



Logistics and Supply Chain Management

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Your career in Logistics and Supply Chain Management.

As a graduate of UniSA's Logistics and Supply Chain Management program, you will be well placed to meet a growing demand for skilled staff in the management and organisation of technology and people in a range of operational areas. Logistics and supply chain management involves storing and managing the flow of goods and services from the point of origin to the consumer. It can encompass warehousing, monitoring inventory, purchasing, transport and distribution. Technology plays a significant role in logistics and supply chain management. For example, large Fast Moving Consumer Goods (FMCG) companies and supermarkets often employ Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) to help monitor rapidly changing stock levels. It is therefore common for logistics and supply chain professionals to work closely with IT and engineering departments.

The growing volume of world trade and tourism, coupled with the need for organisations to reduce inventory and downtime costs, has created a need for managers with skills in logistics and production planning. Most businesses and organisations that provide goods and/or services have a need for effective operations management.

Which Occupations?

When you graduate you may be employed in an entry level role such as assistant or officer before gaining enough experience to progress to a managerial role.

Graduates who find work in logistics and supply chain management may be employed in the following roles: operations manager, operations coordinator/administrator, account executive, inventory supply chain manager, procurement specialist, demand planner, vendor replenishment manager, pricing analyst, distribution centre manager, production or logistics manager.

Employment Snapshot

Supply and Distribution Managers

Job prospects:	GOOD
Employment predictions to 2014–15:	VERY STRONG
Occupation size:	LARGE (32 500)
Ave weekly wage:	\$1407
% in FT work:	95%
Vacancy levels:	MODERATE
Employment Growth – 10 yrs:	160%

Production Managers

Job prospects:	AVERAGE
Employment predictions to 2014–15:	GROW SLIGHTLY
Occupation size:	VERY LARGE (60 900)
Ave weekly wage:	\$1363
% in FT work:	96.2%
Vacancy levels:	HIGH
Employment Growth – 10 yrs:	33.8%

Source: Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

Experiential Learning.

The Logistics and Supply Chain Management program incorporates the following:

Work Placements

Management Practicum 1 is a field placement project carried out within a company or organisation under academic and industry supervision. Requirements of the placement include production of a comprehensive report, presentation, student and supervisor evaluations, and personal critical reflection.

Career Management Skills within Curriculum

Career management skills have been embedded throughout the curriculum. Topics covered include: self awareness, industry options and skills audit.

Industry Visits

Logistics and Supply Chain Management students will have the opportunity to participate in visits to industry associations and businesses. Students will engage in discussions and web based reports regarding business operations.

Case Studies and Workplace Reports

Many courses within the Logistics and Supply Chain Management program require students to apply theory to a real-life case study. Students may undertake workplace reports on an organisation of their choice. These case studies and reports form a part of each student's assessment.

Debates

Students may participate in debates as part of courses within the program. These assist students with developing communication, leadership and group skills.

More Information

Experiential learning in Logistics and Supply Chain Management
www.unisa.edu.au/management/current-students/experiential_learning.asp

UniSA – helping you to make the most of your degree.

Career Services

Career Development Tool

This tool will give you step by step guidance to make the most of your degree. Graduate with a great degree – and also a degree of experience, a wallet full of contacts and a plan to succeed. Watch your emails for information on jobs, work experience, events and workshops.

www-p.unisa.edu.au/careers/

Work Placement Scheme

The Work Placement Scheme offers support to students who wish to undertake placements in addition to their coursework. Placements are project based and flexible to allow you to coordinate study, work and life commitments. You receive support, insurance and a certificate upon successful completion of your placement.

www-p.unisa.edu.au/careers/cdt/connect/wps.asp

MyCareerPlan

MyCareerPlan is UniSA's online database of employment opportunities, vacation internships and work experience, events and the Work Placement Scheme. Customise your own account, save your searches and build your resume.

<https://mycareerplan.unisa.edu.au>

Events

Career Services coordinate a range of events to connect students with industry. These include: the Careers and Employment Expo in March/April, Work Experience Fair mid-year and the International Careers Day held twice each year. Other smaller events in your study area are also offered to connect you with employers, work experience and career development.

www.unisa.edu.au/business/scd

Workshops

From first to final year there are workshops on how to plan your study for career success, preparing for placements and work experience, communication in the business world and preparing for graduate applications and the selection process. Check out the schedule online on MyCareerPlan.

<https://mycareerplan.unisa.edu.au>

Global Experience

Gain a competitive edge and add value to your degree through Global Experience. This program is designed to expand your global knowledge, develop essential skills for your career and build your university experience. Global Experience will set you apart from the pack.

www.unisa.edu.au/globalexperience

Student Exchange

Gain a competitive advantage by going on an overseas exchange! Develop an international perspective, cultural awareness and broaden your career opportunities. Scholarships are available.

www.unisa.edu.au/exchange

Graduate Qualities

Graduate Qualities are personal attributes which are developed during your study. These qualities will distinguish you from other graduates.

www.unisa.edu.au/gradquals

Specific Student Groups

- Disability
- External Students
- Indigenous
- International
- Mature Age
- Research
- Rural
- Women in Non-Traditional Roles

More information regarding Career Development for Specific Student Groups:

www-p.unisa.edu.au/careers/cdt/choices/groups.asp

Matthew Rankine

Year Graduated: 2006
Job Title: Supply Chain Manager
Employer: PPG Industries

“You need to start your career working at the bottom end of the organisational chart, building your knowledge by volunteering to master as many of the supply chain components as possible. This will mean eventually changing vocations or employers so that you can be exposed to a number of different industries. This way you will greatly expand your skill set and your future promotional opportunities.”

To read more Alumni Profiles please visit:
www.unisa.edu.au/business/scd/alumniadvice.asp



Further information

For more information about the programs, including fees, visit:
www.unisa.edu.au/programs
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