



# Bachelor of Community Services

<u>CRICOS</u>	096281C
<u>Intakes</u>	February/May/September
<u>Course length</u>	3 years
<u>Campuses</u>	Melbourne/Sydney/ Perth/Brisbane*
<u>Study mode</u>	Full-time

## Course overview

The Bachelor of Community Services is a fully accredited Higher Education degree. The course is designed to prepare you for ethical, competent, and culturally relevant community service practice and to equip you with the knowledge and skills you need for life-long learning and professional development. Upon completion, you will work at the interface between people and their environments, focusing on the experiences of individuals, families, groups, and communities. Some areas of service provision may include child and family services, juvenile justice, migrant services, and community development.

## Course structure

To be eligible for the Bachelor of Community Services, you are required to acquire 24 units (360 credit points) as prescribed in Units on page 2.

## Requirements

### **International students**

Completed Year 12 or equivalent. The minimum age is 18 years old. International students must also demonstrate that they have English language ability equivalent to IELTS 6.0 (Academic). For further information, please refer to our International Student Admission Policy on our website.

### **Local students**

You must have ONE of the following:

1. Completed Year 12 (within the last 3 years)
2. Vocational Education and Training (VET/TAFE) Study
3. Higher Education Study
4. Work & Life Experience

For further information of requirements for local students, please refer to our website.

### **Additional requirements**

Please refer to our website for details of additional requirements such as immunisation status.

### **Applying for Credit Transfer**

If you have completed prior tertiary studies, you may be eligible for some credit exemptions. For further information, please refer to our Award of Credit Policy on our website.

## Professional Registration and Accreditation

The Bachelor of Community Services is accredited by ACWA, which demonstrates that it meets the educational and practice standards set out for community workers in Australia.

\*Awaiting ACWA accreditation for Brisbane campus.

## Fieldwork Placement

Fieldwork Placements are a requirement of the course and an integral part of Stott's College Health and Community Services courses. The Bachelor of Community Services requires 400 hours of supervised Fieldwork Placement.

*What I like in the course is learning how to embrace vulnerable people in the community by listening to them and giving them a voice to become better members of society. Stott's College is committed to guiding students on the right path of success.*

**Melanie Macavinta,  
Bachelor of Community Services,  
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## Units

### Core

#### Introductory Community Services (INT)

INT101 Introduction to Community Services

INT102 Interpersonal Communication Skills

INT103 Human Development Across the Lifespan

INT204 Introduction to Management in Community Services

#### Counselling (COU)

COU101 Theories in Counselling

COU202 Counselling Practice

COU303 Supervision and Debriefing

#### Systems and Policy (SAP)

SAP101 Australia Society, Systems and Policies

SAP102 Welfare Systems and Services in Australia

SAP103 Introduction to Welfare Law

SAP203 Developing Social Policy

SAP304 Social Research Methods

#### Coordination and Support (CAS)

CAS101 Community Development

CAS102 Group Work

CAS203 Principles of Case Management

CAS204 Managing Multiculturalism and Diversity

#### Specialist Skills (SPS)

SPS201 Alcohol and Other Drugs

SPS202 Working with Young People and their Families

SPS303 Family and Domestic Violence

SPS304 Mental Health and the Community

#### Fieldwork (FLD)

FLD201 Ethics and Professional Practice

FLD202 Fieldwork 1

FLD303 Transition to Professional Practice

FLD304 Fieldwork 2

## Pathways

On successful completion of Stott's College's Diploma of Community Services, you are eligible for direct entry into the second year of the Bachelor of Community Services degree with credit for 8 out of the 24 units of study.



## Course outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, you are eligible for the Australian Community Workers Association (ACWA) membership. For further information, please visit the ACWA website.

### Occupational titles for graduates with this qualification may include:

- Welfare Centre Manager
- Program Coordinator
- Community Worker
- Counsellor
- Case Manager
- Youth Worker
- Juvenile Justice Officer
- Child and Family Practitioner
- Community Development Worker
- Community Health Worker

### Funding (Local students only)

Acknowledge Education Pty Ltd has been approved by the Commonwealth Government to offer FEE-HELP. FEE-HELP is a loan scheme that assists eligible fee-paying local students to pay all or part of their tuition fees.



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