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 Faculty of Health, Engineering and Sciences if they wish to be assessed for admission on this basis.

All students are required to satisfy the applicable English language requirements.

If students do not meet the English language requirements they may apply to study a University-approved English language program. On successful completion of the English language program, students may be admitted to an award program.

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. Students 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 FEE-Help.

International full fee paying place
International students pay full fees. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken and whether they are studied on-campus, via distance education/online. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the Course Fee Finder.

Program structure

The Postgraduate Certificate of Sustainability Science program contains four compulsory Level 8 courses of one unit each. With the approval of the Faculty of Health, Engineering and Sciences, students may apply to vary their program on the basis of prior study.

To qualify for the award of Postgraduate Certificate of Sustainability Science, a candidate must complete the following Level 8 courses within three years of first admission to the program: REN8101 Environment, Society and Sustainability; POL3013 Sustainability and Politics; REN8202 Conservation for Sustainable Futures and ECO8012 Methods for Sustainable Development.

The Faculty's approval must be obtained before any courses not listed above may be credited towards the program.

Required time limits

Students have a maximum of 3 years to complete this program.

IT requirements

Students should visit the USQ minimum computing standards to check that their computers are capable of running the appropriate software and versions of Internet web browsers and to check the minimum and recommended standards for software. **Note that students in this program will require internet access.**

Articulation

Students who commenced the Postgraduate Certificate of 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 commenced the Postgraduate Certificate of 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.

Students must advise the Faculty in writing (