A Bachelor of Social Science teaches students how to develop strategies to help find solutions to a range of social issues at the local, national and international level. Graduates are equipped with key skills valuable to employers such as problem solving, effective written and oral communication, information processing, creative and critical thinking, cross-cultural awareness, social research skills and computer literacy. Courses provide you with knowledge and skills related to social issues, how to identify and analyse social concerns and problems, develop positions on social issues and propose possible interventions.

The degree is a unique and innovative program that gives students expertise in social science research design and implementation. Students gain knowledge and skills for employment in areas such as public policy design and evaluation; social impact assessment; social planning and the analysis of socio-economic issues in a wide range of contexts.

Students complete a set of core (compulsory) courses for Part A (#20 units), a major from Part B (#12 units), another major from Part B (#12 units) or a minor (#8 units) and/or electives to fulfil the required #48 units.

**Part A (Core)**

*Each course is worth #2 (2 units) unless noted otherwise*

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**Majors that can be studied in Part B of the Bachelor of Social Science are:**

- Development
- Environment and Society [new]
- Social and Public Policy
- Health and Society

*Please see over for the list of courses in Part B.*
Part B (Majors) - #12

Development

#6 for
- POLS1701 Introduction to International Inequality & Development
- SOSC2288 Community Development: Local and International Practices
- ANTH3019 Development Practice & Social Impact

#6 from -
- ANTH2060 Environmental Anthropology
- ANTH2250 Medical Anthropology: Local and Global Perspectives
- POLS2101 Indigenous Politics & Policy
- POLS2402 Globalisation & International Political Economy
- POLS2404 The Political Dynamics of Development and Resistance
- POLS2603 Gender and Global Politics
- SOCY2020 Sociology of the Environment
- SOCY2220 Globalisation & Development in Post-Colonial Societies
- SOSC2133 Community Cultural Development

Social and Public Policy

#6 for
- POLY1000 Australian Social Policy
- POLS2101 Indigenous Politics & Policy
- POLS3102 Governance & Australian Public Policy

#6 from -
- POLS1101 Introduction to Australian Politics
- PUBH1103 Health Systems & Policy
- POLS2201 Australian Foreign Policy
- POLS2402 Globalisation & International Political Economy
- POLS3115 Environmental Politics & Policy
- CRIM2120 Evidenced-based Crime Policy & Program Evaluation
- SOCY2040 Families, Households and the Life Course

Health and Society

#6 from -
- SOCY1030 Introduction to Health, Illness and Society
- ANTH2250 Medical Anthropology: Local and Global Perspectives
- SOCY3020 Medicine, Markets and Health: Sociological Perspectives on Health and Illness

#6 from -
- ECON2460 Health Economics
- PUBH1103 Health Systems & Policy
- PUBH2004 Understanding Health Behaviours
- PUBH3001 Health Services Planning & Evaluation
- SOCY2179 Sex, Drugs and Disease: Health of the Marginalised
- SOSC2190 Human Bodies, Culture & Society
- SOSC2288 Community Development: Local and International Practices

Environment and Society

#6 for -
- GEOS1100 Environment and Society
- SOCY2020 Sociology of the Environment
- POLS3115 Environmental Politics and Policy

At least #2 from -
- ANTH2060 Environmental Anthropology
- PHIL2210 Environmental Philosophy

And #2 to #4 from -
- ANTH2010 Anthropology of Aboriginal Australia
- ENVM1512 Ecological Economics
- ENVM2008 Cultural Heritage Management
- PUBH3009 Environmental Health

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Honours

Honours can be undertaken as a fourth year of study following completion of the Bachelor of International Studies. Honours provides students with skills that are highly sought after by employers, particularly in advanced training in research design and methods, experience in conducting independent research and advanced communication skills. Students who do very well during their honours year may be eligible to go onto a higher degree by research (Master or PhD). For more information about our honours programs, please visit www.social-science.uq.edu.au/honours.