

Arts & Sciences

ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN SOCIAL SCIENCE (RESIDENTIAL CARE)

DIPLOMA IN SOCIAL SCIENCE (RESIDENTIAL CARE)

(Diploma is an early exit award from the Associate Degree in Social Science)

CERTIFICATE IN RESIDENTIAL CARE (See reverse for details)

Campus

Brisbane (McAuley at Banyo)

Course Length

Associate Degree: Typically, 2 years part-time with RPL.

Diploma: Typically 1 year part-time with RPL.

Mode

External (Distance Education)

These courses are designed for people working as residential carers in boarding schools and hostels. These courses provide a core for ongoing professional development, helping students to understand the nature and lifestyle of adolescents and young adults, together with responsibilities and duty of care to young people in their charge.

Course Progression

Normally, part-time progression is 2 units per semester (4 units per year). Increase or decrease in progression is allowed depending on personal circumstances.

Students may receive credit for units based on previous study and/or prior learning (RPL)

Application

Direct Entry Application:
Contact Course Coordinator.

Prerequisites: Applicants must be 18 years or over and have access to a workplace corresponding to the specialisation to be studied.

Cost: Commonwealth Supported Places (CSP) available (quota). Fee paying places are offered once the CSP quota is met.

Course Requirements

Associate Degree -
3 Core Units
13 Elective units
4 Practical Units *

Diploma -
3 Core Units
5 Elective Units
2 Practical Units *

* Practical Units are each of 50 hours workplace experience and are not charged a fee.

Associate Degree / Diploma in Social Science (Residential Care)

Certificate in Residential Care

Residential Care Units

Core Units

Human Development
The Nature of Residential Care
Interpersonal Skills

Elective Units

Recreation and Leisure
Workplace Administration
Skills
Maintaining Positive Behaviour
Developmental Issues
Individual and Welfare Needs
Pastoral Care in the
Residence
Health, Fitness and Nutrition
Independent Research Project
The Law and Duty of Care
Residential Care and
Supervision 1
Residential Care and
Supervision 2
Residential Care and
Supervision 3
Community Networks
God, Faith and the Search
For Meaning

Industry Experience

Each practical unit requires 50 hours of work experience in a workplace relevant to the specialisation being studied.

Professional Recognition

These courses are recommended by the Australian Boarding Schools' Association Limited, the National Association of Rural Student Accommodation and the New Zealand Boarding Schools' Association Inc. as well as being supported by numerous individual institutions.

Career Opportunities

Employment opportunities as residential carers exist in boarding schools and hostels. Graduates of these courses who have experience as facilitators/carers are favourably considered for supervisory/managerial positions within the industry.

Specific Course Enquiries

(credit, costs, duration etc)

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For a Direct Entry Application, contact Course Coordinator.

Certificate in Residential

Care, a Professional Development Certificate Issued by School of Arts and Sciences, ACU National, Brisbane, in association with the Australian Boarding Schools' Association.

This is a self-paced workbook course giving credit into the Associate Degree / Diploma in Social Sciences (Residential care) courses.

Enquiries – contact Course Coordinator.