Bachelor of Contemporary Australian Indigenous Art (Domestic students)

Program code
1187

Available at
South Bank Campus

Duration
3 years full-time

6 years part-time

Credit points
240

Indicative fee
$9,000.00* per year (more)

* 2024 indicative annual CSP fee

Commencing in
Trimester 1 and Trimester 2

Prerequisites
Folio and interview

For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples only

Assumed knowledge
English, English as an Additional Language, Literature or English & Literature Extension (Units 3&4, C)

Degree requirements: Students who started Trimester 1 - 2023

For the award of *Bachelor of Contemporary Australian Indigenous Art (BContempAusIndigA)*, you must successfully complete 240 credit points, made up of the core courses AND

- 60 credit points for the Studio Practice major;
  AND
  - 60 credit points for a second major; **or**
  - 60 credit points for listed and/or free-choice electives.

Other program requirements

You must successfully complete:

- no more than 100 credit points of Level 1 courses (the first digit of a course code denotes the level);
- at least 60 credit points of Level 3 courses or higher.

This degree may be awarded **with Distinction** where a student achieves a minimum program GPA of 6.5 with no failed courses. The words "This award was achieved with Distinction" will be recorded on the testamur.

Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Level and Type

The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) is the national policy for regulated qualifications in Australian education and training. This qualification is accredited as an AQF Level 7 - Bachelor Degree.

Program learning outcomes

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Program Learning Outcomes communicate to the community the value of the Griffith educational experience as benchmarked against national qualification standards.

Program Learning Outcomes for this award describe the knowledge, skills and the application of knowledge and skills you will acquire through studying the Griffith program of your choice.

Course list: Students starting Trimester 1 - 2023

Course offering information in program structures is a guide only. Please check the actual offering information in the Course Catalogue.

Note: Students must check the prerequisite and incompatible requirements before selecting any course within this program.

Year 1

You must complete the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	1011QCA	Core to Program	Origins (not offered from 2023)	10
			OR	
Tri 1	1111QCA	Core to Program	Origins	10
Tri 1	2901QCA	Core to Program	Indigenous Art and Protocols	10
Tri 2	1915QCA	Core to Program	Indigenous Media 1	10
Tri 2	1217QCA	Core to Program	Introduction to Art Theory 2	10
			OR	
Tri 1	1216QCA	Core to Program	Introduction to Art Theory	10

You must complete 20 credit points from the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1,3	1251QCA	Listed Elective 2	Introduction to Painting	10
Tri 1,3	1252QCA	Listed Elective 2	Introduction to Sculpture	10
Tri 1,3	1613QCA	Listed Elective 2	Introduction to Photography	10

You must complete 20 credit points from the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 2	1324QCA	Listed Elective 3	Drawing Foundations	10
Tri 2	1319QCA	Listed Elective 3	Print Foundations	10
Tri 1,2	1320QCA	Listed Elective 3	Jewellery and Small Objects Foundations	10

Year 2

You must complete the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1,2			Indigenous Studio Practice major courses	40
Tri 1,2			Second Visual Arts major courses	40
			OR	
Tri 1,2			Listed and/or Free-choice electives	40

Year 3

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	3906QCA_P1	Core to Program	Visions Major Studio Project (Part 1)	10
Tri 1	3964QCA	Core to Program	Indigenous Research Methodologies	10
Tri 1,2			Indigenous Studio Practice major courses	20
Tri 1,2			Second Visual Arts major courses	20
			OR	
Tri 1,2			Listed and/or Free-choice electives	20
Tri 2	3906QCA_P2	Core to Program	Visions Major Studio Project (Part 2)	10
Tri 2	3963QCA	Core to Program	Indigenous Arts Industry	10

Majors (4 available)

Studio Practice Major

Indigenous Studio Practice

You must complete the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2908QCA	Core to Major	Identity Project (not offered from 2023)	10
			OR	
Tri 1	2928QCA	Core to Major	Identity	10
Tri 1,2	2917QCA	Core to Major	Back to Country (not offered from 2023)	10
			OR	
Tri 1,2	2927QCA	Core to Major	Back to Country	10
Tri 2	2918QCA	Core to Major	Indigenous Media 2	10
Tri 2	2916QCA	Core to Major	The Art of Resistance	10
			OR	
Tri 2	3363QCA	Core to Major	Global Visual Culture	10
Tri 1,2	3915QCA	Core to Major	Community Project (not offered from 2023)	10
			OR	
Tri 1,2	3935QCA	Core to Major	Community Project	10
Tri 2	3916QCA	Core to Major	Indigenous Media 3	10

Visual Arts Majors

Painting

You must complete the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2384QCA	Core to Major	Painting Studio 1	10
Tri 2	2385QCA	Core to Major	Painting Studio 2	10
Tri 1	3366QCA	Core to Major	Painting Studio 3	10
Tri 2	3367QCA	Core to Major	Painting Studio 4	10

You must select 20 credit points from the following **Art Theory courses**:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2440QCA	Elective to Major	Abstraction (offered in even years)	10
Tri 2	3426QCA	Elective to Major	Art of Portraiture: History and Theory (offered in odd years)	10
Tri 2	3403QCA	Elective to Major	Australian Art (offered in even years)	10
Tri 2	3363QCA	Elective to Major	Global Visual Culture	10
Tri 2	2916QCA	Elective to Major	The Art of Resistance	10
Tri 1	2431QCA	Elective to Major	Art, Gender, Sexuality and the Body (offered in odd years)	10
Tri 2	2439QCA	Elective to Major	Memory and Trauma in Visual Culture	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned theory courses are subject to availability/change.

Photography

You must complete the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2801QCA	Core to Major	Photo Studio 1	10
Tri 2	2802QCA	Core to Major	Photo Studio 2	10
Tri 1	3821QCA	Core to Major	Photo Studio 3	10
Tri 2	3889QCA	Core to Major	Photo Studio 4	10

You must select 20 credit points from the following **Art Theory courses**:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2440QCA	Elective to Major	Abstraction (offered in even years)	10
Tri 2	3426QCA	Elective to Major	Art of Portraiture: History and Theory (offered in odd years)	10
Tri 2	3403QCA	Elective to Major	Australian Art (offered in even years)	10
Tri 2	3363QCA	Elective to Major	Global Visual Culture	10
Tri 2	2916QCA	Elective to Major	The Art of Resistance	10
Tri 1	2431QCA	Elective to Major	Art, Gender, Sexuality and the Body (offered in odd years)	10
Tri 2	2439QCA	Elective to Major	Memory and Trauma in Visual Culture	10

Sculpture

You must complete the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2391QCA	Core to Major	Sculpture Studio 1	10
Tri 2	2395QCA	Core to Major	Sculpture Studio 2	10
Tri 1	3370QCA	Core to Major	Sculpture Studio 3	10
Tri 2	3374QCA	Core to Major	Sculpture Studio 4	10

You must select 20 credit points from the following **Theory courses**:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2440QCA	Elective to Major	Abstraction (offered in even years)	10
Tri 2	3426QCA	Elective to Major	Art of Portraiture: History and Theory (offered in odd years)	10
Tri 2	3403QCA	Elective to Major	Australian Art (offered in even years)	10
Tri 2	3363QCA	Elective to Major	Global Visual Culture	10
Tri 2	2916QCA	Elective to Major	The Art of Resistance	10
Tri 1	2431QCA	Elective to Major	Art, Gender, Sexuality and the Body (offered in odd years)	10
Tri 2	2439QCA	Elective to Major	Memory and Trauma in Visual Culture	10

Electives (2 available)

Listed electives

The elective groupings below are provided to assist you in choosing electives that align with your career interests. You are not limited to selection from any one group, and you can select from across the elective interest groups. Please note that in some groups first year courses are required as prerequisites. You may also choose Undergraduate free-choice elective/s from across the University provided prerequisites are met.

NB: Some courses listed below may be part of your core courses or major courses within your degree and can only be applied to your degree requirements once. Please also note you cannot exceed 100CP of courses at 1st year level within your degree (courses starting with a 1 eg: 1xxxQCA). This means only 20CP maximum of courses at first year level can be taken as electives within your degree.

Art History & Theory

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	1216QCA	Listed Elective	Introduction to Art Theory	10
Tri 2	1217QCA	Listed Elective	Introduction to Art Theory 2	10
Tri 1	2440QCA	Listed Elective	Abstraction (offered in even years)	10
Tri 2	3426QCA	Listed Elective	Art of Portraiture: History and Theory (offered in odd years)	10
Tri 2	3403QCA	Listed Elective	Australian Art (offered in even years)	10
Tri 1	2901QCA	Listed Elective	Indigenous Art and Protocols	10
Tri 2	2916QCA	Listed Elective	The Art of Resistance	10
Tri 1	2431QCA	Listed Elective	Art, Gender, Sexuality and the Body (offered in odd years)	10
Tri 2	2439QCA	Listed Elective	Memory and Trauma in Visual Culture	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned courses are subject to availability/change.

Contemporary Australian Indigenous Art

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 2	1253QCA	Listed Elective	Contemporary Australian Indigenous Art Foundations	10
Tri 1	2901QCA	Listed Elective	Indigenous Art and Protocols	10
Tri 2	2916QCA	Listed Elective	The Art of Resistance	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned courses are subject to availability/change.

Drawing

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 2	1324QCA	Listed Elective	Drawing Foundations	10
Tri 1	2005QCA	Listed Elective	Drawing and the Body	10
Tri 1	2006QCA	Listed Elective	Performing Drawings: Narrative and Time (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 2	2008QCA	Listed Elective	Drawing in the Dark: Shadows and Darkrooms (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 3	2711QCA	Listed Elective	Introduction to Sketch-noting	10
Tri 1	2400QCA	Listed Elective	Print and Drawing 1	10
Tri 1	3400QCA	Listed Elective	Print and Drawing 3	10
Tri 2	2500QCA	Listed Elective	Print and Drawing 2	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned courses are subject to availability/change.

Digital Basics

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 2	1531QCA	Listed Elective	Making Visual Media	10
Tri 2	1538QCA	Listed Elective	Digital Modelling Studio	10
Tri 1,3	1701QCA	Listed Elective	Making Interaction	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned theory courses are subject to availability/change.

Indigenous Studies

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 2	3031CCJ	Listed Elective	First Nations and Justice	10
Tri 2	2034LHS	Listed Elective	Aboriginal Political Histories	10
Tri 3	2035LHS	Listed Elective	Global Indigeneities	10
Tri 1	3034LHS	Listed Elective	Reconstructing Indigenous Identities	10
Tri 2	3053LHS	Listed Elective	Contemporary Aboriginal Issues	10
Tri 1	2032HSV	Listed Elective	First Peoples and Social Justice	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned courses are subject to availability/change.

Internships/Industry Placements/WIL

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1,2,3	2381QCA	Listed Elective	Griffith University Art Museum Internship	10
Tri 1,2,3	2382QCA	Listed Elective	Griffith University Art Museum Internship	20
Tri 1,3	2001QCA	Listed Elective	Galleries Internship	10
Tri 1,2,3	3593QCA	Listed Elective	Liveworm 1	10
Tri 1,2,3	3594QCA	Listed Elective	Liveworm 2	10
Tri 1,2,3	3595QCA	Listed Elective	Liveworm 3	10
Tri 2	3596QCA	Listed Elective	Livespace	10
Tri 1,2	3002LFC	Listed Elective	Community Internship and Partnerships for SDGs	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned courses are subject to availability/change.

Immersive Design

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2672QCA	Listed Elective	3D Modelling for Visualisation	10
Tri 1	2673QCA	Listed Elective	Spatial video and Sound	10
Tri 2	2674QCA	Listed Elective	Visualising through Animation	10
Tri 2	2675QCA	Listed Elective	Mixed Reality Experiences	10
Tri 1	3641QCA	Listed Elective	Interactive Photorealistic Simulation	10
Tri 2	3642QCA	Listed Elective	Experimental and Generative Design	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned courses are subject to availability/change.

Interaction Design

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2661QCA	Listed Elective	Kinetic and Interactive Mechanics	10
Tri 1	2662QCA	Listed Elective	Creating Screen Interfaces	10
Tri 2	2663QCA	Listed Elective	Creative Audio	10
Tri 2	2664QCA	Listed Elective	Creative Generative Systems	10
Tri 1	3654QCA	Listed Elective	Mobile Play	10
Tri 2	3643QCA	Listed Elective	Interactive Installations	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned courses are subject to availability/change.

Interior and spatial Design

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2656QCA	Listed Elective	Introduction to Spatial Design	10
Tri 1	2657QCA	Listed Elective	Interior Technologies	10
Tri 2	2658QCA	Listed Elective	Spatial Design Cultures	10
Tri 2	2659QCA	Listed Elective	Sustainable Environments	10
Tri 1	3636QCA	Listed Elective	Universal Interiors	10
Tri 2	3637QCA	Listed Elective	Spatial Design and Identity	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned courses are subject to availability/change.

Jewellery & Small Objects

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1,2	1320QCA	Listed Elective	Jewellery and Small Objects Foundations	10
Tri 1	2393QCA	Listed Elective	Jewellery and Small Objects: Repetition	10
Tri 2	2397QCA	Listed Elective	Small Objects Lost Wax Casting	10
Tri 1	2377QCA	Listed Elective	Production Reproduction (offered from 2023)	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned courses are subject to availability/change.

Mobility

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1,2,3	2433QCA	Listed Elective	International/National Study Tour (not offered from 2023)	20
Tri 1,2,3	3597QCA	Listed Elective	QCA International Study Exchange (not offered from 2023)	20
Tri 3	3655QCA	Listed Elective	Immersive Design in Public Art (not offered from 2023)	10
Tri 1,2,3	3645QCA	Listed Elective	Indo-Pacific Intensive Study Tour 2 (not offered from 2023)	20
Tri 1,2,3	2000QCA	Listed Elective	East Asia Study Tour	20
Tri 1,2,3	2011QCA	Listed Elective	South Asia Study Tour	20
Tri 1,2,3	2012QCA	Listed Elective	North Asia Study Tour	20
Tri 1,2,3	2013QCA	Listed Elective	Pacific Study Tour	20
Tri 1,2,3	2014QCA	Listed Elective	Europe Study Tour	20
Tri 1,2,3	2015QCA	Listed Elective	Americas Study Tour	20

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned courses are subject to availability/change, please visit QCA International for further details.

Painting

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1,3	1251QCA	Listed Elective	Introduction to Painting	10
Tri 1	2690QCA	Listed Elective	Painting and Observation	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned courses are subject to availability/change.

Photography

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1,3	1613QCA	Listed Elective	Introduction to Photography	10
Tri 1	2801QCA	Listed Elective	Photo Studio 1	10
Tri 2	2802QCA	Listed Elective	Photo Studio 2	10
Tri 2	2651QCA	Listed Elective	Digital Photography	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned courses are subject to availability/change.

Print

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 2	1319QCA	Listed Elective	Print Foundations	10
Tri 1	2394QCA	Listed Elective	Print: Culture (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 2	2398QCA	Listed Elective	Print: Making (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 1	2002QCA	Listed Elective	QCA Print Internship (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 1	3373QCA	Listed Elective	Print: Practice (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 2	3377QCA	Listed Elective	Print: Studio (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 1	3400QCA	Listed Elective	Print and Drawing 3	10
Tri 2	2500QCA	Listed Elective	Print and Drawing 2	10
Tri 1	2400QCA	Listed Elective	Print and Drawing 1	10
Tri 2	2600QCA	Listed Elective	Publishing Fine Art Prints	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned courses are subject to availability/change.

Product Design

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2639QCA	Listed Elective	Digital Modelling for Design	10
Tri 1	2640QCA	Listed Elective	Product Archetypes	10
Tri 2	2648QCA	Listed Elective	Product Narratives	10
Tri 2	2695QCA	Listed Elective	3D Printed Prototypes for Design	10
Tri 1	3618QCA	Listed Elective	Future Products Studio	10
Tri 2	3619QCA	Listed Elective	Digital Making: Objects and Furniture	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned theory courses are subject to availability/change.

Public Art

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1,2	2009QCA	Listed Elective	Public Art 1	10
Tri 1,2	2010QCA	Listed Elective	Public Art 2	10
Tri 1,2	3101QCA	Listed Elective	Public Art 3	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned courses are subject to availability/change.

Sculpture

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	1252QCA	Listed Elective	Introduction to Sculpture	10
Tri 1	2391QCA	Listed Elective	Sculpture Studio 1	10
Tri 2	2395QCA	Listed Elective	Sculpture Studio 2	10
Tri 2	2700QCA	Listed Elective	Fabrication and Construction	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned courses are subject to availability/change.

Visual Communication Design

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2681QCA	Listed Elective	Typography and Layout	10
Tri 1	2683QCA	Listed Elective	Design and Branding	10
Tri 2	2682QCA	Listed Elective	Typography and Expression	10
Tri 2	2684QCA	Listed Elective	Design and Entrepreneurship	10
Tri 1	3598QCA	Listed Elective	Typography and Context	10
Tri 2	3599QCA	Listed Elective	Design and Communications	10

Note: The year/Trimester of offer for the above-mentioned courses are subject to availability/change.

Free-Choice electives

You may select free-choice electives from any Undergraduate free-choice elective/s offered across the University provided prerequisites are met. If you require guidance, please liaise with your Program Director.

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 2	2004QCA	Free-choice Elective	Arts Health in Practice (offered from T2 2023)	10
Tri 2	2001GFS	Free-choice Elective	Ecology, Sensing and the Arts (offered from T2 2023)	10
Tri 3	2002GFS	Free-choice Elective	Arts-Science in the Field (offered from T3 2023)	10
Tri 1	2003QCA	Free-choice Elective	Health and Wellbeing for Creative Careers (only offered at South Bank)	10
			courseLineOperator	
Tri 1,2,3		Free-choice Elective	Any free-choice elective/s	