

Bachelor of Social Science (with specialisations)

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The course includes the following awards:

Bachelor of Social Science (Gerontology and Healthy Ageing) *BSocSc(GerontologyHlthAge)*

Bachelor of Social Science (Social Welfare) *BSocSc(SocWelf)*

Course Study Modes and Locations

Bachelor of Social Science (Gerontology and Healthy Ageing) (1416GH)

Distance Education - Port Macquarie

Distance Education - Wagga Wagga

On Campus - Port Macquarie

Bachelor of Social Science (Social Welfare) (1416SW)

Distance Education - Port Macquarie

Distance Education - Wagga Wagga

On Campus - Port Macquarie

Availability is subject to change, please verify prior to enrolment.

Normal course duration

Bachelor of Social Science (with specialisations)

Full-time 3.0 years (6.0 sessions)

96 point credit package from TAFE or other relevant Diploma reduces actual duration to 1.5 years full time equivalent working on semester 1 and 2 enrolment each year at a full time rate.

Normal course duration is the effective period of time taken to complete a course when studied Full-time (Full-time Equivalent: FTE). Students are advised to consult the Enrolment Pattern for the actual length of study. Not all courses are offered in Full-time mode.

Admission criteria

[CSU Admission Policy](#)

1. Students who have completed a relevant TAFE/RTO Diploma (either specialisation)
2. Students transferring from the CSU Bachelor of Social Work (Social Welfare specialisation only)

Credit

[CSU Credit Policy](#)

For the Social Welfare Specialisation:

Students who have successfully completed one of the following two-year Diploma courses (or similar) will be eligible for 96 points or 1.5 years full-time equivalent credit (Recognition of Prior Learning) towards the Bachelor of Social Science (Social Welfare):

- Diploma of Community Services (Alcohol and Other Drugs)
- Diploma of Community Services (Alcohol and Other Drugs and Mental Health)
- Diploma of Community Services (Case Management)
- Diploma of Community Services (Financial Counselling)
- Diploma of Community Services (Mental Health)
- Diploma of Community Services Work
- Diploma of Community Development
- Diploma of Counselling
- Diploma of Disability
- Diploma of Youth Work

Note: Some Diploma courses are not 2 years full-time equivalent – please check with the Course Director as to acceptability.

For the Gerontology and Healthy Ageing Specialisation:

Students who have successfully completed one of the following two-year Diploma courses (or similar) will be eligible for 96 points or 1.5 years full-time equivalent credit (Recognition of Prior Learning) towards the Bachelor of Social Science (Gerontology):

- Diploma of Community Services (Alcohol and Other Drugs)
- Diploma of Community Services (Alcohol and Other Drugs and Mental Health)
- Diploma of Community Services (Case Management)

- Diploma of Community Services (Financial Counselling)
- Diploma of Community Services (Mental Health)
- Diploma of Community Services Work
- Diploma of Community Development
- Diploma of Counselling
- Diploma of Disability
- Diploma of Leisure and Health

* Diploma of Nursing

Note: Some Diploma courses are not 2 years full-time equivalent – please check with the Course Director as to acceptability.

Graduation requirements

To graduate students must satisfactorily complete 192 points.

Course Structure

The Bachelor of Social Science (Social Welfare) course consists of subjects in the following areas comprising:

[HCS102](#)Communication and Human Services

[HCS103](#)Fields of Practice

[PSY113](#)Child and Adolescent Psychology or [PSY216](#)Psychology of Ageing

[HCS204](#)Research Methods

[SOC101](#)Introduction to Sociology

[SOC308](#)Community Analysis

[PHL101](#)Applied Ethics

[IKC101](#)Indigenous Cultures, Histories and Contemporary Realities

[WEL418](#)Case Management

[SPE211](#)Foundations in Social Policy

2 Electives

Electives

[WEL229](#)Drugs, Alcohol and Gambling 2

[WEL217](#)Social Dimensions of Disability

[WEL409](#)Grief and Loss

JST215 Juvenile Justice in Practice

[HCS205](#)Child Abuse and Child Protection

OR

elective as agreed by the Course Director

The Bachelor of Social Science (Gerontology and Healthy Ageing) course consists of subjects in the following areas comprising:

[HCS102](#)Communication and Human Services
[PHL101](#)Applied Ethics
[SOC101](#)Introduction to Sociology
[IKC101](#)Indigenous Cultures, Histories and Contemporary Realities
[SPE211](#)Foundations in Social Policy

Plus the following specialisation subjects:

[GER102](#)Gerontology Theory and Research
[GER204](#)Ageing and Professional Practice
[WEL206](#)Facilitating Positive behaviours
[WEL409](#)Grief and Loss
[LES302](#)Leisure and Social Relations or elective as agreed by Course Director
[PSY216](#)Psychology of Ageing (Common to existing Social Welfare Strand as a restricted elective choice)
[WEL418](#)Case Management (Common to existing Social Welfare Strand)

Electives

[WEL229](#)Drugs, Alcohol and Gambling 2
[WEL217](#)Social Dimensions of Disability
WEL 228 Disability Issues for Families
LES 102 Leisure Programming with Diverse Populations
LES 110 Foundations of leisure activity
LES 202 Community Leisure and Health Issues
HCS 321 Child Welfare Practice
HCS 310 Mental Health Practice

OR
elective as agreed by the Course Director

Enrolment Pattern

Social Welfare

Part time Distance Education

Year 1

Session 1 (30)

[HCS102](#)Communication and Human Services
PHL 101 Applied Ethics

Session 2 (60)

[HCS103](#)Fields of Practices
[SOC101](#)Introduction to Sociology

Year 2

Session 1 (30)

[HCS204](#)Research Methods
[IKC101](#)Indigenous Cultures, Histories and Contemporary Realities

Session 2 (60)

[SPE211](#)Foundations in Social Policy
[PSY113](#)Child & Adolescent Psychology or [PSY216](#)Psychology of Aging

Year 3

Session 1 (30)

[SOC308](#)Community Analysis
[WEL229](#)Drugs, Alcohol and Gambling 2
or
[WEL409](#)Grief and Loss
OR
elective as agreed by the Course Director

Session 2 (60)

[WEL418](#)Case Management
[WEL229](#)Drugs, Alcohol and Gambling 2
or
[WEL217](#)Social Dimensions of Disability
or
JST 215 Juvenile Justice in Practice
or
[HCS205](#)Child Abuse and Child Protection
or
elective as agreed by the Course Director

Fulltime Enrolment Pattern

Session 1 (30)

[HCS102](#)Communication & Human Services

[PHL101](#)Applied Ethics

[SOC101](#)Introduction to Sociology

[HCS204](#)Research Methods

Session 2 (60)

[HCS103](#)Fields of Practices

[SPE211](#)Foundations in Social Policy

[WEL418](#)Case Management

[PSY113](#)Child & Adolescent Psychology or [PSY216](#)Psychology of Aging

Year 2

Session 1 (30)

[SOC308](#)Community Analysis

[IKC101](#)Indigenous Cultures, Histories and Contemporary Realities

[WEL229](#)Drugs, Alcohol and Gambling 2

or

[WEL409](#)Grief and Loss

JST104 Foundations in Criminology

or

JST108 Justice Studies Theories and Practice

or

JST212 Juvenile Justice in Context

or

[GER204](#)Ageing and Professional Practice

or

elective as agreed by the Course Director

Gerontology and Healthy Ageing

Part time Distance Education

Year 1

Session 1 (30)

[HCS102](#)Communication and Human Services

[PHL101](#) Applied Ethics

Session 2 (60)

[GER102](#) Gerontology Theory and Research

[SOC101](#) Introduction to Sociology

Year 2

Session 1 (30)

[WEL206](#) Facilitating Positive Behaviours

[IKC101](#) Indigenous Cultures, Histories and Contemporary Realities

Session 2 (60)

[SPE211](#) Foundations in Social Policy

[PSY216](#) Psychology of Aging

Year 3

Session 1 (30)

[GER204](#) Ageing and Professional Practice

[WEL409](#) Grief and Loss

Session 2 (60)

[WEL418](#) Case Management

[LES302](#) Leisure and Social Relations

or

elective as agreed by the Course Director

Fulltime Enrolment Pattern

Session 1 (30)

[HCS102](#) Communication & Human Services

[PHL101](#) Applied Ethics

[IKC101](#) Indigenous Cultures, Histories and Contemporary Realities

[WEL206](#) Facilitating Positive Behaviours

Session 2 (60)

[GER102](#)Gerontology Theory and Research

[SPE211](#)Foundations in Social Policy

[SOC101](#)Introductory Sociology

[PSY216](#)Psychology of Aging

Year 2

Session 1 (30)

[GER204](#)Ageing and Professional Practice

[WEL409](#)Grief and Loss

[WEL418](#)Case Management

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elective as agreed by the Course Director

Accreditation

The Bachelor of Social Science (Social Welfare) degree is recognised throughout Australia, and by the Commonwealth and NSW Public Services as an approved three-year tertiary qualification for employment purposes. It is envisaged that the specialisation of gerontology could also gain recognition for employment in the sector where a focus on aged care work is required.

Contact

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