



ACKNOWLEDGE
EDUCATION

Bachelor of Community Services

Lead Change, Empower Communities — Start Your Journey Today!

The Bachelor of Community Services is an accredited Higher Education degree designed to prepare you for ethical, competent, and culturally informed community service practice.

You will be equipped with skills for lifelong learning and professional development, enabling them to work with individuals, families, groups, and communities. Career opportunities include child and family services, juvenile justice, migrant services, and community development.

CRICOS	096281C
Intakes	February, May, September
Course length	3 years
Campuses	Melbourne, Sydney, Perth, Brisbane, Adelaide
Study mode	On-campus and Online



Professional Registration and Accreditation

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



**COMMUNITY
WORK AUSTRALIA**
ACCREDITED

This course is accredited by Community Work Australia, formerly the Australian Community Workers Association (ACWA), in Melbourne, Sydney, Perth, and Brisbane. Community Work Australia accreditation for our Adelaide campus is currently pending.

Course Structure

To qualify for the Bachelor of Community Services, you must complete 24 units (360 credit points).

You will study 3 units per trimester, with weekly classes and seven hours of personal study per unit. Classes are typically 2 to 3 days per week, with potential evening options.

Units	
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	Counselling Theory and Practice (1)
COU202	Counselling Theory and Practice (2)
COU303	Supervision and Debriefing
Systems and Policy (SAP)	
SAP101	Foundations of Sociology and Politics for Community Service Workers
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

Course Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, you are eligible for the Community Work Australia membership.

Occupational titles for graduates with this qualification may include:

- Welfare Centre Manager
- Program Coordinator
- Community Worker
- Case Manager
- Community Development Worker
- Child and Family Practitioner
- Community Health Worker

Requirements

International Students

To apply for the course, international students must:

- Have completed Year 12 or equivalent qualification
- Be at least 18 years old
- Demonstrate English language proficiency equivalent to IELTS 6.0 (Academic)

Domestic Students

Domestic applicants must meet ONE of the following criteria:

- Completion of Year 12 within the last three years.
- Vocational Education & Training (VET/TAFE) study.
- Higher Education study.
- Relevant work or life experience.

Applying for Credit Transfer

If you have completed prior tertiary studies, you may be eligible for credit exemptions. For more details, refer to the Award of Credit Policy on our website.

Fieldwork Placement

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



Velicient Jebet Kirui

Bachelor of
Community Services
graduate

Jebet, originally from Kenya, studied Bachelor of Community Services with AE in Australia. Now a CEO of Velie Healthcare Services, a registered NDIS provider, she leads a team supporting individuals with disabilities. Inspired by her family's values, she established Velie Healthcare Services as a trusted provider and aims to expand services, enhance training, and integrate new technologies for improvement.

