

WESTERN SYDNEY
UNIVERSITY



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WE PUT YOU AT THE HEART

Our student-centred approach offers you the choice of online, on-campus and flexible study options combined with work-integrated learning. Through work experience placements, internships and volunteering opportunities, you'll get the real-life experience, practical skills and knowledge that you need for your future career.

WE'RE HERE TO HELP

At Western, we're here to help you discover your unique strengths. Our team of dedicated Western Success Advisers, along with a variety of student support services such as student welfare and careers support, clinics, counselling, disability services, academic and library support, will help you to grow in knowledge, skills and confidence.

WE WANT A SUSTAINABLE WORLD

When it comes to sustainability, we're committed! For an unprecedented four years in a row, Western has been named #1 in the world for our social, economic and environmental impact in the Times Higher Education University Impact Rankings (2022-2025). Why? Because we care about the future. We are the uni that does more about sustainability, climate action, equality, inclusivity and social justice impact.

WE'RE FUTURE-FOCUSED

From our online learning environments and use of digital technologies to enhance the study experience (like being the first NSW uni to be an Adobe Creative Campus) to our on-campus computer laboratories and state-of-the-art library, research and clinical facilities, we adopt new and emerging technologies to provide a richer educational experience.

WE PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY FOR SUCCESS

From The Academy to The College, and alternative entry programs and scholarships, multiple pathway options are available for entry and academic success.

Want more reasons? Visit westernsydney.edu.au/whywestern



IN THE WORLD
2022-2025
TIMES HIGHER EDUCATION IMPACT RANKINGS

SO MANY REASONS TO STUDY WITH WESTERN



TOP 2%

OF UNIVERSITIES WORLDWIDE*

* Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings 2019-2025



FIVE STARS
FOR EMPLOYABILITY*

* QS Top Universities: QS Stars Ratings 2024



\$20M

IN SCHOLARSHIPS,
GRANTS AND PRIZES

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

With respect for Aboriginal cultural protocol and out of recognition that its campuses occupy their traditional lands, Western Sydney University acknowledges the Darug, Dharawal, Gadigal, Gundungurra and Wiradjuri Peoples and thanks them for their support of its work on their lands (Greater Western Sydney and beyond).

HSC TRUE REWARD

WESTERN'S EARLY OFFER PROGRAM FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS

Year 12 is stressful enough – with exams, ATAR scaling and wondering if you'll get an offer to your dream course. Imagine securing a spot before your HSC exams start.

Well, you can.

Our HSC True Reward Program provides an early offer to a course based on your Year 11 or Year 12 subject results relevant to the career you want, rather than a scaled ATAR.

To find out more about HSC True Reward visit westernsydney.edu.au/truereward



OPEN W DAY



Sunday 5 July

Parramatta South campus

REGISTER NOW

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COURSE
expert

Stay near to the people, places and possibilities that matter most while reaching your goals.

We're part of Western Sydney – and committed to your future.

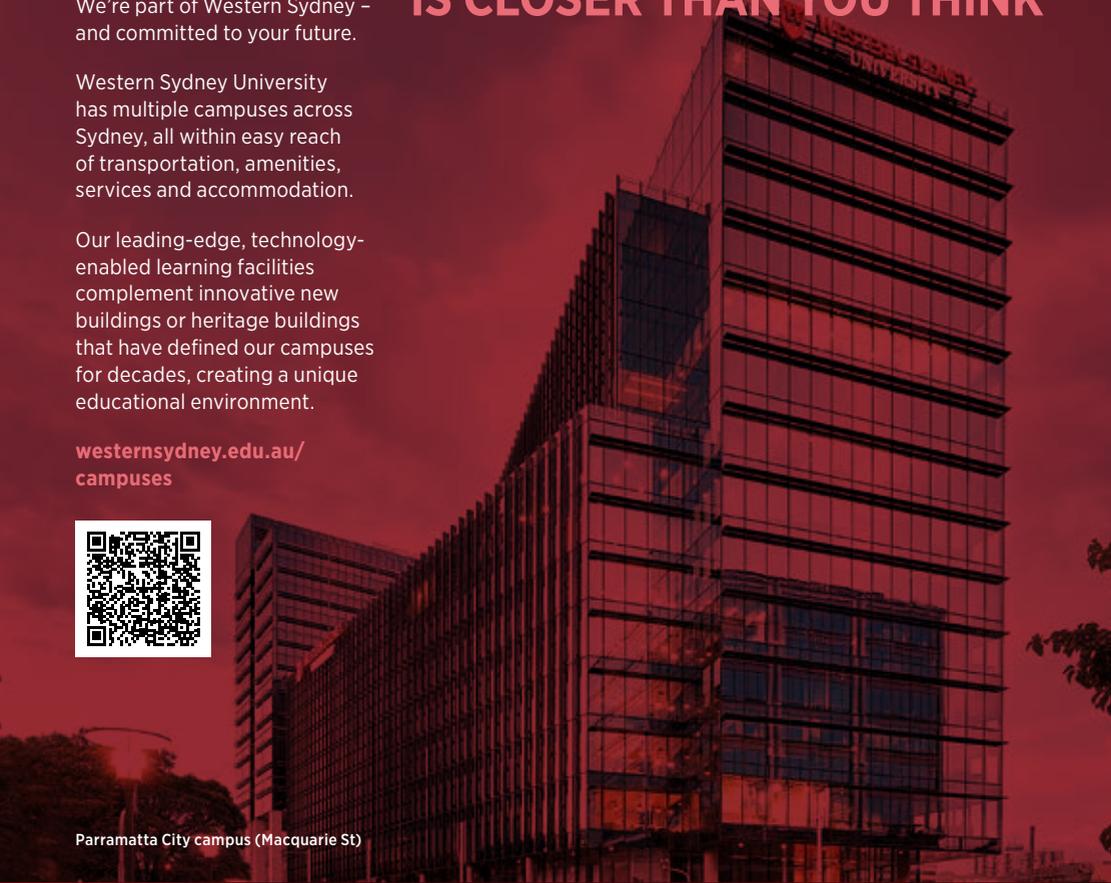
Western Sydney University has multiple campuses across Sydney, all within easy reach of transportation, amenities, services and accommodation.

Our leading-edge, technology-enabled learning facilities complement innovative new buildings or heritage buildings that have defined our campuses for decades, creating a unique educational environment.

westernsydney.edu.au/campuses



YOUR FUTURE IS CLOSER THAN YOU THINK



Parramatta City campus (Macquarie St)



Parramatta City campus (Hassall St)



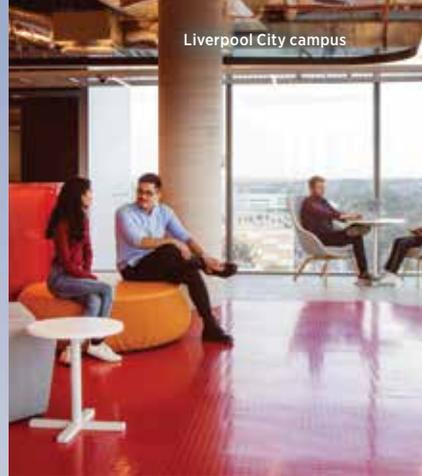
Parramatta South campus (Female Orphan School)



Campbelltown campus



Bankstown City campus



Liverpool City campus



Hawkesbury campus (Greenhouse)

STUDENT SUPPORT

At Western, we have a wealth of support services to help you navigate your university journey, such as:

- Programs to help you settle into uni life as well as your studies
- Our friendly student-facing teams who are ready to answer any questions you may have
- Student Welfare Service
- Counselling and mental health and wellbeing services
- Disability Service
- Members of the ADF
 - Student Veteran Program
- Elite athletes and performers support.

westernsydney.edu.au/support



APPLYING TO STUDY AT WESTERN

DOMESTIC APPLICANTS

Apply directly with Western (it's free)

You can apply to study at Western, for free, using our application portal.

Apply via UAC You can apply to Western via the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC). Note: Application fees apply. The following degrees can only be applied for via UAC:

- Bachelor of Clinical Science (Medicine)/ Doctor of Medicine (MD)
- Bachelor of Midwifery
- Bachelor of Occupational Therapy
- Bachelor of Performance (Acting)
- Bachelor of Physiotherapy
- Bachelor of Paramedicine
- Bachelor of Speech Pathology.

INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

You can apply via our portal or through an agent representative.

westernsydney.edu.au/apply



STUDENT ACCOMMODATION

Find your place, create your space and feel at home.

With a range of accommodation options available, you're sure to find your home away from home.

You'll discover a vibrant community where you can forge lasting friendships, a supportive environment with 24/7 on-site support and a space that feels like home from day one.

Experience the best of university life with on-campus living.

For more information visit, westernsydney.edu.au/accommodation

Questions? [@westernsydney.edu.au](https://westernsydney.edu.au/studentaccommodation)



DIFFERENT WAYS TO GET INTO UNI

Sometimes, to reach your potential, all you really need is a break. And with various ways to get into Western, that's exactly what we want to give you!

Pathways include:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Entry Program
- Schools Recommendation Scheme
- Student Veteran Program
- The College
- TAFE/Tertiary Education Pathways
- Rural Admission Scheme (Medicine)
- Portfolio and Audition Pathways.

westernsydney.edu.au/applicationpathways





Future thinking. A community of changemakers

The Academy is a co-curricular program for students who want to learn, grow and transform as leaders and changemakers.

Focused on transformative and impactful leadership, our program is designed to build your awareness, knowledge and critical skills to lead with confidence and purpose.

Join our community of leaders by applying for membership to The Academy or enrolling in the Bachelor of Creative Leadership.

westernsydney.edu.au/theacademy



DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Creative Leadership*	PS	3F/6P	NA

The Bachelor of Creative Leadership (BCL) is a concurrent degree that enhances your employability through skills in critical thinking, innovation, creativity and ethical leadership – the skills that will allow you to excel in your base degree, career trajectory and different aspects of life.

NA = Not applicable; not based on the ATAR; or the program is not offered to current Year 12 applicants; or no offers will be made to Year 12 applicants in these rounds.

Note: * The BCL is designed to be taken concurrently or upon completion of another WSU degree. 3 year duration includes 2 years of credit for prior learning from your primary WSU degree. Students must be eligible to graduate from their primary degree in order to be granted credit for prior learning in the Bachelor of Creative Leadership.



AREAS OF STUDY

CAMPUS KEY

- PS** Parramatta South
- PC** Parramatta City
- PE** Penrith
- HW** Hawkesbury
- LC** Liverpool City
- CA** Campbelltown
- BC** Bankstown City
- SC** Sydney City

DEGREE KEY

- LSR** Lowest Selection Rank
- B** Bachelor of
- F** Full-time
- P** Part-time *not applicable for international students*
- EqP** Equivalent Part-time
- D** Distance
- M** Master of
- NC** New course

ARTS AND COMMUNICATION



TOP 250

IN THE WORLD FOR COMMUNICATION
AND MEDIA STUDIES

QS World University Subject Rankings 2025



TOP 250

IN THE WORLD
FOR LINGUISTICS

QS World University Subject Rankings 2025

DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Arts Major in: Anthropology, Arabic, Chinese, Creative Writing, Criminology and Social Justice, Cultural and Social Analysis, Drama, Economy and Markets, English, Geography and Urban Studies, Global Business, Heritage and Tourism, History and Political Thought, Indigenous Australian Studies, Indonesian, Innovation and Change, International English, International Relations and Asian Studies, Islamic Studies, Japanese, Linguistics, Musicology, Music Performance, Organisations and Work, Peace and Development Studies, Philosophy, Psychological Studies, Sociology	BC, PS, PE	3F/6P	60
B Arts (Interpreting and Translation)	PC	3F/6P	60
B Arts (Pathway to Teaching Early Childhood/Primary)/ M Teaching (Early Childhood and Primary)*	BC, PS, PE	4.5-5F/EqP	60
B Arts (Pathway to Teaching Early Childhood/Primary)/ M Teaching (Early Childhood and Primary) Diploma Pathway**^	BC, PS, PE	3.5-4F/EqP	NA
B Arts (Pathway to Teaching Primary)/M Teaching (Primary)*	BC, PS, PE	4-4.5F/EqP	60
B Arts (Pathway to Teaching Secondary)/M Teaching (Secondary)*	BC, PS, PE	4-4.5F/EqP	60

ARTS AND COMMUNICATION

DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Communication	PS	3F/6P	60
Major in: Advertising, Journalism, Public Relations	SC	3F	60
	PE	3F/6P	60
B International Studies	BC, PS	3F/6P	60

COMBINED AND ONLINE DEGREES	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Arts/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B Arts (Psychology)/B Laws	CA, PS	5.5F/11P	90
B Arts/B Business	BC, PS	4F/8P	60
B Arts/B Social Science	BC, PS, PE	4F/8P	60
B Communication/B Business	PS	4F/8P	60
B Communication/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B Communication	Online	3F/6P/D	60
B International Studies/B Business	BC, PS	4F/8P	60
B International Studies/B Social Science	BC, PS	4F/8P	60
B International Studies/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B Science/B Arts	PS	4F/8P	65



ZIGGY

Bachelor of Arts

I chose Arts because of its flexibility, which allowed me to explore different subjects and hone in on what I truly wanted to do professionally. It gave me the freedom to be creative and find my true interests, unlike the more rigid structure of high school or the workforce. I love the ability to explore various areas of learning, from sociology to modern history, and meet people who help shape where I want to go in life.

ARCHITECTURE, BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND DESIGN



MAKERSPACE

Our Makerspaces include 3D printing, 3D scanning, laser cutting, woodworking and metal fabrication equipment.

westernsydney.edu.au/makerspace



TOP 200

IN THE WORLD FOR ARCHITECTURE AND BUILT ENVIRONMENT

QS Subject Rankings 2025

DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Architectural Design	PC	3F/6P	65
B Construction Management (Honours)	PS, PE	4F/8P	60
B Construction Technology	PE	3F	60
B Design and Technology	PC	3F/6P	60
Major in: Visualisation and Graphics, Design Management, Design Lead Innovation			
B Industrial Design (Honours)	PC	4F/8P	60
Major in: Design Practice, Technology Entrepreneurship			

COMBINED DEGREES	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Construction Management Studies/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90

CONCURRENT DEGREES

These degrees are not stand-alone but have been designed to be undertaken with any undergraduate degree at Western. The duration for these concurrent degrees may vary depending on the duration of your primary Western degree.

DEGREE*	CAMPUS	LSR
B Applied Data Science	PS	NA
B Creative Leadership	PS	NA

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BUSINESS AND ACCOUNTING



FINANCIAL TRAINING LAB

The Financial Training Lab emulates a real trading floor to help students develop real-world skills in financial investment and funds management. The simulated environment features 40 terminals where students can make informed and responsible investment decisions and manage portfolios.

DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Business Major in: Accounting, Finance and Fintech, Business Analytics, Economics, Human Resource Management, International Business, Management, Marketing and Martech, Property, Sport Management	BC, CA, PC SC^	3F/6P 3F	60
B Accounting Major in: Financial Planning, Taxation, Financial Planning and Taxation	BC, CA, PC SC^	3F/6P 3F	70
B Business (Pathway to Teaching Secondary)/ M Teaching (Secondary)** Major in: Business Studies, Secondary Teaching	BC, CA, PC	4.5-5F/EqP	60
B Business (Property)*	Distance	3F/6P/D	60

COMBINED DEGREES	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Accounting/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B Arts/B Business	BC, PS	4F/8P	60
B Business/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B Engineering (Honours)/B Business	BC, CA, PC, PE	5F/10P	68
B International Studies/B Business	BC, PS	4F/8P	60
B Science/B Business	CA, HW, PS	4F	65

^ Sydney City campus offers the following Business majors: Accounting, Applied Finance, International Business, Management and Marketing. Degree may be fast-tracked in 2 years. * Property major offered externally. ** To obtain teaching accreditation, a Master of Teaching must be completed following the Bachelor degree.

COMPUTING, DATA AND MATHEMATICS



AASHISH

Bachelor of Computer Science

The best thing about my course is it provides us technical skills as well as it prepares us for soft skills like teamwork, communication and leadership.

DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Computer Science Major in: Artificial Intelligence, Cyber Security, Networked Systems, Systems Programming, Technology Entrepreneurship	PS, PE	3F	80
B Data Science	PS	3F/6P	75
B Information and Communications Technology Major in: Cyber Security and Ethical Hacking, Enterprise Systems and Architectures, Health Informatics, Multimedia Computing, Networking and Cloud Computing, Software Development	CA, PS, PE, SC*	3F	60
B Information Systems Major in: User Experience Design, Networking, Cyber Security Management, Infonomics, Health Informatics, Business Analytics	PS, SC*	3F	60
B Mathematics	CA, PS, PE	3F/6P	80

COMBINED DEGREES	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Information and Communications Technology/B Laws	CA, PS	5F	90
B Information Systems/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90

* Sydney City campus majors may vary.

CRIMINOLOGY, POLICING AND CYBER SECURITY



DHIMAHI

Bachelor of Cyber Security and Behaviour

I love IT, especially the investigating and forensics part. I chose cyber security because of privacy, wanting to make sure that everyone is secure in the online world.

DESIGN, MUSIC AND SCREEN MEDIA



BIANCA

Bachelor of Communication and Bachelor of Creative Industries

What I like most about my course is the professional tools, such as the Adobe Creative Suite, that Western provides you...sets me up to have a great portfolio.



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IN THE WORLD FOR
COMMUNICATION AND
MEDIA STUDIES

QS World University Subject Rankings 2025

DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
Associate Degree in Applied Policing*	Online, Goulburn, Placement	2FT	50
B Criminology	LC, PE	3F/6P	65
B Criminal and Community Justice	LC, PE	3F/6P	65
B Cyber Security and Behaviour	PS	3F/6P	75
B Policing	LC, PE	3F/6P	62

COMBINED DEGREES	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Criminology/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B Criminal and Community Justice/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B Criminal and Community Justice/B Social Work	LC	5F/10P	80

* Additional application criteria assessed by NSW Police Force are required for mandatory Professional Suitability Assessment (PSA). This includes medical, fitness, background and psychological assessments. PSA eligibility must be maintained for the duration of the program.

DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Design	PS	3F/6P	NC
B Music†	PE	3F/6P	NA
B Performing Arts (Acting)†	PE	3F	NA
B Screen Media (Arts and Production)	PS	3F/6P	70

NA = Not applicable; not based on the ATAR.

NC = New course.

† B Music and B Performing Arts (Acting) have additional selection criteria.



WESTERN CENTRE FOR CYBER SECURITY AID AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (CACE)

Western CACE is a secure facility where students are trained to assist small businesses with cyber incident response. Students can train for one year alongside their studies, making them eligible to undertake important cyber security certifications.



MEDIA STUDIO AND POST-PRODUCTION FACILITIES

Explore your potential in our \$2 million, purpose-built media studio, industry-standard photomedia studio and post-production facilities.

ENGINEERING



SURESH

Master of Engineering
Civil Engineering

The course offers a variety of experience in Civil Engineering, and I really value the research opportunities, which will be helpful if I decide to pursue a PhD.



TOP 150
IN THE WORLD FOR
CIVIL ENGINEERING

Academic Ranking of World Universities 2025

HEALTH AND SPORT SCIENCES



ANNIKA

Bachelor of Sports Health and Exercise Science

I love my course because it has all the facilities that I need. It helps me to understand further for my course next year.

DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Engineering (Honours)	PC, PE, SC	4F/8P	68
B Engineering (Honours) (Advanced Manufacturing)	PC, PE	4F/8P	68
B Engineering (Honours) (Civil Engineering)	PC, PE	4F/8P	68
	SC	4F	68
B Engineering (Honours) (Construction Engineering)	PC, PE	4F/8P	68
B Engineering (Honours) (Electrical Engineering)	PC, PE	4F/8P	68
	SC	4F	68
B Engineering (Honours) (Materials Engineering)	PC, PE	4F/8P	68
B Engineering (Honours) (Mechanical Engineering)	PC, PE	4F/8P	68
	SC	4F	68
B Engineering (Honours) (Robotics and Mechatronics Engineering)	PC, PE	4F/8P	68
B Engineering (Honours) (Sustainable Engineering)	PC, PE	4F/8P	68
B Engineering Science	PC, PE	3F/6P	60
Major in: Advanced Manufacturing, Civil, Construction, Electrical, Materials, Mechanical, Robotics and Mechatronics, Sustainability			
B Engineering Science	SC	3F	60
Major in: Civil, Electrical, Mechanical			

COMBINED DEGREES	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Engineering (Honours)/B Business	BC, CA, PC, PE	5.5F/11P	68

Note: Successful applicants receiving credit for prior learning may be required to travel to different Western Sydney University campuses to complete the elements of their Engineering program.



SOLAR CAR PROJECT

Western's Solar Car project is a student-led team pushing the boundaries of innovation and precision engineering within a socially responsible and sustainable environment.

westernsydney.edu.au/solarcar

DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Health Science	CA	3F/6P	60
Major in: Health Promotion, Health Services Management, Recreational Therapy, Public Health, Clinical Sciences [*]			
B Health Science	SC	3F	60
Major in: Health Promotion, Health Services Management, Recreational Therapy, Public Health [*]			
B Health Science (Sport and Exercise Science)	CA	3F	70
B Health, Physical Education and Sport	PE	3F/6P	NC
B Occupational Therapy [†]	CA	4F	90
B Paramedicine [†]	CA	3F	90
B Physiotherapy [†]	CA	4F	90
B Podiatric Medicine	CA	4F	70
B Speech Pathology [†]	CA	4F	90
B Traditional Chinese Medicine	CA	4F	65

COMBINED AND ONLINE DEGREES	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Health Science (Health Promotion, Recreational Therapy, Public Health)	Online	3F/D	60

[†] = Not available for True Reward.

NC = New course.

Note: ^{*} Double majors are available in the B Health Science degree (e.g. B Health Science (Health Promotion/Public Health)). Check the University Handbook for combinations. [#] Degree may be fast-tracked in 2 years. Fast tracking of the degree is only available at Sydney City campus.

LAW



REBECCA

Juris Doctor

I love the real-world hands-on experience we get, especially with the moot courtroom. It's exciting to actually stand up and practise as if we're in a courtroom.



TOP 300

IN THE WORLD
FOR LAW

THE World Subject Rankings 2025

DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Laws (Non-Graduate Entry)	CA, PS	4F/8P	90

COMBINED DEGREES	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Accounting/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B Arts (Psychology)/B Laws	CA, PS	5.5F/11P	90
B Arts/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B Business/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B Communication/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B Construction Management Studies/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B Criminal and Community Justice/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B Criminology/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B Information and Communications Technology/B Laws	CA, PS	5F	90
B Information Systems/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B International Studies/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B Science/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90
B Social Science/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90

MEDICINE

Western offers a fully accredited five-year undergraduate medical program based in Western Sydney with placements throughout NSW.

Selection is based on performance in the UCAT ANZ, an interview and academic capability.

For more details, visit westernsydney.edu.au/mdapplicants

For information on program structure and subjects, visit westernsydney.edu.au/future/study/courses/undergraduate/doctor-of-medicine

DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
Bachelor of Clinical Science (Medicine)/Doctor of Medicine (MD) [†]	CA	5F	See below

ADMISSION CRITERIA			
Greater Western Sydney Applicants	CA	5F	93.5
Rural/Remote Applicants	CA	5F	91.5
Other Applicants	CA	5F	95.5

UCAT ANZ - Undergraduate Clinical Admissions Test

Unless you are of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent, all domestic applicants must sit the UCAT ANZ.

[†] = Not available for True Reward



TOP 300

IN THE WORLD FOR CLINICAL MEDICINE
Academic Ranking of World Universities
(ARWU) 2025

NURSING AND MIDWIFERY



GEORGIA

Bachelor of Nursing

I really like how this course teaches me not only how health systems work but also how to identify and address gaps in those systems, preparing me to make meaningful change in the future.



TOP 100
IN THE WORLD
FOR NURSING

QS World University Subject Rankings 2025

DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Nursing	PS, LC, CA, HW	3F	60
B Nursing (Enrolled Nurse Pathway)*	CA, HW, PS, LC	2F	NA
B Midwifery†	PS	3F	80
M Nursing Practice (Preregistration)†	HW, PS	2F	NA

NA = Not applicable; not based on the ATAR; or the program is not offered to current Year 12 applicants; or no offers will be made to Year 12 applicants in these rounds. † = Not available for True Reward.

Notes: Duration takes into account credit for prior learning.
An online Bachelor of Nursing is available via WSUOnline.



CLINICAL PRACTICE UNITS

Western's modern Simulated Learning Centres are equipped with high-quality technology to support students learning across a diverse range of simulation scenarios.

PSYCHOLOGY



ELINA

Bachelor of Psychology (Honours)

Continuous support and guidance, with a program that not only gives you the tools to help others, but aids you in understanding yourself.



TOP 150
IN THE WORLD
FOR PSYCHOLOGY

Academic Ranking of World Universities 2025

DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Psychology (Honours)*	BC, PS, PE	4F/8P	70
B Psychological and Social Sciences	BC, PS, PE	3F/6P	60

COMBINED DEGREES	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Arts (Psychology)/B Laws	CA, PS	5.5F/11P	90

* B Psychological Science 3rd year exit point from the B Psychology (Honours) for students not eligible for Honours.



PSYCHOLOGY CLINIC

We are committed to providing high-quality care to our community through the Western Sydney University Psychology Clinic and the Child Development Clinic. The collective qualifications and experience of the clinical team means that provisionally registered psychologists are provided with exceptional levels of support, supervision and training by our team of fully accredited and experienced clinical psychology supervisors.

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SCIENCE



DOMENIC

Graduate
Bachelor of Science (Forensic Science)
Field experience at Western really sets students up for the workforce. I graduated with case files of work we'd done with simulated crime scenes, which could only be done at Western.



SEVENTH
IN AUSTRALIA FOR ECOLOGY
Academic Ranking of World Universities 2025

SOCIAL WORK AND SOCIAL SCIENCES



RILEY

Bachelor of Social Work
Indigenous Entry Program
I started helping other students at my high school and then I found I worked with them really well and it was something I wanted to do.



TOP 300
IN THE WORLD FOR
SOCIAL SCIENCES

THE World Subject Rankings 2025

DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Advanced Medical Science Major in: Anatomy and Physiology, Biomedical Science, Human Nutrition	CA, PS	3F/6P	90
B Medical Science Major in: Anatomy and Physiology, Biomedical Science, Human Nutrition	CA, PS	3F/6P	65
B Medical Science (Human Nutrition)(Food Science and Innovation)	CA, PS	3F/6P	65
B Advanced Science Major in: Agricultural Science, Animal Science, Applied Physics, Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Health, Forensic Science, Food Science and Innovation, Sustainable Environmental Futures, Zoology	CA, HW, PS	3F/6P	90
B Science Major in: Agricultural Science, Animal Science, Applied Physics, Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Health, Forensic Science, Food Science and Innovation, Sustainable Environmental Futures, Zoology	CA, HW, PS	3F/6P	65
B Science (Agricultural Science)	HW	3F/6P	65
B Science (Animal Science)(Zoology)	HW	3F/6P	65
B Science (Environmental Health)	HW	3F/6P	65
B Science (Forensic Science)	HW	3F/6P	65
B Science (Food Science and Innovation)	HW	3F/6P	65
B Science (Sustainable Environmental Futures)	HW	3F/6P	65
B Science (Pathway to Teaching Primary/Secondary)*	CA, HW, PS	4.5-5F/EqP	65

COMBINED DEGREES	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Science/B Arts	PS	4F/8P	65
B Science/B Business	CA, HW, PS	4F	65
B Science/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90

* To obtain teaching accreditation, a Master of Teaching must be completed following the Bachelor degree. Check the University Handbook for durations.

DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Social Science Major in: Anthropology, Child and Community, Criminology and Criminal Justice, Disability Studies, Geography and Urban Studies, Heritage and Tourism, Peace and Development Studies, Sociology	LC, PS, PE SC*	3F/6P 3F	60 60
B Youth Work	LC, PS, PE	3F/6P	80
B Social Work	LC, PS	4F/8P	80
B Humanitarian and Development Studies	PS, PE	3F/6P	62
B Psychological and Social Sciences	BC, PS, PE	3F/6P	60

COMBINED DEGREES	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Arts/B Social Science	BC, PS, PE	4F/8P	60
B Criminal and Community Justice/B Social Work	LC	5F/10P	80
B International Studies/B Social Science	BC, PS	4F/8P	60
B Social Science/B Laws	CA, PS	5F/10P	90

Note: For more Social Science degrees look under Policing, Psychology and Tourism, Events and Urban Planning areas of study. Check the University Handbook for further information. *Sydney City students can only currently undertake the Criminology and Criminal Justice major.

TEACHING AND EDUCATION



KORTANA
Master of Teaching (Primary)
Becoming a teacher was a lifelong dream, and Western offered the right pathway to make that a reality after my undergraduate studies.



DEGREE	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Education (Early Childhood)*	CA	4F/8P	68
B Education (Primary)*	BC	4F/8P	68
B Education (Secondary)*	BC, PS, PE	4f/8P	68

DEGREE FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLES	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Education (Primary) – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education†	BC	4F	68

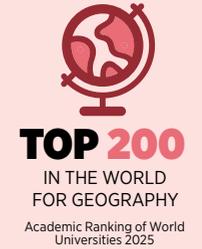
DEGREES – PATHWAY TO TEACHING*	CAMPUS	DURATION	LSR
B Arts (Pathway to Teaching Early Childhood/Primary)/ M Teaching (Early Childhood and Primary)	BC, PS, PE	4.5–5F/EqP	60
B Arts (Pathway to Teaching Primary)/ M Teaching (Primary)	BC, PS, PE	4–4.5F/EqP	60
B Arts (Pathway to Teaching Secondary)/ M Teaching (Secondary)	BC, PS, PE	4–4.5F/EqP	60
B Business (Pathway to Teaching Secondary)/ M Teaching (Secondary)	BC, PS, PE	4.5–5F/EqP	60
B Science (Pathway to Teaching Primary/Secondary)/ M Teaching (Primary) or M Teaching (Secondary)	CA, HW, PS	4.5–5F/EqP	65

† = Not available for True Reward. Note: * To obtain teaching accreditation, a Master of Teaching must be completed following the Pathway to Teaching Bachelor degree. Check the University Handbook for further information.

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B Social Science Major in: Geography and Urban Studies, Heritage and Tourism	PS, PE	3F/6P	60
B Planning (Pathway to M Urban Management and Planning)	PS, PE	3F/6P	65



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Pictured: Bronte Balenzuela, Katie Page Scholarship for High Achieving Women – Bachelor of Architecture





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ARTS

DIPLOMA	INTAKE	LOCATION	DURATION	LSR
Diploma in Arts	Mar/Jul	Bankstown City	12 months	O/A

Successfully complete this diploma and progress into the second year of:

Bachelor of Arts (see page 11)

Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Primary) (see page 11)

Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Secondary) (see page 11)

Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Early Childhood/Primary) (see page 11)

Bachelor of Arts (Interpreting and Translation) (see page 11)

BUSINESS

DIPLOMA	INTAKE	LOCATION	DURATION	LSR
Diploma in Business	Mar/Jul	Bankstown City Parramatta City Online	12 months	O/A

Successfully complete this diploma and progress into the second year of:

Bachelor of Business (see page 14)

Bachelor of Tourism and Event Management (see page 27)

CONSTRUCTION AND ENGINEERING

DIPLOMA	INTAKE	LOCATION	DURATION	LSR
Diploma in Building Design and Construction	Mar/Jul	Penrith	12 months	O/A

Successfully complete this diploma and progress into the second year of:

Bachelor of Construction Management (Honours) (see page 13)

Bachelor of Construction Technology (see page 13)

DIPLOMA	INTAKE	LOCATION	DURATION	LSR
Diploma in Engineering Studies	Mar/Jul	Penrith	12 months	O/A

Successfully complete this diploma and progress into the second year of:

Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (see page 18)

COMMUNICATION ARTS

DIPLOMA	INTAKE	LOCATION	DURATION	LSR
Diploma in Creative Industries and Communication	Mar/Jul	Penrith	12 months	O/A

Successfully complete this diploma and progress into the second year of:

Bachelor of Communication (see page 12)

EDUCATION

DIPLOMA	INTAKE	LOCATION	DURATION	LSR
Diploma in Education Studies	Mar/Jul	Bankstown City Parramatta City	12 months	O/A

Successfully complete this diploma and progress into the second year of:

Bachelor of Education (Primary) (see page 26)

Bachelor of Education (Primary) – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education (see page 26)

Bachelor of Education (Secondary) (see page 26)

O/A = Open Access.

HEALTH SCIENCE

DIPLOMA	INTAKE	LOCATION	DURATION	LSR
Diploma in Health Science	Mar/Jul	Campbelltown	12 months	O/A

Successfully complete this diploma and progress into the second year of:

Bachelor of Health, Physical Education and Sport (see page 19)

Bachelor of Health Science (see page 19)

UNDERGRADUATE PREPARATION PROGRAM	INTAKE	LOCATION	DURATION	LSR
Undergraduate Preparation Program – Nursing/Health Science (2 Semesters) ^{†*}	Mar/Jul	Campbelltown Liverpool City	12 months	O/A

Successfully complete this program and get guaranteed entry into:

Diploma in Health Science (see page 30)

Successfully complete this program, meet the required Grade Point Average (GPA), and progress into the first year of:

Bachelor of Nursing* (see page 22)

Bachelor of Midwifery* (see page 22)

Bachelor of Health Science (see page 19)

* Bachelor of Nursing and Bachelor of Midwifery: Please note that additional English language proficiency requirement set by the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council (ANMAC) must be declared and met before students are eligible to commence study in the Bachelor of Nursing or Bachelor of Midwifery at Western Sydney University.

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

DIPLOMA	INTAKE	LOCATION	DURATION	LSR
Diploma in Information and Communications Technology	Mar/Jul	Penrith	12 months	O/A

Successfully complete this diploma and progress into the second year of:

Bachelor of Information Systems (see page 15)

Bachelor of Information and Communications Technology (see page 15)

SCIENCE

DIPLOMA	INTAKE	LOCATION	DURATION	LSR
Diploma in Science	Mar/Jul	Campbelltown	12 months	O/A

Successfully complete this diploma and progress into the second year of:

Bachelor of Medical Science (see page 24)

Bachelor of Science (see page 24)

SOCIAL SCIENCE

DIPLOMA	INTAKE	LOCATION	DURATION	LSR
Diploma in Social Sciences	Mar/Jul	Bankstown City Penrith	12 months	O/A

Successfully complete this diploma and progress into the second year of:

Bachelor of Criminal and Community Justice (see page 17)

Bachelor of Humanitarian and Development Studies (see page 25)

Bachelor of Policing (see page 17)

Bachelor of Social Science (see page 25)

Bachelor of Tourism and Event Management (see page 27)

Duration is indicative of diploma study only. **Key:** LSR = Lowest Selection Rank. O/A = Open Access. † = Not available for True Reward. ^ = The Undergraduate Preparation Program prepares you to start and succeed in the first year of a diploma or Bachelor course.

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