Bachelor of Urban and Environmental Planning (Domestic students)

Program code
1086

Commencing in
For Continuing Students Only

Available at
Nathan Campus

Duration
4 years full-time
8 years part-time

Credit points
320

Important Notes

From 2021, commencing students are referred to the Bachelor of Urban Planning (Honours) (1658).

About this program

In this degree, you'll learn how to manage the social and spatial conditions of urban life, helping to create a more sustainable future. You'll graduate with a degree accredited by the Planning Institute of Australia, the main professional body for planners, opening up opportunities for you to work around the world.

What makes our degree stand out is its strong focus on environmental sustainability. Throughout your degree you will be prepared to effectively plan and develop new and existing communities with an interdisciplinary focus on balancing environmental issues with urban and regional development. You will be prepared to tackle issues such as climate change, regional growth management and transport planning. You'll also gain an in-depth knowledge of water management, ecology, conservation biology and pollution.

With a strong focus on practical, hands-on teaching, you'll learn state-of-the-art drawing studios and work on real industry projects. You'll be taught by academics who have a strong footing in the industry and have the opportunity to network and connect with industry professionals throughout your degree.

What's more, you'll get the chance to undertake an extended industry placement, allowing you to put your skills into practice and make valuable industry contacts before you graduate.

Graduate outcomes

As a graduate, you can follow several different career paths, including urban planner, land development designer, town planner or traffic and transport planner, to name just a few.

You'll find employment opportunities with all levels of government, especially state and local government agencies as well as business and industry groups, community organisations and private consulting firms.

You may find work in development companies implementing proposals for new housing estates, tourism complexes, transport networks, shopping centres and other commercial projects.

Honours

In your third year, you'll have the option of transferring to an Honours program and doing an honours research project, if eligible. As an honours graduate, you'll have enhanced your chances of employment and be prepared to pursue a career in research or academia.

Flexibility

Tailor your timetable - Even if you study full-time on-campus, you may still be able to customise your degree to suit your needs. From a range of tutorial times to online access to lectures and other course material, we're here to help you fit study in with your work and life commitments.

Global mobility

Our degrees are all accredited by the Planning Institute of Australia, the main professional body for practising planners. If you want to go on to work overseas, this peer-accredited degree gives you the right foot in the door.

If you're looking to work in the UK, New Zealand or similar markets, your Bachelor of Urban and Environmental Planning is a proven pathway into an international career.

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1086	**Bachelor of Urban and Environmental Planning (this program)**	**Nathan**	**For Continuing Students Only**
1279	Bachelor of Urban and Environmental Planning	Gold Coast, Nathan	For Continuing Students Only
1431	Bachelor of Urban and Environmental Planning (Honours)	Gold Coast, Nathan	Trimester 1 and Trimester 2
1432	Bachelor of Urban and Environmental Planning (Honours)	Gold Coast	

Note: Progression to the Honours program is dependent upon satisfying eligibility requirements.

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

The Bachelor of Urban and Environmental Planning is offered full-time on-campus at the Nathan and Gold Coast campuses.

As a full-time student you will generally attend 15-18 hours of scheduled classes per week throughout the trimester. Classes may be scheduled during the day and evening throughout the week.

The program includes courses which may involve compulsory field work.

This program includes some optional courses which may be scheduled on Saturdays and Sundays between the hours of 9am and 5pm, and it is expected that if you enrol in these courses you will be available to attend.

In this program you are required to undertake unpaid work experience which requires part-time attendance at a planning office.

Student Income Support

To be classed as a full-time student, you are required to enrol in a minimum number of credit points each standard study period. The minimum credit points for full-time enrolment in this program is 30 credit points.

Trimester 1 and Trimester 2 are deemed standard study periods. As Trimester 3 is a non-standard study period, continuing students moving from one year to the next will not be required to study during this trimester to be eligible for student income support.

Domestic students who commence in Trimester 3 may be eligible for student income support from the onset of study provided they are enrolled full-time in this study period.

Please refer to the Australian Government website for more details.

Work-integrated learning

In this program students complete an approved work placement in a planning related role under the supervision of a qualified planner.

My career opportunities

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Key employment sectors*

- Construction industry
- Councils
- Government
- Land development

Potential job outcomes

- Urban planner

- Environmental planner
- Land development designer
- Town planner
- Traffic and transport planner

*Source: Australian Government Job Outlook

Program accreditation

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The Bachelor of Urban and Environmental Planning is accredited by the Planning Institute of Australia (PIA).

What are the fees?

Commonwealth supported students

- The indicative fee represents the expected average fee for an annual full-time study load (80 credit points). This is based on average study patterns across courses and the Australian Government's broad discipline areas (student contribution bands). A student's actual annual fee may vary in accordance with his or her choice of majors and electives. The Australian Government sets student contribution amounts on an annual basis.
- Find out more...

Fee-paying undergraduate (domestic) students

These fees are only applicable to domestic students who are not Commonwealth supported including:

- Full-fee paying domestic students who commenced their program prior to 2009.
- International students who have been approved to pay domestic tuition fees after obtaining Australian or New Zealand citizenship or permanent residency or a permanent humanitarian visa and who have not obtained a Commonwealth supported place.

Tuition fees

- A fee-paying undergraduate student pays tuition fees.
- Students are liable for tuition fees for the courses they are enrolled in as at the census date.
- The tuition fee is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student is enrolled.
- Find out more...

FEE-HELP

Eligible undergraduate fee-paying students may defer their tuition fees by taking out a FEE-HELP loan which is part of the Higher Education Loan Program (HELP). Payment of the loan is via the taxation system when income reaches a specified level.

- Higher Education Loan Program (HELP)

Further information

- Calculating tuition fees
- Calculating your EFTSL
- Fees and Charges Procedure
  - 3.2 - Fees for Undergraduate Students (Non-international)
  - Fees and Charges Schedules
- Financial help and support

Additional fee information

Additional costs

Throughout your program you may be required to pay for the following items:

- expenses associated with field trips and placements