BACHELOR OF SOCIAL SCIENCE (1667)

Approved Abbreviation: BSocSc
Western Sydney University Program Code: 1667
AQF Level: 7

CRICOS Code: 041159D

Students should follow the program structure for the session start date relevant to the year they commenced.

The 'Sequence 2015 to 2022' tab applies to students who commenced their program in the years from 2015 to 2022. Students commencing in 2023 and later years please refer to the 'Sequence Current' tab.

Commencement Year 2014 - 1667.3 Bachelor of Social Science (http://handbook.uws.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1667.3)

Commencement Year 2013 - 1667.2 Bachelor of Social Science (http://handbook.uws.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1667.2)

Commencement Year 2010 to 2012 - 1667.1 Bachelor of Social Science (http://handbook.uws.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1667.1)

The social sciences are primarily concerned with the study of social life, as it is organised and expressed within different cultures and societies. Using key concepts, theories and knowledges from various social science disciplines students in the Bachelor of Social Science program develop a foundational understanding of human behaviour, social interactions and relationships, social systems and structures, places and cultures. This knowledge is used to identify and research complex social issues and propose evidence-based solutions to contemporary social problems. Encouraging innovation and critical thinking, the program provides students with the skills to consciously and ethically pursue social justice and to advocate for, and respond to, social change.

The degree caters to individual student interests, while also preparing graduates for employment in a complex, culturally diverse and ever-changing social environment. It includes optional placement subjects and provides opportunities to develop valuable work-place skills in research and communication, analysis, data and digital literacy, and community engagement.

Western Sydney University Online students: Please refer to Western Sydney University Online website for Program Advice.

https://online.westernsydney.edu.au/

Early Exit

Students may exit this program on completion of 80 credit points with a 1919 - Diploma in Social Science Studies (exit only) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-social-science-studies-exit-only/) or on completion of 160 credit points with a 1918 - Associate Degree in Social Science (exit only) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/associate-degree-social-science-exit-only/)

Study Mode

Three years full-time or six years part-time.

Program Advice

Dr Julia Kantek (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/profile/17890/)

Prospective students should visit the following websites for general enquiries about this program.

Enquire about this program (https://enquiry.westernsydney.edu.au/courseenquiry/)| Local Admission (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/) | International Admission (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/home/apply/admissions/) |

Location

Campus	Attendance	Mode	Advice
Liverpool Campus	Full Time	Internal	Julia Kantek (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/profile/17890/)
Liverpool Campus	Part Time	Internal	Julia Kantek (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/profile/17890/)
Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road	Full Time	Internal	Julia Kantek (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/profile/17890/)
Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road	Part Time	Internal	Julia Kantek (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/profile/17890/)
Penrith Campus	Full Time	Internal	Julia Kantek (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/profile/17890/)
Penrith Campus	Part Time	Internal	Julia Kantek (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/profile/17890/)
Sydney City Campus*	Full Time	Internal	Dr Andrey Zheluk (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/profile/16596/)
WSU Online*	Full Time	Online	WSU Online Advice (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/profile/16978/)
WSU Online*	Part Time	Online	WSU Online Advice (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/profile/16978/)

* Programs delivered through an agreement with another party

Admission

Alternate Entry Pathway

Students can apply via the HSC True Reward Program:

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/study/application-pathways/hsc-true-reward (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/study/application-pathways/hsc-true-reward/)

Western Sydney University Online students: Prospective online students apply for admission to this program directly through WSU Online. A student's eligibility will be assessed according to the existing admission criteria.

Applications from Australian and New Zealand citizens and holders of permanent resident visas may be made via the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) or directly through the Western Portal. Use the links below to apply via UAC or Western Sydney University. Applications made directly to Western Sydney do not have an application fee.

http://www.uac.edu.au/
https://westernsydney.uac.edu.au/ws/

Applicants who have undertaken studies overseas may have to provide proof of proficiency in English. Local applicants who are applying through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) will find details of minimum English proficiency requirements and acceptable proof on the UAC website. Local applicants applying directly to the University should also use the information provided on the UAC website.

International students currently completing an Australian Year 12 in or outside Australia, an International Baccalaureate in Australia or a New Zealand National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) level 3 must apply via UAC International.

http://www.uac.edu.au/

All other International applicants must apply directly to the University via the International Office.

International students applying to the University through the International Office can find details of minimum English proficiency requirements and acceptable proof on their website.

International Office (http://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/)

Overseas qualifications must be deemed by the Australian Education International - National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition (AEI-NOOSR) to be equivalent to Australian qualifications in order to be considered by UAC and Western Sydney University.

Special Requirements Prerequisites

Students who opt to enrol in SSIP as alternate core/electives, would be required to complete a Working with Children Check and medical clearance for HUMN 3101 Social Sciences International Placement (II): Placement subject.

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 240 credit points with no less than 60 credit points at Level 3.

Recommended Sequence Current

Recommended Sequence - Sydney City Campus

Click here for the recommended sequence at Sydney City Campus. (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/city/courses/undergraduate/social_science_criminology_and_criminal_justice/?utm_source=Handbook)

Liverpool, Parramatta and Penrith Campuses
Full-time start-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Autumn session		
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	10
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	10
Select one core major subject		10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
HUMN 1060	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies	10
Select one core major subject		10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 2		
Autumn session		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
Select two core major subjects		20
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
Select one core major subject		10
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 3		
Autumn session		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
Select one core major subject		10
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
Select two core Major subjects		20
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Alternative Year 3 sequence
Social Sciences International Placement subjects
Those students who undertake the Social Sciences International Placement subjects in Year 3 would be exempted from completing CULT 3007 Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice and three electives. The program structure would be varied as follows, but students are also encouraged to seek advice from their ACA early on about this option.

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 3		
Autumn session		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10

Select three Major or elective subjects (a combination of electives and major subjects if electives remaining)		30
	Credit Points	**40**
2H session		
HUMN 3100	Social Sciences International Placement (1): Preparation for Placement	10
HUMN 3101	Social Sciences International Placement (II): Placement	20
	Credit Points	**30**
Summer session		
HUMN 3102	Social Sciences International Placement (III): Post-placement Reflections	10
	Credit Points	**10**
	Total Credit Points	**80**

Full-time mid-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Spring session		
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
HUMN 1060	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies	10
Select one core major subject		10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Autumn session		
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	10
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	10
Select one core major subject		10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 2		
Spring session		
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
Select one core major subject		10
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**40**
Autumn session		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
Select two core major subjects		20
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 3		
Spring session		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
Select two core major subjects		20
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Autumn session		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
Select one core major subject		10

Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Alternative Year 3 sequence
Social Sciences International Placement subjects

Those students who undertake the Social Sciences International Placement subjects in Year 3 would be exempted from completing CULT 3007 Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice and three electives. The program structure would be varied as follows, but students are also encouraged to seek advice from their ACA early on about this option.

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 3		
2H session		
HUMN 3100	Social Sciences International Placement (1): Preparation for Placement	10
HUMN 3101	Social Sciences International Placement (II): Placement	20
	Credit Points	**30**
Summer session		
HUMN 3102	Social Sciences International Placement (III): Post-placement Reflections	10
	Credit Points	**10**
Autumn session		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
Select three Major or elective subjects (a combination of electives and major subjects if electives remaining)		30
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**80**

Summer intake

Note: A maximum of two subjects may be studied in Summer session.

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Summer session		
Select either the two first year core subjects below, or, the two first year subjects from the majors listed below:		20
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	
	Credit Points	**20**
Autumn session		
Select four Major subjects or four electives		40
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
HUMN 1060	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies	10
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
Select two major subjects or two electives		20
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 2		
Summer session		
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences (Core Subject)	10

HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Autumn session		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
Select three major subjects or three electives		30
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
Select three major subjects or three electives		30
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 3		
Students have two options to complete the remaining 40 credit points:		40
Summer session		
Part-time study over the following two Summer sessions		
Two major subjects or two electives		
Or		
Autumn session		
Full-time study to complete four subjects. Two major subjects and two electives		
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Social Sciences International Placement subjects

Those students who undertake the Social Sciences International Placement subjects in Summer would be exempted from completing CULT 3007 Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice and three electives. The program structure would require significant variation and students are therefore encouraged to seek advice from their ACA early on about this option.

Western Sydney University Online

Please note that the Social Sciences International Placement option is not available to online students.

Online students must select one of the following majors

Child and Community, Major (0045) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/child-community-major/)

Criminology and Criminal Justice, Major (0006) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/criminology-criminal-justice-major/)

WSU Online with a Major in Child and Community Full-time intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Trimester 1		
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	10
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	10
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 2		
HUMN 1060	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies	10
WELF 1002	Context of Human Services	10
CULT 1022	Working with Cultural Differences	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 3		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
WELF 2002	Community Work & Development	10
HUMN 2015	Community and Social Action	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Year 2		
Trimester 4		
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
HUMN 2025	Families and Intimate Life	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 5		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
WELF 3006	Family Violence: Policy and Practice	10
WELF 2001	Community Management and Organisations	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 6		
WELF 3001	Child Abuse as a Social Issue	10
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**30**
Year 3		
Trimester 7		
Select three electives		30
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 8		
Select three electives		30
	Credit Points	**30**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Part-time intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Trimester 1		
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	10
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 2		
HUMN 1060	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies	10
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 3		
WELF 1002	Context of Human Services	10
CULT 1022	Working with Cultural Differences	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Year 2		
Trimester 4		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
WELF 2002	Community Work & Development	10
	Credit Points	**20**

Trimester 5		
HUMN 2015	Community and Social Action	10
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 6		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
HUMN 2025	Families and Intimate Life	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Year 3		
Trimester 7		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
WELF 3006	Family Violence: Policy and Practice	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 8		
WELF 2001	Community Management and Organisations	10
WELF 3001	Child Abuse as a Social Issue	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 9		
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**20**
Year 4		
Trimester 10		
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 11		
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 12		
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**20**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

WSU Online with a Major in Criminology and Criminal Justice
Full-time intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Trimester 1		
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	10
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	10
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 2		
HUMN 1060	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies	10
CULT 1005	Crime, Deviance and Society	10
CULT 1024	Introduction to Criminal Justice	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 3		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
CULT 2018	Crime Prevention and Drugs	10

CULT 2017	Youth Justice and Practice	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Year 2		
Trimester 4		
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
CULT 3025	Prisons, Punishment and Criminal Justice	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 5		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
CULT 3018	Perspectives in Criminology	10
CULT 3013	Gender, Crime and Violence	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 6		
CULT 3024	Crime, Media, Culture	10
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**30**
Year 3		
Trimester 7		
Select three electives		30
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 8		
Select three electives		30
	Credit Points	**30**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Part-time intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Trimester 1		
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	10
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 2		
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
HUMN 1060	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 3		
CULT 1005	Crime, Deviance and Society	10
CULT 1024	Introduction to Criminal Justice	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Year 2		
Trimester 4		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
CULT 2017	Youth Justice and Practice	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 5		
CULT 2018	Crime Prevention and Drugs	10
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 6		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10

CULT 3025	Prisons, Punishment and Criminal Justice	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Year 3		
Trimester 7		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
CULT 3018	Perspectives in Criminology	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 8		
CULT 3013	Gender, Crime and Violence	10
CULT 3024	Crime, Media, Culture	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 9		
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**20**
Year 4		
Trimester 10		
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 11		
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 12		
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**20**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Equivalent Alternate Subject

The subject listed below counts towards completion of this program for students who passed this subject in 2018 or earlier.

HUMN 3073 Social Sciences International Placement, 40 credit point subject has been replaced by 3 subjects HUMN 3100 Social Sciences International Placement (1): Preparation for Placement (10 credit points), HUMN 3101 Social Sciences International Placement (II): Placement (20 credit points) and HUMN 3102 Social Sciences International Placement (III): Post-placement Reflections (10 credit points)

Equivalent Core Subjects

The subjects listed below count towards completion of this program for students who passed these subjects in 2020 or earlier.

CULT 1020 Working with Communities, replaced by HUMN 1060 (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/subject-details/humn1060/) Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies
HUMN 2049 Social Research Methods, replaced by HUMN 2066 Investigating and Communicating Social Problems Investigating and Communicating Social Problems

Equivalent Major Subjects

The Criminology and Criminal Justice Major subjects listed below count towards completion of this major for students who passed these subjects in 2020 or earlier.

CULT 3008 Crime, Prevention and Community, replaced by CULT 2018 (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/subject-details/cult2018/) Crime Prevention and Drugs
CULT 3010 Culture & Crime, replaced by CULT 3024 (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/subject-details/cult3024/) Crime, Media, Culture

CULT 1007 Introduction to Crime and Criminal Justice, replaced by CULT 1024 (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/subject-details/cult1024/) Introduction to Criminal Justice
CULT 2009 Juvenile, Crime & Justice, replaced by CULT 2017 (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/subject-details/cult2017/) Youth Justice and Practice
CULT 2011 Prisons, Punishment and Criminal Justice, replaced by CULT 3025 (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/subject-details/cult3025/) Prisons, Punishment and Criminal Justice

Majors

Note: Students enrolling into this program with the Diploma of Social Science from Western Sydney University, The College should use up to two of their elective subjects towards obtaining their chosen major.

Liverpool, Parramatta and Penrith campus students must select one of the following majors

Anthropology, Major (0002) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/anthropology-major/)
Child and Community, Major (0045) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/child-community-major/)
Criminology and Criminal Justice, Major (0006) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/criminology-criminal-justice-major/)
Disability Studies, Major (0252) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/disability-studies-major/)
Geography and Urban Studies, Major (0010) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/geography-urban-studies-major/)
Heritage and Tourism, Major (0012) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/heritage-tourism-major/)
Peace and Development Studies, Major (0027) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/peace-development-studies-major/)
Sociology, Major (0030) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/sociology-major/)

Sydney City campus students must select the following major

Criminology and Criminal Justice, Major (0006) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/criminology-criminal-justice-major/)

Western Sydney University Online students must select one of the following two majors

Child and Community, Major (0045) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/child-community-major/)
Criminology and Criminal Justice, Major (0006) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/criminology-criminal-justice-major/)

Elective Minors which may be available

Anthropology, Minor (0002) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/anthropology-minor/)
Arabic, Minor (0003) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/arabic-minor/)

Child and Community, Minor (0045) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/child-community-minor/)

Chinese, Minor (0004) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/chinese-minor/)

Criminology and Criminal Justice, Minor (0006) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/criminology-criminal-justice-minor/)

Disability Studies, Minor (0252) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/disability-studies-minor/)

Economy and Society, Minor (0319) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/economy-society-minor/)

Gender Studies, Minor (0295) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/gender-studies-minor/)

Geography and Urban Studies, Minor (0010) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/geography-urban-studies-minor/)

Heritage and Tourism, Minor (0012) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/heritage-tourism-minor/)

Humanitarian Action in Practice, Minor (0327) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/humanitarian-action-practice-minor/)

Indigenous Studies, Minor (0263) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/indigenous-studies-minor/)

Japanese, Minor (0021) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/japanese-minor/)

Peace and Development Studies, Minor (0027) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/peace-development-studies-minor/)

Social Research, Minor (0259) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/social-research-minor/)

Sociology, Minor (0030) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/sociology-minor/)

Major and Minor elective spaces

Elective subjects may be used toward obtaining an additional approved major (80 credit points) or minor (40 credit points). Western Sydney University offers majors and minors in a range of areas including Sustainability and Indigenous Studies.

Global Sustainability Minor (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/global-sustainability-minor/)
Indigenous Australian Studies Major (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/indigenous-australian-studies-major/)
Indigenous Australian Studies Minor (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/indigenous-australian-studies-minor/)

Western Sydney University also offers the following innovative transdisciplinary Challenge Minors (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/educational_partnerships_and_quality/home/challenge_minors/) which we encourage those students who have elective space to consider.

Equitable Technologies (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/equitable-technologies-minor/)
Urban Evolution (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/urban-evolution-minor/)
Migration and Global Change (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/migration-global-change-minor/)

Personal Innovation (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/personal-innovation-minor/)
Innovating, Creating and Problem Solving (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/innovating-creating-problem-solving-minor/)
Eco-Socially Conscious Design and Manufacturing (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/eco-socially-conscious-design-manufacturing-minor/)
Water for Life (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/water-life-minor/)
Climate Justice (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/climate-justice-minor/)
Creative and Visual Communication (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/creative-visual-communication-minor/)
Global Workplaces (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/global-workplaces-minor/)
Innovating For Humans (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/innovating-humans-minor/)
Creative Living for Cultural Wellbeing (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/creative-living-cultural-wellbeing-minor-/)
Ideate. Strategise. Innovate. (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/ideate-strategise-innovate-minor/)
Humanising Data (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/humanising-data-minor/)

For more information, visit the Challenge Minor (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/educational_partnerships_and_quality/home/challenge_minors/) website.

Search for majors and minors (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/)

Students can apply for an elective major or minor via Western Now.

WesternNow (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/westernnow/)

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 240 credit points with no less than 60 credit points at Level 3.

Recommended Sequence 2022
Recommended Sequence - Sydney City Campus

Click here for the recommended sequence at Sydney City Campus (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/city/courses/undergraduate/social_science_criminology_and_criminal_justice/?utm_source=Handbook).

Liverpool, Parramatta and Penrith Campuses
Full-time start-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Autumn session		
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	10
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	10
Select one core major subject		10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
HUMN 1060	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies	10
Select one core major subject		10

Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 2		
Autumn session		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
Select two core major subjects		20
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
Select one core major subject		10
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 3		
Autumn session		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
Select one core major subject		10
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
Select two core Major subjects		20
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Alternative Year 3 sequence
Social Sciences International Placement subjects

Those students who undertake the Social Sciences International Placement subjects in Year 3 would be exempted from completing CULT 3007 Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice and three electives. The program structure would be varied as follows, but students are also encouraged to seek advice from their ACA early on about this option.

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 3		
Autumn session		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
Select three Major or elective subjects (a combination of electives and major subjects if electives remaining)		30
	Credit Points	**40**
2H session		
HUMN 3100	Social Sciences International Placement (1): Preparation for Placement	10
HUMN 3101	Social Sciences International Placement (II): Placement	20
	Credit Points	**30**
Summer A session		
HUMN 3102	Social Sciences International Placement (III): Post-placement Reflections	10
	Credit Points	**10**
	Total Credit Points	**80**

Full-time mid-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Spring session		
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
HUMN 1060	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies	10
Select one core major subject		10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Autumn session		
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	10
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	10
Select one core major subject		10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 2		
Spring session		
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
Select one core major subject		10
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**40**
Autumn session		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
Select two core major subjects		20
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 3		
Spring session		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
Select two core major subjects		20
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Autumn session		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
Select one core major subject		10
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Alternative Year 3 sequence
Social Sciences International Placement subjects

Those students who undertake the Social Sciences International Placement subjects in Year 3 would be exempted from completing CULT 3007 Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice and three electives. The program structure would be varied as follows, but students are also encouraged to seek advice from their ACA early on about this option.

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 3		
2H session		
HUMN 3100	Social Sciences International Placement (1): Preparation for Placement	10

HUMN 3101	Social Sciences International Placement (II): Placement	20
	Credit Points	**30**
Summer A session		
HUMN 3102	Social Sciences International Placement (III): Post-placement Reflections	10
	Credit Points	**10**
Autumn session		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
Select three Major or elective subjects (a combination of electives and major subjects if electives remaining)		30
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**80**

Summer intake

Note: A maximum of two subjects may be studied in Summer session.

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Summer session		
Select either the two first year core subjects below, or, the two first year subjects from the majors listed below:		20
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	
	Credit Points	**20**
Autumn session		
Select four Major subjects or four electives		40
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
HUMN 1060	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies	10
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
Select two major subjects or two electives		20
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 2		
Summer session		
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences (Core Subject)	10
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Autumn session		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
Select three major subjects, or three electives		30
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
Select three major subjects or three electives		30
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 3		
Students have two options to complete the remaining 40 credit points:		40
Summer session		
Part-time study over the following two Summer sessions		
Two major subjects or two electives		
Or		

Autumn session		
Full-time study to complete four subjects. Two major subjects and two electives **or** Social Sciences International Placement subjects		
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Social Sciences International Placement subjects

Those students who undertake the Social Sciences International Placement subjects in Summer would be exempted from completing CULT 3007 Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice and three electives. The program structure would require significant variation and students are therefore encouraged to seek advice from their ACA early on about this option.

Western Sydney University Online

Please note that the Social Sciences International Placement option is not available to online students.

Online students must select one of the following majors

Child and Community, Major (0045) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/child-community-major/)

Criminology and Criminal Justice, Major (0006) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/criminology-criminal-justice-major/)

WSU Online with a Major in Child and Community Full-time intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Trimester 1		
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	10
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	10
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 2		
HUMN 1060	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies	10
WELF 1002	Context of Human Services	10
CULT 1022	Working with Cultural Differences	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 3		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
WELF 2002	Community Work & Development	10
HUMN 2015	Community and Social Action	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Year 2		
Trimester 4		
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
HUMN 2025	Families and Intimate Life	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 5		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
WELF 3006	Family Violence: Policy and Practice	10

Course	Title	Credit Points
WELF 2001	Community Management and Organisations	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 6		
WELF 3001	Child Abuse as a Social Issue	10
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**30**
Year 3		
Trimester 7		
Select three electives		30
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 8		
Select three electives		30
	Credit Points	**30**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Part-time intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Trimester 1		
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	10
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 2		
HUMN 1060	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies	10
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 3		
WELF 1002	Context of Human Services	10
CULT 1022	Working with Cultural Differences	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Year 2		
Trimester 4		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
WELF 2002	Community Work & Development	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 5		
HUMN 2015	Community and Social Action	10
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 6		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
HUMN 2025	Families and Intimate Life	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Year 3		
Trimester 7		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
WELF 3006	Family Violence: Policy and Practice	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 8		
WELF 2001	Community Management and Organisations	10

Course	Title	Credit Points
WELF 3001	Child Abuse as a Social Issue	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 9		
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**20**
Year 4		
Trimester 10		
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 11		
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 12		
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**20**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

WSU Online with a Major in Criminology and Criminal Justice
Full-time intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Trimester 1		
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	10
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	10
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 2		
HUMN 1060	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies	10
CULT 1005	Crime, Deviance and Society	10
CULT 1024	Introduction to Criminal Justice	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 3		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
CULT 2018	Crime Prevention and Drugs	10
CULT 2017	Youth Justice and Practice	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Year 2		
Trimester 4		
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
CULT 3025	Prisons, Punishment and Criminal Justice	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 5		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
CULT 3018	Perspectives in Criminology	10
CULT 3013	Gender, Crime and Violence	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 6		
CULT 3024	Crime, Media, Culture	10
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**30**

Year 3
Trimester 7

Select three electives		30
	Credit Points	**30**

Trimester 8

Select three electives		30
	Credit Points	**30**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Part-time intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Trimester 1		
BEHV 1021	The Individual in Society	10
CULT 1017	Understanding Society	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 2		
HUMN 1041	People, Place and Social Difference	10
HUMN 1060	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 3		
CULT 1005	Crime, Deviance and Society	10
CULT 1024	Introduction to Criminal Justice	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Year 2		
Trimester 4		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
CULT 2017	Youth Justice and Practice	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 5		
CULT 2018	Crime Prevention and Drugs	10
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 6		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
CULT 3025	Prisons, Punishment and Criminal Justice	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Year 3		
Trimester 7		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
CULT 3018	Perspectives in Criminology	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 8		
CULT 3013	Gender, Crime and Violence	10
CULT 3024	Crime, Media, Culture	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Trimester 9		
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**20**

Year 4
Trimester 10

Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**20**

Trimester 11

Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**20**

Trimester 12

Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**20**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Equivalent Alternate Subject

The subject listed below counts towards completion of this program for students who passed this subject in 2018 or earlier.

HUMN 3073 Social Sciences International Placement, 40 credit point subject has been replaced by 3 subjects HUMN 3100 Social Sciences International Placement (1): Preparation for Placement (10 credit points), HUMN 3101 Social Sciences International Placement (II): Placement (20 credit points) and HUMN 3102 Social Sciences International Placement (III): Post-placement Reflections (10 credit points)

Equivalent Core Subjects

The subjects listed below count towards completion of this program for students who passed these subjects in 2020 or earlier.

CULT 1020 Working with Communities, replaced by HUMN 1060 (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/subject-details/humn1060/) Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies
HUMN 2049 Social Research Methods, replaced by HUMN 2066 Investigating and Communicating Social Problems Investigating and Communicating Social Problems

Equivalent Major Subjects

The Criminology and Criminal Justice Major subjects listed below count towards completion of this major for students who passed these subjects in 2020 or earlier.

CULT 3008 Crime, Prevention and Community, replaced by CULT 2018 (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/subject-details/cult2018/) Crime Prevention and Drugs
CULT 3010 Culture & Crime, replaced by CULT 3024 (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/subject-details/cult3024/) Crime, Media, Culture
CULT 1007 Introduction to Crime and Criminal Justice, replaced by CULT 1024 (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/subject-details/cult1024/) Introduction to Criminal Justice
CULT 2009 Juvenile, Crime & Justice, replaced by CULT 2017 (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/subject-details/cult2017/) Youth Justice and Practice
CULT 2011 Prisons, Punishment and Criminal Justice, replaced by CULT 3025 (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/subject-details/cult3025/) Prisons, Punishment and Criminal Justice

Majors

Note: Students enrolling into this program with the Diploma of Social Science from Western Sydney University, The College should use up to two of their elective subjects towards obtaining their chosen major.

Liverpool, Parramatta and Penrith campus students must select one of the following majors

Anthropology, Major (0002) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/anthropology-major/)

Child and Community, Major (0045) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/child-community-major/)

Criminology and Criminal Justice, Major (0006) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/criminology-criminal-justice-major/)

Disability Studies, Major (0252) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/disability-studies-major/)

Geography and Urban Studies, Major (0010) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/geography-urban-studies-major/)

Heritage and Tourism, Major (0012) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/heritage-tourism-major/)

Peace and Development Studies, Major (0027) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/peace-development-studies-major/)

Sociology, Major (0030) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/sociology-major/)

Sydney City campus students must select the following major

Criminology and Criminal Justice, Major (0006) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/criminology-criminal-justice-major/)

Western Sydney University Online students must select one of the following two majors

Child and Community, Major (0045) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/child-community-major/)

Criminology and Criminal Justice, Major (0006) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/criminology-criminal-justice-major/)

Elective Minors which may be available

Anthropology, Minor (0002) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/anthropology-minor/)

Child and Community, Minor (0045) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/child-community-minor/)

Criminology and Criminal Justice, Minor (0006) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/criminology-criminal-justice-minor/)

Disability Studies, Minor (0252) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/disability-studies-minor/)

Economy and Society, Minor (0319) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/economy-society-minor/)

Geography and Urban Studies, Minor (0010) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/geography-urban-studies-minor/)

Heritage and Tourism, Minor (0012) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/heritage-tourism-minor/)

Indigenous Studies, Minor (0263) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/indigenous-studies-minor/)

Peace and Development Studies, Minor (0027) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/peace-development-studies-minor/)

Social Research, Minor (0259) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/social-research-minor/)

Sociology, Minor (0030) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/sociology-minor/)

Major and Minor elective spaces

Elective subjects may be used toward obtaining an additional approved major (80 credit points) or minor (40 credit points). Western Sydney University offers majors and minors in a range of areas including Sustainability and Indigenous Studies.

Global Sustainability Minor (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/global-sustainability-minor/)
Indigenous Australian Studies Major (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/indigenous-australian-studies-major/)
Indigenous Australian Studies Minor (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/indigenous-australian-studies-minor/)

Western Sydney University also offers the following innovative transdisciplinary Challenge Minors (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/educational_partnerships_and_quality/home/challenge_minors/) which we encourage those students who have elective space to consider.

Equitable Technologies (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/equitable-technologies-minor/)
Urban Evolution (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/urban-evolution-minor/)
Migration and Global Change (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/migration-global-change-minor/)
Personal Innovation (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/personal-innovation-minor/)
Innovating, Creating and Problem Solving (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/innovating-creating-problem-solving-minor/)
Eco-Socially Conscious Design and Manufacturing (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/eco-socially-conscious-design-manufacturing-minor/)
Water for Life (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/water-life-minor/)
Climate Justice (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/climate-justice-minor/)
Creative and Visual Communication (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/creative-visual-communication-minor/)
Global Workplaces (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/global-workplaces-minor/)
Innovating For Humans (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/innovating-humans-minor/)
Creative Living for Cultural Wellbeing (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/creative-living-cultural-wellbeing-minor-/)
Ideate. Strategise. Innovate. (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/ideate-strategise-innovate-minor/)
Humanising Data (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/humanising-data-minor/)

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