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AREA OF STUDY GUIDE 2012

SOCIAL SCIENCES



The University of Western Sydney (UWS) provides a welcoming environment for all students, and our campuses, spread across Greater Western Sydney, offer purpose-built facilities designed to give you room to think and learn.

With ground-breaking research, recognised nationally and internationally, our academics are challenging the boundaries of knowledge and laying the pathway to success through teaching and learning excellence.

At UWS you are encouraged to aspire to achieve great things in your career and community.

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Ashlii Wilson

Bachelor of Social Science (Crime and Criminal Justice)

Ashlii Wilson is determined to make a difference with her working life. 'I would like to do a Bachelor of Psychology and work as a juvenile justice caseworker or for a similar government agency where I am actively able to go into troubled children's lives and make a difference, no matter how challenging or defiant they are,' she says.

To achieve her career goals, Ashlii had no hesitation in choosing UWS. 'I loved UWS, even before seeing the campus or the people. It was a no brainer for me, once I had found my course I had left no room for alternate options, it just suited me.'

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'Honestly, I love and continue to love UWS and any brother or sister of mine I'm sure would love it too. UWS is adaptable to your needs, the people are amazing and you gain a broad knowledge range which prepares you for your future career. I really could not see any reason not to go.

'Yes, it is university and it's not a walk in the park, but the course content is generally really interesting and the tutors are awesome and so easy to get along with. I enjoy the flexibility of the course and the freedom to choose what you do and when you want to do it. I was terrified with the work load at first but it's worth it!'

Why Study Social



- » **Get the best possible start:** The Social Sciences programs at the University of Western Sydney are among Australia's finest, offering a balance of theory and practical field studies, broad subject choices, flexible course structures, industry-based projects and placements and local and international work experience opportunities.



- » **Experience contemporary curriculum and excellence in teaching:** Staff in the Social Sciences bring a combination of disciplinary and professional expertise that ensures our work engages with, and is informed by, contemporary debates and the latest developments in the field. Our inspiring, enthusiastic teaching staff are at the forefront of their fields.



- » **Pathways provided:** The Bachelor of Social Science also offers pathways to either Early Childhood Education or the Master of Urban Management and Planning. As you undertake the Bachelor of Social Science (Pathway to Early Childhood Teaching) you will gain knowledge in the areas of languages and linguistics, English and social science as well as educational studies. If you are interested in a career in urban, social or cultural planning the Bachelor of Social Science pathway to the Master of Urban Management and Planning is for you. This course equips students to take leadership roles in urban management, strategic planning and policy development.



- » **Fostering research:** Researchers from Social Sciences are at the forefront, nationally and internationally, of debates in a number of disciplines and interdisciplinary fields. This standing is evidenced by our demonstrated achievements in publications, research higher degree completions and external grants. UWS also has a strong commitment to conducting research that is ethical, engaged and practice-oriented and many members of staff work closely in their research with the private sector, not-for-profit bodies and all levels of government.

Sciences at UWS?



Professor Kevin Dunn

» **Challenging Racism:** Professor Kevin Dunn has been tracking Australians' attitudes and experiences of cultural diversity and racism for the past 11 years through the 'Challenging Racism Project', a collaborative project with other Australian universities. A key finding of the study is that occurrences of racism in Australian society differ significantly across geographic locations, and this information may help to more strategically allocate anti-racism funding and create programs that recognise regional differences.



Kaiya Donovan

» **Learning opportunities:** Kaiya Donovan, a graduate of the UWS Bachelor of Tourism says, 'The course structure provided opportunities for me, as well as my peers, to learn more about Indigenous Australian history and cultures. It also provided me with opportunities to learn about the significant contribution Indigenous people make to Australia's tourism industry. It has opened my eyes to other peoples and their cultures.'



» **Lively, accessible learning environments:** UWS has six campuses spread across Greater Western Sydney. The School of Social Sciences offers programs on the Bankstown and Penrith campuses. Each of our campuses has strong links with the community and reflects the cultural diversity, energy and growth of the region.



» **Scholarship opportunities:** UWS offers a range of scholarships with many differing criteria. They reflect our strong commitment to academic excellence and opportunity for Greater Western Sydney students. Our scholarships support students who have diverse interests, and who can and do make an active contribution.

Bachelor of Social Science

If you are looking for a career that focuses on understanding human society and allows you to choose different specialisations and combinations of subjects, our Bachelor of Social Science could be ideal for you.

Our Social Science degree aims to expand your knowledge of the social world through theory and research, providing a deep understanding of the complex, culturally diverse and dynamic social environment of the twenty first century.

All the specialisations within the degree focus on what makes people in our societies and cultures tick. Through our Bachelor of Social Science degree, you can be assured of gaining detailed knowledge about different cultures and the effects of policy and social attitudes on various communities, as well as the practical skills to apply your knowledge.

You can choose from a range of specialisations designed so you can develop a sound career base, with knowledge that allows for distinctive occupational outcomes.

Course	UAC Code	Campus	Duration	ATAR
B Social Science (Child and Community, Criminology and Criminal Justice, Geography and Urban Studies, Heritage and Tourism, Peace and Development Studies, Sociology)	728500	Bankstown	3F/6P	68.25
	728501	Penrith	3F/6P	70.60

Key: B = Bachelor of; F = Full-time; P = Part-time. Note: part-time refers to study load, not to timetabling of evening classes.

Core Subjects and Electives

To graduate with a Bachelor of Social Science, you will be required to complete 24 subjects (units).

The degree is made up of a combination of eight core subjects of study, which may include Organisations, Communities and Communication, Understanding Society, Geographies of Social Difference, The Individual in Society, Ethics in the Social Sciences, Social Research Methods, Applied Social Research and Contemporary Debates in Social Science.

There is an eight subject major and eight electives, which can be used to give a second major to broaden your individual career aspirations. Electives may be chosen from other UWS programs or from other Social Science related areas.

Indigenous Australian Studies

Enrolment in the Indigenous Australian Studies (IAS) major, sub-major or units is available to all UWS undergraduate students who have open electives. Find out more at studyias.com.au

For detailed information about the course structure and subjects, visit myfuture.uws.edu.au

Further Studies

An additional Honours year is available to high-achieving students. The application and proposal need to be provided to the relevant academic in the final year of your Bachelor degree. Information about Honours options will be provided to you as you progress through your Bachelor degree, or you can find out more at myfuture.uws.edu.au/honours

Major Studies

There are six majors in the Bachelor of Social Science and you are able to select one to complete:

- » Child and Community
- » Criminology and Criminal Justice
- » Geography and Urban Studies
- » Heritage and Tourism
- » Peace and Development Studies
- » Sociology.

In addition, all the majors listed above can be taken as four subject sub-majors, using your electives.

For more detailed information on each of the major and sub-major studies available, please see the following pages of this Guide.

Majors in the Bachelor of Social Science

Child and Community Major

Available on Bankstown campus

The Child and Community major provides a comprehensive introduction to a range of social science related areas and a critical understanding of contemporary issues facing children and their families. This major provides a good foundation for people interested in a career in the human services with a particular interest in children.

Core Subjects and Electives

In addition to the eight core subjects listed on page 6, you must satisfactorily complete eight subjects from the Child and Community Pool, which may include Community Work and Development, Working with Cultural Difference, Comparative Studies of Families and Kinship, Family Violence: Policy and Practice, Child Abuse as a Social Issue, Context of Human Services, Community and Social Action and Community Management and Organisations.

Career Opportunities

Career opportunities include roles in Australia and overseas, in fields including community work and community development, social policy and research, advocacy and social action, government departments such as community services, juvenile justice and corrective services, local government agencies, neighbourhood and community development organisations, refugees, and organisations working with people who have a disability.

Criminology and Criminal Justice Major

Available on Bankstown and Penrith campuses

If you have ever pondered the complexities of detection, prevention and correction, or the cultural and social factors of criminality, the UWS Bachelor of Social Science with a major in Criminology and Criminal Justice could be the degree you are searching for. This major will give you a comprehensive understanding of how all of these factors fit together.

The Criminology and Criminal Justice major offers you the opportunity to study crime and criminal justice in a critical way that stresses the social and cultural definitions of criminality. Areas of focus include criminal justice institutions and practices, the development of criminology as a discipline and its various strands, forms and patterns of victimisation, crime prevention strategies and debates, aspects of juvenile justice, the evolution of prisons and different forms of punishment, law enforcement and surveillance, violence, gender and crime, cultural depictions of crime and contemporary debates in criminology.

Core Subjects and Electives

In addition to the eight core subjects listed on page 6, you must satisfactorily complete eight subjects from the Criminology and Criminal Justice Pool, which may include Introduction to Crime and Criminal Justice, Introduction to Criminology, Victimisation and Crime Prevention, Prisons and Punishment, Juvenile Crime and Justice, Contemporary Perspectives in Criminology, Culture and Crime and Gender, Crime and Violence.

Career Opportunities

Career opportunities for graduates typically include employment in areas such as probation and parole, policy advice and research, corrective services, community agencies, child protection, violence prevention, international law enforcement and intelligence agencies, Federal Police, NSW Police Service, and other investigative agencies.

Majors in the Bachelor of Social Science

Geography and Urban Studies Major

Available on Bankstown and Penrith campuses

Geography is the integrated study of people, places and environments. In this major you will examine the geography of contemporary Australian cities and regions. The cutting edge interests of today's geographers include postcolonialism, the emergence of global information economies, indigenous issues, class and cultural disparities, population movement, sexuality and space, and the global diffusion of popular culture. Urban Studies is a discipline focused on social justice within the city, through its critical assessments of peoples' access to scarce urban resources, such as housing, transport, education and employment. The political, economic, and cultural forces that shape cities and urban policy are the key concerns of the Urban Studies curriculum. These applied interests in urban wellbeing and city structure are the intellectual basis for the urban planning profession.

Core Subjects and Electives

In addition to the eight core subjects listed on page 6, you must satisfactorily complete eight subjects from the Geography and Urban Studies Pool, which may include Cities: Introduction to Urban Studies, The Economics of Cities and Regions, Analysis of Spatial Data, Cultural and Social Geographies, Transport, Access and Equity, Planning the City: Development, Community and Systems, Geographies of Migration and Housing Markets and Policy.

Career Opportunities

As a graduate of the UWS Bachelor of Social Science, specialising in Geography and Urban Studies, your future offers some exciting career prospects. Graduates frequently find employment in areas such as urban and regional planning, urban research and policy, strategic planning policy, environmental and social impact assessment, community planning, housing policy, economics and allocation, teaching (with further study) and social and cultural planning.

Heritage and Tourism Major

Available on Penrith campus

In a highly mobile world where the preservation of historical and natural environments presents as one of the major challenges facing all societies, heritage has become a touchstone for social and cultural identity, our understanding of modernity, peace and development, our senses of citizenship, custodianship and community. At the same time heritage places have become significant tourist destinations and so in a world of flows and networks, the heritage-tourism relationship is a critical one. In the twenty-first century it is impossible to disentangle the two.

This major introduces contemporary heritage issues and provides an in-depth understanding of tourism as a social phenomenon. It enables a critical examination of the relationship between heritage and tourism in a number of settings within Australia and internationally.

Core Subjects and Electives

In addition to the eight core subjects listed on page 6, you must satisfactorily complete eight subjects from the Heritage and Tourism Pool, which may include Tourism in Society, Issues in Contemporary Heritage, Heritage and Tourism, Recreational Tourism Policy and Planning, Heritage Interpretation, Issues in World Development: Rich World, Poor World, Indigenous Cultures and Tourism: A Global Perspective and Cultural and Social Geographies.

Career Opportunities

As a Heritage and Tourism graduate, you will possess critical understandings, insight and skills that have applications in a wide variety of social and vocational contexts, including local government, community work, teaching (with further study), heritage organisations, international development agencies, public service and cultural tourism.

Peace and Development Studies Major

Available on Penrith campus

The Peace and Development Studies major is concerned with inequalities of power and opportunity that lead to international and local conflict, uneven development, social dislocation and environmental degradation. This major examines the structural causes of racist and gendered violence, environmental crises, forced migration, poverty, resource conflict, and inter-generational inequity. Students are introduced to theories and methods for identifying, measuring and resolving conflict and environmental degradation. Constructive solutions include empowerment and self-determination, sustainable living, peace building, and conflict resolution strategies.

The major is organised around three fields of inquiry: Structural Inequality, Social Justice and Human Rights; Development and Sustainability; Peace and Humanitarian responses/actions. During your studies, you will engage with social theory within an interdisciplinary and applied framework of important civic and global issues.

Core Subjects and Electives

In addition to the eight core subjects listed on page 6, you must satisfactorily complete eight subjects from the Peace and Development Studies Pool, which may include Human Rights, Peace and Development, Development and Sustainability, Marginalisation, Empowerment and Self Determination, Sustainable Futures, Alternatives to Violence, Issues in World Development: Rich World, Poor World, Peace Making and Peace Building and Peace and Development Project.

Career Opportunities

As a Peace and Development Studies graduate, you will possess critical understandings and skills that have applications in a wide variety of social and vocational contexts, including local government, community work, human rights and peace advocacy, public service, non-government and international aid agencies, cultural tourism and international civil service (United Nations and related agencies).

Sociology Major

Available on Bankstown and Penrith campuses

Sociology is the study of society and culture. Using diverse – and sometimes controversial – methods, practices and theories, it helps us understand social life. And because the quality of life of every human on the planet is directly or indirectly influenced by their relative position within, and responses to, society, sociology is fundamental to the social sciences.

This major in Sociology provides you with a thorough training in the methods, theories and select leading areas of contemporary sociology. In the Sociology major you will have opportunities to study a number of particular themes from a sociological perspective, including inequalities, deviance, identities, gender, religion, medicine and health care, ethnicity and migration, and the family, among other possibilities. A Bachelor in Social Science with a major in Sociology will prepare you for both employment and a research higher degree.

Core Subjects and Electives

In addition to the eight core subjects listed on page 6, you must satisfactorily complete eight subjects from the Sociology Pool, which may include Inequalities and Difference, Identity and Belonging, Comparative Studies of Families and Kinship, Self and Society, Home and Away: Ethnicity and Migration in Australia, Health, Illness and Biomedicine: A Sociological Perspective, Power, Deviance and Society, and Sociology of Religion.

Career Opportunities

After graduating from the Sociology program, you will be qualified for a variety of careers in business, government, policy development and administration, teaching and research, including areas such as administration, business development, policy development, public service, human resources, sales and marketing, social research and marketing.



Nikolina Kanazir

Currently studying Bachelor of Social Science

Nikolina believes a student must approach Social Science studies with 'an open mind and a willingness to learn new theoretical perspectives on many issues already learnt through life. Attend all the lectures and tutorials and engage yourself with lecturers and fellow peers. Engage yourself in your studies, the more information you learn the more knowledge you acquire. And finally have a lot of fun with your fellow peers,' she says.

Nikolina says she chose to study at UWS because 'it is a university which provides a wide range of vibrant courses with innovative and flexible degree structures'.

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'From the first day at university we were treated and taught equally and encouraged to start working towards our future career and to start thinking through that mind frame. I found this advice particularly useful throughout my study.

'Another reason I am studying at UWS is because it provides me with new skills and the resourcefulness for professional employment, through the stimulating and motivating teaching environment provided at the UWS campuses.

'UWS has impeccable lecturers with a wide variety of knowledge and world experiences that contribute greatly towards a student's general education. Through UWS, graduates will develop in-depth decisive knowledge in their key learning areas and prepare themselves well for many different careers.'

Bachelor of Social Science

(Pathway to Master of Urban Management and Planning)

If you are interested in a career in urban, social or cultural planning, the Bachelor of Social Science (Pathway to Master of Urban Management and Planning) is the course for you. This course gives you the professional and scholarly education to take a leadership role in urban management, strategic planning and policy development.

The coursework includes preparation in professional practice, history, and the theoretical and legal frameworks for planning. You will develop skills in a range of relevant areas including governance, urban finance and sustainable strategies.

The three year Bachelor of Social Science component of this program is only offered at Penrith. The final year Master of Urban Management and Planning is only offered at Parramatta.

Course	UAC Code	Campus	Duration	ATAR
B Social Science (Pathway to Master of Urban Management and Planning)	728505	Penrith	3F/6P	75.00
M Urban Management and Planning	952030 955030	Parramatta	1F/2P	N/A
Practical Experience				
The degree incorporates a placement with local planning/urban management employers, working on a variety of planning tasks. This placement will provide students with an understanding of the planning/urban management workplace.				
Professional Recognition				
This course, when completed in conjunction with the Master of Urban Management and Planning is accredited by the Planning Institute of Australia.				

Key: B = Bachelor of; M = Master of; F = Full-time; P = Part-time; N/A = Not applicable, alternative entry. Note: part-time refers to study load, not to timetabling of evening classes.

Core Subjects and Electives

To graduate with a Bachelor of Social Science/Master of Urban Management and Planning you will be required to complete 24 subjects (units) in the Bachelor of Social Science, and eight subjects in the Master degree, as well as approved work experience.

The core subjects may include Cities: An Introduction to Urban Studies, Development and Sustainability, Cultural and Social Geographies, The Economics of Cities and Regions, Planning the City: Development, Community and Systems, and Contemporary Debates in Social Science. Core subjects in the Master degree may include Urban Management Practice: Governance and Power in the City, and Developing Sustainable Places.

There are up to seven elective subjects within the Bachelor of Social Science/Master of Urban Management and Planning. Elective subjects may include Issues in World Development: Rich World, Poor World, Sustainable Futures, Heritage Interpretation and Recreational Tourism Policy and Planning.

Indigenous Australian Studies

Enrolment in the Indigenous Australian Studies (IAS) major, sub-major or units is available to all UWS undergraduate students who have open electives. Find out more at studyias.com.au

For detailed information about the course structure and subjects, visit myfuture.uws.edu.au

Career Opportunities

After graduating from the Bachelor of Social Science/Master of Urban Management and Planning, you may pursue a career in:

- » local government
- » regional organisations
- » state and federal government departments concerned with urban and regional affairs
- » planning consultancies
- » international development agencies
- » research and policy organisations.

Bachelor of Social Science (Pathway to Early Childhood Teaching)

The Bachelor of Social Science (Pathway to Early Childhood Teaching) equips you with foundation knowledge in languages and linguistics, English, social science and education. It provides a wide base for understanding issues in complex, diverse social and educational contexts.

By undertaking this pathway, you are required to complete an Education Studies major as part of your Social Science degree. After three years, you may choose to graduate with the Bachelor of Social Science and work in child and family support services. However, the course also articulates with the Master of Teaching (Birth–5 Years/ Birth–12 Years) if you wish to obtain a teaching qualification. The Master of Teaching (Birth–5 Years/ Birth–12 Years) has an exit point for early childhood allowing you to graduate with a Master of Teaching (Birth–5 Years).

Completing the Bachelor of Social Science (Pathway to Early Childhood Teaching) will provide you with advanced standing in the Master degree, allowing

Course	UAC Code	Campus	Duration	ATAR
B Social Science (Pathway to Early Childhood Teaching)	729050	Bankstown	3F/6P	70.50
	729055	Penrith	3F/6P	71.15
M Teaching (Birth–5 Years/ Birth–12 Years)	952878 955878	Bankstown	1.5–2.5F/3.5P	N/A
Advanced Standing				
Students who have a Certificate III or Certificate IV in Children's Services are eligible to apply for academic credit. Students with a Diploma of Children's Services or equivalent should apply for the Bachelor of Education (Birth–5 Years).				

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you to complete your Master of Teaching (Birth–5 Years) in 1.5 years, to qualify to teach in long day care and preschool, or the Master of Teaching (Birth–12 Years) in two years to be qualified to teach in primary school from Kindergarten to Year 6, as well as early childhood.

Core Subjects and Electives

To graduate with a Bachelor of Social Science (Pathway to Early Childhood Teaching), you will be required to complete 24 subjects (units) including an eight subject Education Studies major. The subjects may include Children's Literature: Image and Text, Community and Social Action, Early Intervention and Prevention in Early Childhood Contexts and Community Management and Organisations.

Please note that not all subjects are offered on all campuses, and that subjects on offer may vary from year to year.

For more information on the Master of Teaching (Birth–5 Years/ Birth–12 Years), please refer to the Teaching and Education Course Guide.

For detailed information about the course structure and subjects, visit myfuture.uws.edu.au

Further Studies

An additional Honours year is available to high-achieving students. Information about Honours options will be provided to you as you progress through your Bachelor degree, or you can find out more at myfuture.uws.edu.au/honours

Special Education

Taken as additional study following your initial teaching qualification, a Master of Special Education gives you a second teaching qualification in an area of high demand. This degree allows you to work as a special educator in early childhood intervention and in primary schools (depending on your teaching qualification).

Career Opportunities

As a graduate of the Bachelor of Social Science (Pathway to Early Childhood Teaching), you can work in resource and support services and policy areas concerned with the interests of children and families – in family support programs, as a consultant in early childhood and family programs, and in child and family policy.

By continuing on to the Master of Teaching (Birth–5 Years/ Birth–12 Years), you will have the option of graduating with a Master of Teaching (Birth–5 Years) as a qualified early childhood teacher. This opens career opportunities in a range of prior-to-school settings such as preschool, long day care and integrated child and family services. Or, you can graduate with a Master of Teaching (Birth–12 Years), which qualifies you to teach in primary schools from Kindergarten to Year 6, as well as in prior-to-school services.

Bachelor of Social Science/ Bachelor of Laws

Tailor your studies to your specific goals by combining your Bachelor of Social Science with our accredited Bachelor of Laws degree. When you graduate after five years, you will have two degrees, and excellent legal skills relevant to professional employment.

Course	UAC Code	Campus	Duration	ATAR
B Social Science/B Laws	725025	Campbelltown	5F	90.20
	725030	Parramatta	5F	90.40
Practical Experience				
Students often engage in work experience during their course. Examples include working at the NSW Attorney General's in legal aid, working in cooperative Summer Research Programs with industry, and in the Australian Taxation Office advisory support scheme. The School of Law is also undertaking a pilot with the National Pro Bono Board for a student pro bono (volunteer) scheme.				
Professional Recognition				
Graduates from this program are eligible to apply to the Legal Profession Admission Board for admission as a legal practitioner in NSW after undertaking prescribed practical legal training.				

Key: B = Bachelor of; F = Full-time.

The law component provides you with professional legal skills including the ability to analyse legal material, understand fundamental legal principles, understand the relationship between law and society, and gain general analytical skills for critical thinking and problem solving. Our extensive range of elective units allows you to further develop your skills in advocacy, mediation, legal drafting and legal research. Your practical legal skills will be further developed using our extensive law library and moot courts located on our Campbelltown and Parramatta campuses.

Law subjects (units) are available at Campbelltown and Parramatta campuses, however Social Science subjects are available at various campuses (mainly Bankstown and Penrith), depending on the subjects chosen.

Core Subjects and Electives

To graduate with a Bachelor of Social Science/Bachelor of Laws, you will be required to complete 40 subjects (units). The subjects may include Introduction to Law, The Geographies of Social Difference, Contracts, Social Research Methods, Constitutional Law, Contemporary Debates in Social Science, Commercial Law, Law of Associations, Revenue Law and Administrative Law.

Within the 40 subjects, you will study eight core subjects to complete a Social Science major, and eight Bachelor of Laws Alternate Units. Information on the Social Science majors can be found on pages 7–9. For more information on the Law subjects, please refer to the Law Course Guide.

For detailed information about the course structure and subjects, visit myfuture.uws.edu.au

Career Opportunities

Graduating from the Bachelor of Social Science/Bachelor of Laws provides you with multi-skilling and offers diverse career paths providing high marketability in multiple areas of expertise. You may pursue careers such as:

- » solicitor or barrister
- » criminal prosecutor
- » human rights advocate
- » corporate legal advisor in the banking or finance industries
- » legal advisor to an interest group such as the Aboriginal Legal Service
- » judge's associate
- » law academic
- » non-legal executive in banking, finance, accounting, corporate management, education, publishing, marketing, telecommunications, government or human resource management
- » lawyer in government service.

Bachelor of Social Work

If you are driven to help people deal with personal and social problems, either directly or by planning and carrying out programs that will benefit groups or communities, the UWS Social Work degree is the ideal program of study.

The Bachelor of Social Work gives you the valuable skills and knowledge you need for effective professional practice as a social worker. It emphasises practical skills and makes you job-ready by requiring you to complete over 1000 hours of supervised field placements, at the same time as introducing you to cutting edge social research and theoretical perspectives. This will set you up for a rewarding career in social work within private or government agencies, welfare support organisations, community groups or in health.

Course	UAC Code	Campus	Duration	ATAR
B Social Work	728510	Bankstown	4F/8P	73.10
Practical Experience				
The degree incorporates 1008 hours of supervised full-time placements. Please note that the undertaking of special government policies and requirements apply to any student participating in placement programs e.g. Working with Children Checks, National Criminal Record Check and any occupational screening and vaccinations as determined by the governing bodies.				
Professional Recognition				
This course is accredited by the Australian Association of Social Workers (AASW) and graduates are eligible for membership of the AASW.				

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Core Subjects and Electives

To graduate with a Bachelor of Social Work, you will be required to complete up to 27 subjects (units), two blocks of field placements and either the Pass Program or the Honours Program. The subjects may include Contexts of Human Services, Geographies of Social Difference, Community Work and Development, Social Research Methods, Family Violence: Policy and Practice, Community Management and Organisation, Ideologies of Practice in Social Work and Contemporary Social Work Practice.

For detailed information about the course structure and subjects, visit myfuture.uws.edu.au

Further Studies

The embedded Honours component is available to high-achieving students. The application and proposal need to be provided to the relevant academic in the final year of your Bachelor degree. Information about Honours options will be provided to you as you progress through your Bachelor degree, or you can find out more at myfuture.uws.edu.au/honours

Career Opportunities

With a UWS Bachelor of Social Work you can expect to find employment in the human services industry in areas such as:

- » health and community services
- » hospitals
- » local community centres
- » advocacy organisations
- » government and non-government organisations
- » welfare agencies.

Social workers are qualified for diverse positions such as:

- » counselling
- » group work
- » community work and community development
- » research and social policy.

Bachelor of Community Welfare

If you want a rewarding career in family and community work, the UWS Bachelor of Community Welfare could be ideal for you. Founded on the premise that every society is responsible for the wellbeing of its members, the Community Welfare degree provides a foundation in sociology, welfare policy and practice, community work and psychology, leading to a wide range of rewarding career options. Students also have the opportunity to undertake elective studies in cognate areas, including Criminology and Criminal Justice and Sociology.

Course	UAC Code	Campus	Duration	ATAR
B Community Welfare	728515	Bankstown	3F/6P	72.00
Practical Experience				
The degree incorporates 400 hours of supervised field placements. Please note that special government policies apply – any students participating in placement with programs in NSW Health facilities will need to comply with its occupational screening and vaccination policy prior to placement.				
Professional Recognition				
This course is accredited by the Australian Institute of Welfare and Community Workers (AIWCW).				

Key: B = Bachelor of; F = Full-time; P = Part-time. Note: part-time refers to study load, not to timetabling of evening classes.

Core Subjects and Electives

To graduate with a Bachelor of Community Welfare, you will be required to complete a number of compulsory subjects (units) in addition to field placements. The subjects may include Understanding Society, Human Services Intervention Strategies, Ethics in the Social Sciences, Community and Social Action, Family Violence: Policy and Practice and Contemporary Debates in Social Science.

Indigenous Australian Studies

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Further Studies

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Career Opportunities

As a graduate of the Community Welfare degree, you will enjoy a wide variety of career opportunities in Australia and internationally in fields including community work and community development, social casework, social policy and research, advocacy and social action, government departments such as community services, juvenile justice and corrective services, local government agencies, neighbourhood and community development organisations, refuges, and organisations working with disabled and aged persons.

Bachelor of Tourism Management

If an exciting career in the tourism, leisure or cultural industries is what you are looking for, the innovative Bachelor of Tourism Management may be for you.

As one of the few tourism degrees in Australia with a social science and management focus, the Bachelor of Tourism Management degree provides you with unique and highly marketable expertise and experience in sustainable development, the cultural basis of tourism and the desirable social contributions of tourism and the tourism industry.

It does this by providing an in-depth understanding of the interactions between different aspects of the tourism industry and its natural, social and cultural environments. It integrates concern for the host or destination community and the process of tourism planning and development in the context of ecologically sustainable development.

It considers the relationships between tourism and management systems, mechanisms for regional and community planning and development and the role of tourism as a social, cultural and economic phenomenon. You will be confident and competent to

Course	UAC Code	Campus	Duration	ATAR
B Tourism Management	726000	Penrith	3F/6P	68.00
Practical Experience				
Students are required to complete 400 hours of supervised work experience undertaken in a tourism organisation.				
Professional Recognition				
The Bachelor of Tourism Management was developed in consultation with the tourism industry and is overseen by an External Advisory Committee.				

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make a significant contribution to tourism and tourism planning, and sensitive to the needs of tourism, tourism destination communities and the industry.

The program is conducted in close liaison with the tourism industry with both government and non-government organisations, particularly cultural and heritage organisations such as museums, galleries, the Historic Houses Trust and other tourist attractions such as theme parks and scenic areas.

Students also have the opportunity to undertake elective studies in cognate areas, including Criminology and Criminal Justice, Geography and Urban Studies, and Peace and Development Studies.

Core Subjects and Electives

To graduate with a Bachelor of Tourism Management you will be required to complete 24 subjects (units), as well as approved work experience.

The core subjects you may study in this degree include Tourism in Society, The Geographies of Social Difference, Heritage and Tourism, Recreational Tourism Policy and Planning, Tourism Impact and Sustainability and Indigenous Cultures and Tourism: A Global Perspective.

There are eight elective subjects within the Bachelor of Tourism Management. Electives may be chosen from other UWS programs or from other Social Science related areas.

Indigenous Australian Studies

Enrolment in the Indigenous Australian Studies (IAS) major, sub-major or units is available to all UWS undergraduate students who have open electives. Find out more at studyias.com.au

For detailed information about the course structure and subjects, visit myfuture.uws.edu.au

Further Studies

An additional Honours year is available to high-achieving students. The application and proposal need to be provided

to the relevant academic in the final year of your Bachelor degree. Information about Honours options will be provided to you as you progress through your Bachelor degree, or you can find out more at myfuture.uws.edu.au/honours

Career Opportunities

As a graduate of the Tourism Management degree, you will enjoy a wide variety of career opportunities in Australia and internationally in the tourism, leisure and cultural industries. In addition, the degree is structured to ensure graduates are equipped to pursue careers in a range of fields in the public, private and not-for-profit sectors. Depending on the electives you choose, you may pursue roles in:

- » festival and event management and programming
- » leisure and tourism policy development
- » tour operations
- » destination marketing
- » visitor attractions management
- » outdoor recreation
- » hospitality provision
- » cultural, tourism and leisure industry development.

Bachelor of Policing

The UWS Policing degree gives you an advanced knowledge of modern policing theory and practice. You will also develop an appreciation of the diverse nature of Australian society, well developed analytical and problem solving skills, and a client-focused approach to serving the community.

Course	UAC Code	Campus	Duration	ATAR
B Policing	727000	Bankstown	3F/6P	68.05
	727010	Penrith	3F/6P	71.50
Professional Recognition				
This course has been developed in collaboration with the NSW Police Force. Applicants are advised to contact the NSW Police Recruitment Branch for more information on standards criteria.				

Key: B = Bachelor of; F = Full-time; P = Part-time. Note: part-time refers to study load, not to timetabling of evening classes.

Whether you plan to join the NSW Police Force, or you are after a career in other law enforcement or justice agencies, the UWS Policing degree is the ideal choice.

The course was developed in collaboration with the NSW Police Force and is based on real life, practical experience. It will provide you with essential knowledge and skills in policing theory and practice to equip you for a career with the NSW Police Force and other policing agencies.

If you are planning to join the NSW Police Force, your third year of study will be completed at the Goulburn NSW Police College. Professional suitability assessment occurs during the first and second year of study (this assessment is not a requirement for entry into the degree). You must also satisfy the professional suitability criteria before any offer of police employment is made.

Professional suitability criteria include:

- » health and fitness to fully perform operational policing duties (all students will be required to undertake a physical capacity test prior to their entry to the NSW Police College)
- » appropriate behavioural background (including criminal, traffic, employment, and medical history)
- » current full motor vehicle driver's licence (must have obtained at least the Green P requirement (NSW) or equivalent)
- » minimum age 18.5 years, 19 years for employment as a probationary constable
- » current senior first-aid certificate or equivalent, or evidence of industry-based experience (e.g. nursing) and proficiency in the use of a pocket (Laerdal) mask
- » ability to swim 100 metres unaided
- » ability to type minimum 25 wpm with 98% accuracy
- » Australian citizenship or permanent residency
- » commencement of Hepatitis B immunisation (two injections)

- » consent to undergo urine screening for the presence of prohibited drugs (applicants are likely to be drug tested while studying at the NSW Police College).

If you plan to pursue a career in a law enforcement agency other than the NSW Police Force, or for whatever reason are unable to join the NSW Police Force, you will do your third year on-campus at UWS completing a Bachelor of Social Science with a major in Criminology and Criminal Justice. Other law enforcement and justice agencies include national intelligence agencies, border protection authorities, juvenile justice, corrections, corporate sector crime prevention, and fraud control and investigations.

Core Subjects and Electives

To graduate with a Bachelor of Policing, you will be required to complete 16 subjects (units) and complete your third year at the Goulburn NSW Police College.

The core subjects you may study in this degree include Introduction to Crime and Criminal Justice, Theories and Concepts of Policing, Geographies of Social Difference, Evidence, Investigations and Police Intelligence, Legislation, Courts and Policing and Contemporary Policing. There are two elective subjects within the Bachelor of Policing. Electives can be chosen from other courses offered by the University of Western Sydney.

If you do not wish to continue on to the NSW Police Force, you may transfer to the Bachelor of Social Sciences (Criminology and Criminal Justice). See page 7 for more information on this degree.

Indigenous Australian Studies

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Career Opportunities

With its focus on problem solving and analytical skills, the Policing degree opens doors into the NSW Police Force, the Australian Federal Police, numerous other law enforcement agencies, and an array of alternative careers. You may pursue roles in:

- » criminal investigation
- » prosecutions
- » youth liaison
- » crime prevention
- » accident investigation
- » traffic management
- » education and training
- » human resource management
- » national intelligence agencies
- » juvenile justice
- » corrections
- » probation and parole.



Elanor Finch

Bachelor of Policing

Aspire Future Leader

Even in the early days of High School Elanor Finch knew she wanted to undertake police work as a career. 'I always wanted to do policing, since I was in year 8,' she says.

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However, it wasn't until she started studying the Bachelor of Policing at UWS that she understood how much she wanted to be part of the police force.

'I realise now that it is really what I want to do with my life.'

Elanor says she aims to get into a leadership position in the force. 'Police have such important powers given to them, and I think some police maybe don't use them correctly, so I'd love to be able to set a good example.'

Currently, Elanor says she's thinking about specialising in Traffic Policing. 'It sounds really interesting, the technical side of traffic investigation – working out how and why crashes happen and that sort of thing.'

Elanor says her involvement in the Aspire program has so far been a really positive experience. 'It's been awesome, really rewarding. The camps especially have taught me a lot about myself.' She says meeting other Aspire students has also been another highlight, and has quickly become friends with many of them.

Providing Support Through Scholarships

The University of Western Sydney is not only about obtaining an education. We challenge ourselves to engage students who will get involved and make a difference to the University and wider communities.

UWS has a unique set of scholarships on offer with many differing criteria. They reflect our strong commitment to academic excellence and opportunity for Greater Western Sydney students. Our scholarships support students who have diverse interests and skills, and who can and do make an active contribution.

UWS works closely with business, industry, and the community to ensure we offer scholarships that meet the needs of our students. Our scholarships provide our students with support and give them the opportunity to establish professional relationships while they study.

Take the time to examine our scholarships and make the most of your opportunities for success. For details on UWS Scholarships, including the eligibility requirements and how to apply, refer to www.uws.edu.au/scholarships or call 1300 897 669.



Donna Britten

Bachelor of Social Science

Donna Britten admits she started her studies with some trepidation. After all she was a mature age student with three daughters returning to study. 'I soon settled into the supportive environment provided at UWS and consequently found I was achieving good results,' she says.

'I obtained a place on the Dean's Merit List and was invited to partake in the Honours Program at the end of my degree which I am now doing. I have been awarded a scholarship for my honours year and am now a member of the Golden Key International Honour Society.'

Donna chose the Bachelor of Social Science at Kingswood campus as she lives in the Blue Mountains and found the campus easily accessible.

'The Social Science program was one that appealed to me as I wish to work in the community. Social Psychology and Sociology have always been areas of interest for me. I knew that UWS is a good university and the people I know that have been students at UWS are all very happy.'

'I would thoroughly recommend the Bachelor of Social Science program offered at UWS.'

Aspiring Leaders

Aspire Future Leaders at the University of Western Sydney™ is a unique professional development and personal enrichment program that has been specifically designed to cultivate and enhance the leadership qualities of students.

By being a part of Aspire, you will have the opportunity to be involved in:

- » the annual three-day Aspire Welcome Retreat
- » professional and personal development workshops
- » valuable networking opportunities with the professional community

- » VIP Invitations to UWS Open Days and other annual events
- » volunteering opportunities through community engagement
- » internships and work experience opportunities.

Aspire is an opportunity for young, talented people with leadership abilities and ambitions, to become part of an elite group of high-achieving undergraduate students. For details on the Aspire program and eligibility requirements, please refer to serious.uws.edu.au or call 1300 897 669.

Applicant Checklist



Find out about our courses

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- Read the information within this Guide
- Talk with Careers Advisors, your parents and teachers/mentors
- Refer to the Future Students site, visit myfuture.uws.edu.au



Talk to us

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- Attend UWS events – find out more at myfuture.uws.edu.au/events
- Call the UWS Course Information Centre on 1300 897 669 or email study@uws.edu.au
- Get the inside information on Alternative Entry Pathways to UWS, Triple Advantage and bonus points, Scholarships and Aspire



Apply to UWS

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- Apply through UAC, visit www.uac.edu.au
- Place your UWS Preferences
- Check your eligibility and submit a scholarship application, visit www.uws.edu.au/scholarships

For International Students

If you are an international student completing one of the following qualifications in 2011, you must apply through UAC International:

- » an Australian Year 12 in or outside Australia
- » an International Baccalaureate
- » a New Zealand National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) Level 3

All other international students must apply direct to the University of Western Sydney. UWS International application forms, 2012 International tuition fees and further information about studying in Australia can be found at www.uws.edu.au/international

If you have any questions about applying as an international student call 02 9852 5499 or email internationalstudy@uws.edu.au

For international students, you can lodge your international student application online at www.uac.edu.au/international

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- ▣ UWS Day Campbelltown, 7 June 2011
- ▣ Parent Information Evening, 7 & 14 July 2011
- ▣ UWS Open Day, 28 August 2011
- ▣ UWS Campus Tours, October 2011
- ▣ UWS Day Penrith, 9 November 2011
- ▣ Course Decision Day, 3 January 2012

More information: myfuture.uws.edu.au/events

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- ▣ Connect with us on Twitter: www.twitter.com/UWSNews 
- ▣ Take a Virtual Tour: virtualevents.uws.edu.au
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