

COURSE DELIVERY PLAN 2025

Bachelor of Social Work

COURSE CODE: ABSW

CAMPUS	Footscray Park (FP)
COLLEGE	College of Sport, Health and Engineering
STUDY MODE	Full Time or Part Time
DURATION	4 years Full Time or Part Time equivalent
FEE TYPE	For information on course fees, refer to http://vu.edu.au/fees
APPLICATION METHOD	VTAC - https://vtac.edu.au Direct Application - https://gotovu.custhelp.com/app/landing
TIMETABLE	vu.edu.au/timetables
COURSE REQUIREMENTS	To attain the Bachelor of Social Work, students will be required to complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 384 credit points of Core studies.
FURTHER INFORMATION	Unit and course information is available from the University course search site at http://vu.edu.au/course-search or go to https://askvu.vu.edu.au or Phone VUHQ on 03 9919 6100
COURSE CHAIR	Bernadette Saunders
COURSE ADVICE	AskVU https://askvu.vu.edu.au/app/askcua

Note: Students are required to enrol in all units for semester 1 and 2, and are not permitted to enrol in more than 48 credit points per semester as a full-time load.

Core/Elective Core (a unit that must be completed) & Elective (you have some choice in what you select).

Prerequisites A number of units within the degree have 'prerequisites'. These prerequisites must be met before enrolment in the unit is permitted. Generally these prerequisites require the successful completion of a unit or units taken at an earlier stage in the course. Students should pay particular attention to these prerequisite requirements as failure to meet these can seriously hinder progression through the course.

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Please note: Primary pattern of study blocks are in bold. This is the recommended sequence.

YEAR 1

UNIT CODE	UNIT TITLE	UNIT TYPE	SEM	CREDIT POINTS	CAMPUS	PRE-REQUISITES
ASW1001	Introduction to Social Work	Core	1B1	12	FN, FP	
HHB1104	Introduction to Public Health and Wellness	Core	1B2 , 1B3, 1B4	12	CC, FP	
AEK1105	Aboriginal Traditions and Policy	Core	1B3 , 1B4	12	FP, OSP, SA	
ASX1003	Foundations of Social Science Research	Core	1B4 , 2B1, 2B3	12	FP	
HHH1000	Interpersonal Skills and Communication	Core	2B1 , 2B2	12	FP	
ABA1003	Introduction to Sociology	Core	2B2 , 1B2	12	FP	
ASA1024	Applied Human Rights	Core	2B3 , 2B4	12	FP, ORT, W	
ASW1000	Working in Human Services Organisations	Core	2B4 , 2B3, 2B1	12	FP	

YEAR 2

UNIT CODE	UNIT TITLE	UNIT TYPE	SEM	CREDIT POINTS	CAMPUS	PRE-REQUISITES
ASW2202	Social Work Theories	Core	SB, 1B1	12	FP	
ASW2103	Human Development in Social Context	Core	1B1, 1B2	12	FP	
ASW3097	Social Work and Trauma Informed Care	Core	1B2, 1B3	12	FP	
ASW3101	Skills for Social Work Direct Practice	Core	1B3, 2B1	12	FP	
ASW2104	Critical Social Work Theories	Core	WB, 1B4	12	FP	
ASW2102	Social Welfare: History and Current Context	Core	2B1, 2B2	12	FP, ORT	
ASW2090	Groupwork Theory and Practice	Core	2B2, 2B4	12	FP	
ASW3103	Social Work Practice: Legal Context	Core	2B3	12	FP, ORT	

YEAR 3

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AEK3203	Working Ethically in Aboriginal Community	Core	SB, 2B1	12	FP	AEK1105; or AEK1204; and AEK2203; or AEK2205
ASW2013	Introduction to Social Policy	Core	1B1, 2B3	12	FP	
APS2030	Qualitative Social Research Methods 1	Core	1B2, 2B4	12	FP, ORT	APP1013
ASW3300	Working With Individuals and Families	Core	1B3, 2B2	12	FP	
ASW3002	Professional Practice	Core	1B4, SB	48	FP	

Further information regarding placement units:

Consistent with Australian Association of Social Workers (AASW) requirements for social work field education programs, students complete two industry-based placements (1,000 hours total) in different human service agency settings during the course.

Your student placements are organised and allocated by the social work Field Education Coordinators and overseen by the Academic Leader.

Placements are generally located in and around Melbourne but there may be opportunities for exciting rural or interstate placements.

[Social Work Field Education webpage](#)

Contact: sw.placements@vu.edu.au

ASW3002 Professional Practice

This unit consists of a minimum of 500 hours supervised field education. Students are required to attend 10 hours (2 x 5 hour per day) pre-placement intensives. These pre-placement intensives are in-person and scheduled for the first week of the block in which placement occurs. Students are also required to attend 12 hours (3 x 4 hour) compulsory theory-practice integration seminars. These seminars are delivered online-real time and are scheduled across the 14 week placement period.

YEAR 4

UNIT CODE	UNIT TITLE	UNIT TYPE	SEM	CREDIT POINTS	CAMPUS	PRE-REQUISITES
ASW4002	Advanced Professional Practice	Core	SB, 1B4	48	FP	
ASW4003	Social Work Advocacy: Scope, Research and Design	Core	2B1, SB	12	FP	
ASW3104	Health and Mental Health: Practice and Policy	Core	2B2, 1B3	12	FP, ORT	
ASW3096	Understanding and Responding to Family Violence	Core	2B3, 1B2	12	FP	
ASW4004	Social Work Advocacy: Social Change in Action	Core	2B4, 1B4	12	FP	ASW4003

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ASW4002 Advanced Professional Practice

This unit consists of a minimum of 500 hours of supervised field education. Students are required to attend 5 hour pre-placement intensive. This pre-placement intensive is in-person and scheduled for the first week of the block in which placement occurs. Students are also required to attend 12 hours (3 x 4 hour) compulsory theory-practice integration seminars. These seminars are delivered online-real time and are scheduled across the 14 week placement period.

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