

Postgraduate Certificate in Sustainability Science (PCSS) - PGCSustSci

This program is offered only to continuing students. No new admissions will be accepted after the S2 2013 intake. Students who are interested in this area should consider the [Graduate Certificate in Science \(Environment & Sustainability specialisation\)](#).

	Distance education
Semester intake:	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)
Fees:	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
Standard duration:	1 year part-time
Program articulation:	To: Master of Science

Notes:

Students who commenced the Postgraduate Certificate in Sustainability Science prior to Semester 2 2013 may articulate to the ; [Master of Sustainability Science](#), with completion of further courses, as required by that program. The last intake for the ; [Master of Sustainability Science](#) was Semester 1 2013. Students who commence the Postgraduate Certificate in Sustainability Science in Semester 2 2013 may articulate to the ; [Master of Science \(Environment and Sustainability\)](#), with completion of further courses, as required by that program.

Contact us

Current students
Ask a question Freecall (within Australia): 1800 007 252 Phone (from outside Australia): +61 7 4631 2285 Email: usq.support@usq.edu.au

Program focus

Modern environment and natural resource management requires the integration of social, environmental and economic research within an interdisciplinary planning and policy framework. It also requires a capacity to handle complexity and uncertainty and the application of different methods of analysis and different approaches to governance and community engagement. This postgraduate program addresses these needs by providing environmental and resource managers and other professionals with core studies to enhance their skills and knowledge in the emerging discipline of sustainability science.

Program aims

This program aims to provide professionals in environmental and resource management and related fields, with appropriate formal instruction to enhance their skills and knowledge in the emerging discipline of sustainability science.

Program objectives

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- critically assess the emerging approaches to policy development and institutional arrangements to support sustainability
- identify and apply effective methods of community engagement
- manage complex decision-making in the face of risk and uncertainty.

Admission requirements

To be considered for entry, applicants must hold a three-year Bachelor's degree from an Australian University or equivalent.

A formal process of Accreditation of Prior Learning (APL) will be used to assess applicants without Bachelor degrees, who wish to gain entry to the program on the basis of equivalent experience or qualifications. Applicants should contact the Program Coordinator if they wish to be assessed for admission on this basis.

International Applicants

International applicants must have met the [University's English language](#) requirements or have completed the [University's ELICOS/EAP programs](#).

How to apply

Domestic students

[Application for postgraduate programs](#) may be made directly to USQ.

International students

This program is offered to international students. An international student is a person who is not an Australian or New Zealand citizen and not an Australian permanent resident. Please refer to [USQ International](#) for information about entry requirements, visa arrangements and how to apply.

Program fees

Domestic full fee paying place

Domestic full fee paying places are funded entirely through the full fees paid by the student. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#).

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [FEE-HELP](#) provided they meet the residency and citizenship requirements.

Australian citizens, Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who will be resident outside Australia for the duration of their program pay full tuition fees and are not eligible for

The Program Coordinator's approval must be obtained before any courses not listed above may be credited
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