

2024

course guide

Careers
start **here.**



For your **career**

Ranked #1 by the people
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Start here.

At Avondale, we want every student to have an exceptional experience.

That's not just having a good time meeting other students but also building up experiences relevant to your future career. In addition to lectures and tutorials from expert staff and industry professionals, you'll have opportunities to develop practical skills and build your CV through clinical and work placements as part of your course. Our caring team has a deep commitment to engaging with students and helping you discover and fulfil your potential.

We don't seek to teach all courses. Instead, we focus on delivering courses where we are confident you'll have an outstanding experience. We're proud to provide high-level, individual teaching and support, with easy and regular access to lecturers and small class sizes so you can get the most out of your study.

Students, graduates and employers recognise the quality of our courses in nursing, teaching, business, ministry and theology, arts, counselling, outdoor leadership and individual support. We offer the best overall student experience, learning resources, learner engagement, skills development, student support and teaching quality in New South Wales, according to *The Good Universities Guide 2023*.

We're renewing curriculum, renovating our campuses and reshaping our approach to community engagement because our focus is on quality and impact. We want to make measurable improvements to your life and the lives of those you love through our education and research.

Join us, and start your career here!



Australia's **best-kept** university secret.

We're one of Australia's newest universities but our history of providing quality higher education that improves lives goes back more than 125 years.

While we may be smaller than other universities, we have a big reputation for quality of education experience, with *The Good Universities Guide* and the federal government's QILT ranking recognising the excellence of our courses and graduates.

Established by the Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1897, we're proud of our pioneering heritage. We welcome students from all faiths and walks of life and create opportunities that build on their aspirations, values and capabilities.

Our courses are distinctive because of the quality of teaching and student experience, including opportunities for placements and practical experience embedded within our courses. This combination of practice with knowledge delivers work-ready graduates.



Growing greatness

We're committed to growing the diversity of student experience and impact of our research without ever sacrificing quality. We're committed to delivering a quality of student service and experience that is unmatched.

Our story

Founded on the site of our Lake Macquarie campus in 1897 to educate young adults for employment in the Seventh-day Adventist Church, we've changed with the times to offer highly regarded courses in nursing, business, teaching, ministry and theology, arts, counselling and other areas. Granted university status in July 2021, we now boast thousands of alumni dedicated to making an impact through their care for the world.

You'll find our campuses in Cooranbong, halfway between Newcastle and the Central Coast, and at Sydney Adventist Hospital in Wahroonga on the North Shore of Sydney.

Caring

Avondale is **the university that cares.**

We're distinguished not only by the impact our graduates make but also by the high quality of our education experience—seeking to set a benchmark for teaching quality and student growth opportunities.



We focus on the creation of education opportunities that build on the aspirations, values and capabilities of all students.

Expect better

We're seeking to serve students better so that our graduates are better equipped to make a positive difference in their careers.

We'll help you through the application process, explain your options when we've assessed your application, and then help you enrol if you decide Avondale is the university for you.

We offer:

- A free wellbeing program for students
- High-quality teaching
- Small class sizes and good access to lecturers
- On-campus accommodation



Study in one of **Australia's top courses**

Our practical, high-quality courses lead to a range of careers:

- | Nursing
- | Teaching
- | Childcare
- | Accounting
- | Marketing
- | Human Resources
- | Ministry
- | Chaplaincy
- | Counselling
- | Outdoor Leadership
- | Aged Care

Select course

Pursue your dream career by selecting a course from our undergraduate or vocational education and training range in one of the following areas:

- | **Nursing**
- | **Teaching**
- | **Business**
- | **Ministry and Theology**
- | **Arts**
- | **Counselling**
- | **Outdoor Leadership**
- | **Individual Support**

Each of our courses offer opportunities to further specialise in areas that interest you and better prepare you for your career.

Choose your **campus or online**

We offer a range of options in how and what you study to help you fit learning around your interests and work commitments.



Find out how you could join Avondale in 15 minutes

We know you're busy, so we want to make choosing a course as simple as possible. That's why we offer a free one-on-one chat with an expert student advisor, who can tell you about each course and how you can get in.

You're welcome to bring family members or friends to help discuss your options and visit us on campus or book a time online. There's no obligation—we just love the opportunity to tell more people about Avondale and to give you the chance to decide if this is the place for you to kickstart your dream career.

Our appointments go for 15 minutes, but we're happy to spend more time with you if you want or to discuss your options multiple times. We just try to keep things clear and concise so the process of getting into Avondale is smooth, enjoyable and easy to understand.

Book your chat straight away or talk to us today.

Phone **+61 2 4980 2377**

Email **study@avondale.edu.au**

Nursing

Bachelor of Nursing | UAC code: **150209** (Lake Macquarie) **150210** (Sydney)

CRICOS code: 057311C

Course facts

Duration	3 years full-time (or part-time equivalent)
Study mode	On campus
Campus	Lake Macquarie or Sydney
Requirements for entry	ATAR of 63 or above after adjustment factors or equivalent for domestic and international students (see “How to apply” on page 28) IELTS of at least 7 with no sub-band below 7 for international students
Fee support	Commonwealth Supported Places subsidy that pays part of your fees* FEE-HELP loan to pay all or part of your fees* <small>*For eligible students. See studyassist.gov.au for more information.</small>

About the course

Our Bachelor of Nursing is the number one undergraduate nursing course in Australia on all educational experience indicators—overall experience, learner engagement, learning resources, skills development, student support and teaching quality (*The Good Universities Guide 2023*).

No other nursing course gives you the opportunity to live and study on the campus of the largest private hospital in New South Wales.

You will learn in state-of-the-art simulation centres and on the job, with 800 hours of clinical placements helping you put information from lectures and tutorials into practice.

We have a strong focus on high-quality care, equipping nurses with the skills to improve lives.

- One-on-one career coaching and course advice from lecturers.
- Study on the campus of the largest private hospital in New South Wales
- Flexible, paid work opportunities just minutes from where you learn.
- Range of scholarships available, including for First Nations and rural students.
- Range of work placements across New South Wales, including in hospitals and aged care and mental health facilities and in community nursing.
- Learn in sophisticated simulation centres for training at both Sydney and Lake Macquarie campuses.
- Affordable accommodation onsite at Sydney and Lake Macquarie campuses.

Career opportunities

- Registered Nurse

Work in fields such as:

Medical Care, Surgical Care, Critical Care, Aged Care

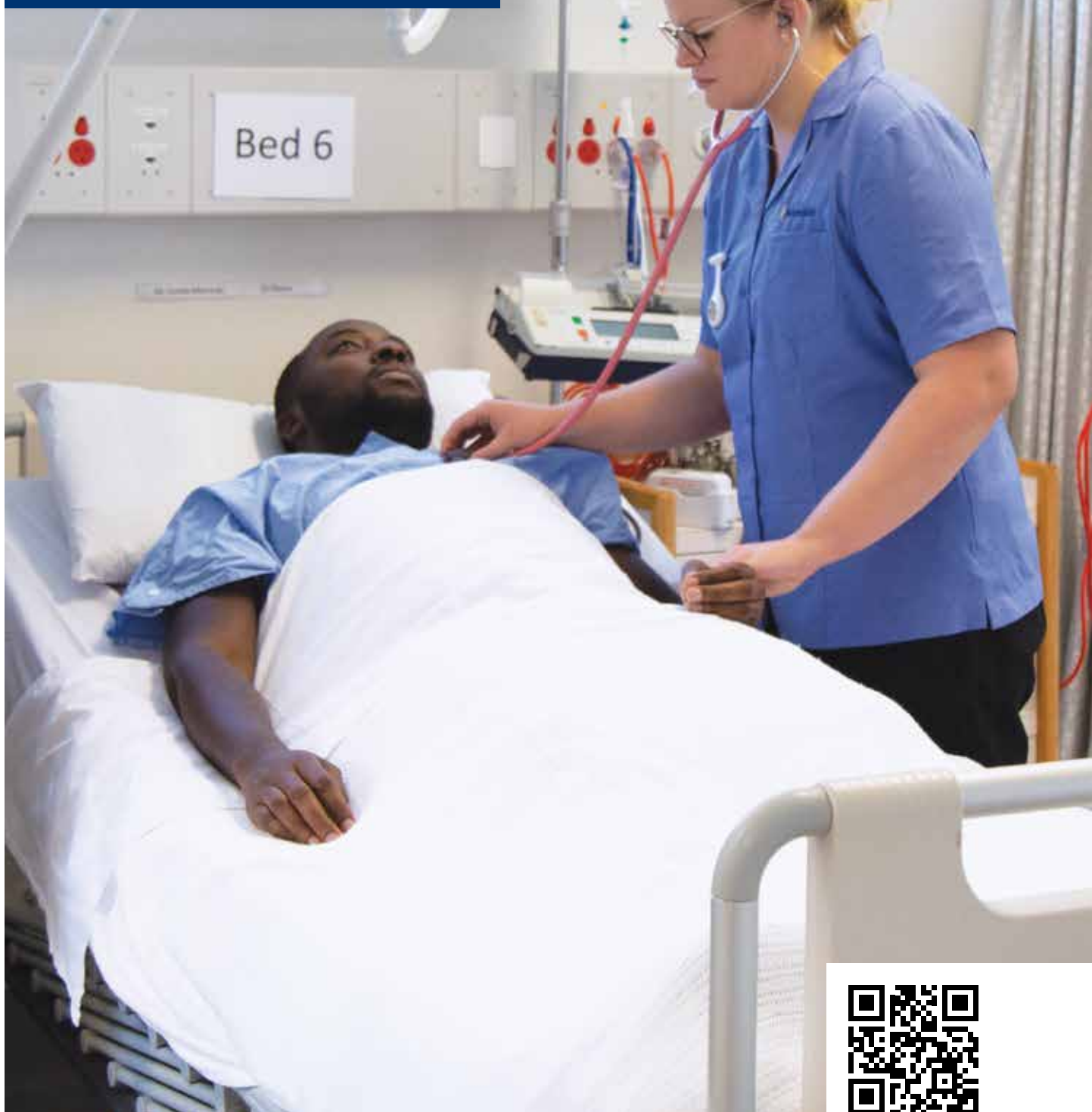
Maternal Health, Paediatric Health, Mental Health, Women's Health

Australia's ^{#1} nursing course

#1 Bachelor of Nursing course in Australia—overall quality, teaching quality, learner engagement, learning resources, student support, skills development—*QILT 2020-21*

#1 undergraduate nursing course in Australia on all educational experience indicators—overall experience, learner engagement, learning resources, skills development, student support, teaching quality—*The Good Universities Guide 2023*

Nursing



Teaching

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Teaching (Birth-12 years) | UAC code: 150202 (On campus); **150203** (Online)

CRICOS code: 090544M

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Teaching (Primary) | UAC code: 150204

CRICOS code: 090540D

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Teaching (Secondary) | UAC code: 150205

CRICOS code: 090542B

Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Teaching | UAC code: 150211

CRICOS code: 057315K

Course facts

Duration	4 years full-time (or part-time equivalent)
Study mode	On campus or online^ ^Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Teaching (Birth-12 years)
Campus	Lake Macquarie
Requirements for entry	ATAR of 63 or above after adjustment factors or equivalent for domestic and international students (see "How to apply" on page 28) IELTS of at least 7.5 with no sub-band below 7 and at least 8.0 for speaking and listening for international students Write a 1000-word personal statement about your: motivation to become a teacher; experience in working with children; talents, interest and abilities, and; values.
Fee support	Commonwealth Supported Places subsidy that pays part of your fees* FEE-HELP loan to pay all or part of your fees* *For eligible students. See studyassist.gov.au for more information.

About the course

Our undergraduate teaching courses are number one in Australia for learner engagement and teaching quality (*The Good Universities Guide 2023*).

They give you the practical experience, skills and access to networks you need to teach in schools in Australia and overseas.

With three courses from which to choose, each gives you the opportunity to specialise in your preferred area of teaching.

- One-on-one career coaching and course advice from lecturers.
- Opportunities to secure paid work in the Seventh-day Adventist school system as an aide while you study, providing experience, a network of contacts and an income.
- Range of work placements organised for you by us from your second year, with the opportunity to complete at least one placement in a rural or remote setting.
- Graduates accredited to work in schools across Australia.
- Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Teaching (Birth-12 years) is fully online, offering great flexibility, particularly for people working in early education and childcare who are keen to upgrade their qualifications.

Career opportunities

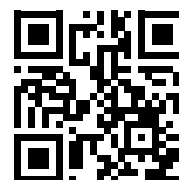
- Early Childhood Teacher
- Primary School Teacher
- Secondary School Teacher

Australia's ^{#1} undergraduate teaching course

#1 undergraduate teaching course in Australia for quality of education experience, teaching practices and learner engagement—*QILT 2021-22*

#1 university undergraduate teaching courses in Australia for learner engagement and teaching quality—*The Good Universities Guide 2023*

Teaching



Business

Bachelor of Business | UAC code: 150206

CRICOS code: 057303C

Course facts

Duration	3 years full-time (or part-time equivalent)
Study mode	On campus
Campus	Lake Macquarie
Requirements for entry	ATAR of 60 or above after adjustment factors or equivalent for domestic and international students (see “How to apply” on page 28) IELTS of at least 6.5 with no sub-band below 6 for international students
Fee support	FEE-HELP loan to pay all or part of your fees* <small>*For eligible students. See studyassist.gov.au for more information.</small>

About the course

Learn how to lead effectively, manage budgets and inspire others to achieve business goals.

Our Bachelor of Business offers personalised teaching, opportunities for work placements, access to industry experts and the grounding to join professional bodies, giving you an edge in securing the job you want.

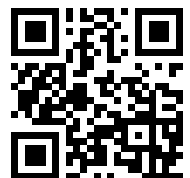
The degree provides you with the knowledge and skills sought after by employers—including creative thinking, innovation, problem solving, systems design and people management.

- One-on-one career coaching and course advice from lecturers.
- Opportunities for work placements—some as paid internships—throughout your course.
- Opportunities to learn from industry experts.
- Strong ethics focus, preparing you to model integrity throughout your business career.
- If graduating from the accounting major, qualifies you membership of CPA Australia and Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand.
- If graduating from the human resources major, qualifies you for membership of the Australian HR Institute.

Career opportunities

- Accountant
- Advertising Coordinator
- Finance Business Partner
- Funding Coordinator
- Human Resources Coordinator
- Marketing Officer

**Opportunities for paid
and unpaid internships
throughout your degree**



Ministry and Theology

Bachelor of Ministry and Theology | UAC code: **150207** (On campus) ; **150208** (Online)

CRICOS code: 059851C

Bachelor of Theology | UAC code: **150212**

CRICOS code: 059850D

Course facts

Duration	4 years full-time (or part-time equivalent)
Study mode	On campus or online
Campus	Lake Macquarie
Requirements for entry <i>for Bachelor of Ministry and Theology</i>	ATAR of 63 or above after adjustment factors or equivalent for domestic and international students (see "How to apply" on page 28) IELTS of at least 6.5 with no sub-band below 6 for international students
Requirements for entry <i>for Bachelor of Theology</i>	ATAR of 60 or above after adjustment factors or equivalent for domestic and international students (see "How to apply" on page 28) IELTS of at least 6.5 with no sub-band below 6 for international students
Fee support	FEE-HELP loan to pay all or part of your fees* <small>*For eligible students. See studyassist.gov.au for more information.</small>

About the course

Our Bachelor of Ministry and Theology and Bachelor of Theology equip you with the knowledge and skills to build a strong church and community.

The ministry and theology degree helps you grow spiritually and prepares you for employment in Seventh-day Adventist and other Christian churches and organisations. With practical experience opportunities, strong church connections and one-on-one support, you'll be work-ready when you graduate.

The theology degree helps you grow spiritually if you don't want to work as a minister.

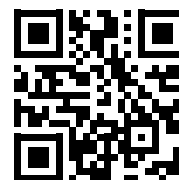
- One-on-one career coaching and course advice from lecturers.
- Australasia's only provider of training for a career as a Seventh-day Adventist minister.
- Work placements in local churches give you opportunities to gain practical experience from year one.
- Bachelor of Ministry and Theology offers a major in chaplaincy and provides a foundation for further study in a Master of Arts (Theology) degree, opening a wider range of career opportunities.
- Delivered on campus or online, which allows you to balance study with work or family commitments.

Career opportunities

- Pastor
- Church Planter
- Evangelist
- Chaplain
- Ministry Leader

**A range of generous
scholarships are available**

**Employment rate for
graduates within two
years of completion is 97%**



Arts

Bachelor of Arts | UAC code: 150200

CRICOS code: 057294K

Course facts

Duration	3 years full-time (or part-time equivalent)
Study mode	On campus and online^ <small>^Selected units</small>
Campus	Lake Macquarie
Requirements for entry	ATAR of 60 or above after adjustment factors or equivalent for domestic and international students (see "How to apply" on page 28) IELTS of at least 6.5 with no sub-band below 6 for international students Additional requirements for students who choose to specialise with a major or minor in Music or Mathematics* <small>*See avondale.edu.au/courses/arts/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts for more information.</small>
Fee support	FEE-HELP loan to pay all or part of your fees* <small>*For eligible students. See studyassist.gov.au for more information.</small>

About the course

Our Bachelor of Arts offers the opportunity to explore a range of areas that help you understand society and your role in it. You will develop the ability to problem solve, research, analyse and think critically—skills employers value.

Build your degree from units in Chaplaincy, Communication, Counselling, English, History, Music, Psychology and Visual Arts, so you can shape your degree around an area that interests you.

If you want to study in small classes, with the opportunity to discuss content in depth with lecturers and to develop a worldview, you will benefit from this degree.

- One-on-one career coaching and course advice from lecturers.
- Opportunities for work placements throughout your course.
- Opportunities to learn alongside industry experts.
- Selected units offered online, providing flexibility in the way you complete your course.
- Opportunities for exhibition and publication.
- Access to network of industry-based alumni who can serve as mentors.

Career opportunities

- Chaplain
- Communications Specialist
- Counsellor
- Writer
- Art Director
- Fine Artist or Musician

**Shape your qualification
around subjects that
interest you**



Counselling

Bachelor of Arts (Counselling) | UAC code: 150201

Course facts

Duration	3 years full-time (or part-time equivalent)
Study mode	On campus
Campus	Lake Macquarie
Requirements for entry	ATAR of 60 or above after adjustment factors or equivalent for domestic and international students (see "How to apply" on page 28)
Fee support	FEE-HELP loan to pay all or part of your fees* <small>*For eligible students. See studyassist.gov.au for more information.</small>

About the course

Our Bachelor of Arts (Counselling) gives you the skills to support the mental health and wellbeing of others.

You can specialise in counselling during your degree, completing units that will teach you about family therapy, emotional and behavioural responses, foundational counselling skills, personality and psychopathology and introductory psychology.

You also have freedom to pursue your passion and choose from a range of other areas to complete the other required units.

With a one-day-a-week placement in your final year, you will be work ready at graduation.

- One-on-one career coaching and course advice from lecturers.
- Experiential learning using case studies and examples from clinical practice.
- Clinical placement with up to 100 hours of face-to-face counselling organised for you by us.
- Qualifies you for provisional membership of the Psychotherapy and Counselling Federation of Australia.
- Option to complete undergraduate requirements in psychology while completing training in clinical counselling.
- Integrated within a Christian worldview and practice.

Career opportunities

- Marriage Counsellor
- School Counsellor
- School Wellbeing Officer
- Welfare and Youth Counsellor
- Family Therapist
- Psychologist (after completion of necessary postgraduate studies)





Mikaela a personal growth professional

With parents who encouraged her to “do whatever I put my mind to,” Mikaela Matthes has put her passion for helping other people into practice “even when opportunities have overwhelmed me.” As a student at Avondale, Mikaela developed independence and “appreciated being presented with information that challenged my worldview.” Learning about human behaviour, emotions and mental health also helped with personal growth because “you can’t help but use this knowledge as a new lens to look at your own life and relationships.” Since graduating, Mikaela has worked as a child and family therapist, a school counsellor and now helps train other counsellors.

Outdoor Leadership

SIS40621 Certificate IV in Outdoor Leadership

CRICOS code: 112221M



Course facts

Duration	1 year full-time
Study mode	On campus
Campus	Lake Macquarie
Requirements for entry	Aged 18 or older OR Completed HSC or equivalent or a certificate III qualification OR Complete language, literacy and numeracy skills assessment IELTS of at least 6.0 with no sub-band below 6 for international students
Fee support	Full fee-paying qualification

About the course

Our Certificate IV in Outdoor Leadership gives you professional training in a range of adventure activities.

You will learn how to plan and safely lead clients in abseiling, bushwalking, canoeing and kayaking.

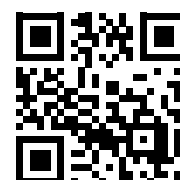
With simulations or placements as part of the course, you will have opportunities to practice your skills in the natural environment or the workplace.

This qualification is delivered with a focus on resilience and wellbeing.

- One-on-one career coaching from trainers and assessors working in the industry
- Provides credit transfer into our diploma
- Gives you transferable skills in management, leadership, planning and communication
- Practice your skills in the natural environment
- No exams

Career opportunities

- Outdoor recreation or sport and recreation centre instructor
- Adventure therapy program leader
- Wilderness adventure program leader
- Outdoor education teacher (after completion of necessary undergraduate studies)
- Vocational education and training course facilitator as bushwalking guide or climbing or canoe or kayaking instructor



Outdoor Leadership

SIS50421 Diploma of Outdoor Leadership

CRICOS code: 108945J



Outdoor
Leadership

Course facts

Duration	1 year full-time
Study mode	On campus
Campus	Lake Macquarie
Pre-requisites:	Completed Certificate IV in Outdoor Leadership OR Outdoor Leadership Bridging Course
Requirements for entry	Aged 18 or older OR Completed HSC or equivalent or a certificate IV qualification OR Complete language, literacy and numeracy skills assessment
	IELTS of at least 6.0 with no sub-band below 6 for international students
Fee support	Full fee-paying qualification* <small>*VET Student Loans available for eligible students. See studyassist.gov.au for more information.</small>

About the course

Our Diploma of Outdoor Leadership gives you professional training in a range of adventure activities.

You will learn how to develop programs and plan, coordinate and safely lead activities for clients in abseiling, bushwalking, canoeing and kayaking.

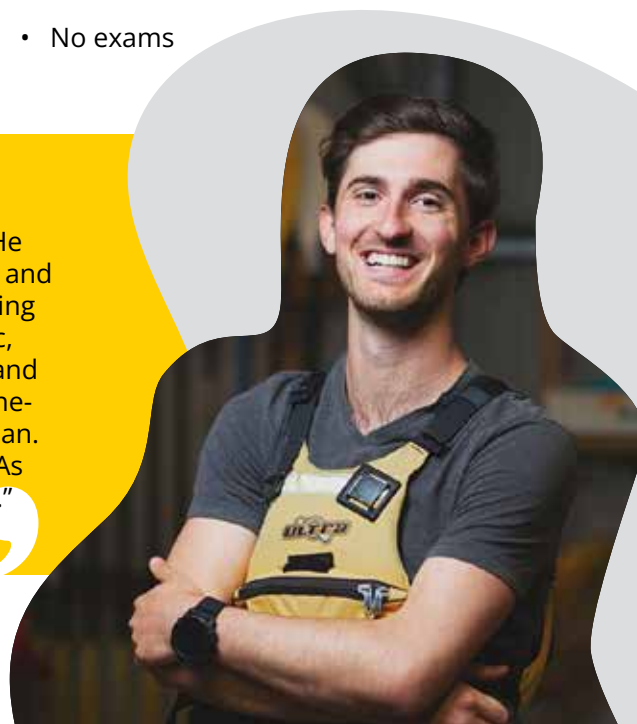
With simulations or placements as part of the course, you will have opportunities to practice your skills in the natural environment or the workplace.

This qualification is delivered with a focus on resilience and wellbeing.

- One-on-one career coaching from trainers and assessors working in the industry
- Provides entry into an undergraduate course and advanced standing for the outdoor education minor in our secondary teaching degree
- Gives you transferable skills in management, leadership, planning and communication
- Practice your skills in the natural environment
- No exams

“Brian to the rescue

Brian Kretschmar wants to be a rescue paramedic. He served on a Community Emergency Response Team and “it lit a spark. I love helping people in chaotic, emerging situations.” The help Brian wants to bring is holistic, so he completed a Diploma of Outdoor Leadership and is now studying nursing. Our small class sizes and one-on-one access to lecturers who care have helped Brian. “You’re not a number at Avondale. You’re a person. As soon as I walked into my classroom, I felt welcomed.”



Individual Support

CHC33021 Certificate III in Individual Support



Course requirements

Duration	6-12 months
Study mode	On campus and online
Campus	Lake Macquarie
Requirements for entry	Aged 16 or older OR Completed HSC or equivalent AND Complete language, literacy and numeracy skills assessment
Fee support	Full fee-paying qualification

About the course

Our Certificate III in Individual Support gives you the skills to provide personalised support to older people—at home or in care.

You will learn how to ethically and safely help a diverse range of clients meet their goals and aspirations by supporting their physical and emotional independence and wellbeing.

With placements as part of the course, you will have opportunities to practice your skills in the workplace.

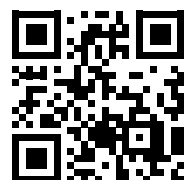
As a nationally recognised qualification in an area with a shortage of skills, you will also find it easier to gain employment.

- One-on-one career coaching from trainers and assessors working in the industry
- 120 hours of work placements, giving you opportunities to practice your skills
- Easier to find employment because of a shortage of skills in the area
- Nationally recognised qualification
- Gives you transferable skills in problem solving, person-centred support and teamwork
- No exams

Career opportunities

- Aged-care worker
- Disability support worker
- Home and community care worker
- Personal care worker

Individual Support



Surfing saved Phil's life; now he wants to help at-risk kids

A veteran who improved his mental health by getting back on his board is now studying teaching at Avondale so he can help others get a good break.

Phil Overton is building on experience in the Royal Australian Navy's Fleet Support—he taught machining and fabrication. "The apprentices liked the way I taught, and I liked teaching," says Phil, who's now specialising in technology and applied studies. "It gives me great satisfaction to see other people achieve what they set out to achieve."

Then a leading seaman, Phil found himself back on land in the workshop after significant physical and mental health issues. Despite seeking help from professionals, "nothing seemed to work." Then a mate from the Navy Surf Riders Association gave him a board and suggested he go surfing again after 15 years. It wasn't a cure-all, "but it was the closest thing I'd found to inner peace."

Phil discharged from the navy in September 2020. Within a month, he'd

formed a new Hunter Coast chapter of the Association of Veteran Surfers. A WhatsApp group serves as a "buddy check" between meetings so members can "reach out to each other when they need a hand, a surf or just someone to talk to."

As a student, Phil receives the same sort of support. Lecturers ask about his wellbeing and take an interest in his life. They're dedicated to making us the best teachers we can be, he says. Phil's up for a challenge. A rough upbringing, including being homeless for a time, means "I have a lot in common with at-risk kids, so I want to give them the same boost I've been given."

Australia's #1
undergraduate
teaching course





Taylor finds her place on the health frontline

Taylor Watson grew up 20 minutes from Avondale's Sydney Adventist Hospital-based campus, but had never heard of the university until her grandmother became ill.

"She went to the San and had some really nice nurses looking after her, but she'd never seen the university logo on their uniform before," Taylor explains. "After she came out from hospital, she told me to look into Avondale, because the nurses from there were so good.

"I applied as soon as I finished HSC and haven't regretted it a single day."

Taylor achieved strong marks for her HSC and could have headed down the pathway of becoming a doctor, but in her heart knew nursing was the career she would be devoted to.

"Doctors play an important role, but they see patients for a short time, make a diagnosis and then have to move on. They often don't have the opportunity to spend a lot of time with each patient," Taylor says.

"On a ward, I could have eight patients who I get to look after for the whole day. I know I'm

going to be busy, but I'm also going to have the opportunity to be there for people at times in their life when they most need help.

"Avondale has given me a wonderful introduction to nursing. Because we are based at the San, we do some rotations here, but we also have placements at a range of other hospitals and the lecturers and staff really try to help.

"They don't just know your name, they take the time to find out how your day is going and what's going on in your life because they want you to succeed, to become great nurses.

"I'm so glad I chose Avondale, and nursing—it has been a great fit for me."

Australia's #1
nursing course

Campus life

Studying at Avondale is unlike any other university. Students love the green, natural environment of our **Lake Macquarie campus** and the easy access to state-of-the-art health facilities and practical learning environments of our campus co-located at **Sydney Adventist Hospital**.

But it's about more than just attending classes in productive spaces.

Sharing life with friends, receiving genuine care from lecturers, participating in service-oriented activities and the opportunity to grow your faith in a supportive environment makes the Avondale experience unique.

This sense of belonging stays with you long after you graduate.



Lake Macquarie



Sydney





Travel opportunities

Each year, many of our students travel interstate or overseas as part of their course—with the opportunity to live and work in diverse often remote communities on work placement, work experience and service learning trips. Specialist Avondale staff organise work placements for students in Education and clinical placements for students in Nursing during their degree, and annual trips for students in Education to build capacity and facilities in communities across Asia and the South Pacific.

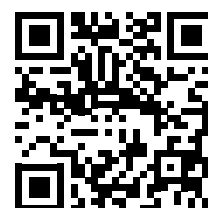


Scholarships

Want to reduce the cost of your study—with opportunities for generous cash scholarships and options to live rent-free on campus?

Because our university and our alumni care about our students, we offer a range of scholarships and grants to students who choose Avondale.

Find out more at avondale.edu.au/scholarships.



Student life

At Avondale, you'll find many opportunities to pursue new experiences and be involved in activities you enjoy.



Team sports are popular.



Social activities bring students together.



Weekly worship gatherings.



Collaborative study spaces.

Student support

Academic support

Students have access to academic tutoring services on both campuses, and remotely. Our tutors will support you with essay writing, referencing, numeracy, literacy and more.

Counselling services

Qualified counsellors provide support, free of charge, to students on both campuses. Counselling support is available to distance students via video and call technology.

Chaplaincy support

Chaplains on both campuses support students' spiritual and personal development journeys. From Bible studies to prayer groups, from spiritual emphasis weeks to weekly worship gatherings, our chaplains will enable you to have a rich and positive experience at Avondale.

Student equity support

We foster an inclusive learning culture and makes provision for students who need academic and personal assistance (including indigenous, disability, welfare, finance and language support) at both campuses.

How to apply

Some of Australia's most rewarding careers are at your fingertips, with places available in our nursing, teaching, business, ministry and theology, arts and counselling degrees right now, with courses beginning in March and August.

It doesn't matter whether you have an ATAR, a TAFE qualification, or you left school years ago—we have entrance pathways for everybody.

We're a small university, but we don't compromise on teaching quality. Smaller class sizes and our commitment to make time for you ensures we can support you, and the results show in annual surveys of student experience, where we consistently rank among the best in Australia.

Our courses are focused on equipping you for your new career from the moment you step on campus. We routinely invite experts from industry and the professions to share with you what they know and organise work placements for you.

At Avondale, we care much more about the skills and education you leave with than the study score you arrive with. If you haven't studied recently, you can complete a free test that will help you and us understand whether you're ready for the course. If you get a satisfactory score, you will receive an offer into our degrees. If you don't, we can help guide you to pathways that will prepare you and lead you into our degrees.



Steps **to apply**

1.

Choose your course and semester

Visit avondale.edu.au/courses to see what you can study at Avondale, and choose your course and semester.

2.

Review the admission criteria

Review the admission criteria at avondale.edu.au/apply so you know what's needed to get into your chosen course.

3.

Submit your application

Apply directly online at avondale.edu.au/apply or via the Universities Admissions Centre. We're here to help.

Contact us via Live Chat >



4.

Provide your documents

Once you apply, our team will be in touch with important information. They'll ask you to provide certain documents to ensure you satisfy the admission criteria. Check your email address regularly.

5.

Respond to your offer

When your application is successful, you'll receive an offer of study. **Congratulations!** Respond to the offer by email to secure your place at Avondale.

Apply avondale.edu.au/apply
Live Chat bit.ly/avondalechat

Email study@avondale.edu.au
Phone +61 2 4980 2377

Pathways for people from all walks of life

Whether you've never studied before, are finishing school, thinking of changing careers or considering returning to university to study another degree, Avondale has opportunities and pathways for everybody.

- If you're about to finish your HSC or finished it last year, you can enter via our Early Admission Pathway or through the Universities Admissions Centre and will be selected according to your ATAR.
- If you've completed a TAFE qualification, you may be eligible for entry—particularly if you've completed a certificate IV.
- If you haven't studied for a while or have never studied at a university, you could complete two entrance tests administered by us—uniTEST and the Tertiary Online Writing Assessment. If you achieve a sufficient score on the tests, you can gain immediate access to the degree of your choice.



International students



For information about applying as an international student, scan this QR code.



Alternate pathways

Early Admission

Based on your Year 11 marks and other achievements, you may be given an offer to study before receiving your ATAR.



Undergraduate Certificate of University Preparation

This course is a pathway into a bachelor degree for those who do not meet direct entry requirements. It helps you develop university-level academic skills to begin your degree. Many students can start their undergraduate degree after just one semester in the Undergraduate Certificate of University Preparation.

Adjustment factors

These are “bonus points” that can be added to your ATAR based on certain factors, such as location or First Nations person status.

Entrance exams

If your ATAR isn't high enough, or you didn't receive an ATAR, you can sit two exams to get entry into your degree.

Previous qualifications

For direct entry into a bachelor degree, we accept:

- Certificate III plus three years of experience, or;
- Certificate IV or diploma in any field.*

*Entry into a Bachelor of Nursing must be through a related field of study.





Our **story**

(which can be your story)

If you want a career in nursing, teaching, business, ministry and theology, the arts, counselling, outdoor leadership or aged care, then it's time to take a closer look at Avondale.

Plenty of universities say their courses are the best. At Avondale, we don't have to—our graduates and their employers say it for us. *The Good Universities Guide* and the federal government's QILT data rank our teaching and student outcomes among the best in Australia.

Career focused

Our courses are strongly focused on providing a mix of knowledge, skills, experiences and employer contacts so your career begins in the classroom, not years down the track after graduation.

Deliberately different

If you crave anonymity and would prefer to never hear from a lecturer, then other universities will be able to accommodate you better than we can. Avondale has been created to be deliberately different. We don't try to offer every course. We focus on delivering a few courses really, really well. We have been building on a commitment to extraordinary education experiences since 1897 but are Australia's newest university.

We are a Seventh-day Adventist university that welcomes all and delivers outstanding education opportunities—by getting to know our students, keeping class sizes small and providing individual support and teaching you're unlikely to find elsewhere.

We care about you and about improving the lives of others. All our students complete a unit on wellbeing as part of their course, and you'll have plenty of practical opportunities to improve lives in your community during your studies.

An education experience, not just a course

Nursing students on our Sydney campus have access to the largest, most advanced private hospital in New South Wales, the Sydney Adventist Hospital. Our campus is on the hospital grounds and offers the opportunity to gain a broad range of experiences across the hospital. Additionally, clinical placements are provided in many private and public health facilities in New South Wales.

Our teaching students complete four placements in their undergraduate degree, which we organise for them, including at least one placement in a remote location, as well as opportunities to undertake a placement in Southeast Asia or the Pacific—part of our commitment to serving others.

In business, ministry, chaplaincy and other courses, our students also have opportunities for a range of placements to suit their needs and interests.

By blending practical experiences into our courses, we seek to not only offer one of the best education experiences in Australia but also provide opportunities for our students to make a material difference to the lives of others.

Proudly different

Avondale has strong values, seeking to empower graduates who can contribute to the world, not just change it to suit themselves. We simply want to be the best place to study the courses we offer—because the better your Avondale experience, the greater your capacity to change the world.

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