



## Bachelor of Counselling (International students)

Program code	Entry requirements	Prerequisites
1548	6.5	NIL
Available at	IELTS (Academic) <a href="#">(more)</a>	Assumed knowledge
Gold Coast Campus, Mt Gravatt Campus	<b>CRICOS code</b> 090581F	Any General or Applied English subject (Units 3&4, C)
Duration	Commencing in	<a href="#">Apply Now</a>
3 years full-time	Trimester 1, Trimester 2 and Trimester 3	
Credit points		
240		
Indicative fee		
\$32,500.00* per year <a href="#">(more)</a>		
* 2024 indicative annual fee		

### About this program

You will gain skills in providing professional counselling to assist others in resolving personal or professional problems. Working in the counselling profession involves guiding and empowering people to develop self-understanding and to make changes in their lives in order to accomplish mental health, wellness, education, and career goals. Counsellors assist people by offering them a structured and focused way of addressing their problems, and work with clients on developing strategies to overcome obstacles and personal challenges that they are facing. You will gain advanced theoretical knowledge and counselling skills by completing courses in counselling skills theory and practice, methods of coaching, group facilitation, career counselling, positive psychology, lifespan development, ethics and case management.

### My attendance during the program

#### Attendance information

The Bachelor of Counselling is offered full-time and part-time on-campus at the Mt Gravatt and Gold Coast campuses. You may choose to study courses at other campuses if or where the program structure allows. As a full-time 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.

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

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, while meeting accreditation requirements as part of the Australian Counselling Association (ACA) and Psychotherapy and Counselling Federation of Australia (PACFA) Training Standards.

In this program students will spend time in the work/professional environment undertaking placements at various locations throughout Brisbane metropolitan/Gold Coast area. Students placements are typically scheduled 1-3 days per week and during typical working hours 9am to 5pm. Total work placement (hours): 280.

### My career opportunities

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Graduates will be skilled in a range of counselling approaches with their clients and can develop careers in specific areas, including family and relationship counselling, career counselling, and telephone/internet counselling, correctional counselling, addiction counselling, domestic violence counselling, and student advising.

### Program accreditation

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The Bachelor of Counselling is accredited by the [Australian Counselling Association \(ACA\)](#) and the [Psychotherapy and Counselling Federation of Australia \(PACFA\)](#)

## Professional recognition

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Graduates are eligible for membership with the [Psychotherapy and Counselling Federation of Australia \(PACFA\)](#) and the [Australian Counselling Association \(ACA\)](#). Graduates can also register as a counsellor with the Australian Register of Counsellors and Psychotherapists ([ARCAP](#)).

## 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.

## Pathways to further study

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You may be eligible to apply for the [Graduate Diploma of Health Research \(4161\)](#) if you meet the admission requirements.

## 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 Counselling (1548)

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 [Undergraduate Programs Admission Policy](#).

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

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

first aid certificate; immunisations; National Police check; expenses associated with placements such as travel.