



Bachelor of Social Work (Honours) (Domestic students)

Program code

1416

Available at

Gold Coast Campus, Logan Campus,
Z~Distance Education

Duration

4 years full-time

8 years part-time

Credit points

320

Indicative fee

\$9,000.00* per year [\(more\)](#)

* 2024 indicative annual CSP fee

Admission requirements

Year 1 and 2 of Bachelor of Social Work with 5.5 GPA in second year core courses and 5.0 in 2002HSV or equivalent

[\(more\)](#)

Commencing in

Trimester 1 and Trimester 2

About this program

The Bachelor of Social Work (Honours) encompasses 30 credit points of research dissertation.

As well as the opportunity for career and skill advancement, the Honours program creates a pathway for Social Work students to move into research and higher degree studies via the Master of Philosophy and Doctor of Philosophy programs.

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| 1372 | Bachelor of Social Work | Gold Coast, Logan, Distance Education | Trimester 1 and Trimester 2 |
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Note: Progression to the Honours program is dependent upon satisfying eligibility requirements.

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

Students admitted to this program will have met specified admission requirements and have successfully completed Years 1 and 2 in the Bachelor of Social Work (1372) or Bachelor of Social Work (1282). Students will then complete the courses as listed in Years 3 and 4.

If you are intending to study part-time, it must be noted that the workplace placements are to be completed within a full-time study load. Students will need to be available full-time to attend 1000 hours of professional practice education placements in Years 3 and 4 as follows:

- 3012HSV Social Work Field Placement 1 (30 credit points)
- 4012HSV Social Work Field Placement 2 (30 credit points)

The field placements must be completed over two calendar years in accordance with Australian Social Work Education and Accreditation Standards (AWSEAS). The two compulsory field placements are completed in full-time mode and students must complete a minimum of 1000 hours of placement through the entirety of the program. In the case of extenuating circumstances only, placement days per week may be negotiated but must still fit within AASW accreditation guidelines. This will not change the number of hours in total that are required to be completed overall - therefore, placement may end after the scheduled University trimester end date.

Some of the courses in this program may be run in an intensive block format. It is important to check course profiles and your timetable carefully to ensure that all course requirements are fully understood.

Note the campus offerings for core social work courses in third and fourth year:

- 3005HSV Social Work in Health and Mental Health - offered at Logan campus and Gold Coast blended only
- 3023HSV Working with Family Violence - offered online. An on-campus offering will be available at Gold Coast or Logan campus
- 3036HSV Social Work 1 - offered online only
- 3038HSV Social Work 2 - offered at Gold Coast campus and online only
- 4002HSV Critical Reflective Practice - offered online only.

This program includes compulsory study in Trimester 3 of Year 3.

On-campus

The Bachelor of Social Work (Honours) is offered full-time on-campus at the Gold Coast and Logan campuses.

Distance Education

All social work students are required to attend at least 20 days on campus throughout their full period of study. This is a non-negotiable requirement of all AASW accredited social work programs in Australia. Students can enrol into 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 with the exception of field placement and four compulsory five-day face-to-face intensive on-campus courses.

As a Distance Education student, your online studies may include 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 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)
- 3005HSV Social Work in Health and Mental Health (offered in T2 only)
- 3020HSV Counselling Individuals and Families (offered in T1 only)

Domestic students studying offshore (that is, outside Australia) will be required to attend the compulsory face-to-face intensives on-campus in Australia as part of designated courses and will also need to complete one of the two field placements in Australia in accordance with professional accreditation requirements.

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

In this program you will spend time in the work/professional environment undertaking placements at various locations. Placements may be outside of the Brisbane metropolitan/Gold Coast area including northern New South Wales and (by negotiation) interstate or overseas. Total work placements (hours): 1000.

In accordance with Section 4 of the [Australian Social Work Education and Accreditation Standards \(ASWEAS\) 2020](#) "Placements will be undertaken **over at least two years** of the professional social work program of study".

My career opportunities

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The program ensures that graduates are ethical and innovative thinkers, effective communicators, problem solvers, change facilitators and leaders.

This program prepares you for a wide range of social work roles including working with individuals, groups and families; community work; advocacy, research, planning and policy development; and management and administration. You could also

work in child protection, youth work, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander services, child and family welfare, youth and adult offending, hospital and community health settings, employment and income support and aged care.

Other career options include community development, family support, foster care services, disability services, policy and research, services for women, multicultural services and many other social welfare organisations.

Program accreditation

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The Bachelor of Social Work is accredited by the Australian Association of Social Workers (AASW).

Professional recognition

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

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**