



Bachelor of Political Science and International Relations/Bachelor of Criminology and Criminal Justice (International students)

Program code 1667	Entry requirements 6.5	Prerequisites NIL
Available at Gold Coast Campus, Mt Gravatt Campus, Nathan Campus, Online	IELTS (Academic) (more) CRICOS code 111961E	Assumed knowledge Any General or Applied English subject (Units 3&4, C)
Duration 4 years full-time 8 years part-time (online only)	Commencing in Trimester 1 and Trimester 2	Apply Now
Credit points 320		
Indicative fee \$34,000.00* per year (more) * 2024 indicative annual fee		

Degree requirements: Students who started Trimester 2 - 2024

For Domestic and those International students not required to complete the English Language Enhancement course

For the award of *Bachelor of Political Science and International Relations/Bachelor of Criminology and Criminal Justice (BPoliSciIntRel/BCCJ)*, you must successfully complete 320 credit points, made up of the core courses AND

- 60 credit points for the International Relations major or Political Science and Public Policy major or Security, Conflict and Human Rights major; AND
- 30 credit points of free-choice electives.

For International students required to complete the English Language Enhancement Course

For the award of *Bachelor of Political Science and International Relations/Bachelor of Criminology and Criminal Justice (BPoliSciIntRel/BCCJ)*, you must successfully complete 320 credit points, made up of the core courses AND

- 10 credit points for the English Language Enhancement course (5904LHS), AND
- 60 credit points for the International Relations major or Political Science and Public Policy major or Security, Conflict and Human Rights major; AND
- 20 credit points of free-choice electives.

Other program requirements

You must successfully complete:

- no more than 120 credit points of Level 1 courses (the first digit of a course code denotes the level);
- at least 60 credit points of Level 3 courses or higher.

This degree may be awarded **with Distinction** where a student achieves a minimum program GPA of 6.5 with no failed courses. The words "This award was achieved with Distinction" will be recorded on the testamur.

Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Level and Type

The [Australian Qualifications Framework](#) (AQF) is the national policy for regulated qualifications in Australian education and training. The Bachelor of Criminology and Criminal Justice and the Bachelor of Political Science and International Relations are accredited as an AQF Level 7 - Bachelor Degree.

English Language Enhancement

All undergraduate International students are required to complete an **English Language Enhancement Course** unless specific

criteria are met as specified in Section 5.0 [Qualifications Procedure](#).

The following course must be completed in the first trimester of study:

- [5904LHS Language and Communication for Arts and Social Sciences](#)

Advice regarding the requirement to complete the English Language Enhancement Course is available via the *myGriffith* portal (in the To Do List).

Students whose first language is English are not permitted to undertake this course.

Program learning outcomes

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[Program Learning Outcomes](#) communicate to the community the value of the Griffith educational experience as benchmarked against national qualification standards.

Program Learning Outcomes for the [Bachelor of Political Science and International Relations](#) and [Bachelor of Criminology and Criminal Justice](#) describe the knowledge, skills and the application of knowledge and skills you will acquire through studying the Griffith program of your choice.

Course list: Students starting Trimester 2 - 2024

Course offering information in program structures is a guide only. Please check the actual offering information in the Course Catalogue.

Note: Students must check the prerequisite and incompatible requirements before selecting any course.

English Language Enhancement course

Students required to undertake the English Language Enhancement course must complete 5904LHS in their first trimester of study.

The English Language Enhancement course is to be taken in place of a Free-choice elective in your program.

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1,2	5904LHS	English Enhancement	Language and Communication for Arts and Social Sciences	10

Courses in this program may be available at multiple campuses and during different trimesters. Click the **course code** to find out more information on where and when the course is offered.

Year 1

You must complete the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	1101GIR	Core to Program	Introduction to Political Science	10
Tri 1,3	1001GIR	Core to Program	International Relations	10
Tri 1,3	1002CCJ	Core to Program	Developing Professionally 1	10
Tri 1,3	1013CCJ	Core to Program	Introduction to Criminology and Criminal Justice	10
Tri 2,3	1010CCJ	Core to Program	Mental Health, Psychology and the Criminal Justice System (Tri 3 online only)	10
Tri 2,3	1009CCJ	Core to Program	Doing Criminology (not offered from 2024)	10
			OR	
Tri 2	1015CCJ	Core to Program	Victims and Justice	10
Tri 2	1102GIR	Core to Program	Comparative Political Institutions	10
Tri 2	1003GIR	Core to Program	Global Political Economy	10

Year 2

You must complete the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1,3	1008CCJ	Core to Program	Social Problems - (In)Equality and (In)Justice (Tri 3: Online)	10
Tri 2,3	1012CCJ	Core to Program	Police, Courts and Corrections	10
Tri 1	2001GIR	Core to Program	Great Debates in Political Thought (not offered from 2025)	10
			OR	
Tri 2	1002GIR	Core to Program	Great Debates in Political Thought	10
Tri 1	2005GIR	Core to Program	Fundamentals of Policy Analysis (not offered from 2025)	10
			OR	
Tri 1,2	1005GIR	Core to Program	Fundamentals of Policy Analysis	10
Tri 1,2 or 3			Free-choice elective	10
Tri 2,3	1014CCJ	Core to Program	Homicide (Tri 3 online only)	10
Tri 1,3	1003CCJ	Core to Program	Law, Crime and Justice (Tri 3 online only)	10
Tri 1	2002GIR	Core to Program	Australian Politics and Government	10

Years 3 and 4

You must complete the following courses:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1,3	2009CCJ	Core to Program	Quantitative Methods for Social Research (Offered Tri 2,3 from 2025)	10
Tri 1,3	2007CCJ	Core to Program	Crime, Society and Justice (not offered from 2025)	10
Tri 1,3	3012CCJ	Core to Program	Criminology and Criminal Justice Research Methods	10
Tri 1,2			International Relations major courses	60
			OR	
Tri 1,2			Political Science and Public Policy major courses	60
			OR	
Tri 1,2			Security, Conflict and Human Rights major courses	60
Tri 2	2027GIR	Core to Program	Career Pathways in Political Science and International Relations	10
			OR	
Tri 1,2 or 3	3001GBS	Core to Program	UG Business Internship I (see Note 1)	10
			OR	
Tri 1,2 or 3	3004GBS	Core to Program	Business Study Tour (non-standard course dates)	10
			OR	
Tri 2	3004GIR	Core to Program	Parliamentary Internship (not offered in 2024)	10
Tri 2			Free-choice electives	20
Tri 2,3	2000CCJ	Core to Program	Psychological Explanations of Criminal Behaviour (Tri 3: Online) (not offered from 2025)	10
Tri 1	3028GIR	Core to Program	Diplomacy and Foreign Policy	10
Tri 1,2	3030CCJ	Core to Program	Applied Criminal Justice (capstone course) (not offered from 2024)	10
			OR	
Tri 1,2	3029CCJ	Core to Program	CCJ Clinic	10
Tri 2	3001GIR	Core to Program	Solving Policy Problems (capstone course)	10

Bachelor of Political Science and International Relations - Majors (3 available) International Relations

You must complete the following:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2020GIR	Core to Major	Global Security	10
Tri 1	3007GIR	Core to Major	American Politics and Foreign Policy	10
Tri 1	3012GIR	Core to Major	Australia's Foreign Relations	10
Tri 2	2017GIR	Core to Major	International Relations Theory	10
Tri 2	3016GIR	Core to Major	Religion, Politics and Globalisation	10
Tri 2	3023GIR	Core to Major	International Migration, Race Relations and Public Policy	10

Political Science and Public Policy

You must complete the following:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2101GIR	Core to Major	The Politics of Environment and Sustainability	10
Tri 2	2103GIR	Core to Major	Indigenous Politics	10
Tri 2	3019GIR	Core to Major	Parties, Campaigns and Elections	10
Tri 1	2006GIR	Core to Major	Politics, Spin and the Media	10
Tri 2	2015GIR	Core to Major	Democratisation and Authoritarianism in Southeast Asia	10
Tri 1	3013GIR	Core to Major	Power and Policy Making	10

Security, Conflict and Human Rights

You must complete the following:

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	3010GIR	Core to Major	China's Foreign and Security Policy	10
Tri 1	3017GIR	Core to Major	The Way of the Dictator	10
Tri 1	3022GIR	Core to Major	The Rise of Global Populism	10
Tri 2	2019GIR	Core to Major	International Organisations, Peace and Conflict	10
Tri 2	3008GIR	Core to Major	Human Rights in World Politics	10
Tri 2	3018GIR	Core to Major	Terrorism, Counter-terrorism, and Globalisation	10

Electives (1 available)

Free-choice electives

You may select free-choice electives from the list below or any **Undergraduate free-choice elective/s** offered across the University provided prerequisites are met. If you require guidance please liaise with your Program Director.

You must ensure that you complete a minimum of 60 credit points of Level 3 courses (or higher) and the maximum of level 1 courses (120 credit points) is not exceeded in your entire program.

Corrections

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2003CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Introduction to Corrections	10
Tri 1	3007CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Developing Professionally (not offered from 2024)	10
			courseLineOperator	
Tri 1,3	2001CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Developing Professionally 2	10
Tri 1	3016CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Race, Crime and Justice (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 1	3015CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Youth Justice (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 1	3025CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Developmental and Life Course Criminology (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 1,3	3034CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Understanding Domestic and Family Violence	10
Tri 1,2	3002LFC	Free-choice Elective	Community Internship and Partnerships for SDGs (see Note 2)	10
Tri 2	2014CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Victimology (not offered from 2021)	10
Tri 1	3001CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Environmental Criminology (not offered in 2022 and 2023)	10
Tri 2	3003CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Rehabilitating Offenders	10
Tri 2,3	3006CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Punishment, Justice and Reform (offered Tri 3 online) (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 2	3008CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Professional Practice (see Note 1)	10
Tri 2	3010CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Crime Prevention: Community and Development Approaches (not offered from 2024)	10

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Courts and Justice

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	3007CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Developing Professionally (not offered from 2024)	10
			courseLineOperator	
Tri 1,3	2001CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Developing Professionally 2	10
Tri 1	3015CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Youth Justice (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 1	3016CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Race, Crime and Justice (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 1,2	3022CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Restorative Justice Practices (GC: Tri 1; MG: Tri 2)	10
Tri 1,2	3002LFC	Free-choice Elective	Community Internship and Partnerships for SDGs (see Note 2)	10
Tri 1,3	3034CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Understanding Domestic and Family Violence	10
Tri 2,3	2015CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Gender, Crime and Justice (offered Tri 3 online)	10
Tri 2	2016CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Courts, Sentencing and Justice	10
Tri 2	2017CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Forensic Science and Criminal Justice (not offered from 2023)	10
Tri 2,3	3006CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Punishment, Justice and Reform (offered Tri 3 online) (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 2	3008CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Professional Practice (see Note 1)	10

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Policing and Investigation

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2002CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Introduction to Policing	10
Tri 1	2008CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Situational Crime Prevention and Security Management (not offered from 2020)	10
Tri 1	2011CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Offender Profiling (not offered from 2020)	10
Tri 1	2018CCJ	Free-choice Elective	White Collar Crime (not offered from 2019)	10
Tri 1	3007CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Developing Professionally (not offered from 2024)	10
			courseLineOperator	
Tri 1,3	2001CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Developing Professionally 2	10
Tri 1	3021CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Crime Script Analysis (not offered from 2020)	10
Tri 1,2	3022CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Restorative Justice Practices (GC: Tri 1; MG: Tri 2)	10
Tri 1,2	3002LFC	Free-choice Elective	Community Internship and Partnerships for SDGs (see Note 2)	10
Tri 1,3	3034CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Understanding Domestic and Family Violence	10
Tri 2	2020CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Counter-Terrorism Law	10
Tri 1	3001CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Environmental Criminology (not offered in 2022 and 2023)	10
Tri 2	3004CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Professional Ethics and Corruption Prevention (not offered in 2022 and 2023)	10
Tri 2	3008CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Professional Practice (see Note 1)	10
Tri 2,3	3026CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Fraud and Cybercrime	10

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Research and Policy

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	3007CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Developing Professionally (not offered from 2024)	10
			courseLineOperator	
Tri 1,3	2001CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Developing Professionally 2	10
Tri 1	3015CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Youth Justice (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 1	3016CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Race, Crime and Justice (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 1,2	3002LFC	Free-choice Elective	Community Internship and Partnerships for SDGs (see Note 1)	10
Tri 1,3	3034CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Understanding Domestic and Family Violence	10
Tri 2	2013CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Crime and Media (not offered from 2023)	10
Tri 2	3008CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Professional Practice (see Note 2)	10
Tri 1	3017CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Making Crime and Justice Policy	10

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Security and Intelligence

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2002CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Introduction to Policing	10
Tri 1	2008CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Situational Crime Prevention and Security Management (not offered from 2020)	10
Tri 1	2011CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Offender Profiling (not offered from 2020)	10
Tri 1	2018CCJ	Free-choice Elective	White Collar Crime (not offered from 2019)	10
Tri 1	3007CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Developing Professionally (not offered from 2024)	10
			courseLineOperator	
Tri 1,3	2001CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Developing Professionally 2	10
Tri 1	3021CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Crime Script Analysis (not offered from 2020)	10
Tri 1,2	3002LFC	Free-choice Elective	Community Internship and Partnerships for SDGs (see Note 2)	10
Tri 2	2017CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Forensic Science and Criminal Justice (not offered from 2023)	10
Tri 2	2020CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Counter-Terrorism Law	10
Tri 1	3001CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Environmental Criminology (not offered in 2022 and 2023)	10
Tri 2	3004CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Professional Ethics and Corruption Prevention (not offered in 2022 and 2023)	10
Tri 2	3008CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Professional Practice (see Note 1)	10
Tri 2,3	3026CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Fraud and Cybercrime	10

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Youth and Community

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	3007CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Developing Professionally (not offered from 2024)	10
			courseLineOperator	
Tri 1,3	2001CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Developing Professionally 2	10
Tri 1	3015CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Youth Justice (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 1	3016CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Race, Crime and Justice (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 1	3025CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Developmental and Life Course Criminology (not offered from 2024)	10
Tri 1,2	3022CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Restorative Justice Practices (GC: Tri 1; MG: Tri 2)	10
Tri 1,2	3002LFC	Free-choice Elective	Community Internship and Partnerships for SDGs (see Note 2)	10
Tri 1,3	3034CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Understanding Domestic and Family Violence	10
Tri 2	2014CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Victimology (not offered from 2021)	10
Tri 2	3008CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Professional Practice (see Note 1)	10
Tri 2	3010CCJ	Free-choice Elective	Crime Prevention: Community and Development Approaches (not offered from 2024)	10

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Government and International Relations

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2002GIR	Free-choice Elective	Australian Politics and Government	10
Tri 1	2013GIR	Free-choice Elective	Political Leadership (not offered from 2023)	10
Tri 1	2101GIR	Free-choice Elective	The Politics of Environment and Sustainability	10
Tri 1	2008GIR	Free-choice Elective	Chinese Government and Politics (not offered from 2023)	10
Tri 1	3007GIR	Free-choice Elective	American Politics and Foreign Policy	10
Tri 1	3010GIR	Free-choice Elective	China's Foreign and Security Policy	10
Tri 1	3017GIR	Free-choice Elective	The Way of the Dictator	10
Tri 1	3022GIR	Free-choice Elective	The Rise of Global Populism	10
Tri 1	3027GIR	Free-choice Elective	Business and Politics in the Asia Pacific	10
Tri 1,3	2004GIR	Free-choice Elective	The Government Business Nexus: Intervening, Lobbying and Responding	10
Tri 1	2006GIR	Free-choice Elective	Politics, Spin and the Media	10
Tri 2	2015GIR	Free-choice Elective	Democratisation and Authoritarianism in Southeast Asia	10
Tri 2	2016GIR	Free-choice Elective	Power in East Asia (not offered from 2023)	10
Tri 2	2019GIR	Free-choice Elective	International Organisations, Peace and Conflict	10
Tri 2	3008GIR	Free-choice Elective	Human Rights in World Politics	10
Tri 2	3018GIR	Free-choice Elective	Terrorism, Counter-terrorism, and Globalisation	10
Tri 2	3019GIR	Free-choice Elective	Parties, Campaigns and Elections	10
Tri 2	3023GIR	Free-choice Elective	International Migration, Race Relations and Public Policy	10