DIPLOMA IN INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY FAST TRACK (7004)

Approved Abbreviation: DipICT
Western Sydney University Program Code: 7004

CRICOS Code: 063563K

This program is suspended from Term 1, 2025, no new students will be admitted from this session.

This program applies to students who commenced in Term 1, 2014 or later.

This program is delivered by Western Sydney University, The College as an agent of Western Sydney University.

This program is designed to provide a tertiary level foundation for further study in the Bachelor of Information and Communications Technology and Bachelor of Information Systems degrees. It has been constructed to provide students with a sample of ICT subjects and university experiences. Students who successfully complete the Diploma in Information and Communications Technology Fast Track will articulate into Bachelor of Information and Communications Technology degree at Western Sydney University with up to one year equivalent of advanced standing. Students may also articulate into Bachelor of Information Systems.

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)

Study Mode

Eight months full-time (two terms).

Students will be required to attend the Kingswood or Parramatta South campus for some learning experiences.

Program Advice

College Admin (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
Parramatta City Campus-George Street*	Full Time	Internal	See above

* Programs delivered through an agreement with another party

Admission

The aim of the program is to prepare students for tertiary study in Information and Communications Technology or Computing. The Diploma is accredited by the University, as principal, to enable its agent, Western Sydney University, The College to produce students who are fully prepared for study beyond the first year of a tertiary award.

Local students entering this Diploma are required to have:

- Completed an English unit in the NSW Higher School Certificate, Or
- Competency in English at IELTS 6.0 equivalent (unless a native speaker) Or
- Passed the English test administered by Western Sydney University, The College at IELTS 6.0 equivalent Or
- Passed the Foundation Studies Academic English subject, offered by Western Sydney University, The College at C grade level or higher.
- Passed either the Foundation Studies Commercial Mathematics subject or the Mathematics B subject offered by Western Sydney University, The College at C grade level or higher.

Students are also assumed to have completed a Mathematics subject, equivalent to the Mathematics unit in the NSW Higher School Certificate.

Met other entry requirements such as:

- An ATAR identified prior to the offer of a place (the ATAR will be set each year at a level below that for admission for the Bachelor of Information Communications Technology or Computing), Or
- Completed the Foundation Studies program offered by Western Sydney University, The College, with a Grade Point Average of 6.0 or higher.

International students entering the Diploma must satisfy one of the following language requirements:

- IELTS 6.0 with a minimum 5.5 in each sub band Or
- Completed the EAP 4 program offered by Western Sydney University, The College with a 50% pass Or
- Passed the English test administered by Western Sydney University, The College at IELTS 6.0 equivalent Or
- Passed the Foundation Studies Academic English subject, offered by Western Sydney University, The College at C grade level or higher.
- Passed either the Foundation Studies Commercial Mathematics subject or the Mathematics B subject offered by Western Sydney University, The College at C grade level or higher.

Students are also assumed to have completed a Mathematics subject, equivalent to the Mathematics subject in the NSW Higher School Certificate.

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 Foundation Studies program offered by Western Sydney University, The College, with a Grade Point Average of 6.0 or higher.

Special Requirements

Students must complete Tertiary Study Skills with UWSCollege prior to completion of the diploma.

Program Structure

Students who wish to enter the Bachelor of Information Systems on completion of this Diploma program will, subject to student numbers, study MATH 1031 Statistics for Business (WSTC).

Students intending to enter the Bachelor of Information and Communications Technology will, subject to student numbers, study MATH 1029 Statistical Decision Making (WSTC).

Subject	Title	Credit Points
Students must also pass the following seven subjects:		
COMP 2006	Computer Networking (WSTC)	10
INFS 2003	Database Design and Development (WSTC)	10
INFS 1003	Information Systems in Context (WSTC)	10
COMM 1027	Principles of Professional Communication 1 (WSTC)	10
COMP 1006	Programming Fundamentals (WSTC)	10
INFS 1007	Systems Analysis and Design (WSTC)	10
MATH 2013	Object Oriented Analysis (WSTC)	
From Term 2 2022 MATH 2013 replaced by INFS 2011		10
INFS 2011	Object Oriented Analysis (WSTC)	
Select one of the following:		10
Students who wish to enter the Bachelor of Information Systems on completion of this Diploma program select		
MATH 1031	Statistics for Business (WSTC)	
Students who wish to enter the Bachelor of Information and Communications Technology on completion of this Diploma program select		
MATH 1029	Statistical Decision Making (WSTC)	
Students must also pass the following non-award subject, which does not count for credit towards the Diploma		
GEDU 0010	Tertiary Study Skills in Information and Communications Technology (WSTC Prep)	0
Total Credit Points		**80**