Bachelor of Urban and Environmental Planning/Bachelor of Science (Domestic students)

Program code
1512

Commencing in
For Continuing Students Only

Available at
Gold Coast Campus, Nathan Campus

Duration
5 years full-time

10 years part-time

Credit points
400

Important Notes

From Trimester 2-2022 commencing students are referred to the Bachelor of Urban Planning (Honours)/Bachelor of Science (1660).

About this program

Urban environments are a key part of our future, and we need to make sustainably minded decisions that not only consider but prioritise the social and ecological elements of planning for cities.

In this degree, you'll bring social and natural sciences together to prepare for a career as an environmental scientist. Your foundation first year will introduce basic concepts, theories and methods of planning and environmental sciences. From your second year, you'll select one of three majors to develop specific technical skills and knowledge to complement your fundamental education in planning and environmental science.

This degree has a strong focus on practical, hands-on learning opportunities. You'll have access to our cutting-edge drawing studios, labs and facilities to help test your theories and bring your ideas to life. You'll also have a range of opportunities to learn outside the classroom, including international and national field trips, wildlife and environmental surveys, research opportunities and internships.

Industry and expert connections

In your final year, you can add a point of difference to your resume by working with a professional planning practitioner. Through the placement, you'll make valuable connections as you work on a practical project with tangible outcomes, giving you industry experience before you graduate.

Graduate outcomes

You'll be prepared for a career as an environmental scientist and planner. You'll find employment in government and in resources development and consultancy companies. You'll also find opportunities in land and water management, conservation, natural resources, mining or energy.

Additionally, with all of our urban and environmental planning degrees recognised by the Planning Institute of Australia, our students are able to go on to work overseas in countries such as New Zealand and the United Kingdom.

Majors

- Geography
- Marine Biology (Gold Coast only)
- Wildlife Biology

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.

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

This program is offered full-time via on-campus (at Gold Coast) delivery mode.

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

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*

- Public Administration and Safety
- Professional, Scientific and Technical Services
- Transport, Postal and Warehousing
- Construction

Potential job outcomes

- Town Planner
- Land Planner
- Conservation Officer
- Environmental Consultant
- Wildlife Biologist
- Environmental Research Scientist
- Catchment Restoration and Management Officer
- 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).

Pathways to further study

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Upon completion of this program, students may be eligible to apply for entry to the Bachelor of Science (Honours) (2111) or the Master of Urban and Environmental Planning (5576).

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:

- expenses associated with laboratory activities including lab coats, eye protection
- expenses associated with field trips and placements