



THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA

Bachelor of Arts

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School of Arts & Sciences

Are you looking to cultivate your creative and critical thinking skills through study? A Bachelor of Arts degree from The University of Notre Dame Australia will provide you with the transferrable skills required in a global workspace. Our range of subject areas includes traditional humanities disciplines such as History, English Literature, Politics & International Relations to more industry-focused disciplines of Archaeology, Journalism, Theatre Studies, and Environmental Management. Our flexible structure means you can design your degree around a single Major, a Double Major or a Major and Minor. Alternatively, you can combine your arts degree with another degree from within the School of Arts & Sciences or from another School to complete a double degree. Contact us today to start your study journey.

Why study this degree?

If you are looking for a degree that offers flexibility and choice, the Bachelor of Arts is the perfect degree for you. A Bachelor of Arts at Notre Dame will give you the freedom to choose, thus enhancing your personal development, future employment prospects and potential to contribute to the cultural and intellectual life of the broader community.

No matter what you specialise in, completing a Bachelor of Arts allows you to work almost anywhere in the world. You might decide to travel during your degree, with both long and short-term opportunities available through our Study Abroad or Experience the World programs.

You can develop all these skills while following your personal and professional interests across a broad range of Majors and Minors in various discipline areas.

The Bachelor of Arts has a unique Major in Social Justice. The courses in this Major are open to students studying any discipline. The concept of social justice challenges you to step out of traditional mindsets and become involved in making a difference in your chosen career and our world. You will begin to understand the causes of the complex problems in our society and consider lasting solutions.

Service-learning, part of our Social Justice discipline and open to all students in the Bachelor of Arts, combines community service with academic instruction as it focuses on critical, reflective thinking and civic responsibility. Placements are in the local community, but there is also the opportunity to take up an international placement and travel to locations such as Cambodia.

Program summary

To complete a Bachelor of Arts you will study 24 courses. These include the core curriculum and a compulsory academic writing course, your eight-course Major, and elective courses with which you might study a second Major or six-course Minor:

- 3 core courses in Philosophy, Ethics and Theology
- 1 course in academic writing
- 8 courses for your Major
- 12 elective courses from the School of Arts and Sciences, which can be used to form a second Major (8 courses) or Minor (6 courses)

core-curriculum

Core Curriculum

- CORE I: Foundations of Wisdom
 - CORE II: Elective
 - Electives in philosophy and\or theology
 - Professional embedded electives that integrate studies in a profession with philosophy and\or theology
 - An option to undertake a pilgrimage embedded in the study of the philosophy and theology of pilgrimage, e.g., World Youth Day
 - An option to undertake a course that integrates philosophy & theology with community service and charity work
 - An option to undertake an elective in philosophy, theology, and the liberal arts contained within an international experience
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Full details of the program requirements are contained in the Program Requirements (https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0023/384/of-Arts.pdf).

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More information regarding courses can be found at the course descriptions pages Fremantle (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle/arts-and-sciences/course-descriptions>) Sydney (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/sydney/arts-and-sciences/course-descriptions>).

Please note: The availability of these courses is indicative only and may be subject to change.

Majors & minors

Majors (8 courses)

Students must complete at least one of the following Majors. Each Major is comprised of eight courses – some required and some electives.

- Archaeology
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-archaeology>)
- Behavioural Science
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-behavioural-science>)
- English Literature

(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-english-literature>)

- Environmental Management
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-environmental-management>)
- History (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-history>)
- Journalism
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-journalism>)
- Mathematics
(https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0022/2)
- Philosophy
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-second-major-philosophy>)
- Politics and International Relations
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-politics-and-international-relations>)
- Social Justice
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-social-justice>)
- Sociology (Sydney)
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-sociology>)
- Theatre Studies

<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-theatre-studies>)

- Theology

<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-theology>)

Second Majors in the Bachelor of Arts (8 courses)

Students may use elective courses to form any of the following second Majors in the Bachelor of Arts:

- Archaeology

<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-archaeology>)

- Behavioural Science

<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-behavioural-science>)

- Business Studies

<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-second-major-business-studies>)

- Data Analytics

- English Literature

<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-english-literature>)

- Environmental Management

<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-environmental-management>)

- History (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-history>)
- Journalism
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-journalism>)
- Marketing and Public Relations
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-second-major-marketing-and-public-relations>)
- Mathematics
(https://www.notredame.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0022/2)
- Philosophy
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-second-major-philosophy>)
- Politics and International Relations
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-politics-and-international-relations>)
- Social Justice
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-social-justice>)
- Theology
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-theology>)

Minors in the Bachelor of Arts (6 courses)

Students may use elective courses to form any of the following second Minors in the Bachelor of Arts:

- Archaeology
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-archaeology>)
- Behavioural Science
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-behavioural-science>)
- Business Studies
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-second-major-business-studies>)
- English Literature
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-english-literature>)
- Environmental Management
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-environmental-management>)
- History (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-history>)
- Journalism
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-journalism>)
- Marketing and Public Relations
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-second-major-marketing-and-public-relations>)
- Mathematics
(https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0022/2)

- Philosophy
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-second-major-philosophy>)
- Politics and International Relations
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-politics-and-international-relations>)
- Social Justice
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-social-justice>)
- Theology
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/bachelor-of-arts-major-theology>)

Specialisations in the Bachelor of Arts (4 courses)

Students may use elective courses to form any of the following Specialisations in the Bachelor of Arts:

- Photomedia (Specialisation)
(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/programs/arts-and-sciences/undergraduate/photomedia-specialisation>)

Full details of the program requirements are contained in the Program Requirements
(https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0023/384/of-Arts.pdf).

Here you can find full details of the [courses on offer](https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0026/840/on-Offer.pdf) (https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0026/840/on-Offer.pdf).

Please note: The availability of these courses and teaching staff is indicative only and may be subject to change.

Entry requirements

drop-down code

Entry requirements WA

Entry requirements NSW

Learning outcomes

Upon successful completion of the Bachelor of Arts graduates should be able to;

1. Demonstrate broad theoretical and practical knowledge, with depth in the underlying principles and concepts of one or more disciplines or practice areas
2. Identify appropriate sources and evaluate information
3. Demonstrate an awareness of different conceptual approaches and/or research methods
4. Demonstrate the technical skills, professional skills and ethical practice required by one or more disciplines
5. Synthesise knowledge and apply skills in order to solve complex problems
5. Communicate arguments and/or ideas in a range of forms
7. Work independently and, where appropriate, in

collaboration with others

3. Reflect upon personal knowledge, skills and experiences

Practical component

An internship of 80 hours is available but not required.

Internships: Each discipline area offers you the opportunity to take part in our Internship program where you will learn on location in a real work environment and get credit towards your degree. Overseas internships are possible.

Service-learning: Service-learning through our Social Justice area combines community service with academic instruction as it focuses on critical, reflective thinking and civic responsibility. Placements for some courses are in the local community and there is also the opportunity to take the international version of this course and travel to locations such as Cambodia.

Career opportunities

Career opportunities are diverse and depend on the Majors you choose. Options for graduate employment could include an intelligence analyst, community project officer, change manager, research officer, disability services coordinator, family participation officer, client services, coordinator, youth housing officer, employment consultant, assessment and referral officer, or intercountry adoption support coordinator.

Real-world experience

You will learn from our academics, who are leaders in their field. While not a requirement, internship courses and work-integrated learning opportunities are available to

enable you to gain on-the-job experience with professionals in your chosen field.

Honours

An Honours award is available for this program. Further information can be found in the [Bachelor of Arts \(Honours\) regulations](#)

(https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0024/384/of-Arts-Honours.pdf), or by contacting the [School of Arts & Sciences](#) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about-us/faculties-and-schools/school-of-arts-and-sciences>).

Study abroad

A global perspective adds a valuable dimension to your university education. At Notre Dame University you can study while experiencing the world. We encourage students to become active global citizens through a range of exchange programs, professional placements, study tours, and volunteer opportunities. Visit [International Opportunities](#)

(<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/international-students>) to find out more.

Fees and costs

This Program has the following loan scheme(s) available for eligible students:

Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP)

A Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP) is a place at a university where the Australian Government pays part of your fees. This part is a subsidy, not a loan, and you don't have to pay it back. However, this subsidy does not cover the entire cost of your study. Students must pay the rest, which is called the 'student contribution amount'.

In a Commonwealth Supported Place, your fees are subsidised by the Australian Government. Your fees will be split into two portions:

The Commonwealth contribution, which is the portion paid by the Australian Government.

The student contribution, which is the portion you pay. You may choose to pay upfront or defer your student contribution with a HECS-HELP Loan. The HECS-HELP loan scheme (<https://www.studyassist.gov.au/preview-link/node/106/5de65e70-6656-4297-a79d-19fd4a6deadd>) assists eligible students with the payment of all, or part, of their tuition fees, not including additional study costs such as accommodation or textbooks. Your HECS-HELP debt will be indexed each year in line with the Consumer Price Index.

Eligible students will be offered a CSP – you do not need to apply.

International Full-Fee Paying

Tuition costs depend on an international student's study load and discipline. Fees are payable each semester at least four weeks prior to the commencement of your program.

For indicative fees and information on how to pay, including Government loan schemes and our online calculator, visit our [Fees, costs and scholarships page \(https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees-costs-and-scholarships\)](https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees-costs-and-scholarships).

Student profile data

Tables 1 and 2 below give an indication of the likely peer cohort for new students in this Program. It provides data on all students who commenced in this Program in the most relevant recent intake period, including those admitted through all offer rounds and international students studying in Australia.

Fremantle Student Profile Data

TABLE 1a - Bachelor of Arts BASIS OF ADMISSION IN SEMESTER 1, 2022 INTAKE

| Applicant background | Semester 1 2022 | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| | Number of students | Percentage of all students |
| (A) Higher education study (includes a bridging or enabling course) | 17 | 37% |
| (B) Vocational education and training (VET) study | <5 | N/P |
| (C) Work and life experience (Admitted on the basis of previous achievement not in the other three categories) | 5 | 11% |
| (D) Recent secondary education: <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Admitted solely on the basis of ATAR (regardless of whether this includes the consideration of adjustment | <5 | N/P |

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| factors such as equity or subject bonus points) | | |
| ◦ Admitted where both ATAR and additional criteria were considered (e.g. portfolio, audition, interview, extra test, early offer conditional on minimum ATAR) | <5 | N/P |
| ◦ Admitted on the basis of other criteria only and ATAR was <i>not</i> a factor (e.g. special consideration, audition alone, interview, school marks & recommendation with no minimum ATAR requirement) | 13 | 28% |
| International students | <5 | N/P |
| <i>All students</i> | 46 | 100.0% |

TABLE 1b - Bachelor of Arts ATAR PROFILE DATA FOR APPLICANTS ENTERING ON THE BASIS OF RECENT SECONDARY EDUCATION IN SEMESTER 1, 2022 INTAKE

| RECENT SECONDARY EDUCATION - ATAR-based offers | ATAR (Excluding adjustment factors) * | Selection Rank (ATAR plus any adjustment factors) *[only if relevant] |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Highest rank to receive an offer | 96.85 | 96.85 |
| Median rank to receive an offer | 74.20 | 77.20 |
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| Lowest rank to receive an offer | 64.65 | 70.00 |
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Sydney Student Profile Data

TABLE 1a - Bachelor of Arts BASIS OF ADMISSION IN SEMESTER 1, 2022 INTAKE

| Applicant background | Semester 1 2022 | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | Number of students | Percentage of all students |
| (A) Higher education study (includes a bridging or enabling course) | 7 | 13% |
| (B) Vocational education and training (VET) study | 8 | 15% |
| (C) Work and life experience (Admitted on the basis of previous achievement, not in the other three categories) | <5 | NP |
| (D) Recent secondary education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Admitted solely on the basis of ATAR (regardless of whether this includes the consideration of adjustment factors such as equity or subject bonus points) | <5 | N/P |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Admitted where both ATAR and additional criteria were considered (e.g. portfolio, audition, interview, extra | 11 | 21% |

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| test, early offer conditional on minimum ATAR) | | |
| ◦ Admitted on the basis of other criteria only and ATAR was <i>not</i> a factor (e.g. special consideration, audition alone, interview, school marks & recommendation with no minimum ATAR requirement) | 22 | 42% |
| International students | <5 | N/P |
| <i>All students</i> | 52 | 100.0% |

TABLE 1b - Bachelor of Arts ATAR PROFILE DATA FOR APPLICANTS ENTERING ON THE BASIS OF RECENT SECONDARY EDUCATION IN SEMESTER 1, 2022 INTAKE

| RECENT SECONDARY EDUCATION - ATAR-based offers | ATAR (Excluding adjustment factors) * | Selection Rank (ATAR plus any adjustment factors) *[only if relevant] |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Highest rank to receive an offer | 82.85 | 97.85 |
| Median rank to receive an offer | 65.90 | 75.15 |
| Lowest rank to receive an offer | 55.20 | 69.05 |

TABLE 2a - Bachelor of Arts (Honours) BASIS OF ADMISSION IN SEMESTER 1, 2022 INTAKE

| Applicant background | Semester 1 2022 |
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| | Number of students | Percentage of all students |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| (A) Higher education study (includes a bridging or enabling course) | <5 | N/P |
| (D) Recent secondary education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Admitted on the basis of other criteria only and ATAR was <i>not</i> a factor (e.g. special consideration, audition alone, interview, school marks & recommendation with no minimum ATAR requirement) | <5 | N/P |
| All students | N/P | 100.0% |

Notes:

“<5” – the number of students is less than 5

N/A – Students not accepted in this category

N/P – Not published: the number is hidden to prevent the calculation of numbers in cells with less than 5 students

In 2022, due to COVID, additional adjustment factor points were granted to applicants from NSW, ACT and VIC.

More information

Considering your uni options?

Talk to one of our career advisors for a personalised advice session (<https://calendly.com/d/dmr-5gg-c2h>). Our advisors provide support while choosing a program of

study and completing our application process. **Book my session. (<https://calendly.com/d/dmr-5gg-c2h>)**

For more information, please contact our Prospective Students Office.

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Sydney and Melbourne

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All international enquiries should contact the International Students Office on international@nd.edu.au
(<mailto:international@nd.edu.au>).

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(02) 8204 4404 - NSW

Duration: 3 years full-time or equivalent part-time

Duration type: Full time; Part time

Campus: Fremantle; Sydney

Study mode: On campus

Commencement: Semester 1; Semester 2

Program code: 3009

CRICOS code: 015324A

Fee: Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP); International
II Fees

