



Bachelor of Contemporary Australian Indigenous Art (Domestic students)

Program code 1187	Commencing in Trimester 1 and Trimester 2	Prerequisites Folio and interview For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples only
Available at South Bank Campus		Assumed knowledge English, English as an Additional Language, Literature or English & Literature Extension (Units 3&4, C)
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		

About this program

This degree is designed to prepare Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to become professional artists. You will focus on traditional Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art media, styles and forms, together with strategies for their viable adaptation within a highly urbanised society. It is planned in accordance with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander principles and philosophies. Teaching respects Aboriginal laws concerning the ways in which techniques and images may be used.

Your study will be based on research into your own family history and traditions. You will undertake field trips to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and study contemporary culture and politics.

In your first year, you will gain a solid foundation in art practice, visual culture, contemporary Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art and the culture and issues it represents. In your second and third years you will continue the integrated, family-oriented approach to the study of Australian Indigenous art along with studio activities including painting, sculpture, photography, installation and electronic media. You will also complete a Studio Practice major and a Visual Arts major.

Majors

- Indigenous Studio Practice
- Painting
- Photography
- Sculpture

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

The Bachelor of Contemporary Australian Indigenous Art program (which is only available for Indigenous Australians) is offered full-time and on-campus at South Bank.

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.

My career opportunities

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You will graduate with a folio of work that demonstrates your competence in Indigenous and non-Indigenous knowledge, skills and media, and in contemporary technologies. Students will have gained the necessary skills to perform effectively in professional contemporary art practice environments. You will be prepared to work as an art practitioner, gallerist or curator. You may choose to continue your studies through honours or a postgraduate degree to pursue a career in art education.

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Graduates of this program may be eligible to apply for further postgraduate study.

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:

- Various art materials as required.