

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK (1666)

Approved Abbreviation: BSW

Western Sydney University Program Code: 1666

AQF Level: 7

CRICOS Code: 013975D

This program applies to students who commenced in 2015 or later.

Commencement Year 2014 - 1666.3 Bachelor of Social Work (<http://handbook.uws.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1666.3>)

Commencement Year 2011 - 2013 - 1666.2 Bachelor of Social Work (<http://handbook.uws.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1666.2>)

Commencement Year 2010 - 1666.1 Bachelor of Social Work (<http://handbook.uws.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1666.1>)

The Bachelor of Social Work is a four year degree that is fully accredited by the Australian Association of Social Workers. Western Sydney University social work graduates are prepared for work in a wide range of human services organisations across diverse practice areas, including case work, group work, community development, policy and research. Students undertake traditional academic subjects as well as completing assessed placements comprising 1008 hours.

Study Mode

Four years full-time or eight years part-time.

Location

Campus	Attendance	Mode	Advice
Liverpool Campus	Full Time	Internal	Dr Benjamin Joseph (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/name/ben%20joseph/)
Liverpool Campus	Part Time	Internal	Dr Benjamin Joseph (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/name/ben%20joseph/)
Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road	Full Time	Internal	Rosemary Qummouh (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/srchprocess_handbook.php?a_value=r.qummouh@westernsydney.edu.au)
Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road	Part Time	Internal	Rosemary Qummouh (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/srchprocess_handbook.php?a_value=r.qummouh@westernsydney.edu.au)

Accreditation

This program is accredited by the Australian Association of Social Workers (AASW) and graduates are eligible for membership of the AASW.

Inherent Requirements

There are inherent requirements for this program that you must meet in order to complete your program and graduate. Make sure you read and understand the requirements for this program online.

Inherent requirements (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/ir/inherent_requirements/inherent_requirements_for_bachelor_of_social_work/)

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/)

Admission

Applications from Australian and New Zealand citizens and holders of permanent resident visas may be made via the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) or directly through the Western Portal. Use the links below to apply via UAC or Western Sydney University. Applications made directly to Western Sydney do not have an application fee.

<http://www.uac.edu.au/>
<https://westernsydney.uac.edu.au/ws/>

Applicants who have undertaken studies overseas may have to provide proof of proficiency in English. Local applicants who are applying through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) will find details of minimum English proficiency requirements and acceptable proof on the UAC website. Local applicants applying directly to the University should also use the information provided on the UAC website.

International students currently completing an Australian Year 12 in or outside Australia, an International Baccalaureate in Australia or a New Zealand National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) level 3 must apply via UAC International.

<http://www.uac.edu.au/>
All other International applicants must apply directly to the University via the International Office.

International students applying to the University through the International Office can find details of minimum English proficiency requirements and acceptable proof on their website.

International Office (<http://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/>)

Overseas qualifications must be deemed by the Australian Education International - National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition (AEI-NOOSR) to be equivalent to Australian qualifications in order to be considered by UAC and Western Sydney University.

Program Structure

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 320 credit points including the subjects listed in the recommended sequence below.

Recommended Sequence

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Autumn session		
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	10
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	10
BEHV 2008	Mental Health in the Community	10
WELF 2002	Community Work & Development	10
Credit Points		40
Spring session		
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
WELF 1003	Human Services Intervention Strategies	10
CULT 1022	Working with Cultural Differences	10
WELF 1002	Context of Human Services	10
Credit Points		40
Year 2		
Autumn session		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
WELF 2010	Lifespan Development and the Human Services	10
WELF 2017	Working with Individuals and Families	10
WELF 2006	Fields of Practice 1	10
Credit Points		40
Spring session		
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
WELF 2008	Human Rights, Human Services and the Law	10
WELF 2007	Group Work in Social Work	10
HUMN 2015	Community and Social Action	10
Credit Points		40
Year 3		
Autumn session		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
WELF 3006	Family Violence: Policy and Practice	10
WELF 3020	Field Education 1	20
Credit Points		40
Spring session		
WELF 3014	Social Work and Social Policy	10
WELF 2001	Community Management and Organisations	10
WELF 3001	Child Abuse as a Social Issue	10
Select one elective		10
Credit Points		40
Year 4		
Autumn session		
WELF 4007	Practice skills for social work	10
WELF 4008	Professional Decision Making in Social Work	10
WELF 4006	Ideologies of Practice in Social Work	10

WELF 3013	Social Work and Health	10
Credit Points		40
Spring session		
WELF 4005	Field Education 2	30
WELF 4001	Contemporary Social Work Practice	10
Credit Points		40
Total Credit Points		320

Equivalent Core Subjects

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

HUMN 2049 Social Research Methods