

DIPLOMA IN SOCIAL SCIENCE (EXIT ONLY)

Effective from: 2022

Approved Abbreviation: DipSocSc

Western Sydney University Program Code: 7050

AQF Level: 5

CRICOS Code: 069055D

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.

Commencement Year Term 2 2021 - 7050.4 Diploma in Social Science (exit only) (<https://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=7050.4>)

Commencement Year 2018 to Term 1 2021 - 7050.3 Diploma in Social Science (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=7050.3>)

Commencement Year 2017 - 7050.2 Diploma in Social Science (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=7050.2>)

Commencement Year 2015 to 2016 - 7050.1 Diploma in Social Science (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=7050.1>)

The Diploma in Social Science is available as an exit point only from 6023 - Diploma in Social Science/Bachelor of Social Science, 6027 - Diploma in Social Science/Bachelor of Humanitarian and Development Studies or 6030 - Diploma in Social Science/Bachelor of Tourism Management.

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

This program is a broadly based, interdisciplinary program. It offers preparatory subjects in Academic English and other relevant subjects that provide additional skills for tertiary level study and is delivered via extended face-to-face hours in smaller learning environments. Students who successfully complete the Diploma in Social Science may articulate into the Bachelor of Social Science degree or the Bachelor of Humanitarian and Development Studies at Western Sydney University with up to 80 credit points of advanced standing.

For more information on The College, please refer to The College web site.

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

Study Mode

One year full-time (three semesters)

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/](https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/home/apply/admissions/)) | International Admission (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/home/apply/admissions/>) |

Location

Campus	Attendance	Mode	Advice
The College - Nirimba Education Precinct	Full Time	Internal	See above
The College - Nirimba Education Precinct	Part Time	Internal	See above
Bankstown	Full time	Internal	See above
Bankstown	Part time	Internal	See above

Admission

This program is an exit award only

The aim of the course is to prepare students for tertiary study in Social Science. The Diploma is accredited by the University, as principal, to enable its agent, The College, to produce students who are fully prepared for study beyond the first year of a tertiary award.

Local students are required to have:

- Completed an English unit in the NSW Higher School Certificate, OR
- Competency in English at IELTS 6.0 equivalent OR
- Passed The College English test with 70% or higher OR
- Passed The College Foundation Studies Academic English unit at C grade level or higher for which advanced standing can be applied for.

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 Social Science) OR
- Completed The College Foundation Studies course 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 course with a 50% pass OR
- Passed The College English test with 70% or higher OR
- Passed The College Foundation Studies Academic English unit 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 course with a Grade Point Average of 5.5 or higher.

Program Structure

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Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of the subjects listed below

Subject	Title	Credit Points
Students must pass the following six University level subjects:		
HUMN 1029	Human Rights, Peace and Development (WSTC)	10
HUMN 1042	People, Place and Social Difference (WSTC)	10
BEHV 1023	The Individual in Society (WSTC)	10
CULT 1019	Understanding Society (WSTC)	10
HUMN 1062	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies (WSTC)	10
CULT 1023	Working with Cultural Differences (WSTC)	10
Progression to Bachelor of Social Science		
Students who wish to progress with 80 credit points to the Bachelor of Social Science must pass two of the following three University level subjects:		20
CULT 1006	Crime, Deviance and Society (WSTC)	
POLI 1003	Introduction to International Relations (WSTC)	
HUMN 2033	Issues in World Development: Rich World, Poor World (WSTC)	
Progression to Bachelor of Humanitarian and Development Studies		
Students who wish to progress with 80 credit points to the Bachelor of Humanitarian and Development Studies must pass the following two University level subjects:		20
POLI 1003	Introduction to International Relations (WSTC)	
HUMN 2033	Issues in World Development: Rich World, Poor World (WSTC)	
Students must pass the following two preparatory level subjects		
No advanced standing will be granted for these preparatory subjects in the Western Sydney University degree program		
LANG 0003	Academic English (WSTC Prep)	10
CULT 0006	Key Concepts and Skills in the Social Sciences (WSTC Prep)	10
Total Credit Points		120

Equivalent Subjects

The core subject listed below count towards completion of this program for students who passed this subject in 2021 or earlier.

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