

# DIPLOMA IN SOCIAL SCIENCE/BACHELOR OF HUMANITARIAN AND DEVELOPMENT STUDIES (6027)

**Approved Abbreviation:** DipSocSc/BHumDevStud  
**Western Sydney University Program Code:** 6027  
**AQF Level:** 7

**CRICOS Code:** 096980J

This program applies to students who commenced in Term 1, 2022 or later.

Students should follow the program structure for the session start date relevant to the year they commenced.

For Commencement Year Term 2 2021 - please refer to 6027.2 - Diploma in Social Science/Bachelor of Humanitarian and Development Studies (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=6027.2>)

For Commencement Year Term 2 2017 - Term 1 2021, please refer to 6027.1 - Diploma in Social Science/Bachelor of Humanitarian and Development Studies (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=6027.1>)

The Bachelor of Humanitarian and Development Studies covers all aspects of disaster management, humanitarian assistance, and development to equip students with the required skills, knowledge, and practical experience (i.e. humanitarian crisis simulation + international placement) that make them ready to work with national and international government and non-government organisations implementing short- and long-term life-saving programs. The degree provides a theory-driven and as well as a comprehensive field experience package that enhance students' learning, research skills, real world experience, and career readiness.

The first year of this program is delivered by Western Sydney University The College, as an agent of Western Sydney University, via extended face-to-face hours in smaller learning environments. A Diploma in Social Science exit point is also available at the end of the first year of the program.

For more information on Western Sydney University, The College, please refer to their web site.

Western Sydney University, The College (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/study/application-pathways/the-college.html>)

For program advice during your first year of study, please use the contact below under 'Program Advice'. For program advice during your second and subsequent years of study, please use the contact listed for the Bachelor of Humanitarian and Development Studies.

Bachelor of Humanitarian and Development Studies (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2021-2022/programs/bachelor-humanitarian-development-studies/>)

## Early Exit

Students may exit this program on completion of 100 credit points with a 7050 Diploma in Social Science (exit only) (<https://>

[hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2021-2022/programs/diploma-social-science/](https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2021-2022/programs/diploma-social-science/))

## Study Mode

Three years full-time or six years part-time.

## Program Advice

College Program Enquiries (<https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/AdminApp@westernsydney.edu.au>)

Prospective students should visit the following websites for general enquiries about this program.

Enquire about this program (<https://enquiry.westernsydney.edu.au/courseenquiry/>) | Local Admission (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/>) | International Admission (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/home/apply/admissions/>) |

## Location

Campus	Attendance	Mode	Advice
Bankstown Campus	Full Time	Internal	See above
Bankstown Campus	Part Time	Internal	See above
Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road	Full Time	Internal	Garry Stevens (g.stevens@westernsydney.edu.au)
Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road	Part Time	Internal	Garry Stevens (g.stevens@westernsydney.edu.au)
Penrith Campus	Full Time	Internal	See above
Penrith Campus	Part Time	Internal	See above

## Work Integrated Learning

Western Sydney University seeks to enhance student learning experiences by enabling students to engage in the culture, expectations and practices of their profession or discipline. This program includes a placement or other community-based unpaid practical experience.

There is a mandatory work component required for completion of this program. Please contact the Program Advisor listed above for information.

International students should also refer to the link below for more information and a link to the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS).

Work Integrated Learning (WIL) for international students ([https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current\\_students/services\\_and\\_facilities/international\\_student\\_support/working\\_in\\_australia/work\\_integrated\\_learning/](https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/services_and_facilities/international_student_support/working_in_australia/work_integrated_learning/))

## Admission

For more information on applying please see link to The College admission pages below.

[https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/thecollege/how\\_to\\_apply](https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/thecollege/how_to_apply) ([https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/thecollege/how\\_to\\_apply/](https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/thecollege/how_to_apply/))

Domestic students are required to have:

- Completed an English subject in the NSW Higher School Certificate, Or
- Competency in English at IELTS 6.0 equivalent Or
- Passed The College English test at IELTS 6.0 equivalent Or

- Passed The College Foundation Studies Academic English subject at C grade level or higher.

Met other entry requirements such as:

- An ATAR identified prior to the offer of a place, Or
- Completed The College Foundation Studies program with a Grade Point Average of 5.5 or higher.

International students must satisfy one of the following language requirements:

- IELTS 6.0 with a minimum 5.5 in each sub band Or
- Completed the College EAP 4 program with a 50% pass Or
- Passed The College English test at IELTS 6.0 equivalent Or
- Passed The College Foundation Studies Academic English subject at C grade level or higher for which advanced standing can be applied for.

Academic Entry Requirements vary according to country of origin. However, in general:

- Completion of Year 12 or its equivalent is the minimum entry requirement Or
- Completed The College Foundation Studies program with a Grade Point Average of 5.5 or higher.

## Special Requirements

Working with Children Check where required and for international placements, a medical clearance to enrol in HUMN 3101 Social Sciences International Placement (II): Placement.

## Program Structure

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 260 credit points as per the recommended sequence below.

The early exit College Diploma consists of 100 credit points which includes two College Preparatory subjects.

## Western Sydney University The College Subjects

### Nirimba, Bankstown and Penrith Campus

Please note that all campuses may not have intakes each year.

### Full-time start-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
<b>Year 1</b>		
<b>First Term of Study</b>		
LANG 0003	Academic English (WSTC Prep)	10
CULT 0006	Key Concepts and Skills in the Social Sciences (WSTC Prep)	10
BEHV 1023	The Individual in Society (WSTC)	10
<b>Second Term of Study</b>		
CULT 1019	Understanding Society (WSTC)	10
HUMN 1042	People, Place and Social Difference (WSTC)	10
HUMN 1062	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies (WSTC)	10
<b>Third Term of Study</b>		
HUMN 1029	Human Rights, Peace and Development (WSTC)	10
CULT 1023	Working with Cultural Differences (WSTC)	10

POLI 1008	World Politics and International Relations (WSTC)	10
HUMN 2033	Issues in World Development: Rich World, Poor World (WSTC)	10
<b>Credit Points</b>		<b>100</b>
<b>Total Credit Points</b>		<b>100</b>

Students may exit at this point and graduate with the Diploma in Social Science following a passing grade in all of the above subjects. Students who progress onto Year Two may also be awarded the Diploma if they gain a passing grade in all of the above subjects.

- Students must pass all College Preparatory subjects before progressing to the Year Two subjects.
- Students must pass at least 70 credit points of University level subjects in Year One before progressing to the Year Two subjects.

All students must enrol in and complete the 70 credit points of Bachelor of Social Science Core Subjects, a 100 credit point major and 70 credit points of electives. The recommendation is that electives are chosen from the Recommended Electives List.

## Western Sydney University Subjects

For program advice during your second and subsequent years of study, please use the contact listed for the Bachelor of Humanitarian and Development Studies.

Bachelor of Humanitarian and Development Studies (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2021-2022/programs/bachelor-humanitarian-development-studies/>)

### Parramatta (Victoria Road) and Penrith Campus

Course	Title	Credit Points
<b>Year 2</b>		
<b>Autumn session</b>		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
One subject from the chosen Major		10
And two recommended electives from the list below		20
<b>Credit Points</b>		<b>40</b>
<b>Spring session</b>		
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
Select from the following Majors:		30
<b>Students in Humanitarian Preparedness and Response Major complete:</b>		
Two Major subjects		
One recommended elective from the list below		
<b>Students in Human Rights, Protection &amp; Development major complete:</b>		
One Major subject		
Two recommended electives from the list below		
<b>Credit Points</b>		<b>40</b>
<b>Year 3</b>		
<b>Autumn session</b>		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
One subject from the chosen Major		10
Two recommended electives from the list below		20
<b>Credit Points</b>		<b>40</b>

**2H session**

HUMN 3100	Social Sciences International Placement (I): Preparation for Placement	10
HUMN 3101	Social Sciences International Placement (II): Placement	20
<b>Credit Points</b>		<b>30</b>

**Summer A session**

HUMN 3102	Social Sciences International Placement (III): Post-placement Reflections	10
<b>Credit Points</b>		<b>10</b>
<b>Total Credit Points</b>		<b>160</b>

**Majors**

Human Rights, Protection and Development, Major (0095) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2021-2022/majors-minors/human-rights-protection-development-major/>)

Humanitarian Preparedness and Response, Major (0094) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2021-2022/majors-minors/humanitarian-preparedness-response-major/>)

**Recommended Electives**

Subject	Title	Credit Points
ACCT 1001	Accounting Information for Managers	10
AGRI 2006	Agriculture, Food and Health	10
HUMN 3009	Alternatives to Violence	10
HUMN 2014	Civil Society in Contemporary China	10
HUMN 3023	Climate Change and Culture	10
HUMN 2015	Community and Social Action	10
WELF 2002	Community Work & Development	10
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
WELF 1002	Context of Human Services	10
PUBH 2005	Culture, Diversity and Health	10
TEAC 2018	Education for Sustainability	10
ENVL 3003	Environmental Risk Management	10
HLTH 3007	Global Nutrition, Food and Community	10
HUMN 3043	Globalisation and Sustainability	10
HUMN 3049	Home and Away: Ethnicity and Migration in Australia	10
WELF 2008	Human Rights, Human Services and the Law	10
WELF 1003	Human Services Intervention Strategies	10
LAWS 3029	Immigration and Refugee Law	10
CULT 3016	Indigenous Cultures: A Global Perspective	10
LAWS 3034	International Criminal Law	10
WELF 3007	Leadership, Alliances, Sustainability (Block Mode)	10
BUSM 1044	Leadership in Complexity	10
WELF 2011	Management and Community Organisations (Block Mode)	10
BUSM 1023	Managing People at Work	10
HUMN 2037	Peace-Making and Peace-Building	10
ENVL 3005	Planning the City: Development, Community and Systems	10
BIOS 1030	Resource Sustainability	10
HUMN 2048	Revaluing Indigenous Economics (Day Mode)	10
HUMN 3077	Sustainable Futures	10
HUMN 2053	The Economics of Cities and Regions	10

**Replaced Elective Subjects**

The subjects listed below count towards completion of this program for students who passed these subjects in 2020 or earlier.

HLTH 2002 - Agriculture, Food and Health, replaced by AGRI 2006 Agriculture, Food and Health

**Equivalent Subjects**

The subject listed below count towards completion of this Program for students who passed this subject in 2022 or earlier.

POLI 1003 Introduction to International Relations (WSTC), replaced by POLI 1008 World Politics and International Relations (WSTC)

The subject listed below count towards completion of this program for students who passed this subject in 2020 or earlier.

CULT 1021 Working with Communities (WSTC), replaced by HUMN 1062 Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies (WSTC)