Congratulations on joining the UniSA community. We look forward to helping you settle into your new adventure.

There are a huge range of experiences and opportunities that you can be part of while you’re at UniSA. You can join a club, volunteer, develop your skills and employment options, and head along to the great events that are on year-round, or even study overseas.

Discover all the services and resources available to you during your studies. Whether it be academic support, cheap healthcare options or finding a place to live, we’re here to support you.

So take a peek inside this booklet and explore just how amazing your student life can be.

One thing is for sure, you’ll take away much more than a degree once you’re finished.
Get Started

Visit our student website for more information about your next steps including help with selecting courses and planning your timetable, support services, campus maps, orientation schedules and important dates.

Starting at uni has four key steps...

Prepare - Get ready for uni and prepare for your time ahead.

Enrol - Plan your timetable, check dates and enrolment advice.

Orientation - Get settled into uni by coming to orientation activities, as well as your campus and program days.

Succeed - Take advantage of all the services, clubs, workshops and activities available to you as a UniSA student.

Uni Starts at Orientation

Orientation is the best time of the uni year. Get to know your course, program directors, campus and fellow students at Program Day and Campus Day, while having fun and meeting old and new friends.

There’s no better way to start the year and orientation is a must event in your uni diary.
There is so much more to university than theories and textbooks.

By joining the UniSA community, you can experience the many events happening on campus throughout the year, from live music and movie nights to de-stress and wellbeing days, cheap breakfasts, and more.

So whether you love playing sport or catching the latest art exhibitions, jump into campus life by discovering what awaits you this year.

Visit unisa.edu.au/studentlife to find out the latest.

Watch your campus come alive!

Find out more and watch at UniSA’s YouTube channel.
Join in the campus fun!

Events on campus

Balance out your time at uni with a variety of events happening on all of our campuses throughout the year.

Celebrate unity in diversity and cultures from around the world with Multicultural Week, join us for National Reconciliation Week, navigate your career future at Careers Week, and make sure your wellbeing is front and centre with UniTopia.

Planetarium

Located at the Mawson Lakes campus, you can learn all about constellations, stars and planets in the comfort of your armchair at UniSA’s very own Planetarium.

There are many events, classes and workshops that are on throughout the year. So whether you’re an astronomy buff or just keen to learn more, the Planetarium is the place to be.

unisa.edu.au/planetarium

The uni calendar is packed with fun activities, so whether you’re interested in free movie nights, cheap breakfast on campus, live music, parties or art exhibitions, there’s something for you!

Make sure you stay up-to-date with everything happening on your home campus (and head out to any of our campuses to suss their events too).

unisa.edu.au/studentlife
USASA Advocacy

USASA Advocates provide free support on a wide range of academic issues. The USASA Advocacy service is confidential and independent from the university.

Advocates can help you with:
- Requests with remarking and resubmissions
- Appeals against allegations of academic misconduct (including plagiarism)
- Appeals against final grades
- Appeals against intention to preclude
- Appeals against allegations of examination misconduct
- Issues with lecturers
- Advice regarding university policy
- Referral to other services inside and outside of the university

Contact a USASA Advocate to make an appointment as soon as you need assistance.

@USASAadelaide

Want to make the student experience even better? Becoming a USASA student representative is your opportunity to take an active role in the decisions which affect the future of USASA and UniSA.

usasa.sa.edu.au/representation

Got something to say?

Verse Magazine is your student magazine. Created by students, for students. The editors are always accepting writing and artwork submissions.

VerseMag.com.au

USASA

The University of South Australia’s Student Association (USASA) is a not-for-profit student-owned organisation that’s all about providing services and a voice for students. Plus, USASA membership is free for all UniSA students!

Through USASA you can:
- Join student clubs
- Access free academic advocacy
- Get your hands on freebies and cheap textbooks
- Attend awesome events
- Access on-campus support and information
- Stay in the loop with essential student news and discounts

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- Advice regarding university policy
- Referral to other services inside and outside of the university

Contact a USASA Advocate to make an appointment as soon as you need assistance.

usasa.advocate@unisa.edu.au

usasa.sa.edu.au/advocacy
USASA Service Counters

Joining a club is your chance to make friends with like-minded people, learn about a culture, boost your resumé and get the most out of your uni experience.

With over 100 clubs at UniSA, there’s something for everyone.

· Contact UniSA Sport for sporting clubs and opportunities.
· Contact USASA for special interest, cultural, social justice and academic clubs.

Ever dreamed of starting a chocolate society or a Backstreet Boys Appreciation Club? You’re welcome to start one!

usasa.sa.edu.au/clubs
unisasport.edu.au/clubs

USASA has counters on all UniSA campuses.

The counters provide students with a place to connect, pick up freebies and have a chat about USASA’s services and events. Counter services are available on every campus, with our metro counters staffed by friendly USASA student-staff!

USASA counters offer:
· Useful information about USASA services
· Freebies (think: student diaries, pens & Verse Magazines)
· Second-hand textbook buying and selling
· $1 cup noodles & refreshments
· UniSA Merchandise

Metro counters are open Monday to Friday, 10am to 4pm.

City East campus counter
Room: P3-06

City West campus counter
Room: CS2-15 (Student Lounge)

Magill campus counter
Room: A1-34

Mawson Lakes campus counter
Room: F1-23

Mt Gambier campus service
Learning Centre Student Kitchen

Whyalla campus service
Room: MB2-63

usasa.sa.edu.au/counters
Got a bright idea? Don’t take it for granted!

Grants are available for clubs, societies and individuals year-round to help you turn your ideas into reality.

Apply now for a grant if you have a great idea for an event at uni, a great leadership activity you want to take part in, or you’re an elite athlete.

unisa.edu.au/studentgrants

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Join UniSA Sport
Membership is FREE for UniSA students - visit unisasport.edu.au and sign up today.

If you want to get the blood pumping between classes or compete in state and national intervarsity comps, UniSA Sport is for you!

On-campus and community sport
UniSA Sport organises exercise classes and on-campus sport and recreational activities. You can also be involved in community events like the City-Bay and Tour Down Under.

Uni Games
UniSA Sport also takes teams to intervarsity and national competitions, including the Southern University Games and Australian University Games.

Gyms and facilities
Want to stay fit but money's tight? UniSA has gyms at City East, Magill and Mawson Lakes campuses, with special discounted rates for UniSA students.

unisasport.edu.au  unisasport  unisasport
Join the pARTy with ART AFTER DARK WEST END!

If you’re interested in art, film, music and supporting the local scene, ART AFTER DARK combines all of this and more!

From 5pm on selected Thursdays, there are exhibitions, films, music, talks, food, drinks, workshops and more.

UniSA’s Samstag Museum of Art, Kerry Packer Civic Gallery, the Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Centre, and SASA Gallery are all part of #artafterdarkwestend.

Get your campus wear

Explore our clothing range that was designed and selected with help from students. Choose from t-shirts and hoodies in a variety of colours.

See the full range on campus at USASA counters, or online.

unisa.edu.au/campuswear
Experience art and culture year-round at the Anne & Gordon Samstag Museum of Art.

Located at UniSA’s City West Campus, the Samstag Museum presents a diverse program of contemporary art exhibitions.

The Samstag hosts public events, talks and exhibition launches, as well as offering free guided tours for booked groups.

Want an opportunity to hear from acclaimed global speakers and thinkers discussing current topics and future trends?

The Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Centre (Hawke Centre) at City West offers a FREE public events program, with topics ranging from human rights to environment, economy and science, and much more!

There are a huge array of events, seminars, lectures and art exhibitions that run throughout the year, and they are all free to attend.

What are you waiting for? Sign up to their database to receive invitations to Hawke Centre events.

To find out more, visit the website for information on upcoming events, or, relive previous events.
As South Australia’s leading university for graduate careers, we can help you launch your brilliant career!

There are a huge range of services and resources to help you launch your career and maximise your graduate employability.

Whether you want to boost your résumé by taking on mentoring or volunteering work, attend workshops, programs, networking and events, or even apply for grant funding, we can support you.
Want to make the most of your UniSA studies and leap into your career?

UniSA’s Career Services offer students and recent graduates (up to a year after graduating) a range of services and resources to maximise and capitalise on their global employability.

We work to support students to become career-focused, enterprising and entrepreneurial.

We can provide information, advice and guidance on career planning, job-hunting in Australia and globally, networking, volunteering, and more.

So regardless of whether you’re an undergrad or postgrad student, or whether you have had lots of jobs or no jobs, we have resources to help you.

To start your career journey, visit our website.

*Australian Graduate Survey

unisa.edu.au/careers | search UniSA Career Services

Our graduate employment rates are above the national average and the highest in South Australia.
Volunteering

Give your resumé the edge!

Volunteering is the perfect way to strengthen your resumé while making a difference and meeting new people.

UniSA’s volunteering team can help link you to a volunteering opportunity that matches your needs and skills. You can volunteer within the uni, with a not-for-profit organisation or join one of our many exciting student-led initiatives.

What are you waiting for? Get involved and become part of a community of like-minded students!

Want to know more? Book an appointment with the team or participate in one of our events.

unisa.edu.au/volunteering
volunteering@unisa.edu.au  unisavolunteering

Mentoring

Mentoring is a great way to provide support and expertise while making a difference along the way.

Mentors provide encouragement, act as sounding boards, challenge, support and share experiences around both career and personal issues.

UniSA offers a number of school or division based mentoring programs, as well as university-wide mentoring programs such as the Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience (see page 26 for more information).

Ask your lecturer or program director about what mentoring opportunities you can be part of.

unisa.edu.au/

Sport and Development Program

The Sport and Development Program gives you the chance to engage with communities through sports.

The program collaborates with other organisations to deliver innovative sports-based community programs.

It’s a fantastic way to have fun, learn new skills, make new connections and be part of your local community along the way!

unisa.edu.au/

sportanddevelopment
Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience (AIME)

All UniSA students are encouraged to apply to be an AIME mentor. No skills or experience needed – you just need to be yourself.

AIME gives UniSA students the opportunity to be a part of a dynamic educational program that supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students through high school and into university, employment or further education.

AIME has worked with around 5,000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students nationally across 18 universities.

AIME kicked off in SA in 2013, with only UniSA students given the chance to be part of it. In 2015 there were over 400 Aboriginal students involved and 240 UniSA mentors.

Scholarships

There are a range of scholarships and grants to support your success at university.

Scholarships offer students from all walks of life a helping hand to get through their degree. Not only do they provide financial assistance, but they often include valuable work experience, mentoring opportunities, and even overseas travel.

Eligibility criteria apply to all scholarships and grants. Jump on the website for more information and to find out which scholarships and grants suit you.
Leadership Program

The UniSA Leadership Program offers some of the most exciting leadership development opportunities of any Australian university.

As the business, political and community leaders of tomorrow, today’s uni students need as many opportunities as possible to develop their leadership qualities.

The Leadership Program offers a range of leadership seminars and workshops delivered by experts in their fields, helping you to develop self-awareness, teamwork, collaboration, resilience, project management, innovation and conflict resolution skills. Don’t miss this once in a lifetime opportunity!

unisa.edu.au/leadership

UniSA+

UniSA+ is like the icing on top of the cake that is your UniSA degree. It will compile, in one place, a record of your participation in co-curricular activities which will help you stand out as an exceptional graduate.

UniSA+ has been carefully designed to ensure that all students who complete the requirements will have developed the skills, experience and knowledge that employers are seeking in graduates so you’ll be better prepared to enter the workforce.

You have the opportunity to complete the requirements across the whole duration of your undergraduate degree and can choose the activities that will be most relevant to your desired career. Take the opportunity to stand out from the crowd with UniSA+.

unisa.edu.au/unisaplus
Don’t wait until you graduate to see the world!

Living and studying overseas is a unique opportunity. Immerse yourself in a new culture, gain valuable experience that prepares you to work globally and create lasting professional and personal networks.

You can travel overseas for exchange, study tours or volunteer placements, for anywhere from 2 weeks to 12 months, and return not only with credits toward your degree, but most importantly having had the experience of a lifetime.

unisa.edu.au/globalopportunities

What’s available? The opportunities are endless!

Full semester/year exchange
Study overseas at a partner university for six months or a full year, and gain academic credit.

unisa.edu.au/studyoverseas

Short-term opportunities and study tours
Undertake a short-term overseas experience with other students in your program, led by UniSA academic staff.

unisa.edu.au/studyoverseas

Winter and summer schools
Combine your holiday and studies by taking courses at an overseas institution.

Placement/internship/volunteering
Practical experiences overseas which can be used to gain academic credit towards your UniSA program.

unisa.edu.au/studyoverseas

Studying abroad is not out of reach.
Apply for funding through one of UniSA’s many financial support schemes and your dreams of having an overseas experience may soon be a reality. Eligible students receive a UniSA travel grant of up to $2,500. A range of scholarships and interest free OS - HELP loans are also available to help with expenses.

unisa.edu.au/studyoverseas

Want to know more? Hear from our students about their experiences.

unisa.edu.au/hearfromourstudents

unisa.edu.au/studyoverseas
We’re here to help

Find out more and watch at UniSA’s YouTube channel.

[unisa.edu.au/studentservices]

Campus Central

Need advice? Have a question? Campus Central can help.

Campus Central is your first point of call for all student enquiries.

Located on each campus, Campus Central provides advice on all areas of student life. It’s your place to go for answers to all your questions, including enrolment, student ID cards, student fees, and general program and course advice. They will also be able to point you in the right direction for all other services available at UniSA.

You can get in touch with them via email, phone or find them on all campuses.

[unisa.edu.au/campuscentral] 1300 301 703

[unisa.edu.au/studentservices]
Library

Use the library to access databases, articles, images, ebooks and streaming video – anywhere, any time and on any device.

There are also individual, casual and group study spaces at the library, as well as rooms available for bookings. Bring your own laptop or mobile device, or use the library computers to access knowledge at your fingertips. Want to check opening hours, borrow from the library collection or book a room? Download the UniSA App!

If you have any questions for the library staff, contact them at any of the Ask Library/IT service points on campus. Or Ask the Library via chat, email, or phone.

library.unisa.edu.au  UniversitySALibrary  1300 137 659

Student Health and Wellbeing

UniSA is committed to helping you build your resilience in order to thrive and be your healthiest self during your studies and after you graduate.

Having good physical, mental and emotional wellbeing means you will have higher energy levels, be able to deal with life’s challenges better, and most importantly, achieve greater success at uni!

In 2016, UniSA became a health-promoting university. This means the health and wellbeing of our whole community is a serious priority for our university. We are developing our Wellbeing Action Plan with input from UniSA’s wellbeing researchers, community partners and most importantly, our students.

If you have ideas for how to create or promote a healthy campus culture, then you should consider joining one of the wellbeing working groups for your chance to get involved in a wellbeing project with other students and staff.

unisa.edu.au/wellbeing
Counselling

If you feel like you’re struggling or overwhelmed, the university offers free and confidential counselling to all students.

Counsellors can help you with any difficulties you may have, whether they be personal, family, relationship, health, work or study issues.

Making the decision to talk to a counsellor can be a positive step towards feeling better, finding solutions and making changes.

To book an appointment, please contact Campus Central or visit our website. unisa.edu.au/counselling

batyr at UniSA

Join batyr in smashing the stigma around mental health on campus.

It’s okay not to be okay all the time. Mental health is something that affects all of us, and yet we still don’t talk about it enough. UniSA has invited batyr on campus in 2017 as part of our greater Wellbeing Action Plan. Together we want to give a voice to the elephant in the room and start positive conversations in this space.

Want to get involved?

Come on board and join ‘the Herd’. You can learn how to safely share your story at Being Herd Speaker Training Workshops, or volunteer at their awesome events and activations across campus.

Get in touch to find out more.

carly@batyr.com.au unisa.edu.au/batyr batyrUniSA
Disability Services

UniSA offers a range of services if you have a disability, mental health or ongoing medical condition.

Disability Advisers are available for phone or face-to-face appointments and they provide confidential services aimed at maximising your participation and success.

Services include enrolment support, academic and exam adjustments, assistive technology and equipment, and individually tailored Access Plans.

To book an appointment, please contact Campus Central or visit our website.

unisa.edu.au/disability

Study Support

There’s a lot to juggle at uni, and getting your head around what lecturers look for in assignments can be difficult.

Learning Advisers provide study and assignment help. They offer workshops, resources and individual advice on a range of topics, including getting started at uni, how to manage workloads, doing reports, essays and other assignments, improving academic skills like reading, writing and presenting, and developing communication skills.

Check out our online resources unisa.edu.au/studyhelp.

To book an appointment, please contact Campus Central or visit our website.

unisa.edu.au/studysupport
International Student Services

From the moment you step off the plane, to your first day on campus and right throughout your studies, UniSA is here to support you.

We offer a range of academic, personal and social support for international students. There are also Student Advisers (International) to help with any questions you may have.

Located on each campus, Student Advisers (International) are the people you can turn to if you have a question or problem. They can help you with information and advice on:

- life in Adelaide and studying at UniSA
- your work rights in Australia
- visa requirements and Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)
- other uni support services, including language and learning advice.

International Student Services can also help point you in the right direction for academic or legal advice and support.

To book an appointment, please contact Campus Central or visit our website.

unisa.edu.au/internationalsupport

Wirringka Student Services

Wirringka Student Services offers Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students a friendly, comfortable and supportive place to study.

Staff and facilities are accessible at all UniSA campuses including regional locations with staff available by phone, email and skype for external students.

An Aboriginal Student Engagement Officer will assist you with any help you need or answer any questions you may have. Aboriginal students are also there for peer support and help to foster a positive community environment.

unisa.edu.au/wirringka
Accommodation: A place to call home

Looking for somewhere to live? There are a range of accommodation options to choose from. These include everything from residential colleges and student apartments to hostels, private rentals and homestays. Plus, there are also long-term and temporary accommodation options.

So whatever you’re looking for, we can help point you in the right direction.

Unsure of your rights and tenancy processes? Arrange a time to talk to us or take a look at the Housing FAQs on our website.

unisa.edu.au/accommodation

UniSA’s new Student Accommodation by Urbanest offers intelligently designed, modern apartments.

Located in Bank St Adelaide’s CBD, directly across from the central railway and tram stations, and bus links to a number of suburbs. It’s a five-minute walk to Rundle Mall – Adelaide’s premier shopping precinct – and in between our City East and City West campuses. Choose to live in a shared apartment or your own studio.

Swipe card access and CCTV / gym / pool table and tenni table / iMac stations / secure bike store / wireless internet / 24/7 onsite team / big screen TV and games room / balcony area with BBQ, tables and benches / laundry

unisa.edu.au/accommodation
Need affordable access to good quality healthcare, law or psychology services?

UniSA runs a number of clinics providing professional and discounted (in some cases even free) services, including:

- Exercise Physiology Clinic
- Legal Advice Clinic
- Psychology Clinic
- Physiotherapy Clinic
- Podiatry Clinic
- Mobile Allied-Health Clinic
- Mammography Clinic
- UniSA Health and Medical Clinic

unisa.edu.au/communityclinics

Security on Campus

Your safety is paramount, so security plays a very important role.

UniSA’s Campus Security is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Security officers patrol the campuses by day and offer even stronger protection at night. They can also provide you with first aid or help in an emergency.

Studying late on campus? Use a UniSafe escort when moving around the campus at night.

unisa.edu.au/campussecurity
Call 88888 from an internal uni phone or 1800 500 911

Campus Shuttle Bus

UniSA’s free Campus Connector runs between Magill Campus and Mawson Lakes Campus, making life easier for staff and students who make the journey.

Check out the full timetable online.

unisa.edu.au/campusconnector
Connect with UniSA

Useful Links

Link to the whole UniSA community online — unisa.edu.au

Are you a new student? Start here — unisa.edu.au/newstudents

Are you a current student? Start here — unisa.edu.au/currentstudents

Access your email, enrolment and more through the Student Portal — my.unisa.edu.au/public/studentweb

Campus Central should be your first point of call for all questions — unisa.edu.au/campuscentral

Learn more about the student experience — unisa.edu.au/studentlife

Need help navigating the UniSA web environment? Do a workshop with Online @ UniSA — unisa.edu.au/onlineunisa

Having trouble adjusting? Don’t hesitate to contact the friendly UniSA counselling staff — unisa.edu.au/counselling

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UniSAMawsonLakes

What is SSAF?

The Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF) funds services just for students that include social activities, food and beverage provision, sporting facilities and support, health and welfare support, employment advice, financial advice, obtaining insurance, student spaces, artistic activities, study skills, personal development and orientation activities.

SSAF is payable by most students enrolled at UniSA.

Find out if you need to pay the fee or if you can defer it through your HELP loan, at unisa.edu.au/yourssaf

Download the UniSA Student App