DIPLOMA IN SOCIAL SCIENCE (POLICING)/BACHELOR OF POLICING (6044)

Approved Abbreviation: DipSocSc(Pol)/BPol
Western Sydney University Program Code: 6044
AQF Level: 7

CRICOS Code:

This program has been suspended from July 2023.

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

For Commencement Year 2020 and 2021 - please refer to 6044.1 - Diploma in Social Science (Policing)/Bachelor of Policing (http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=6044.1)

This program applies to students who commenced in Term 1, 2022 or later.

This program equips graduates with an introduction to policing as a distinct area of academic study, and provides the foundation for students wishing to join policing or criminal justice organisations. Students study social science and criminology subjects, and a range of specialist policing subjects to equip graduates with a broad understanding of the role of police in society. The curriculum recognises the complexities and challenges of contemporary policing and explores the application of policing practice to a changing Australian society.

NB: Students seeking a policing career will be required to satisfy the entrance requirements for these policing or criminal justice organisations. Completion of this degree does not guarantee entry into these competitive positions.

The first year of this program is delivered by Western Sydney University The College, as an agent of Western Sydney University, via extended face-to-face hours in smaller learning environments. A Diploma in Social Science (Policing) exit point is also available at the end of the first year of the program.

For more information on Western Sydney University, The College, please refer to their web site.

Western Sydney University, The College (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/study/application-pathways/the-college.html)

Early Exit

Students may exit this program on completion of 90 credit points with a 7167 Diploma in Social Science (Policing) (exit only) (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-social-science-policing-exit-only/)

Study Mode

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

Program Advice

For program advice during your first year of study, contact the College: College Program Enquiries (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/AdminApp@westernsydney.edu.au)

For program advice during your first year of study, please use the contact below under 'Program Advice'. For program advice during your second and subsequent years of study, please use the contact listed for the Bachelor of Policing (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-policing/).

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
The College - Nirimba Education Precinct*[1]	Full Time	Internal	See above
The College - Nirimba Education Precinct*	Part Time	Internal	See above
Bankstown City Campus*[1]	Full Time	Internal	See above
Bankstown City Campus*	Part Time	Internal	See above
Liverpool Campus*[2]	Full Time	Internal	Ken Wooden (k.wooden@westernsydney.
Liverpool Campus*	Part Time	Internal	Ken Wooden (k.wooden@westernsydney.
Penrith Campus*[2]	Full Time	Internal	Erin Kruger (e.kruger@westernsydney.e
Penrith Campus*	Part Time	Internal	Erin Kruger (e.kruger@westernsydney.e

*   Programs delivered through an agreement with another party
[1]   Students will study at either WSU The College Nirimba or Bankstown City campus in their first year of study.
[2]   From second year, students will study at either Liverpool or Penrith campus.

Work Integrated Learning

Western Sydney University seeks to enhance student learning experiences by enabling students to engage in the culture, expectations and practices of their profession or discipline. This program includes a placement or other community-based unpaid practical experience.

There is an optional work component available in this program. Please contact the Program Advisor listed above for information.

Admission

For more information on applying please see link to The College admission pages below.

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/thecollege/how_to_apply (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/thecollege/how_to_apply/)

Domestic students are required to have:

- Completed an English subject in the NSW Higher School Certificate, **or**
- Competency in English at IELTS 6.0 equivalent (unless a native speaker) **or**

- Passed The College English test with 70% or higher **or**
- Passed The College Foundation Studies Academic English subject at C grade level or higher.

Met other entry requirements such as:

- An ATAR identified prior to the offer of a place, **or**
- Completed The College Foundation Studies program with a Grade Point Average of 5.5 or higher.

This program is not available to International students.

Special Requirements Prerequisites

Students enrolled in JUST 3012 Policing Leaders Internship (by selection only; 20 student max.) are required to receive a clear National Police Check before placement with NSW Police Force or the Australian Institute of Police Management (AIPM). Students placed with the AIPM will also need to undergo a drug test before commencement.

Recommended Sequence

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 250 credit points which include the subjects listed in the recommended sequence below.
The early exit College Diploma consists of 90 credit points which includes one College Preparatory subject.

Western Sydney University The College Subjects

Nirimba and Bankstown Campus

Please note that all campuses may not have intakes each year.

Full-time Start-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Trimester 1		
LANG 0052	Academic Communication for Policing and Justice (WSTC Prep)	10
CULT 1025	Introduction to Criminal Justice (WSTC)	10
BEHV 1023	The Individual in Society (WSTC)	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 2		
BEHV 2015	Mental Health in the Community (WSTC)	10
CULT 1019	Understanding Society (WSTC)	10
HUMN 1062	Introduction to Indigenous Australia: Peoples, Places and Philosophies (WSTC)	10
	Credit Points	**30**
Trimester 3		
HUMN 1042	People, Place and Social Difference (WSTC)	10
JUST 1004	Policing Practices (WSTC)	10
CULT 1006	Crime, Deviance and Society (WSTC)	10
	Credit Points	**30**
	Total Credit Points	**90**

Students may exit at this point and graduate with the Diploma in Social Science (Policing) following a passing grade in all of the above subjects. Students who progress onto Year 2 may also be awarded the Diploma if they gain a passing grade in all of the above subjects.

#Students must pass all College Preparatory subjects before progressing to the Year 2 subjects.

#Students must pass at least 70 credit points of University level subjects in Year 1 before progressing to the Year 2 subjects.

Western Sydney University Subjects

For program advice during your second and subsequent years of study, please use the contact listed for the Bachelor of Policing (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-policing/).

Liverpool and Penrith Campus

Full-time start-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 2		
Autumn session		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
CULT 2017	Youth Justice and Practice	10
CULT 3017	Legislation, Courts and Policing	10
JUST 2020	Criminal Law for Policing	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
CULT 2016	Evidence and Investigation	10
CULT 2018	Crime Prevention and Drugs	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 3		
Autumn session		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
CULT 3013	Gender, Crime and Violence	10
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
JUST 3014	Creating Criminal Justice Solutions	10
JUST 3006	Governance in Policing	10
Select two of the following:		10
JUST 3012	Policing Leaders Internship	
One elective		
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**160**

Full-time mid-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 2		
Spring session		
CULT 2005	Ethics in the Social Sciences	10
CULT 2016	Evidence and Investigation	10
CULT 2018	Crime Prevention and Drugs	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Autumn session		
HUMN 2066	Investigating and Communicating Social Problems	10
CULT 2017	Youth Justice and Practice	10

CULT 3017	Legislation, Courts and Policing	10
JUST 2020	Criminal Law for Policing	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 3		
Spring session		
CULT 3007	Contemporary Social Issues and Professional Practice	10
JUST 3014	Creating Criminal Justice Solutions	10
JUST 3006	Governance in Policing	10
Select one of the following:		10
JUST 3012	Policing Leaders Internship	
One elective		
	Credit Points	**40**
Autumn session		
CULT 3001	Applied Social Research	10
CULT 3013	Gender, Crime and Violence	10
Select two electives		20
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**160**

Minor elective spaces

Elective subjects may be used toward obtaining an additional approved minor (40 credit points). Western Sydney University offers 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 Minor (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/indigenous-australian-studies-minor/)

Sustainable Futures, Minor (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/majors-minors/sustainable-futures-minor/#structuretext)

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 minor via Western Now.

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