

Diploma of Community Welfare and Development (DCWD) - DipCWD

QTAC code (Australian and New Zealand applicants): Toowoomba campus: 909211; External: 909215; Ipswich campus: 939211

CRICOS code (International applicants): 065020C

	On-campus	External
Semester intake:	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July) Semester 3 (November)	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July) Semester 3 (November)
Campus:	Ipswich, Toowoomba	-
Fees:	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
Standard duration:	1 year full-time, 2 years part-time	
Program articulation:	To: Bachelor of Human Services	

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Program aims

This program involves the study of eight units of course work at the undergraduate level to provide enhanced understanding of basic issues and principles in the community welfare environment and, through elective studies, the acquisition of associated skills and conceptual frameworks. In vocational terms it would provide a foundation program for people wishing to work in community organisations or community development with marginalised groups in Australian society. Completion of this program does not provide students with a professional qualification in either social work or psychology.

Program objectives

On successful completion of the program students should be able to demonstrate:

- the ability to communicate effectively in welfare and development relationships and respond to the needs of diverse groups
- understanding of fundamental challenges faced by marginalised social groups
- knowledge and understanding of the principles and issues of community welfare and development
- awareness of the legal, ethical and social responsibilities that are integral to work in community organisations

- knowledge of the key principles and indicators of sustainability and an awareness of the economic, social and environmental contexts of current sustainability issues
- ability to initiate critical analyses of their social, economic, cultural, and political context, as these pertain to the community sector in order to make informed decisions
- qualities of collaboration, resourcefulness, sensitivity to diverse needs and a commitment to equity and social justice
- professional skills in planning, implementing and evaluating a range of community development strategies appropriate to the community welfare and development context
- ability to utilise resources available to community organisations effectively
- a critical, reflective and ethical professional approach
- basic communication skills applicable to community workplaces.

Admission requirements

Students will have completed either (a) year 12 or (b) its equivalent, with a satisfactory achievement in English (the overall position or its equivalent will be used as a general basis for selection).

All students are required to satisfy the applicable [English language requirements](#).

If you do not meet the English language requirements you may apply to study a University-approved [English language program](#). On successful completion of the English language program, you may be admitted to an award program.

Program fees

Commonwealth supported place

A Commonwealth supported place is where the Australian Government makes a contribution towards the cost of your higher education and you as a student pay a [student contribution amount](#), which varies depending on the courses undertaken. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#). Commonwealth Supported students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [HECS-HELP](#).

Domestic full fee paying place

Domestic full fee paying places are funded entirely through the full fees paid by the student. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#).

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [FEE-HELP](#) provided they meet the residency and citizenship requirements.

Australian citizens, Permanent Humanitarian

