

Undergraduate Guide 2025

Humanities, Arts,
Social Sciences and
International Studies at ANU



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ASIA & THE PACIFIC

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The Australian National University (ANU) acknowledges, celebrates and pays respect to the Ngambri and Ngunnawal people of the Canberra region and to all First Nations Australians on whose traditional lands we live, meet and work.

Your future starts with understanding our world

Australian National University (ANU) students are ambitious, smart and focused. They're here to make a difference. As social scientists, historians, artists and musicians, we seek to understand the world around us so that we can solve problems to create a better future.

Are you ready to take the leap?

Ask yourself where a degree in humanities, arts, social sciences and international studies can take you, and prepare to take the leap.

Between the ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences (CASS) and the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific (CAP), you'll find coursework programs in wide-ranging academic disciplines. Let this book be your guide.

About ANU

Our global reputation

ANU attracts staff and students of the highest calibre from around the world.

That's why we've been given a maximum five-star rating in the category of Internationalisation by the QS World University Rankings, and have 9 humanities, arts and social sciences disciplines ranked in the top 20 in the world.*

For more than half a century, ANU has been the leading centre for research on Australia's engagement and influence in Asia and the Pacific region and beyond.

When you graduate with a degree from ANU, you're graduating with a globally recognised qualification backed by our remarkable international standing.



Image: ANU College of Asia and the Pacific student Noorazah Mohd Noor at the ANU Three Minute Thesis competition. Photo by Jane Duong.

Global ranking

30th in the world**

Staff to student ratio

#1 in Australia for the best academic staff to student ratios***

International outlook

1st in Australia international university^

Subject rankings

ANU is ranked #1 in Australia for 10 disciplines across humanities, arts and social sciences.*

The best minds

6 Nobel Laureates

Among our staff and alumni, ANU counts six Nobel Laureates and two Australians of the Year.

Above world standard

World-class research

Ninety-six per cent of broad-field research at ANU is rated above or well above world standard.†

*QS World University Rankings by Subject 2024 **QS World University Rankings 2025 ***Good Universities Guide 2023/2024 ^Times Higher Education Rankings 2024 †Australian Government Excellence in Research for Australian Report 2019

Canberra life

The Canberra advantage

From its very inception, Canberra was conceived as a world-class city, with institutions of research, culture, and government at its heart.

Nestled in the 'bush capital', our 145-hectare campus sits among the stunning natural environment that gives Canberra its unique peaceful character. Yet only steps from our campus you'll find Canberra's cosmopolitan city centre, buzzing with cafes, restaurants and shops. In easy reach are national institutions such as Parliament House and the National Gallery of Australia, as well as unparalleled scholarly resources at the National Library of Australia, National Archives of Australia, and Australian War Memorial.

One of the world's most liveable cities

Canberra is a city where power, culture, and international affairs converge. A vibrant city of thinkers, change makers, and innovators. Canberra is not just a place to study, but a destination where you can make your mark.

You'll love the beautiful leafy ANU campus, and our friendly community of students who come from across Australia and the world. With the 2021 opening of the Kambri cultural precinct, ANU offers an educational, physical, creative and social experience in a village setting, on a campus already renowned for award-winning architecture and tranquil green spaces.

Global excellence

ANU leads the nation in all of the disciplines listed below, and is ranked in the top 20 in the world* for:

Archaeology	#8
Politics	#8
Anthropology	#9
Philosophy	#9
Development Studies	#10
Geography	#11
History	#13
Social Policy	#14
Sociology	#19

A capital experience

The nation's policymakers, lawmakers and influencers make their home in Canberra. Do you want to gain real experience in Australia's political system? Engage with diplomats and Canberra's international community? Or how about an internship at the National Museum of Australia? It's all possible at ANU, thanks to our connections with Parliament House, and all 12 national cultural institutions via the Australian National Internships Program (ANIP).

Our talent

ANU boasts leading academic talent, whose contributions not only inform public understanding and debate, they shape it from the forefront. With one of the highest ratios of academic staff to students among Australian universities gaining a five-star rating,** our academics are able to provide the individual attention to better guide and inspire you.

World-class research and teaching

Many of our disciplines rank in the top 20 globally, including archaeology, politics, anthropology, philosophy, development studies, geography, history, social policy and sociology.*

Our reputation for excellence is not only demonstrated in our rankings, but in the talent from around Australia and the world who choose to study and teach at ANU.

Outstanding facilities and resources

Studying at ANU gives you convenient access to the University's extensive resources. Our state-of-the-art music recording studio provides students access to a world-class facility and is co-located in the School of Music with Llewellyn Hall, one of the country's finest concert venues. The ANU School of Art & Design boasts a range of workshops that foster skills from glasswork and pottery to cutting-edge digital and virtual reality techniques. All students have access to our world-class libraries, including the Chifley, Menzies, Hancock, Law, and Art and Music libraries, and the ANU Archives.



Canberra quick facts

#1 highest average income and lowest unemployment in Australia

Why Study in Canberra 2022

25% of people speak a language other than English

Multicultural Canberra 2022

#1 Most inclusive city in Australia

Study Canberra

#4 World's most liveable city

OECD, 2023, Numbeo Quality of Life Index

* QS World University Rankings by Subject 2024

** Good Universities Guide 2023/2024

Your Degree, Your Future

Your career starts here

Studying at ANU will give you the skills and expertise for a range of job opportunities after you graduate, and make you stand out to future employers. Here's why...

You want diverse career options

One of our defining features is that we offer flexible degrees with lots of subject variety – this means you can shape your interests around your career goals. Our graduates are in demand because we encourage learning through practice. Whether it's undertaking an Australian Government or corporate internship or working on an overseas project, employers value our graduates for their academic rigour as well as their real-world experience.

You want to be supported

We know learning in the classroom and beyond can be a costly matter. That's why we help our students make the most of opportunities through grants and scholarships. We have a variety of support options including travel grants so you can take advantage of our overseas study programs, experience cultural immersion, improve your language fluency and come back with memories to last a lifetime.

You want to learn from leaders

As an ANU student you learn from academics who are leaders in their field and have unique links to industry. You will join a community of regional experts on Australia, Asia and the Pacific, and learn from highly specialised academic programs tailored to your interests.

You want a globally recognised degree

Our disciplines rank highly against the top universities globally, and most achieve ratings of above or well above world standard in the Excellence in Research for Australia ratings by the Australian Research Council.

Learn from the world's best



Dr Erica Seccombe

Dr Erica Seccombe is a senior Lecturer at the ANU School of Art & Design. She is an interdisciplinary artist and recognised nationally and internationally for her research into visualising 3D and 4D volumetric data acquired through Micro-CT Xray. Dr Seccombe has won prestigious prizes for her work, notably the 2018 Waterhouse Natural Science Prize. Recently she has been a lead consultant on the Campbelltown Hospital Rebuild Art Strategy, working with First Nation and non-indigenous communities of the Macarthur region to create designs throughout the new 12 level development.



Professor Evelyn Goh

Professor Evelyn Goh has published widely on U.S.-China relations and diplomatic history, regional security order in East Asia, Southeast Asian strategies towards great powers, and environmental security.

Her most recent works include *Rising China's Influence in Developing Asia* (Oxford University Press, 2016), and *Re-thinking Sino-Japanese Alienation: History Problems and Historical Opportunities* (with Barry Buzan, Oxford University Press, 2020).

In addition to her role in the College of Asia and the Pacific, Professor Goh is also Research Director at the ANU Strategic & Defence Studies Centre.



Dr Adam Masters

Dr Adam Masters is a Senior Lecturer in Criminology at the ANU. He worked for the Australian Federal Police (AFP) between 1991-2009 and has contributed to several anti-corruption projects with the UN Office of Drugs and Crime. While with the AFP, he spent nearly ten years with the Australian National Central Bureau of Interpol. Dr Masters' passion for teaching has led him to develop courses on public corruption; sport corruption; organised crime; genocide; art crime; and a fieldwork course for criminology students. He has taught some of these courses for a Summer School at Nanjing University and contributed to courses at the International Anti-Corruption Academy in Austria.

Meet our graduates



Charlee-Sue Frail

Bachelor of Arts
(Political Science/Anthropology)

Charlee-Sue is a Ngemba woman and in 2014 was the first person in her family to graduate from university. She describes herself as being deeply committed to social change, with a strong interest in political advocacy, decision-making and policy. During her degree, Charlee-Sue worked at Recognise, the educational campaign for constitutional recognition of First Australians. She is now Indigenous Programs Manager for the Australian Football League, developing strategies to engage with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.



Helen Zhang

Bachelor of Asian Studies (Specialist)/
Bachelor of Laws (Honours)

Winner of the ANU Young Alumni of the Year award in 2017, Helen graduated with a combined degree in Asian Studies and Law. At ANU, Helen participated in a range of extracurricular activities including ANU Radio, Interhall Arts and Sports, and the Australia-China Youth Dialogue as well as the ANU Students' Association and the ANU Law Students' Society.

Helen is a former diplomat with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and now works as the Global Public Policy Manager at Google.



Matthew Jacob

Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and
Economics (Honours)

Matthew went straight from graduating with Honours in Economics to a research position at Stanford University. During his time at ANU he was a member of the ANU Debating Society, worked with Canberra high school students through the Raising Hope Foundation, spent time at a summer school in China, and completed internships at the Grattan Institute and the Reserve Bank of Australia.

He now works as a Fellow in the Department of Economics at Harvard University.

Get out there

Choose your own adventure

With our impressive range of study programs, we encourage you to broaden your horizons and gain unique experiences.



A semester overseas

Did you know you can apply to spend one or two semesters on exchange and have it count towards your degree? ANU has more than 170 partner universities in 35 countries, and is the only Australian member of the International Alliance of Research Universities (IARU), which includes Yale, Beijing, Cambridge and Oxford. While going on global exchange might be a no-brainer, choosing where to go will be more challenging.



Immersive in-country tours

Trade your seat in the classroom for a tea room in Japan, an Anzac battlefield or an encounter with endangered primates in Cambodia. Visit the great archaeological and cultural sites of Europe or choose to live in a rice farming village in Vietnam for an unforgettable language and cultural experience. Immersive in-country study experiences are available at ANU, visiting faraway places such as Cambodia, France, Germany, Indonesia, Iran, Italy, the Middle East, the Philippines, Turkey, Vanuatu and Vietnam.



Hands-on field schools

Across both Colleges there are many opportunities for hands-on, intensive fieldwork focused on integrating formal learning with first-hand experience, developing your practical, teamwork and consultation skills. Field schools are available in a range of disciplines including archaeology, Australian Indigenous studies, anthropology and development studies.



Australian Internships

The Australian National Internships Program (ANIP) is a research-intensive domestic internship that gives you unique access to the leading institutions of Australian policymaking and politics. ANIP is the only university program in Australia to offer Australian Commonwealth Parliamentary Internships.



Powerful encounters

Gain valuable work experience and enrich your degree while experiencing a new environment. Our competitive Washington and Taiwan Public Policy Internships offer six-week placements with the United States Congress or the Taiwanese Government where you will experience different political processes and policymaking first-hand.



Year in Asia

Year in Asia is our premier overseas study program for students studying Asian languages. It offers one whole year in your chosen country, studying like a local and making yourself at home in a new culture. As the name suggests, the Year in Asia program takes one year, added to the length of your degree.

Find your focus

Studying humanities, arts, and social sciences at ANU, you will find coursework programs in wide-ranging disciplines. Wherever you decide to focus, you'll learn the latest research and methodologies in your chosen field. Your new qualification will prepare you for your chosen career, or be the first step in your research journey.



Archaeology, History and Classical Studies

Bachelor of Arts
Bachelor of Asian Studies
Bachelor of Pacific Studies
Bachelor of Languages



Asian and Pacific Studies

Bachelor of Arts
Bachelor of Asia Pacific Affairs*
Bachelor of Asian Studies
Bachelor of Pacific Studies
Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours) – Humanities and Social Sciences



Australian Indigenous Studies

Bachelor of Arts
Bachelor of Languages
Bachelor of Public Policy



Contemporary Society and Culture

Bachelor of Arts
Bachelor of Asia Pacific Affairs*
Bachelor of Asian Studies
Bachelor of Criminology
Bachelor of Pacific Studies
Bachelor of Philosophy, Neuroscience, and Psychology
Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics



Creative Arts

Bachelor of Arts
Bachelor of Design
Bachelor of Music
Bachelor of Visual Arts



International Relations and Security Studies

Bachelor of Arts
Bachelor of Asia Pacific Affairs*
Bachelor of Asian Studies
Bachelor of Criminology
Bachelor of International Relations
Bachelor of International Security Studies
Bachelor of Pacific Studies



Literature, Languages and Linguistics

Bachelor of Arts
Bachelor of Asia Pacific Affairs*
Bachelor of Asian Studies
Bachelor of Languages
Bachelor of Pacific Studies



Politics, Public Policy and Philosophy

Bachelor of Arts
Bachelor of Asia Pacific Affairs*
Bachelor of Asian Studies
Bachelor of Pacific Studies
Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours) – Humanities and Social Sciences
Bachelor of Philosophy, Neuroscience, and Psychology
Bachelor of Political Science
Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics
Bachelor of Public Policy

Visit programsandcourses.anu.edu.au for more details.

*The Bachelor of Asia Pacific Affairs/Bachelor of Global Liberal Arts is a dual degree with Ritsumeikan University in Japan.

Our disciplines

Archaeology, History and Classical Studies

Being better informed about the past plays a vital role in how we understand and shape our society, our present and our future. Analytical reasoning, argument and writing skills can be applied to a range of careers and are skills you gain from Australia's top ranked university for history and archaeology.

Diversity across disciplines

Everything has a past. From a national constitution to modern consumer culture, from the rise and fall of empires to environmental crises, from the evolution of the human species to your family; exploring **history, archaeology and the classics** teaches you to understand the forces that have shaped today and are likely to shape tomorrow.

History finds connections in experience across time and place; it also confronts us with the need to understand the unfamiliar. History at ANU enjoys a very high national and international reputation for the quality of its research and teaching.

ANU is a leading international centre for teaching and research in **Archaeology and Biological Anthropology**, including human evolutionary biology and the archaeology of Asia and the Pacific, with specialists whose interests touch each corner of the globe. You'll go beyond theory, and take your learning to the field and the lab. You'll benefit from our strong industry partnerships, professional internship program, hands-on master classes with visiting fellows, local and international field schools, and our world-class laboratory facilities.

Classics is the study of Ancient Greece and Rome through their history, material culture, languages

and literature. You will study broadly across the field of classical antiquity from the late Bronze Age (c. 1200 BCE) to the early medieval period (500 CE), exploring topics such as myth and religion, politics and government, slavery and imperialism, science and technology, gender and social history, and the reception of Greece and Rome in the modern world. You can learn Ancient Greek and Latin from beginners' level and read works by Homer, Sappho, and Vergil, as well as inscriptions, papyri, and graffiti in the original languages.

You will have the opportunity to undertake hands-on study of ancient objects using the collections of the ANU Classics Museum under the guidance of our expert academic staff. The Centre for Classical Studies regularly hosts a distinguished array of international experts for workshops and seminars, connecting students with leading historians, literary scholars, and archaeologists from across the world.

As a global leader in these disciplines, your studies at ANU will guide you in making reasoned arguments, searching for answers, and understanding diverse perspectives on complex issues from climate change and conflict to politics and economics, equipping you with the skills to make a real contribution to shaping our future.

Choose your degree

You can study history, classics and/or archaeology within any of these Bachelor degrees:

- Bachelor of Arts
 - Art History and Curatorial Studies*
 - Archaeology*
 - Ancient Greek*
 - Classical Studies*
 - History*
 - Latin*
 - Middle Eastern and Central Asian Studies*
- Bachelor of Asian Studies
- Bachelor of Pacific Studies
- Bachelor of Languages
 - Ancient Greek*
 - Latin*

Your future career


While gaining a qualification from Australia's top ranked university, you will cultivate practical methodologies, develop exceptional problem-solving skills, and learn how to think conceptually.

Our history, classics and archaeology graduates have gone on to work in government and public administration, diplomacy, journalism and media, publishing, law and education as

- Curators
- Heritage consultants
- Art historians
- Journalists
- Teachers
- Researchers
- Editors

* can be undertaken as majors or minors.



 History
#1
in Australia
#13 globally

Archaeology
#1
in Australia
#8 globally

*QS World University
Rankings by Subject 2024



"The quality of teaching is unmatched and it's a smaller University offering more access to staff and opportunities. I think I would be lost if I didn't have the history. In every single class in security studies, it came back to having a good grasp of history."

Jarrod Grabham
Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of International Security Studies



"ANU stood out as the best program available in archaeology and biological anthropology. Doing a degree at ANU has meant I have been taught by leading experts in the field and I have studied alongside students that will one day also be leaders within the field. What surprised me most was how approachable lecturers and tutors are. Lecturers at ANU individually cater to student's strengths and weakness and are always available for assistance."

Melandri
Bachelor of Arts (Archaeology & Biological Anthropology)/Bachelor of Science

Asian and Pacific Studies

In today's globalised world, the demand for regional expertise is greater than ever. With our specialised degrees, you will immerse yourself in the politics, history, culture, language, economics, and religion of some of the world's most dynamic regions, and graduate as an expert in your field.

International experience, international career

As an Asian or Pacific Studies student at ANU, you will learn from the largest concentration of Asia-Pacific experts in the English-speaking world. Our degrees will equip you with the professional-level skills and knowledge you need to become both a disciplinary and regional expert, ready for a global career.

Because we train cross-cultural communicators, language learning is an integral part of our Asian and Pacific studies degrees and will give you a competitive edge in almost any career.

You can choose from the highest number of Asian and Pacific language programs on offer in the southern hemisphere, including languages that aren't taught at university level anywhere else in Australia.

At ANU, you don't just learn your language of study — you live it. As international borders reopen, you may choose to broaden your cultural horizons and fast-track your language skills through one of our many overseas study opportunities like exchanges, internships and study tours. Our in-country programs are offered in a number of countries and vary in length from several weeks to an entire year, with many travel grants on offer to help you fund your experience.

There is also the opportunity to undertake a highly competitive domestic research project through the Australian National Internships Program (ANIP).

The ANU Library's Asia-Pacific collection is considered to be the most comprehensive among Australian university libraries, with materials in the fields of history, anthropology, politics and international relations, literature and language, religion and philosophy.

Students can also draw upon the expertise in one of the many centres or institutes on campus that are dedicated to advancing understanding of political, societal and strategic affairs, including the Australian Centre on China in the World and the Centre for Arab and Islamic Studies.

The ANU College of Asia and the Pacific is also home to Australia's only undergraduate dual degree with a Japanese partner. The Bachelor of Asia Pacific Affairs and Bachelor of Global Liberal Arts provides students the unique opportunity to study in Australia and Japan and graduate with two degrees — from ANU and Ritsumeikan University.

This innovative program will give students an opportunity to understand the transnational forces and contemporary challenges facing the Asia-Pacific region, and to deepen their understanding and appreciation of different Asia-Pacific cultures.

Choose your degree

You can study Asian and Pacific studies with the following degrees:

- Bachelor of Arts
 - Middle Eastern and Central Asian Studies*
- Bachelor of Asian Studies
- Bachelor of Pacific Studies
- Bachelor of Asia Pacific Affairs & Bachelor of Global Liberal Arts (dual degree with Ritsumeikan University)
- Bachelor of International Security Studies
- Bachelor of International Relations
- Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours)
 - Humanities and Social Sciences

* Middle Eastern and Central Asian Studies can be undertaken as a major or minor in our Bachelor of Arts degree

Your future career

In today's globalised world success for business, government and international organisations depends heavily on strong relationships with the Asia Pacific. This means that employers across the globe now actively recruit graduates who can demonstrate a deep understanding of the region.

The global skills our students develop mean our graduates are found all over the world in exciting and challenging fields such as:

- Diplomacy/Foreign affairs
- Consulting
- Policymaking
- International development
- Translating
- Journalism and media
- Research and academia
- Publishing
- Politics
- Think tanks, policy institutes and research centres



Anthropology

#1
in Australia
#9 globally

Politics

#1
in Australia
#8 globally

Development studies

#1
in Australia
#10 globally

*QS World University Rankings by Subject 2024



"My interest in the Pacific was sparked partly by my Samoan background, and my experience travelling throughout the Oceanic islands when I was younger. I chose a Flexible Double Degree program that I could make personal, by combining my interest in business with my curiosity about the Pacific."

ANU is the only university in Australia that offers Pacific Studies. I knew I had to come here because the academics are renowned experts in the region."

Hanna Selesele
Bachelor of Pacific Studies/Bachelor of Commerce



"I have found the Bachelor of Asian Studies to be the most accommodating and exciting degree. ANU is one of the only universities in Australia that teaches Hindi so I chose to move to ANU to study Law, alongside Asian studies, so I could learn the language of my ancestors and embrace this part of my identity."

Aditi Razdan
Bachelor of Asian Studies/Bachelor of Laws (Honours)

Our disciplines

Australian Indigenous Studies

Engage in meaningful consultation and make informed decisions in Indigenous policy by gaining a deep understanding of Australian languages, culture, history and society.

Inclusive policymaking for Indigenous communities

Indigenous policy presents unique challenges that demand a specialist skillset to achieve effective solutions. Through your study at ANU, you'll gain instrumental insights into Indigenous and community perspectives. Studying Indigenous languages and linguistics provides another viewpoint to deeply understand the speakers, their societies, cultures and knowledge systems.

Through your studies, you will acquire the ability to undertake social assessments and integrate participatory practices into policymaking processes. You will gain an understanding of the principal ways in which critical social inquiry and methods on Indigenous issues can be applied to contemporary policy and practice.

ANU is home to some of the country's foremost experts in **indigenous languages, culture, policy and history**, including the Centre for Indigenous Policy Research, Australia's leading social science research body focusing on Indigenous economic and social policy from a national perspective (see below).

Choose your degree

You can study Australian Indigenous studies as a major or minor in the **Bachelor of Arts** and other degree programs in the ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences, College of Asia and Pacific, College of Business and Economics, College of Science and Medicine.

You can also undertake one or more individual courses in Australian Indigenous Studies that count towards your degree program, depending on the rules of your degree.

Your future career

In studying Indigenous language, culture, policy and history, you can seek employment in government, Indigenous organisations, NGOs, companies working in Indigenous areas, or as independent consultants. You will learn the skills you need to take on a leadership role in the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of policy for NGOs, government agencies and businesses that engage with Indigenous people.

By studying Indigenous languages, you will learn the essential communication skills to work with Indigenous communities, or pursue further linguistics research.



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Spotlight on the Centre for Indigenous Policy Research



The Centre for Indigenous Policy Research (CIPR) is an important and widely-respected part of the ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences. Its mission is to inform our understanding of the policy decisions of federal, state and territory governments. Academics and researchers within the Centre devote their efforts to addressing significant and topical issues affecting Indigenous communities in Australia and across the world. Through its fieldwork, researchers have forged enduring links with Indigenous communities around Australia, working with Indigenous land councils and regional employment and health services.



"Graduating high school in the rural NSW town of Cootamundra, I knew I wanted to go to ANU and pursue studies that would help me focus on the mental health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Academically, culturally, and personally, the assistance, connections and opportunities provided on campus, especially via the Tjabal Indigenous Higher Education Centre has made my experience at university safe, healthy, and worthwhile."

Makayla-May Brinckley
Bachelor of Arts (Gender and Cultural Studies/Australian Indigenous Studies)

Our disciplines

Contemporary Society and Culture

Humans create meaning in groups. Collectively, we engage with our world through the lens of culture and society. The study of what it means to be human can be fully achieved only by exploring both our past and present, where aspects of our biology, evolution, culture, language, society, and individual behaviour converge.

Understand what makes us human

What motivates people to behave the way they do? The systematic study of social life and culture, both past and present, helps us to better understand the causes and consequences of human behaviour. If themes such as **anthropology, sociology, development studies, gender, demography, criminology, forensic anthropology, health and medicine, regional studies, ethnicity and religion** interest you, then ANU offers a range of pathways for you to explore and analyse socio-cultural differences and similarities in a globalised world.

ANU is a leading international centre for teaching and research with specialists whose interests touch each corner of the globe. Our academics will show you how to observe and interpret a wide range of contemporary social and cultural phenomena and discover how human interaction with organisations, economies, technologies, the built environment, media and religion influence our daily lives.

We will encourage you to go beyond theory, and take your learning to the field and the lab. In addition to opportunities for global travel and fieldwork, our programs will equip you with extensive research skills. You'll learn to think critically about your research and findings, and present them in an accurate and persuasive way.

You'll also benefit from our strong industry partnerships, professional internship program, hands-on master classes with visiting fellows, local and international field schools, and our world-class laboratory facilities.

Choose your degree

You can study contemporary socio-cultural perspectives in the following degrees:

- Bachelor of Arts*
- Bachelor of Asia Pacific Affairs and Bachelor of Global Liberal Arts (dual degree with Ritsumeikan University)
- Bachelor of Asian Studies
- Bachelor of Criminology
- Bachelor of Pacific Studies
- Bachelor of Philosophy, Neuroscience, and Psychology
- Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics

Your future career

Our degree in contemporary society and culture will assist you in finding a career in government, NGOs, and international organisations including banks, aid agencies and cultural institutions. Career opportunities include:

- Consultant
- Community development worker
- Teacher
- Marketing and media professional
- Policy maker
- Social researcher
- Public servant

* Demography, Development Studies and Middle Eastern and Central Asian Studies can be undertaken as majors or minors in our Bachelor of Arts degree.



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Sociology

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"Studying sociology at ANU has allowed me to be flexible in my interests, as well as develop them further through the guidance of the academics and peers I am surrounded by. I am particularly interested in the ways in which humans interact with death in everyday society. During my Honours year research, I have found myself reengaging on a deeper level with sociology and the sociology of death. It has reinvigorated my interest in the field and has allowed me to really consider the type of work and research I would like to produce in future as an academic."

Thy O'Donnell
Bachelor of Arts (Sociology Honours)



"Before I decided to go to ANU, I already knew I was going to do criminology, but I was still unsure which university I should study with. I always wanted to become a detective when I was a child, so naturally I chose the Bachelor of Criminology for my degree. It has equipped me with knowledge of different aspects of crime and its effects on society as a whole. My degree allows me to think critically, communicate effectively and conduct research independently. On top of that, it offers a broad range of electives enabling me to be an all-rounder with highly transferable skills."

Osman Chiu
Bachelor of Criminology

Our disciplines

Creative Arts

Art, design and music provide a reflection of our humanity and assist in shaping our fast-moving world. The cultural contributions made through creative arts are essential for a vigorous and forward-thinking Australian society. Creative arts at ANU is all about nurturing talent, fostering engagement and immersion in making, performing, producing and thinking.

Expand your creativity

The ANU has two schools in which you can dedicate yourself to expanding your creativity and honing your skills as an **artist, musician or designer**, as well as in **art history** and **museum and heritage studies**. We offer practical degrees which give you the opportunity to develop and refine high-level creative and technical skills and knowledge, preparing you to make your mark on the world.

The nation's premier cultural institutions and inspiring local creative scene are on your doorstep. You will have access to our world-class lecturers, sophisticated equipment and studio facilities, as well as exhibition and performance spaces. Our in-residence programs will expose you to experienced artists and performers, and our international exchange network could take you to some of the most prestigious art and musical institutions globally.

The **School of Music** offers a flexible program to study performance, composition and music technology at the same time within any major. The School provides student access to a world class recording studio, two multimedia/mastering suites, two ensemble tracking studios and a music technology lab.

The **School of Art & Design** offers an extensive range of discipline choices, with subject areas ranging from art history, design, and visual art practice including textiles, glass, printmedia and drawing, and painting. It includes a dedicated gallery and project space hosting a diverse annual program of exhibitions and events.

Choose your degree

You can study the creative arts with these degrees:

- Bachelor of Arts
 - Art History and Curatorial Studies
 - Music
- Bachelor of Design[#]
- Bachelor of Music[#]
- Bachelor of Visual Arts[#]

Your future career

During your creative arts degree you can build your professional network at the centre of nation's capital by working with influential artists from public organisations.

Graduating with a degree in visual arts, design, or music will assist you in advancing your career as:

- Artist
- Animation artist
- Photographer
- Festival organiser
- Fashion professionals
- Music producer
- Sound mixer



[#]In addition to submitting a Bachelor degree application, this program has compulsory additional selection criteria. Refer to: anu.edu.au/study/apply/anu-undergraduate-additional-selection-criteria



“Students at the School of Art & Design have a lot of exhibition opportunities. More than 90% of my exhibitions have been through the ANU. For an emerging artist, it is kind of a big deal to start solo exhibiting.

In my new job, I have enough practice in different types of things that I am never too fazed when delegated a task and I just apply what I know. The ANU is very good at making you into an all-rounder.”

Asavari Deonath
Bachelor of Design/Bachelor of Science (Psychology)



“I chose to study at ANU because I have multiple interests in completely polar fields. I struggled to make the choice between science and the arts, so I chose to study both, allowing me to transition from a jazz ensemble to a biology lab in a single day! Initially, I viewed my medical science degree as a career path, however, as I invest more time into my music I can now see an abundance of viable career paths in music and jazz violin, so I am exploring my options with my electives.”

Ally Hocking Howe
Bachelor of Music/Bachelor of Medical Science

International Relations and Security Studies

Do you see yourself shaping Australia's foreign policy decisions? Or working with elite international organisations like the United Nations or our top intelligence agencies? Studying international relations or security studies at ANU can help you make your dream career a reality.

Be prepared to make a global impact

Studying the Bachelor of International Relations or the Bachelor of International Security Studies will provide you with the skills and knowledge that will set you apart as a leader in these fields.

By studying the **Bachelor of International Relations**, you will study a broad historical and intellectual framework which has framed the modern world of states since the 17th century. You will then concentrate on the 20th century before addressing contemporary global issues, the age of global political economy, global culture and communication, climate science and policy, human rights, and post-Cold War political conflict, including the 'War on Terror'. The degree will allow you to explore conceptual and theoretical debates and approaches that can be applied to historical and contemporary issues.

By studying the **Bachelor of International Security Studies**, you will delve deeply into the contemporary security threats facing nations, international organisations and businesses around the world. Studying this degree will develop your analytical skills and knowledge of the security challenges facing our world with particular reference to the Asia-Pacific region. You will gain a clear understanding on areas such as threats of military power, civil war, terrorism, cybercrime, environmental degradation and food security to name a few.

Both degrees offer the opportunity to study a language and go on exchange or undertake an international/national internship.

Choose your degree

You can study international relations and security studies with the following degrees:

- Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of International Relations
- Bachelor of International Security Studies
- Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours) – Humanities and Social Sciences

Your future career

Employers across government, consulting and not-for-profits increasingly seek out ANU graduates who have the confidence to provide measured advice on complex issues. This means many of our graduates can be found all over the world in exciting and challenging fields such as:

- Diplomacy
- Defence
- Consulting
- Policymaking
- International development
- International business
- Journalism and media
- Research and academia
- Publishing
- Politics
- Think tanks, policy institutes and research centres



Politics

#1

in Australia
#8 globally

Social policy

#1

in Australia
#14 globally

*QS World University
Rankings by
Subject 2024



"I am a strong believer of being in the right environment to understand a field. Since I am studying international relations and political science, being in the capital city enables me to observe and experience the political environment firsthand. I enjoy doing international relations at ANU because of the range of courses that it offers and the academics that I get to form connections with... [They] are immensely qualified and their research topics are highly relevant, which makes discussions interesting, highly informative and knowledgeable."

Nadia Setianto
Bachelor of International Relations



"Moving to Canberra and the ANU to undertake International Security Studies is one of the best decisions I've ever made. My double degree option with Law allows me to explore Australia's legal system, and develop my understanding of Australia's security and strategic environment. I have made so many new friends with similar interests to myself while furthering my study of Chinese. I've been taught by Australian security policy experts, participated in war games, asked questions to the Iranian foreign minister and gone on an in-country learning experience."

Tim Hobbs
Bachelor of International Security Studies/Bachelor of Laws (Honours)

Our disciplines

Literature, Languages and Linguistics

In our multilingual, international age, communication makes the world go around. Literature, language and linguistic studies allow us to articulate ideas and viewpoints and so much more. They are a window into the cultural foundations of a society, a reflection of its history, core values and highest aspirations.

Explore the world through words

We live in an information-rich and hyper-connected age, an age in which the job market is changing so rapidly the career you will end up in may not even exist yet! In this environment, the well-honed skills of English, language and linguistics graduates are always in demand: critical thinking, analysis, articulation and argument.

ANU is internationally renowned for literature, languages and linguistics. English at ANU offers you the opportunity to explore an array of literature from Britain, Australia, America and other parts of the world, from the sixteenth century right through to the present. You can explore creative writing as well as theatre, television, film, media, multimedia and study a wide range of genres and diverse texts.

Linguistics at ANU draws upon the expertise of a large, diverse body of scholars. You will explore features common to all languages and speech communities, as well as the extent to which they can differ from each other, and how languages change over time. You will learn about the role languages play in culture, communication, cognition and emotion, including in Australia and surrounding regions.

As a language student at ANU, you can start at a beginner level, or at higher levels if you have past experience. We cater for more languages than any other Australian university, including Indigenous languages. Exciting opportunities exist for you to immerse yourself in your chosen language and culture through study abroad, and to combine your study with a range of other interest areas.

Study a Language at ANU:

Ancient Greek	German	Literary Chinese	Tetum
Arabic	Hindi	Mongolian	Thai
Australian Indigenous — Gamilaraay	Indonesian	Persian	Tibetan
Burmese	Italian	Portuguese	Tok Pisin
Cantonese	Japanese	Sanskrit	Turkish
French	Korean	Spanish	Vietnamese
	Latin	Taiwanese (Southern Min)	



Languages

#3

in Australia

#42 globally

*QS World University Rankings by Subject 2024

Choose your degree

You can study literature, languages and linguistics with these degrees:

- Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of Languages
- Bachelor of Asia Pacific Affairs and Bachelor of Global Liberal Arts (dual degree with Ritsumeikan University)
- Bachelor of Asian Studies
- Bachelor of Pacific Studies

Your future career

Fluency in another language and knowledge of how language and communication works opens doors across business, public and non-profit sectors. Even if you don't pursue work in translating, writing or teaching, you'll develop skills for an increasingly international workforce.

By studying at ANU, you will develop skills essential for success in today's complex, global and rapidly changing environment. The ability to understand and empathise with other perspectives is highly valued across many professions.

Our graduates are highly sought after and have built careers in a diverse range of fields, from diplomacy and translation, international business and trade advisers to government and business as well as language analysis, teaching, journalism, publishing, marketing and advertising.



"When I finished high school, I still didn't feel like I'd mastered German yet, and I wanted to take it to an academic level at university. Exchange is good because it opens your mind to different possibilities and different perspectives that you don't get when you stay at ANU. It helps you develop as a person, and learn more about yourself rather than just learning more about a subject. [It was] like falling in love with Germany, their language and their culture all over again."

Ruohan

Bachelor of Arts (German)/Bachelor of Laws



"Prior to coming to ANU I hadn't even heard of linguistics! It wasn't until I took some obligatory courses as part of my Bachelor of Languages that I found my passion for the discipline. Now I am working in the field of forensic linguistics — analysing evidence for criminal activity and applying scientific methods to language — it is the perfect field for me to be in."

Georgia Johnston

Bachelor of Arts (Honours) Linguistics

Our disciplines

Politics, Public Policy and Philosophy

Gain a new perspective on the forces that influence society and how decisions made today play a critical role in shaping our future.

Future leaders are shaped here

We all know that citizens in some countries have more political freedom than citizens in others. But how do you measure 'freedom'? If climate change is a global issue why doesn't policy reflect that? If tomorrow's technologies will make critical decisions autonomously, how do we develop them to think ethically?

There are many questions confronting society today and only through understanding different moral, economic and political perspectives can you consider all answers: technical, ethical and practical.

Political Science is the study of human relationships that involve power, rule, or authority. It involves the dynamics between those that govern and those that are governed. It examines how the political behaviour of individuals and groups can profoundly affect societies.

Philosophy is the study of the fundamental nature of reality and the human experience. Philosophy forces us to ask questions about ourselves and our changing society, and helps us to develop different ways of thinking about important issues.

Public Policy analyses a range of economic, demographic and social data in order to evaluate public policies and programs, and to participate in policy design, advocacy and communication.

Studying political science and philosophy, creates forward-thinking leaders by engaging you in a range of debates across disciplines. It introduces you to different perspectives on domestic and

global challenges such as security, climate change, migration, artificial intelligence and the environment.

ANU is Australia's leading institution for research in the social sciences, with an international reputation for exceptional teaching. As a student here, you'll have access to leading experts, our extensive libraries and research resources, national institutions and international organisations.

Choose your degree

You can study political science, philosophy and/or public policy in the following degrees:

- Bachelor of Arts
 - Development Studies*
 - Middle Eastern and Central Asian Studies*
- Bachelor of Asia Pacific Affairs and Bachelor of Global Liberal Arts (dual degree with Ritsumeikan University)
- Bachelor of Asian Studies
- Bachelor of Pacific Studies
- Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours) – Humanities and Social Sciences
- Bachelor of Philosophy, Neuroscience, and Psychology
- Bachelor of Political Science
- Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics
- Bachelor of Public Policy

*Development Studies and Middle Eastern and Central Asian Studies can be undertaken as majors or minors in our Bachelor of Arts degree.

Your future career

Through your studies at ANU, you will learn how to get to the heart of any problem. Your research and analytical skills will set you in good stead to provide evidence-based solutions in any future job, whether in the private, public or non-profit sectors.

Qualifications in political science, public policy or philosophy will assist you in advancing your career in the public sector, foreign affairs, education, journalism, consulting, NGOs, banking and international trade.



Philosophy

#1

in Australia

#9 globally

Politics

#1

in Australia

#8 globally

Social policy

#1

in Australia

#14 globally

*QS World University Rankings by Subject 2024



"The first reason I moved is because ANU is the only Australian university to offer a dedicated political science degree. The second is that this same degree enables me to study both quantitative and qualitative research methods at the undergraduate level, which is a rare opportunity at most Australian universities. The third is that ANU offers research-oriented internships at institutes like Australia's Parliament House and foreign embassies which simply aren't available anywhere else. These factors, combined with the lively clubs and societies scene at ANU, convinced me to study at the nation's best university."

Isabella Gockel
Bachelor of Political Science



"It's the breadth and flexibility of the courses on offer that attracted me to ANU. I chose two degrees that enabled me to study a broad range of subjects. I'm currently excited by the idea of going on to contribute to social and economic policy development in Australia. In fact, I've been lucky enough to receive a placement as a Parliamentary Intern with the Australian National Internships Program (ANIP), which should be a great introduction to the policymaking world."

Matthew Bowes
Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics/Bachelor of Arts (Honours)

Our degrees

Degree Name	Duration (years) (full time)	2025 selection rank*	IB	Prerequisites	Description
Bachelor of Arts	3	80	29		The Bachelor of Arts is the most diverse, most flexible, and most popular degree at ANU. Each of its majors, in fields throughout the arts, humanities and social sciences, taught by outstanding scholars to ensure that each student receives the very best education, is engaged with cutting-edge research, and learns to think like a researcher. These majors can be coupled with minors to broaden or deepen your study at ANU.
Bachelor of Asia Pacific Affairs	4	82	30		This dual program provides you with the unique opportunity to deepen your understanding of the Asia-Pacific region from a global perspective— study in Australia and Japan, and graduate with two university degrees from ANU and Ritsumeikan University (RU). Domestic students must start the program in semester one at ANU. International students must apply at RU.
Bachelor of Asian Studies	3	80	29		Australia is increasingly looking to Asia -strategically, economically, politically, and culturally -and all eyes are on the graduates of tomorrow to take us there. You will master an Asian language, acquire in-depth contextual knowledge of the region, and graduate with the kind of Asian literacy that gets you noticed by employers.
Bachelor of Criminology	3	80	29		This degree draws your attention to the social dimensions of crime and teaches you how to assess the effectiveness and implications of crime control measures. You will develop an understanding of a range of issues in contemporary criminology, including definitions and representations of crime, addictive behaviours, victimisation, policing, the criminal justice system, transnational crime and restorative justice.
Bachelor of Design	3	N/A	N/A	Portfolio & Interview	Combining cutting-edge digital practices with internationally renowned art and craft studio disciplines, this degree prepares you to be skilled, inventive and versatile. From coding, to making and manufacturing, you apply hands-on design to digital and physical materials – delving into web design, data visualisation and the latest digital form and fabrication processes.
Bachelor of International Relations	3	85	32		This degree will introduce you to International Relations, initially via the broad historical and intellectual framework which has framed the modern world of states since the 17th century. It will then concentrate on the 20th century, the age of World Wars and the Cold War, before addressing contemporary issues, the age of global political economy, global culture and communication, global environmental concerns and post-Cold war political conflict, including the 'War on Terror'. You can extend your chosen language subject into a major, and have the opportunity to go on exchange or an international/national internship.
Bachelor of International Security Studies	3	85	32		When you study the Bachelor of International Security Studies you will delve deeply into the contemporary security threats facing nations, international organisations and businesses around the world – including the threat of military power, civil war, terrorism, cybercrime, environmental degradation and food security.
Bachelor of Languages	3	80	29		The Bachelor of Languages prepares you to thrive in our increasingly multilingual and international age. Your language education experience is designed to engage you with the linguistic features of your chosen language or languages contextualised in terms of the culture and history of the regions in which it is spoken.
Bachelor of Music	3	80	29	Entry to performance courses by audition. Applicants are advised to contact the School or arrange an audition as soon as possible. The submission of a portfolio is also encouraged for those interested in composition. Visit music.cass.anu.edu.au/students/future/apply/bachelor-music	This degree nurtures outstanding musical artistry through the intersection of performance, composition and technology. It fosters artistry through offering a diversity of musical experiences in an environment that encourages excellence, passion and entrepreneurship. It provides students with a unique 21st Century musical experience, which includes classical, jazz and contemporary performance, multimedia composition and audio engineering and recording. Students can specialise in one or more of five majors: performance; composition for film and video games, composition, music technology; and musicology.

Our degrees

Degree Name	Duration (years) (full time)	2025 selection rank*	IB	Prerequisites	Description
Bachelor of Pacific Studies	3	80	29		Pacific Studies will provide you with a deep understanding of the diversity, history and contemporary issues of Oceania, so you can take a leading role in Pacific policy and development. You will also have the opportunity to engage in internship and immersion programs in Oceania, boosting your language skills and expertise in the region.
Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours) – Humanities and Social Sciences **	4	99	40		The PhB is an innovative, entrepreneurial and research-focused undergraduate degree designed for intellectually curious students who want to explore their interests beyond the classroom. It's the only program of its kind where you will receive privileged access to disciplinary and area specialists across all the humanities and social sciences colleges of the University.
Bachelor of Philosophy, Neuroscience and Psychology	3	97	40	Assumed knowledge-Chemistry	In a first of its kind in Australia, ANU is offering a single degree program—a Bachelor of Philosophy, Neuroscience and Psychology—that provides a unique opportunity for Undergraduate students to explore the complex relationships between mind and brain through a transdisciplinary lens. What is the linkage of imagery to our cognitive processes, and what happens in the brain when we're forming new ideas and connections, and how that compares at a computational level to Chat GPT.
Bachelor of Political Science	3	85	32		This degree will give you the knowledge, theoretical understanding and practical skills that underpin a successful career that engages with politics. You will graduate with a degree that is globally recognised with well-developed skills in research, critical and conceptual thinking and problem-solving.
Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics	3	94	37	Assumed knowledge-Mathematics	The Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy & Economics is an elite degree that equally combines the study of politics, philosophy and economics, and the manner in which they are increasingly being integrated to enhance our understanding and evaluation of individual and group behaviour.
Bachelor of Public Policy	3	85	31		Designed to develop the skills and knowledge you need to gather and analyse a range of economic, demographic and social data, to evaluate public policies and programs, and to participate in policy design, advocacy and communication, this degree will equip you with a comprehensive understanding of Australian public policies and related international policies.
Bachelor of Visual Arts	3	N/A	N/A	Portfolio & Interview	Studying Visual Arts at ANU offers you the opportunity to learn and refine high-level technical and creative skills and knowledge for working with the forms, materials and technologies of a chosen studio discipline. Discipline options include ceramics, glass, hybrid art practice, painting, photomedia, printmedia and drawing, sculpture and spatial practice, and textiles.

* Selection Rank: The ranking that tertiary admission centres and most universities actually use to assess admission to a program. A person's program Selection Rank can include their ATAR, any equity adjustments they are eligible for other contributions calculated on the basis of work experience or previous non-secondary study, portfolio assessments, results of the Special Tertiary Admissions Test, other supplementary tests, etc. 2024 Selection Rank required for consideration to enter in next intake: where a threshold minimum Selection Rank must be achieved to be considered for admission to a course or institution.

**There are compulsory additional selection criteria, check anu.edu.au/study/apply/anu-undergraduate-additional-selection-criteria

Note: Admission requirements may vary from year to year. Admission requirements for entry in 2025 may be subject to change.

See programsandcourses.anu.edu.au for any changes in entrance requirements. Information correct as of April 2024.

Maths and English courses will help equip you with the skills you need to excel during your time at ANU. Starting in 2024, participation in secondary Maths and English will be mandatory for all applicants.

Applicants will satisfy this requirement upon the successful completion of:

- > At least one English unit in at least one semester during Year 11 or Year 12; and,
- > At least one Maths unit in at least one semester during Year 11 or Year 12.

Plan your degree

Explore our degrees and start imagining where your adventure with humanities, arts and social sciences at ANU might take you. We offer a suite of programs, including the Bachelor of Arts and our world-renowned Flexible Double Degrees, that can provide you with a unique and distinctive qualification to give you an edge when you graduate.

Single Degree

You know where your interests lie and you know the career path you want to take.

A single specialised qualification is your fast track to joining the ranks of Australia's most employable graduates.

Your single degree (for the Bachelor of Arts) might be structured as follows, with majors, one minor, and some electives.

Year	Semester	Courses			
1	1	Major	Minor	Degree Elective	Elective
	2	Major	Minor	Degree Elective	Elective
2	1	Major	Minor	Degree Elective	Elective
	2	Major	Minor	Degree Elective	Elective
3	1	Major	Major	Elective	Elective
	2	Major	Major	Elective	Elective

You can tailor your studies to suit your interests or career goals through your major, minors and specialisations.

What's a major?

A major is an area within a program that allows in-depth study in a particular field. A major usually consists of a set number of related courses. Majors at ANU require 48 units of study. Typically, each course is worth six units.

What's a minor?

As the name suggests, a minor has fewer requirements to fulfil than a major, in terms of points and compulsory courses. Minors at ANU require 24 units of study – so typically four courses.

And a specialisation?

Similar to a minor, a specialisation is an area of study with its own courses that are allowed to be taken in conjunction with a specific related major.

For more information on majors, minors and specialisations go to programsandcourses.anu.edu.au

Flexible Double Degrees

Study two undergraduate degrees at the same time and graduate with two qualifications. Combine two degrees to pursue diverse interests – for example: Bachelor of Asian Studies/Bachelor of Laws (Honours), or Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Languages. These programs will take you less time than studying two undergraduate degrees separately. Having two areas of expertise means you will graduate with a distinct competitive advantage.

Explore flexible degrees



Double degree combinations

Arts, Social Sciences, Business or Science

Four years full-time

Combine any two of the following degrees.

Bachelor of	2025 Selection Rank
Accounting ²	80
Actuarial Studies ⁴	92
Applied Data Analytics	90
Arts	80
Asian Studies	80
Biotechnology ^{4,5}	80
Business Administration	80
Commerce ^{2,3}	80
Criminology	80
Design	A+C
Economics	80
Environment and Sustainability	80
Finance ³	80
Genetics ^{4,5}	85
Computing ⁴	80
International Relations	85
International Security Studies	85
Languages	80
Mathematical Sciences ⁴	95
Medical Science ^{4,5}	85
Music ¹	80
Philosophy, Neuroscience, and Psychology	97
Pacific Studies	80
Political Science	85
Politics, Philosophy and Economics	94
Public Policy	85
Science	80
Science (Psychology)	80
Statistics ⁴	80
Visual Arts	A+C

Law

Five years full-time

Choose to study the Bachelor of Laws (Hons) and combine it with a degree in a related field.

Bachelor of	2025 Selection Rank
Laws (Hons)	97
with one of the following degrees	
Accounting	80
Actuarial Studies ⁴	92
Applied Data Analytics	90
Arts	80
Asian Studies	80
Biotechnology ⁴	80
Business Administration	80
Commerce	80
Criminology	80
Design	A+C
Economics	80
Environment and Sustainability	80
Finance	80
Genetics ⁴	85
Computing ⁴	80
International Relations	85
International Security Studies	85
Languages	80
Mathematical Sciences ⁴	95
Medical Science ⁴	85
Music ¹	80
Pacific Studies	80
Philosophy, Neuroscience, and Psychology	97
Political Science	85
Politics, Philosophy and Economics	94
Public Policy	85
Science	80
Science (Psychology)	80
Statistics ⁴	80
Visual Arts	A+C

Engineering or Advanced Computing

Five years full-time

Choose one of the following degrees and combine it with another one Engineering and Advanced Computing degree.

Bachelor of	2025 Selection Rank
Advanced Computing (Hons) ⁴	85
Advanced Computing (R&D) (Hons) ^{4,9,8}	98
Engineering (Hons) ⁴	85
Engineering (R&D) (Hons) ^{4,6}	98
Software Engineering (Hons) ⁴	85
with one of the following degrees	
Accounting ⁶	80
Actuarial Studies ⁴	92
Applied Data Analytics	90
Arts	80
Asian Studies	80
Biotechnology ⁴	80
Business Administration	80
Commerce	80
Criminology ⁶	80
Design ⁶	A+C
Economics	80
Environment and Sustainability	80
Finance ³	80
Genetics ⁴	85
Computing ⁵	80
International Relations ⁶	85
International Security Studies	85
Languages	80
Mathematical Sciences ⁴	95
Medical Science ^{4,6}	85
Music ¹	80
Pacific Studies	80
Philosophy, Neuroscience, and Psychology	97
Politics, Philosophy and Economics ⁶	94
Political Science ⁶	85
Public Policy ⁶	85
Science	80
Science (Psychology)	80
Statistics ⁴	80
Visual Arts ⁶	A+C

A+C: Minimum selection rank + conditions apply including interview/portfolio. See soad.cass.anu.edu.au/students/apply for more information.

- Entrance to performance courses are by audition. E schoolofmusic@anu.edu.au
- Commerce with an accounting major cannot be combined with Bachelor of Accounting.
- Commerce with a finance major cannot be combined with Bachelor of Finance.
- Program includes another prerequisite in addition to minimum selection rank.
- The degrees of Biotechnology, Genetics and Medical Sciences cannot be combined with one another. The degrees of Advanced Computing and Software Engineering cannot be combined with Information Technology.
- The Bachelor of Engineering (R&D) (Hons) cannot be combined with any of these degrees.

Flexible study options

Our most versatile study options – allowing you to focus on the disciplines you are most passionate about – are the Bachelor of Arts, offered by ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences, and the Bachelor of Asian Studies and Bachelor of Pacific Studies programs offered by ANU College of Asia and the Pacific.

Some of the exciting majors and minors you can study in a Bachelor of Arts include:

ANIP Australian National Internships Program	Japanese Studies Korean Studies Northeast Asian Studies Pacific Studies Southeast Asian Studies	Creative Arts Art History and Curatorial Studies Design Heritage and Museum Studies Music Visual Arts Practice	Literature, Languages and Linguistics Ancient Greek Applied Linguistics Arabic Asian and Pacific Linguistics Asian and Pacific Literature and Film Burmese Language Chinese Language Digital Humanities English Forensic Linguistics French Language and Culture German Language and Culture Hindi Language Indonesian Language Italian Language and Culture Japanese Language Japanese Linguistics Korean Language Latin Linguistics Literary Chinese Mongolian Language Portugese Language Persian	Russian Sanskrit Language Spanish Tetum Language Thai Language Tibetan Language Tok Pisin Language Vietnamese Language
Archaeology, History and Classical Studies Ancient Greek Archaeology Asian and Pacific Archaeology Asian History Biological Anthropology Classical Studies History Human Evolutionary Biology Latin	Australian Indigenous Studies Australian Indigenous Studies	Economics, Law and Government Economic Studies	Politics, Public Policy and Philosophy Australian Politics Philosophy Philosophy and Science Political Science Social Research Methods	
Asian and Pacific Studies Asia-Pacific International Relations Asia-Pacific Politics Asian and Pacific Culture, Media and Gender Asian History Asian Studies Chinese Studies Indian and South Asian Studies Indonesian Studies	Contemporary Society and Culture Anthropology Asian and Pacific Anthropology Asian and Pacific Culture, Media and Gender Criminology Demography Development Studies Environmental Studies Forensic Anthropology Gender, Sexuality and Culture Health, Medicine and the Body Middle Eastern and Central Asian Studies Sociology Sustainable Development	International Relations and Security Studies Climate Science and Policy Environmental Policy Global Security Human Rights International Relations Middle East Politics and Security Peace and Conflict Studies	Sciences and Computing Environmental Studies Geography Human Ecology Mathematics Psychology Social Psychology	

Double Degree

Examples of a Flexible Double Degree

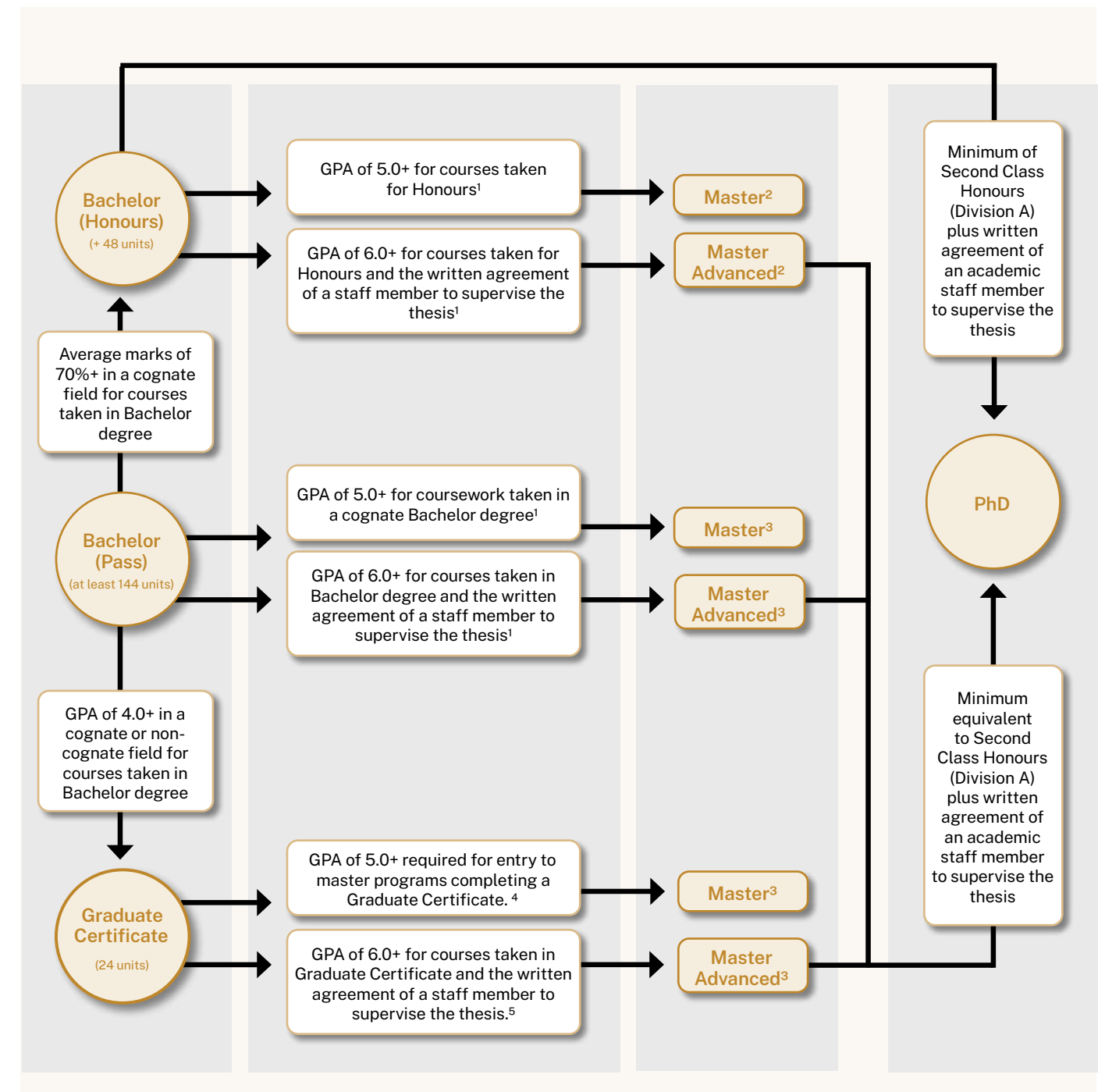
Bachelor of Arts / Bachelor of Asian Studies (four-year degree)

Year	Semester	Courses
1	1	Arts/ Asian Studies Major Arts Minor Commerce Major Commerce Minor
	2	Arts/ Asian Studies Major Arts Minor Commerce Major Commerce Minor
2	1	Arts/ Asian Studies Major Arts Minor Commerce Major Commerce Minor
	2	Arts/ Asian Studies Major Arts Minor Commerce Major Commerce Minor
3	1	Arts/ Asian Studies Major Elective Commerce Major Elective
	2	Arts/ Asian Studies Major Elective Commerce Major Elective
4	1	Arts/ Asian Studies Major Elective Commerce Major Elective
	2	Arts/ Asian Studies Major Elective Commerce Major Elective

Disclaimer: Correct at time of publication February 2024. Please check the latest advice at programsandcourses.anu.edu.au.

Your degree pathway

Not sure where to begin and where your study might take you? This table shows you how you can build on your Bachelor degree with Honours through to a PhD.



- Please note that Master degrees may have additional entry requirements.
- Students with an Honours degree may receive up to 48 units specified or unspecified credit towards their Master program, if approved by the Program Convenor.
- Students may receive up to 24 units of credit for a cognate Bachelor program or Graduate Certificate.
- Admission to some PG programs can require a grade point average (GPA) as low as 4.0 for students who hold a cognate graduate certificate. Seek advice from ANU Admissions to see if this applies to you.
- GPA of 5.0+ may be accepted if Graduate Certificate is in a cognate discipline.

Tuition, fees & financial assistance

Australian domestic undergraduate students are eligible for a **Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP)**. This means that your tuition fees are subsidised by the Australian Government.

Tuition fees

University tuition fees in Australia are standardised for Australian domestic students, regardless of which university you attend.

For the most up-to-date information about university tuition fees in Australia for domestic students, go to studyassist.gov.au



Fee help and financial assistance

Financial help is available to eligible students from the Australian Government through various schemes.

HECS-HELP is a loan program to help eligible students to pay their student contribution. For details head to studyassist.gov.au

Youth Allowance is financial help available to eligible full-time students aged between 16 and 24 years of age. For details go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/services/centrelink/youth-allowance

ABSTUDY is available to eligible Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. For details go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/services/centrelink/abstudy

SA-HELP is available to enable eligible students at ANU and other Australian universities to defer paying the Student Services and Amenities Fee (SA fee). For details go to studyassist.gov.au/help-loans/sa-help

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For up-to-date information about the Student Amenities Fee, go to anu.edu.au/students/program-administration/fees-payments/services-amenities-fee

Adjustment factors

Applicants applying for admission to ANU bachelor degrees may be eligible to receive adjustment factors.

You may be eligible to receive adjustment factors which could boost your ANU selection rank.

ANU allocates National Access Scheme adjustment factors for high achievement in strategic senior secondary subjects and in recognition of difficult circumstances faced during high school.

We may consider you for adjustment factors if you have:

- applied directly to ANU or through UAC for an eligible ANU bachelor program
- undertaken the Australian Year 12 certificate or International Baccalaureate diploma
- achieved an ATAR or equivalent of 70 or above
- not previously attempted tertiary study.

Elite athlete adjustments

ANU is an elite athlete-friendly university. We will provide additional support if you are recognised as an elite athlete by the Australian Sports Commission's AIS Personal Excellence program. You may be eligible for five elite athlete adjustments.

> anu.edu.au/students/accessibility/anu-student-elite-athlete-program

NATIONAL ACCESS SCHEME



For more information, visit the National Access Scheme page on the ANU website.

[Learn more](#)

The co-curricular service requirement for domestic students

The skills you have gained outside the classroom during Years 10-12 will help you succeed at university. That is why when you apply to ANU, you will need to meet our co-curricular or service requirement along with the academic requirements for your degree program.

Skill to succeed

In your application, you will need to tell us about your involvement in activities outside the classroom. These can include such activities as volunteering, part-time work, caring for a family member or playing sport.

Meeting the co-curricular or service requirement

Refer to the matrix on the ANU webpage for examples of the type of activities that we recognise as meeting our co-curricular or service requirements.

Each activity is mapped against seven skills:

- Creative and critical thinking
- Community engagement
- Inclusion and awareness of diversity
- Communication
- Leadership
- Personal responsibility
- Teamwork

You have met the co-curricular or service requirement when you can demonstrate that you've attained at least two of seven skills.*

How the requirement works

- The co-curricular or service requirement is a threshold which is either met or not met. We won't use it to rank you against other applicants.
- The requirement does not modify your ATAR or ANU selection rank. You must meet it in addition to other admission requirements that apply to your preferred program.
- The requirements can be met through activities that were completed in Years 10, 11 or 12; and must be met at the time of application.
- You will need to provide supporting documentation with your application to confirm your participation in activities.

For more information, go to anu.edu.au/study/apply/domestic-applications-anu-undergraduate/applying-to-anu-application-details/co.

* If you are a domestic Australian school leaver in 2024 and wanting to apply for an undergraduate degree starting in 2025.

Support services

Our student services will help you get the most out of your time at ANU. They are here to build your academic skills, connect you with a mentor and help out with the day-to-day things, like enrolling in your courses, accessing disability support and, when you're ready, planning your future career.

Volunteering and skill development program

ANU+ is a program that formally recognises your volunteering experience and contribution. It encourages you to give back to the community, develop employability skills and reflect on your volunteering experiences to gain a deeper understanding of yourself and the world around you.

- anuplus@anu.edu.au
- anu.edu.au/anuplus
- [facebook.com/anuplus1](https://www.facebook.com/anuplus1)

Develop your academic skills

Develop your academic skills and strategies to meet your study goals with the ANU Academic Skills team.

We provide advice and workshops on a range of subjects, including academic and research writing, study-related issues and referencing to help you thrive during your degree.

- academicskills@anu.edu.au
- anu.edu.au/students/academicskills
- [facebook.com/ANUAcademicSkills](https://www.facebook.com/ANUAcademicSkills)



First-year program

If you're from a rural or remote location, low-income or refugee background or the first in your family to attend university, the First-Year Experience program is for you. You can also take part if you're simply looking to build a community and strong support network at ANU early to help you thrive in your studies.

This free strengths-based transition and development program will help you build your connection to the University, your teachers and fellow students through events, activities, support services and much more.

- firstyear@anu.edu.au
- anu.edu.au/students/student-life/student-communities/first-year-experience-program



Your students association

You will study hard but university is also a great time to make new friends and have fun. Run by students, the ANU Students' Association (ANUSA) offers 200-plus clubs and societies that explore interests as wide ranging as sport, culture, and environmental activism, along with a range of study disciplines.

As an ANU undergraduate student you'll automatically become a member of ANUSA. That means as well as getting to join in the fun stuff, you'll be able to access free legal advice and advocacy services and supportive welfare programs — or choose to run for office at the next ANUSA election!

- anu.edu.au/anu-employability-hub
- anusa.com.au

Career planning and support

ANU Careers and Employability provides a range of services that can help you apply for a casual job, internship or plan your career. Come and see them for application advice, interview preparation or simply to gain some tips to help you successfully transition from study to the world of work.

- careers@anu.edu.au
- careers.anu.edu.au
- [facebook.com/ANUCareers](https://www.facebook.com/ANUCareers)

Access and inclusion services

If you're caring for or are a student living with disability or a medical condition, the ANU Accessibility and Inclusion team will help you to participate fully in a program of study by providing advice, adjustment recommendations and support. The team can also help if you're an elite athlete who needs to fit sporting commitments around your studies.

- access.inclusion@anu.edu.au
- anu.edu.au/students/contacts/accessibility

Health and medical services

The ANU Medical Centre operates a state-of-the-art health and wellness clinic on levels 2 and 3 of the Health and Wellbeing Centre (Building 156) in Kambri. You can access ANU Medical Centre services for free.

- anu.edu.au/students/contacts/medical-services

Student Safety and Wellbeing Unit

The Student Safety and Wellbeing team is here to provide free and confidential support to students experiencing a range of issues that can impact on their university experience and academic engagement, including issues of accommodation, sexual harassment, mental health, conflict management, discrimination, and financial concerns.

You will be treated with dignity and respect and will receive a transparent and confidential service that will empower you to make choices and connect with others.

- student.wellbeing@anu.edu.au
- www.anu.edu.au/students/contacts/student-safety-and-wellbeing

Spiritual support

When you need spiritual support, our team of multifaith chaplains will be available to help. They represent the Anglican, Catholic and Baptist churches and the Muslim, Hindu, Jewish, and Baha'i faiths as well as the humanist tradition.

- chaplaincy@anu.edu.au
- anu.edu.au/students/contacts/chaplaincy

Counselling services

ANU Counselling is a free, confidential and non-diagnostic service that can help support you and enhance your mental health and wellbeing throughout your studies. As well as one-on-one counselling sessions, as an ANU student you will have access to free group programs, seminars and a crisis support line.

- counselling.centre@anu.edu.au
- counselling.anu.edu.au

Your safety on campus

Your safety is our priority! ANUOK makes accessing ANU security services quick and easy. These services include security escorts and more.

Download the [ANU OK](#) application using PlayStore (for Android users) or AppStore (for iPhone users).

24/7 ANU wellbeing and support line

As an ANU student, you can call this line if you need relief from emotional distress, help managing immediate threats to your life or safety or to learn about pathways for longer-term support.

- Phone 1300 050 327
- Text 0488 884 170

How to apply for domestic students

APPLY DIRECT TO ANU

You can apply to study at ANU early by submitting a direct application. What's more, applying directly is free and covers admission, scholarships and accommodation in one application.

1. Check you're eligible to submit a direct application

- You can complete a direct application if you are a domestic Australian school leaver in 2024, wanting to apply for an undergraduate program that starts in 2025.
- Australian school leavers mean those who will complete an Australian Year 12 or International Baccalaureate Diploma (November session).
- You can also apply for campus accommodation and all available scholarships in the same application.

2. Consider which programs are best for you

- Choose from over 50 bachelor degrees at ANU, or combine degrees to study a Flexible Double Degree program. For a full list of CASS and CAP degrees see pages 28-31.
- Some degrees require you to have studied specific subjects in Year 12. Before you apply, make sure you're eligible for your chosen degree by checking the prerequisites on pages 28-31.

3. Check you meet the co-curricular or service requirement

- All domestic school leavers are required to meet the requirement.
- You can find out more about the requirement on page 37.

4. Apply direct to ANU

- Great work! You're now ready to apply.
- Remember applications open on **1 March 2024** and close on **13 May 2024**.

APPLY THROUGH UAC

If you do not meet the criteria to submit a direct application to ANU between March and May, don't worry, you can apply to ANU via The Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) later in the year.

You can submit a UAC application if you are:

- not a school-leaver, e.g., you have taken a gap year
- seeking admission as a mature-age student
- wanting to transfer to ANU from another institution.

DIRECT APPLICATION DATES*

- > **1 March 2024**
Direct applications to ANU open
- > **13 May 2024**
Direct applications to ANU close
- > **5 September 2024**
Early offers released
- > **2 October 2024**
Early offer acceptance deadline
- > **30 January 2025**
Final offer acceptance deadline
- > **10 February 2025**
ANU Orientation Week
- > **17 February 2025**
Classes commence

*All dates are subject to change.

UAC APPLICATION DATES

- > Visit uac.edu.au

How to apply for international students

ANU welcomes over 3,500 international students each year. If you would like to be one of them in 2025, apply early for the best chance of success.

As an international student, you can apply directly to ANU, or use one of our international agents located around the world.

- ANU admits students twice a year, in Semester 1 and Semester 2.
- Semester 1 2025 applications close on 31 Dec 2024.
- You can apply for up to three programs, check our programs and courses catalogue to list the programs in order of preference. If successful, you will receive an offer to your highest eligible preference. To give you the best chance to receive an offer, we suggest not to list all three preferences with same entry requirements.
- To be considered for an offer, you must meet the prerequisite and cognate requirements for

your preferred program, as well as the English language requirements. Learn more about the ANU assessment process - study.anu.edu.au/apply/international-applications/assessment.

- To find out if additional requirements apply, search our programs and courses catalogue - programsandcourses.anu.edu.au.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT APPLICATION DATES

- > **26 February - 31 December 2024**
Semester 1
- > **June 2024 - May 2025**
Semester 2

Visit how to apply page for more information:



APPLICATION TIMELINES

I am applying for a non-standard degree or honours program

- Some programs at ANU have specific application processes that have additional requirements.
- Find out more: study.anu.edu.au/apply/international-applications/anu-programs-additional-selection-criteria-international

I am completing my Year 12 in Australia, NCEA or IB:

- If you are completing an Australian Year 12, a New Zealand National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) Level 3, or an International Baccalaureate (IB), you need to apply through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC).





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