



Southbank
Institute of Technology
Education for aspiring minds

Capability Statement

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Welcome

Our main focus is on delivering progressive, high quality education in a wide variety of disciplines.



'Our educational standards are up-to-the-minute, providing industry-relevant training and giving our graduates more pathways to university and an edge in the workplace.'

Craig Sherrin

Director Southbank Institute of Technology

Innovative, comprehensive and employment-ready – these are words that have long been synonymous with Southbank Institute.

As the largest provider of vocational education and training in Queensland, Southbank Institute delivers para-professional programs and training for knowledge-based industries of the future.

The institute has long been one of Queensland's leading government-funded educational centres.

As the 'epicentre of education', Southbank Institute is committed to quality, innovation and flexibility.

Southbank Institute's location in the heart of Brisbane is a drawcard for the 27,000 students enrolled in more than 400 programs. The institute's Southbank campus is well serviced by public transport, just a short walk from the city's central business district and neighbouring the vibrant South Bank Parklands.

Our Staff

Southbank Institute has 800 staff teachers and administration staff who work together to provide quality education to cater for varied training needs and expectations. More than 94 percent of our academic staff is degree, postgraduate or Ph.D. qualified

Educational delivery is supported by staff with expertise in a range of areas including business development, marketing, student support and administration.

Our International Experience

Our focus on skills for the global economy has brought many international students to our courses with the number of international students doubling every three years. We currently have 2000 international students from 80 different countries including China, South Korea, Japan, India and the United Kingdom.

About Us

Southbank Institute of Technology (SIT) was established in 1863 and is the largest Government owned training provider in Queensland.



SIT provides:

- Innovative and high quality Vocational training and education both domestically and through our international partners

Our Expertise

Benefit from the education industries leading vocational trainers.

Our faculties:

- Health Science
- Business and Community Education
- Design, Arts and Hospitality



Our Services

Southbank Institute of Technology has 7 specialised faculties delivering over 400 programs.



Our programs:

- Biotechnology
- Nursing
- Hospitality Management
- International Business
- Building Design and Technology
- Interior Technology
- Photography
- Music
- Animation
- Interpreting
- TESOL
- Sport Development and Fitness
- Printing and Graphic Arts
- Graphic Design
- Information Technology
- Multimedia
- Civil Engineering
- Tourism
- Event Management
- Culinary Arts and Kitchen Management
- Cookery
- Patisserie
- Retail Meat
- Bakery
- Beauty Therapy
- Remedial Massage
- Community Welfare Work
- Dental Technology
- Dental Assisting
- Children's Services
- Entrepreneurship
- Architectural Digital Illustration

International Partners

Southbank Institute of Technology delivers Diploma qualifications through its international partner Universities and Institutions.



Sample of our International Partners:

- The University of Jinan, China - Diploma of International Business
- The Seoul National University of Education – TESOL Training
- The Shandong Institute of Education, China - Diploma of Children's Services
- The Shanghai Second Polytechnic University, China - Diploma of Hospitality Management and Diploma of International Business
- The Changzhou Institute of Mechatronic Technology, China - Diploma of Information Technology (Networking)
- Japan College of Foreign Languages and its sister organisation, Osaka College of Foreign Languages - advanced standing partnership
- Vitus Bering University, Denmark, - student exchange program in Design
- Gyeonggi English Village, Korea - training TESOL teachers

Opening the doors to university qualifications

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While some of our diploma and advanced diploma programs allow students to enter university degree programs, others allow students to enrol in a dual award program, completing a Southbank Institute qualification and then progressing on to university to gain a bachelor degree. This enables students to earn two qualifications – a practical diploma and a more theoretical bachelor degree in the three years it would normally take to earn the bachelor degree alone.

The Associate Degree in Civil Engineering is a particular example of this process and is designed to produce engineering officers versed in the theory and practice that will enable them to work as productive members of the civil engineering team.

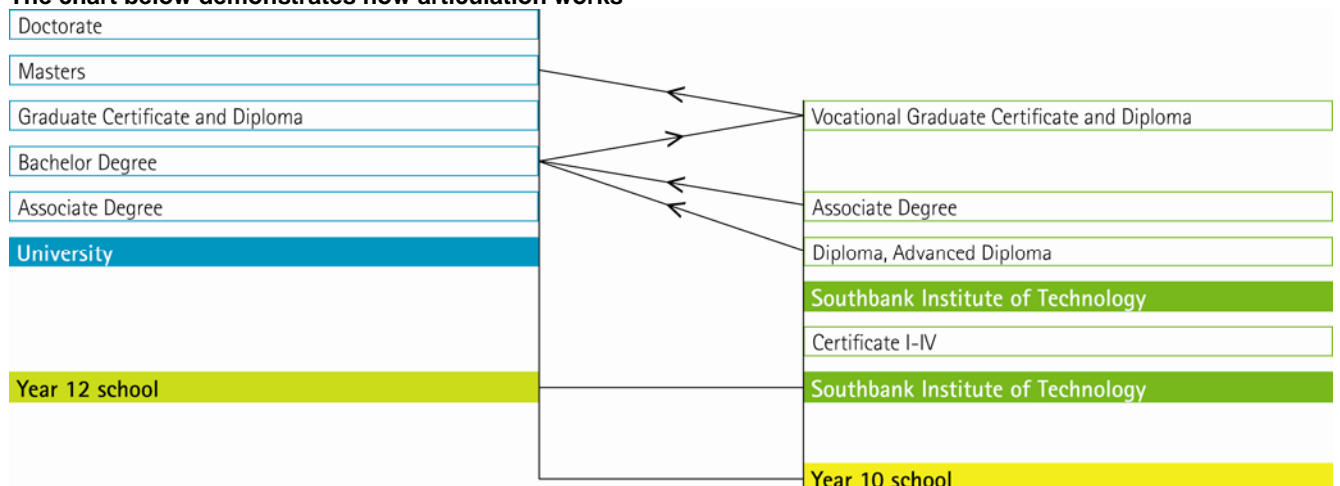
In their first year of study, students will complete a Diploma in Computer Aided Drafting which will develop their skills and knowledge in design and drafting using computer technology that will be valued in an engineering work environment.

Further study in the Associate Degree program will develop the student's understanding of the broad field of civil engineering. They will also develop specific skills and knowledge in surveying, geoscience and the principles of design that provide the fundamental framework of the engineering profession.

Completion of the Associate Degree in Civil Engineering will then make students eligible to enter the Bachelor of Engineering (Civil) at Queensland University of Technology in the third year

Articulation

The chart below demonstrates how articulation works



Educational facilities design

In 2008 the Queensland Government announced sweeping reforms to the way in which Vocational Education is delivered in the State of Queensland.

Southbank Institute is positioning itself as a “lighthouse” project for the Queensland Government and will bring state of the art leadership to the delivery of vocational education.

In late 2008 construction was completed on the \$550,000,000 new Southbank Precinct which now provides students with architecturally designed, learner-focused spaces and will enhance the institute’s reputation as an educational centre of excellence.

It is recognised that reliance on traditional classrooms and delivery methods will inhibit Southbank Institute’s ability to optimise learning environments for students to suit their transition to the workforce. Therefore, the decision was made to accommodate new age – Mode 2 – learning, a platform that encompasses a high level of experiential and collaborative learning activities, aligning the student learning experience directly with the work environment. This will enhance the student’s work readiness, the ability to adapt further change and to transition to the higher education sector.

In order to achieve this, Southbank has developed a highly specialised project team who have worked with industry, teachers and students to determine the spatial relationship that underpins new age teaching strategies. This work has established a delivery balance which captures and builds on the acquisition of skills and knowledge through interactive experiences with technology and expertise.

From this position the design team has translated the balance between knowledge management and skills development into a final design which maximises the flexibility needed by learners to convert their experience into intellectual capital.

Working closely with the architects, the Southbank Project team is developing purpose-built spaces (common learning rooms) adjacent to specialised learning facilities such as laboratories, kitchens and studios. This allows maximisation and provides a platform for the continuous improvement of products and services and their delivery. This will result in students who are better prepared for the transition and demands of the workforce with the ability to:

- Think critically
- Work in teams
- Problem solve
- Work with multi-modal communications
- Make autonomous decisions

The Southbank Institute redevelopment team has gained significant expertise and knowledge in this process and is recognised for its achievements in working with the private sector to develop Australia’s first social infrastructure as a Public Private Partnership. In this respect, the project partner is able to provide the higher levels of support needed to maintain infrastructure at the standard required to keep Southbank Institute globally competitive.

The team capability consists of:

- Educational functionality and design for core and non core services
- Technical advisers in architecture, engineering, interiors and procurement
- Project management
- Private sector relationship management – legal, commercial and financial

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