



Bachelor of Urban and Environmental Planning (International students)

Program code

1279

Commencing in

For Continuing Students Only

Available at

Gold Coast Campus, Nathan Campus

Duration

4 years full-time

Credit points

320

Important Notes

From Trimester 2 2022, 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.

| Code | Program title | Campus | Intake |
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| 1086 | Bachelor of Urban and Environmental Planning | Nathan | For Continuing Students Only |
| 1279 | Bachelor of Urban and Environmental Planning (this program) | 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.

If you are an International student on a student visa, you must ensure that you enrol in a way that will allow you to complete your enrolment within the expected program duration as stated on your Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE).

Work-integrated learning

In this program students complete an approved work placement in a planning related role under the supervision of a qualified planner. Trainee planners will work not less than 217.5 hours (i.e. the equivalent of 30 working days of 7.25 working days each) in a planning office on a planning related project under the supervision of a suitably qualified professional and subject to the approval of the course convenor.

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?

International students

An International student is one who is not:

- an Australian or New Zealand citizen or
- a Pacific Engagement visa holder or
- a person who has Australian permanent resident status.

Indicative annual tuition fee

The indicative annual tuition fee is calculated based on a standard full-time study load which is usually 80 credit points (two full-time trimesters).

The indicative annual tuition fee is based on current conditions and available data and should only be used as a guide. These fees are reviewed annually and are subject to change.

Tuition fees

- An International 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 for students who commence their program prior to 2014 is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student commenced the program.
- The tuition fee for students who commence their program from 2014 onwards is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student is enrolled.

Program fees for the Bachelor of Urban and Environmental Planning (1279)

Fees for this program can be found on the Programs and Courses website in the "Overview and fees" section. Select your commencing year to view your fees.

Changing programs

If an International student changes to a different program they will be subject to the approved program fee for the trimester in which they are enrolled.

Permanent resident status

If an **undergraduate student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will be provided with a domestic fee-paying place.

The student may then apply for a Commonwealth supported place at the next admission period provided that the student satisfies the conditions for transfer from a domestic fee-paying place to a Commonwealth supported place as set out in the [Fees and Charges Procedure](#).

If a **postgraduate student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will automatically be considered for a Commonwealth supported place (subject to availability) or a domestic fee-paying place as applicable for the program.

If a **research student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will automatically be considered for a Commonwealth Government Research Training Program (RTP) Fee Offset or a domestic fee-paying place as applicable for the program.

Further information

- [Fees and Charges Procedure](#)
 - 3.6 - Fees for International Students
 - 3.9 - Administrative and Miscellaneous Charges
 - [Fees and Charges Schedules](#)
- [Cost of studying in Australia](#)

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