Graduate Certificate in
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

As a graduate you'll be ready to work in local and international settings delivering personal and social change.

The field of community development focuses on the processes, skills and techniques of community development practice, and prepares you for professional practice in local and/or international settings.

This one-year, part-time program will suit those who have completed an approved degree in any discipline, or those with post-secondary study wishing to apply community development practices across other professional fields.

Learn to critically evaluate and assess community issues; build the capacities of people and institutions; and mobilise and manage resources with the aim of social justice and sustainability.

Community development is a dynamic and growing field of practice. Our graduates have the skills and knowledge for both domestic and international employment across a wide range of industries. They work within all level of government and across many departments (including Communities, Child Safety, Disability, Health, Housing, Social Services, Ageing, Aged Care, Multicultural Services, Indigenous Affairs, and more).

It plays a vital role in volunteer and not-for-profit organisations, both in Australia and internationally. It also has an emergent role in private enterprise such as the mining industry, financial sector (e.g. community banking) and urban development.

The program offers a unique combination of theory and practice – linking conceptual frameworks and analytical skills to vocational application.

Community development enjoys a breadth and depth of topics – from natural resource management through to peace and conflict work. It is a field of study that can be applied in any community context drawing upon multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary perspectives.

Our development programs have welcomed people from Asia, the Americas, Africa, Europe, the Middle East and the Pacific – who each bring a unique perspective to the classroom. Studying with an international and diverse group of students will broaden your horizons, both personally and professionally.

Graduate with a standalone qualification, or use the Graduate Certificate as a pathway to further study. Because the courses for this program are taken from the Master of Development Practice, you may be eligible to receive credit for your previous study.

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Program code: 5232

Program duration
The Graduate Certificate in Community Development is completed part-time over a minimal duration of one year.

Entry requirements

Approved degree or equivalent in any discipline with a GPA of 4.0; or have completed post-secondary study and have at least two years full-time equivalent relevant work experience approved by the executive dean.

Intake
Semester 1 and Semester 2

How to apply

Information about application procedures can be found at:
future-students.uq.edu.au/apply

Be part of a dynamic, growing field of practice and learn from internationally recognised teachers with strong research and professional networks.

Choose from a range of courses including
- Community Development: Local and International Practices
- Communication and Social Movements
- History and Theories of Development
- Participatory Development Communication
- Participatory Development Practice
- Social Impact Assessment: Applied Social Research and Development
- Transformative Economics

The benefits
- UQ's School of Social Science has extensive research and professional networks, nationally and internationally.
- A distinctive hallmark of the program is its commitment to inter-disciplinary approaches to understanding.
- Study with a multicultural cohort giving you a global perspective.
- Our staff are leading researchers in their fields and maintain strong links across the development sector by engaging in a range of professional consultancies locally and globally.
- Having been taught at The University of Queensland since 1976, Community Development is recognised as a vital area of teaching, research and community service.

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