Overview

The following information applies to students commencing from 2017.

The overall goal of this stream is to offer a graduate degree in development practice with an international focus. By the end of the stream you can expect to have substantial knowledge and a range of skills related to the planning, delivery and management of programs relevant to international and local social and community development, aid work (policy and practice) and human rights. You will develop analytic and critical skills to enable you to engage effectively in this field. You can combine core courses with electives covering areas of Development Management; Political Economy and International Relations; Human Rights and Politics; Refugees and Forced Migration; Global Health; and the Environment. Additional research training and practice opportunities are available.
Faculty
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

School
School of Social Sciences

Study Level
Postgraduate

Minimum Units of Credit
48

Specialisation Type
Specialisation
Learning Outcomes

1. Show significant knowledge and skills in research methodologies specific to the discipline of Development Studies and through the application of these show an in-depth understanding of a core area of development theory and practice.

2. Provide evidence of advanced critical thinking and problem solving skills relevant to development.

3. Demonstrate advanced knowledge relevant to international development and possess an ability to apply this knowledge in a diverse range of contexts and environments.

4. Communicate complex ideas to a diverse range of audiences, undertake both independent and collaborative enquiry, apply the principles, practices and skills learnt and be reflective, adaptive and ethical learners and professional practitioners.

5. Demonstrate an understanding of both local and global issues in the field of development studies.

Graduate Capabilities:

For more information on Graduate Capabilities, please click on this link.
Specialisation Structure

Students must complete 48 UOC.

Admission Block Credit

If you are in program 8942 Development Studies you will have been issued 48 UOC Admission Block Credit. You must complete a further 48 UOC.

Disciplinary Core Courses

You must take 12 UOC of the following courses.

- **COMD5001** 6 UOC  
  International Development Policy

- **SOCW7851** 6 UOC  
  Community Development

Research Core Course

You must take 6 UOC of the following courses.

- **SRAP5101** 6 UOC  
  Research Methods and Project Design

Disciplinary Prescribed Electives

You must take 12 UOC of the following courses.

- **COMD5000** 6 UOC  
  NGOs, Civil Society and Development

- **COMD5002** 6 UOC  
  Development, Human Rights and Global Health

- **SOCW7857** 6 UOC  
  Refugees and Forced Migration
Elective Courses

You must take at least 6 UOC, up to a maximum of 12 UOC of the following courses.

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SRAP5021  |  6 UOC  
Policy, Advocacy and Activism in the Digital Age

SRAP5106  |  6 UOC  
Academic Writing in the Social Sciences

**Research Prescribed Electives**

You must take at least 6 UOC, up to a maximum of 12 UOC of the following courses.

Note: SRAP5107 Research Project is completed over two terms (2 x 6 UOC) to the value of 12 UOC

SRAP5103  |  6 UOC  
Research Report

SRAP5107  |  6 UOC  
Research Project

**Enrolment Disclaimer**

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