

## **Bachelor of Human Services (Domestic students)**

| Program code                         |
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| 1394                                 |
| Available at                         |
| Gold Coast Campus, Logan Campus,     |
| Z~Distance Education                 |
| Duration                             |
| 2 to 3 years full-time               |
| 6 years part-time                    |
| (see Attendance section for duration |
| options)                             |
| Credit points                        |
| 240                                  |
| Indicative fee                       |
| \$12,000.00* per year (more)         |
| * 2024 indicative annual CSP fee     |

About this program

# **Entry requirements** 67.00

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Commencing in

Trimester 1 and Trimester 2

# Prerequisites NIL

Assumed knowledge Any General or Applied English subject (Units 3 and 4, C)

Study human services and bring real change to people's lives. This degree will equip you to work with individuals, families, and communities. You will learn from experts with links to health and community sectors, and government and non-government organisations. You will learn about human services in Australia and develop the knowledge and skills needed to build a better future for individuals and families in need, younger and older people, and persons living with disability. Through the course of your studies, you will develop a clear and insightful understanding of the principles of social justice, empowerment, and social inclusion. You will learn through hands-on experience as you undertake a professional placement in your final year of study.

Honours is available through an additional year of study.

| Code | Program title                             | Campus                                   | Intake                         |
|------|---|--|--------------------------------|
| 1394 | Bachelor of Human Services (this program) | Gold Coast, Logan, Distance<br>Education | Trimester 1 and<br>Trimester 2 |
| 2092 | Bachelor of Human Services<br>(Honours)   | Gold Coast, Logan                        | Trimester 1 and<br>Trimester 2 |

Progression is dependent upon satisfying admission requirements.

## My attendance during the program Attendance information

There are two modes of study for this program.

## **On-campus**

The Bachelor of Human Services is offered full-time and part-time at the Gold Coast and Logan campuses. As a full-time oncampus student, you will generally attend 10-15 hours of scheduled classes per week throughout the trimester. Classes may be scheduled during the day and evening throughout the week. The program includes a practical professional placement which sits in the third year of the program for which you must be available five working days each week. It is important to check course profiles and your timetable carefully to ensure that all course requirements are fully understood.

## **Distance Education**

Students can enrol in the Distance Education offering of the program and **will be able to complete the program off-campus** 

by distance learning via our online learning management system online with the exception of three compulsory five-day face-to-face intensive on-campus courses.

As a Distance Education student, your online studies may include online coursework, readings, research, discussions and other course related study. You should check the minimum computer specifications for studying online before considering applying for the Distance Education offering of this program.

Your compulsory attendance is in the form of one five day intensive course per year held **at the Gold Coast campus** as follows:

- 1008HSV Interpersonal Skills (offered in T3 only)
- 2027HSV Group Facilitation (offered in T3 only)
- 3020HSV Counselling Individuals and Families (offered in T1 only)

Domestic students studying off-shore outside Australia will be required to attend the three compulsory face-to-face intensives on campus in Australia as part of designated courses in accordance with professional accreditation requirements.

#### **Duration options**

Students may undertake an accelerated pathway enabling completion of the Bachelor of Human Services in a shorter timeframe (2-2.5 years full-time). Students who undertake the accelerated pathway will be required to study full-time and complete 40 credit points each trimester including Trimester 3.

### 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

Work-integrated learning activities (professional placements) integrate theoretical learning with its application in the workplace. The inclusion of work-integrated learning activities in the degree program demonstrates Griffith's commitment to preparing its graduates for success in their working life.

In this program, you will spend 400 hours (four days per week) in the work/professional environment during trimester six of the full-time program or equivalent. Placements may be outside of the Brisbane metropolitan/Gold Coast area including Northern New South Wales and (by negotiation) interstate or overseas.

### My career opportunities

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You will be prepared for a career in community planning and development, welfare services, family support, mental health services, correctional services, policy development and research, rehabilitation services, women's services, and youth work.

## Program accreditation

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The Bachelor of Human Services is accredited by the Australian Community Workers Association (ACWA).

## Professional recognition

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Graduates of this program will be eligible to apply for registration with the Australian Community Workers Association (ACWA) subject to meeting any additional requirements that may be stipulated by the ACWA. As these requirements may change from time to time, students should contact the ACWA to confirm registration requirements.

## Placement requirements

#### **Professional Practice requirements**

There are placements associated with this program and before undertaking professional experience placements, all students in this program are required to have completed the following by the end of their first trimester of study:

- Vaccinations and Health Tests
- Licenses and Certificates
- Online Training
- Health Placement Requirements

Students should refer to the **checklist of professional practice requirements for their Health discipline** on the Health Placement Support Hub for full details of the requirements regarding professional placement to ensure that they meet eligibility for placement.

If you are living in a remote or rural area, you may be expected to travel to a professional placement and this may also incur accommodation and living expenses to you. A Griffith University Placement Officer will work with you to find a suitable local placement however, this cannot always be guaranteed. Domestic students studying off-shore outside Australia can complete the placement (by negotiation) interstate or overseas.

## 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

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

first aid certificate; immunisations; uniforms; expenses associated with placements such as travel and accommodation. Fit for Professional Practice Placement costs such as Blue Card, Police Check. See Health Placement Support Hub website for more details.