

College for Indigenous Studies, Education and Research (CISER)

CISER encourages and supports the further education of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community. CISER aims to:

- promote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and assist communities to develop their economic and cultural independence
- support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students with their educational, social, economic and cultural needs in a tertiary institution
- undertake research and consultancy projects that will address education and other issues that affect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people at all levels.
- teach within areas relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, histories and perspectives, and;
- engage with our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, communities and valued Elders within USQ's footprint.

Indigenous Student Support and Success Officers

Our Indigenous Student Support and Success Officers will support you throughout your study journey, from application to graduation! Whether studying online, on campus or externally, we support our students to reach their academic and career goals through fostering positive relationships. The College provides a culturally safe environment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to study with dedicated student computer and common rooms at all campuses, Ipswich, Springfield and Toowoomba.

The team will assist students with individual and personalised support and will assist with access to specialised support from areas across the university. We have tailored programs specifically for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students including;

- Ask Aunty online student hub
- Tutorial Assistance
- Cultural Connections orientation program
- Social events and activities

The College (CISER) is committed to Graduating Indigenous Leaders from USQ - that means you, you are our future leaders. The Indigenous Student Support and Success Team await to hear from you so that you can make the best possible choices for your future.

The College is located across all three of USQ's campuses at Ipswich, Springfield and Toowoomba.



Why study with USQ?

- We are a regional university with a global outlook and a reputation for research excellence, delivering degrees that are future focussed to ensure you're career-ready.
- No.1 in Australia for graduate starting salary for three years in a row* (Good Universities Guide, 2018-2020).
- Study your way choose where, when and even how you study with our flexible study options.
- World-leading research 30 areas of research at USQ recognised as world standard or better**
- You don't have to be the 'student-type' if you are choosing your first career path, want to improve your current situation or are looking to broaden your horizons and study something you love, we're ready to work alongside you to see your goals fulfilled.
- Degrees & courses with over 115 study disciplines for you to choose from, we have a wide variety of degrees and courses on offer. To have a closer look at the study areas you are interested in, visit usq.edu.au/study

Scholarships

Invest some time in your future; a USQ scholarship can allow you to concentrate on your studies and remove some of your financial burdens. To apply online, and for more details about the scholarships we offer, visit usq.edu.au/scholarships

- Indigenous Student Success Program (ISSP) – Education Costs Scholarships
- Indigenous Student Success Program (ISSP) - Accommodation Costs Scholarships
- John Ross Clancy Indigenous Book Bursary
- USQ Endowment Fund and USQ Equity **Scholarships**
- USQ KickStart Bursaries (new students)
- USQ KickOn Bursaries (continuing students)

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The University of Southern Queensland acknowledges the traditional owners of the lands on which our campuses are located. The Gaibal and Jarowair peoples of Toowoomba and the Jagera, Yuggera and Ugarapul peoples of the Ipswich and Springfield areas.

USQ leads the way by acknowledging culture protocols and the importance of guidance by Indigenous Elders. The Elders and Valued Persons Advisory Board meets regularly to discuss and address issues relevant to the local Indigenous communities; engage with Indigenous staff and students and supports the USQ Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP). Our RAP provides a plan to achieve true 'Reconciliation' and helps to improve the educational aspirations and opportunities for Indigenous people and students; by providing cultural awareness of USQ employees and improving opportunities for Indigenous recruitment, retention and research opportunities