and Exercise Science by Research



LOCATION	START
Sunshine Coast	
Fraser Coast	
Gympie	
Caboolture	

Extend your opportunities. This program targets the development of research skills in sport and exercise science, in combination with skills required for specialist qualification as an accredited sport scientist (ESSA ASpS Level 1). Exercise and Sport Science Australia (ESSA), the national accreditation body for exercise and sport science disciplines, defines an Accredited Exercise Scientist (AES) as the base level of qualification in this discipline.

## Career opportunities

- Sport scientist with professional clubs
- Lead sport scientist with national federations
- Private advisor or consultant
- Olympic sports
- Paralympic sports

## Accreditation

Exercise and Sport Science Australia (ESSA), the national accreditation body for exercise and sport science disciplines, defines an Accredited Exercise Scientist (AES) as the base level of qualification in this discipline. The current Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science meets NUCAP AES competencies and will be the entry-level qualification (or equivalent) for this new Program. ESSA defines two specialist pathways, a clinical branch (the Bachelor of Clinical Exercise Science) and a branch for those seeking to specialise in sport and exercise science. This program is aligned to the latter. No current USC program meets the ESSA Sport Scientist accreditation (ASpS Level 1) requirements. Recent changes to national sport policies predicates that ESSA Sport Science accreditation is now required for employment with most Australian professional sports, all state institutes/academies of sport and/or by all Olympic/Paralympic sports.

CRICOS Code  
097013D

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  
SC806

## 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.

[usc.edu.au/sc806](https://usc.edu.au/sc806)

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If you were issued a UniSC Letter of Offer, it will specify your study location and teaching period of offer. Study options and teaching period of offer can vary depending on the study location. For full details, visit [usc.edu.au](https://usc.edu.au).

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

- 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 USC Higher Degree by Research Candidature Progression - Guidelines.