CSU PORT MACQUARIE AND NORTH COAST TAFE PATHWAY PROGRAMS
Going to uni in Port Macquarie is now easy with Charles Sturt University’s new campus. In addition to its standalone degrees, Charles Sturt University (CSU) and North Coast TAFE offer a range of pathway programs, which means students can obtain a university degree across a wide range of courses without having to leave the Mid North Coast area.

Types of pathway programs
Pathway programs offered in Port Macquarie include both integrated and articulated programs.

**Integrated programs** enable students to study at TAFE and CSU at the same time.

**Articulated programs** enable students to study and complete qualifications at TAFE first and then go on to complete their CSU degree.

After completing a pathway program, students graduate with a TAFE qualification from North Coast TAFE, as well as a Bachelor degree from Charles Sturt University.

The integrated and articulated programs are suited to school leavers, current and graduate TAFE students, those interested in changing careers, or those who work in the industry but would like to upgrade their qualifications.

Courses
There are currently four pathway programs available to students:

- Bachelor of Accounting
- Bachelor of Creative Industries
- Bachelor of Health and Rehabilitation Science
- Bachelor of Social Work
Creative Industries

The Creative Industries pathway program provides graduates with the necessary skills to enter careers in a range of media, communication and creative areas of practice. The program is offered as an articulation pathway from a range of diplomas (see below list) into the Bachelor of Creative Industries at CSU.

Students complete one of the following diplomas at North Coast TAFE, and then complete CSU subjects in their final year of study. The degree component of this program is delivered via supported distance education at CSU’s Port Macquarie Campus. This means there are on campus classes, as well as a distance education study package.

ARTICULATED CREATIVE INDUSTRIES PROGRAM

Students need to enrol in and complete one of the following TAFE Diplomas before enrolling in the Bachelor of Creative Industries through CSU:

- Diploma of Applied Fashion Design and Technology
- Diploma of Graphic Design and Communication
- Diploma in Interactive Digital Media
- Diploma of Screen and Media
- Diploma of Sound Production

Features of the program include the following:

- on completion of study, students will graduate with a diploma from North Coast TAFE, and CSU’s Bachelor of Creative Industries
- students receive guaranteed entry into the Bachelor of Creative Industries, with two years credit
- with credit, students are able to graduate with the Bachelor of Creative Industries following one year of full-time study or two years of part-time study.

For more information or to apply, visit: www.csu.edu.au/study/midnorthcoast

Accounting

The Accounting pathway program provides an excellent platform from which graduates can launch their accounting and management career. It offers both an integrated and articulated study pattern, and combines the TAFE Advanced Diploma of Accounting with CSU’s Bachelor of Accounting.

Accounting is a dynamic and rapidly growing profession servicing all sectors of the economy from not-for-profit and public sector to global enterprises. Accountants in organisations hold important and highly paid roles ranging from financial and management accountants through to CEOs. Accounting is the language of business and this places accountants in a commanding position to lead organisations into the future.

INTEGRATED ACCOUNTING PROGRAM

This program is ideal for students graduating from high school, or others who work in the industry but have limited previous study in accounting.

Students first enrol at North Coast TAFE and complete the Certificate III and Certificate IV in Accounting. Once completed, students then enrol in the TAFE Advanced Diploma of Accounting and CSU’s Bachelor of Accounting. At this point, students are co-enrolled and study at both TAFE and CSU.

Features of the program include the following:

- on completion of study, students will graduate with the TAFE Advanced Diploma of Accounting, and CSU’s Bachelor of Accounting
- students receive guaranteed entry into CSU’s Bachelor of Accounting, with 1.5 years credit
- with credit, students are able to complete the diploma and degree in three years of full-time or six years of part-time study.

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ARTICULATED ACCOUNTING PROGRAM

This program is ideal for students already studying Accounting at TAFE, or who have previously graduated with accounting qualifications from TAFE.

Students first need to enrol and complete the TAFE Advanced Diploma of Accounting. Once completed, students then enrol in the Bachelor of Accounting through CSU.

Features of the program include the following:

- on completion of study, students will graduate with the TAFE Advanced Diploma in Accounting, and CSU’s Bachelor of Accounting
- students receive guaranteed entry into CSU’s Bachelor of Accounting, with 1.5 years credit
- with credit, students are able to graduate with the Bachelor of Accounting following three years of part-time study.

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Charles Sturt University has an extensive network of campuses located in inland NSW, with more than 38,000 students enrolled in CSU courses each year. CSU’s new campus in Port Macquarie is currently housed in the modern Macquarie Business Park within easy reach of Town Beach and the central shopping precinct, and boasts a range of facilities including:

- Student Learning Commons, accessible from 7am to 10pm with a large networked computer lab
- Student Central and Academic Support services
- the town library which is located opposite the campus, and a café next to the campus.

North Coast TAFE is a leading education and training institution located on the beautiful north coast of New South Wales. North Coast is one of 10 institutes within TAFE NSW, which enrols over 45,000 students each year.
Health and Rehabilitation Science

Graduates of the Health and Rehabilitation Science pathway program, which combines the TAFE Diploma of Remedial Massage with CSU's Bachelor of Health and Rehabilitation Science, will develop a holistic approach to health and rehabilitation, inclusive of physiological, anatomical, psychological and socio-cultural factors. Graduates become skilled, flexible and accountable health care workers capable of meeting the challenges and future needs of the Australian health care system.

INTEGRATED HEALTH AND REHABILITATION SCIENCE PROGRAM

This program integrates the TAFE Diploma of Remedial Massage with the Bachelor of Health and Rehabilitation Science from CSU and is suited to students graduating from high school, or for others who have limited previous relevant study.

The course is delivered by mixed mode, which means some subjects are delivered on campus, and some subjects via distance education.

Features of the program include the following:

• on completion of study, students will graduate with the TAFE Diploma of Remedial Massage, and CSU's Bachelor of Health and Rehabilitation Science
• students receive more than one year of credit towards the degree component (nine CSU subjects)
• with credit, students are able to complete the Bachelor of Health and Rehabilitation Science in four years of study. The first two years are full-time, and the final two years are part-time study.

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Social Work

The Social Work pathway program offers both an integrated and articulated study pattern, and combines the TAFE Diploma of Community Services Work with CSU's Bachelor of Social Work. This pathway program provides graduates with skills to work in a wide range of social welfare and social work agencies in areas such as case management, individual family work, group and community work, child protection, aged care, disability and rehabilitation services, health, community and corrections services.

INTEGRATED SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM

This program integrates the TAFE Diploma of Community Services Work with the Bachelor of Social Work, and is suited to students graduating from high school or for others who have limited previous relevant study.

Features of the program include the following:

• on completion of study, students will graduate with the TAFE Diploma of Community Services Work and CSU's Bachelor of Social Work
• students receive one year credit towards the degree component
• with credit, students are able to complete both the diploma and degree in four years of full-time study.

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ARTICULATED SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM

This program is suited to students already studying Community Services Work, or who have previously graduated with Community Services Work qualifications from TAFE.

After enrolling and completing the TAFE Diploma of Community Services Work, students then enrol in the Bachelor of Social Work.

Features of the program include the following:

• on completion of study, students will graduate with the TAFE Diploma of Community Services Work and CSU's Bachelor of Social Work
• students receive guaranteed entry into the Bachelor of Social Work, with one year of credit
• with credit, students are able to complete the degree in four years of fast-track study (two years part-time, and two years full-time), or six years part-time study.

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What about the cost?

The CSU component of pathway programs is supported by the Commonwealth Government. This means you can defer your university fees through a HECS-HELP loan. For the TAFE component of the program, the standard TAFE NSW fees apply.

Apply for a CSU scholarship

There are a range of scholarships specifically available for CSU Port Macquarie students, including:

- CSU Port Macquarie Excellence Scholarships
- CSU Port Macquarie Equity Scholarships
- CSU TAFE to University scholarship program
- CSU Pathway and Partnership scholarship program

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How to apply

CSU and North Coast TAFE offer a number of pathway programs in a range of study areas.

The application process for pathway programs depends on the course you’re interested in.

Visit: www.csu.edu.au/study/midnorthcoast to find out more, or call CSU on 1800 334 733, or North Coast TAFE on 1300 62 82 33.
Contact us

Find out more about CSU and North Coast TAFE’s pathway programs.

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Prospective students should contact Charles Sturt University and North Coast TAFE to confirm fees, admission requirements and availability of courses. The University reserves the right to alter any courses or admission requirements herein without prior notice.

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