

DIPLOMA IN BUILDING DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION (7192)

Effective from: 2025

Approved Abbreviation: DipBldgDesConstr

Western Sydney University Program Code: 7192

AQF Level: 5

This program applies to students who commenced in Autumn Block 1, 2025 or later.

Replaced Programs

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

For Commencement Year 2022 to 2024 - 6031 Diploma in Building Design Management/Bachelor of Building Design Management (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-building-design-management-bachelor-building-design-management/>)

For Commencement Year 2022 to 2024 - 6045 Diploma in Construction Technology/ Bachelor of Construction Technology (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-construction-technology-bachelor-construction-technology/>)

For Commencement Year 2021 to 2024 - 7183 Diploma in Building Design Management Extended (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-building-design-management-extended/>)

For Commencement Year 2021 to 2024 - 7184 Diploma in Construction Technology Extended (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-construction-technology-extended/>)

For Commencement Year 2022 to 2024 - 7108 Diploma in Building Design Management (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-building-design-management/>)

For Commencement Year 2022 to 2024 - 7169 Diploma in Construction Technology (exit only) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-construction-technology-exit-only/>)

The program is designed to provide students with a range of foundational skills and knowledge in building design and construction that are transferrable to a wide range of career options and future academic study. Through the program, students will understand the tasks performed by various roles in the building industry and investigate a wide scope of construction materials, processes, and technologies. This will develop students' ability to communicate effectively to construction stakeholders while performing ethically and socially responsibly. The Diploma program offers various avenues by which students can personalise learning and enhance their future employability. The inclusion of additional preparatory subjects is designed to assist students in the transition to study at University level.

Study Mode

One year full-time or two years part-time

Program Advice

College Program Enquiries (<https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/AdminApp@westernsydney.edu.au>)

Location

Campus	Attendance	Mode	Advice
Penrith Campus*	Full time	Internal	See above
Penrith Campus*	Part Time	Internal	See above

* Programs delivered through an agreement with another party

Admission

This program is open to Australian Citizens and Permanent Residents who are aged 17 years or over and **not** currently enrolled in or completing Year 12 in the same year of intended admission.

If you would like more information on The College's pathway diplomas, please visit: Pathway Programs | The College (westernsydney.edu.au/future/study/application-pathways/the-college/courses/)

For direct applications to Western Sydney University please visit: Western Sydney University ([uac.edu.au](https://westernsydney.uac.edu.au/ws/)) (<https://westernsydney.uac.edu.au/ws/>)

For UAC applications please visit: Universities Admissions Centre - UAC (<https://www.uac.edu.au/>)

Program Structure

Students will need to enrol in **one subject that will run online for 17 weeks** (in either Autumn or Spring sessions) and **will simultaneously study another four subjects on campus in block mode (1 subject studied every 4 weeks)** during this period. Please note that subjects in blocks are studied over 4 weeks.

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 110 credit points including the subjects listed below.

Start-year Intake

Subject	Title	Credit Points
Autumn Semester		
GEDU 0016	Employability and Graduate Success (WSTC Prep) (Studied over 17 weeks)	15
Autumn Block 1		
GEDU 1001	Introduction to University Life (WSTC)	10
Autumn Block 2		
ENVL 1008	Sustainable and Ethical Industry Practices (WSTC)	10
Autumn Block 3		
BLDG 1019	Construction Site Administration (WSTC)	10
Autumn Block 4		
BLDG 1020	Domestic Construction (WSTC)	10
Spring Semester		
GEDU 0017	Transition Success (WSTC Prep)	15
Spring Block 1		
BLDG 1021	Commercial Construction (WSTC)	10
Spring Block 2		
BLDG 1022	Construction Site Safety (WSTC)	10
Spring Block 3		
Choose one elective subject ¹		10
Spring Block 4		
Choose one elective subject ¹		10
Total Credit Points		110

¹ Students may choose electives from any other subject offered under a Destination College Diploma. These subjects cannot be University subjects or other College subjects.

Mid-year Intake

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Available Electives

Students may choose any subject from the below Destination College Diplomas as their electives. Please note, not all elective options may be available on all campuses or in all teaching sessions. Elective subjects cannot be the same as compulsory program-specific subjects.

Subject	Title	Credit Points
BIOS 1040	Natural Science (WSTC)	10
BIOS 1041	Fundamentals of Biotechnology (WSTC)	10
BLDG 1019	Construction Site Administration (WSTC)	10
BLDG 1020	Domestic Construction (WSTC)	10
BLDG 1021	Commercial Construction (WSTC)	10
BLDG 1022	Construction Site Safety (WSTC)	10
BUSM 1045	Creative Enterprises and Information Technologies (WSTC)	10
BUSM 1046	Managing and Leading Enterprises (WSTC)	10
CART 1009	Exploring the Creative Industries (WSTC)	10
CHEM 1013	Essential Chemistry (WSTC)	10
COMM 1046	Data Dynamics: Influence, Ethics, and Power (WSTC)	10
COMP 1015	Programming Fundamentals and Algorithmic Design (WSTC)	10