



Graduate Certificate in Disability Studies (International students)

Program code	Admission requirements	Commencing in
3370	Any Bachelor degree or higher	Trimester 1, Trimester 2 and Trimester
Available at	Related Certificate IV or Diploma and	3
Online	relevant work experience	Apply Now
Duration	Relevant work experience	
1 year part-time	(more)	
Credit points		
40		
Indicative fee		
\$17,000.00* per year (more)		
* 2024 indicative annual fee		

About this program

Gain a critical understanding of disability.

Strengthen your understanding of the diverse experiences, needs and perspectives of people with disability in this graduate certificate. You will historical and contemporary views and first-person narratives on disability to work alongside people with disabilities and understand their perspectives more effectively, placing their lived experienced at the centre of your understanding and practice. This is a program that is guided by inclusion and civil rights and the knowledge that disability is just one influence shaping people's lives.

You will explore policy, program, service and practice issues such as the history and purpose of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS); global and Australian historical and contemporary responses to disability rights; contemporary case-management and person-centred approaches to service delivery; and the development of inclusive practices that value lived experiences and meet the diverse needs of all Australians with a disability.

Industry and expert connections

You will be immersed in accounts of the lived experiences of people with a disability, gaining insight from the insider perspective and examining personal narratives including memoirs, autobiographies and documentary films of, or by, people with a disability. It's this perspective that is crucial to delivering patient-centred services such as health and education to people with a disability. Working alongside student-peers, you'll engage with these topics in seminars, online forums and through groupwork under the supervision of some of Australia's leading academics in this field.

Graduate outcomes

This is an attractive credential if you are already working with, or wish to work with, people with disability in a range of fields including rehabilitation, human services, disability support, health, and disability and health insurance. People from a range of professions benefit from the lessons of this degree, from nurses, doctors, teachers, social workers, carers, and many more.

Flexibility

Study anytime, anywhere - This degree is available online through our Digital campus, giving you more room to fit university with your work and social life.

Code	Program title	Campus	Intake
3272	Graduate Certificate in Human Services	Online	Trimester 1, Trimester 2 and Trimester 3
3370	Graduate Certificate in Disability Studies (this program)	Online	Trimester 1, Trimester 2 and Trimester 3
5604	Master of Human Services	Online	Trimester 1, Trimester 2 and Trimester 3
4206	Graduate Diploma of Human Services	Online	Exit point only

Note 1: Progression through this program suite is dependent upon satisfying admission requirements.

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

The Graduate Certificate in Disability Studies is a part-time program and is offered online only.

Note: This program is not available for full-time on-campus study and therefore is not available to International students in Australia on a student visa. International students may study this program online in their home country.

Work-integrated learning

The University supports its students to undertake work experience that complements their degree. Work experience is normally arranged by you with an employer you select but with approval from your Program Director.

My career opportunities

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This graduate certificate is for people who are already working with or wish to work with people with a disability. It may allow you to upskill to meet the needs of your current role, to improve the care you can provide to one of your own family members, or to move into an entirely different career. That could be in healthcare, teaching, social work, criminal justice, and many other areas.

Key employment sectors

- Healthcare and Social Assistance
 - Public Administration and Safety
 - Education and Training
 - Potential job outcomes
 - Carer
 - Specialist teacher
 - Nurse
 - Allied health professional
 - Social worker
 - Disability advocate
 - Policy adviser
- *Source: Australian Government Job Outlook.

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Graduates of this Graduate Certificate program will be eligible to apply for entry to the **Master of Human Services (5604)**.

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 Graduate Certificate in Disability Studies (3370)

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](#)