

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

Program code	Admission requirements
1635	Years 2 and 3 of Bachelor of Urban
Available at	and Environmental Planning/Bachelor
Gold Coast Campus, Nathan Campus	of Science with 5.5 GPA
Duration	(more)
5 years full-time	Commencing in
10 years part-time	Trimester 1
Credit points	
400	
Indicative fee	
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## About this program

Eligible students may apply for this Honours program up to and including Trimester 1-2025. From Trimester 1-2026, commencing students are referred to the Bachelor of Urban Planning (Honours)/Bachelor of Science (1660).

This program gives you a unique opportunity to prepare for a career as an environmental scientist or as an urban and environmental planner. Upon graduating, you will be equipped to play an important role in bringing social and natural sciences together to find solutions for complex planning issues and problems.

Combining the knowledge and skills of planning with in-depth study of core environmental areas, the program integrates all aspects of environmental sciences (natural, social and economic) with planning principles.

Your foundation year introduces you to basic concepts, theories and methods of planning and environmental sciences. Interdisciplinary skills in environmental problem-solving are developed along with generic skills in project management, group work, research, critical thinking, research and writing for professional practice.

In Years 2 to 5, you will undertake a range of planning courses and receive training in environmental science and continue the development of specific and generic skills. In your final year you will undertake an industry placement and work with a professional planning practitioner.

After the first year, based on your individual interests, you select a major from the following list of Bachelor of Science majors that focus on environmental studies:

- Geography (Gold Coast and Nathan)
- Marine Biology (Gold Coast)
- Wildlife Biology (Gold Coast and Nathan)

#### My attendance during the program Attendance information

This double degree is offered full-time and part-time via on-campus delivery mode (at the Gold Coast and Nathan).

#### 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 Programs and courses - page 1 of 3

#### 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.

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As the importance of environmental issues continues to grow, your specialised knowledge and skills, and your ability to solve complex planning issues and problems, will give you an expanded range of rewarding career opportunities. Graduates from the program have gained employment within local, state and federal government, consulting firms and within small, local or large, multinational development companies, as well as in the high demand areas of management of land and water, conservation, natural resources or environmental pollution.

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The Bachelor of Urban and Environmental Planning (Honours) 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) (2125) 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.
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#### 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.
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#### 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 SchedulesFinancial help and support