

Associate Degree of Justice Studies (247JA.1)

Please note these are the 2015 details for this course

Domestic students

Selection rank	60
	Note: The selection rank is the minimum ATAR plus adjustment factors required for admission to the program in the previous year. This is an indicative guide only as ranks change each year depending on demand.
Delivery mode	
Location	
Duration	2.0 years
Faculty	Faculty of Business, Government & Law
Discipline	Canberra Law School
UAC code	
English language requirements	An IELTS Academic score of 6.0 overall, with no band score below 6.0 (or equivalent). View IELTS equivalences

International students

Academic entry requirements	To study at UC, you'll need to meet our academic entry requirements and any admission requirements specific to your course. Please read your course admission requirements below. To find out whether you meet UC's academic entry requirements, visit our academic entry requirements page .
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CRICOS code 076969C

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About this course

Activate your career in the justice sector and make a difference

An Associate Degree in Justice Studies is your first step towards making a positive change in the world. Our degree is designed to prepare you for work in a variety of challenging roles and provides professional development for those currently working in the justice sector. Once you graduate you will be equipped to work confidently in collaborative justice environments and in the development and implementation of policy.

Study an Associate Degree in Justice Studies at UC and you will:

- acquire broad theoretical and technical knowledge of the justice sector
- learn key foundation skills in interpersonal communication and teamwork
- develop skills for roles such as court and tribunal administration, law enforcement and community and institutional corrections
- undertake multidisciplinary study and research in the areas of law, management, criminology and other social sciences
- understand the social, legal, economic and political environment affecting the justice sector
- analyse and evaluate information relevant to the sector
- foster teamwork skills to solve problems and work collaboratively in a justice environment.

Career opportunities

- Court/tribunal registrar or manager
- Case manager
- Counsellor
- Community corrections
- Institutional corrections management
- Law enforcement and security management
- Legal policy research and management
- Youth and community worker

Course specific information

If you do not meet the entry requirements for the Associate Degree in Justice Studies you can apply for the Diploma of Justice Studies through UC College (link: <http://www.canberra.edu.au/uc-college>) and transfer to the Associate Degree on graduation. By the same token, students enrolled in the Associate Degree may choose to continue their studies with a Bachelor of Justice Studies with credit points from their Associate Degree study.

Professional accreditation

None.

Admission requirements

Normal UC requirements for admission to an undergraduate course.

Additional admission requirements

None.

Assumed knowledge

None.

Periods course is open for new admissions

This course is not open for new admissions.

Credit arrangements

There are currently no formal credit transfer arrangements for entry to this course. Any previous study or work experience will only be considered as part of the application process in accordance with current [course rules and university policy](#).

Course requirements

Associate Degree of Justice Studies (247JA) | 48 credit points

Required - 24 credit points as follows

Major in Justice Studies (MJ0147) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 21 credit points as follows

Legal Methods and Skills (6601) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Legal Systems (6602) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Therapeutic Jurisprudence (7917) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Justice Administration and the Constitution (8078) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Justice Policy and Community Engagement (8359) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Civil Justice (8896) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Criminal Process (9015) | 3 credit points — Level 1

Restricted Choice - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Alternative Dispute Resolution in Law (9422) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Restricted Choice - Must pass 12 credit points from the following

- Students may choose any units from the list, and may choose units that form a related stream of study.

Criminology - May select from

Cybercrime (7026) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Young People and Crime (8507) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Criminology (9177) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Access to Justice - May select from

Employment Discrimination and the Law (7027) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Human Rights Law (7033) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Mental Health and the Law (8055) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Indigenous Australians and the Law (8245) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Women and the Law (8523) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Civil Justice - May select from

Competition and Consumer Law (6593) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Family Law (7031) | 3 credit points — Level 3

Environmental and Planning Law (7907) | 3 credit points — Level 2

Unspecified/Ungrouped - May select from

[Legal Research Project \(7045\)](#) | 3 credit points – Level 3

[Forensic Evidence and the Law \(8064\)](#) | 3 credit points – Level 3

[Justice Studies Internship \(8544\)](#) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Open Electives - 12 credit points as follows

- Unit Levels: In selecting electives students should note that no more than 30 credit points at Level 1 is permitted for the entire course.

Note:

- Must pass 12 credit points from anywhere in the University, as a Minor or as individual units.

In addition to course requirements, in order to successfully complete your course you must meet the inherent requirements. Please refer to the [inherent requirements statement](#) applicable to your course

Typical study pattern

UC - Canberra, Bruce

Standard Full time, Semester 1 Commencing

Year 1

Semester 1

[Legal Methods and Skills \(6601\)](#)

[Legal Systems \(6602\)](#)

Restricted Choice Unit

Open Elective Unit

Semester 2

[Civil Justice \(8896\)](#)

[Criminal Process \(9015\)](#)

Open Elective Unit

Restricted Choice Unit

Year 2

Semester 1

[Justice Policy and Community Engagement \(8359\)](#)

Open Elective Unit

MJ0147 Restricted Choice Unit

Restricted Choice Unit

Semester 2

[Justice Administration and the Constitution \(8078\)](#)

[Therapeutic Jurisprudence \(7917\)](#)

Restricted Choice Unit

Open Elective Unit

Course information

Course duration

Standard four semesters full-time or equivalent. Maximum ten semesters.

Learning outcomes

Learning outcomes	Related graduate attributes
<p>Knowledge</p> <p>introduce students to the level of knowledge required to act at policy and administrative levels in the Justice sector, comprising court and tribunal administration, law enforcement and community and institutional corrections;</p> <p>The Associate Degree of Justice Studies equips students with broad theoretical and technical knowledge about selected areas of the justice sector.</p>	<p>2. Analysis and inquiry</p> <p>The ability to gather information, and to analyse and evaluate information and situations in a systematic, creative and insightful way</p>
<p>The Associate Degree of Justice Studies develops graduates who have the relevant cognitive, technical and communication skills to undertake junior professional roles in research, operations, policy or advocacy in the justice sector. Graduates are expected to have a broad understand of the social, legal, economic and political environment affecting the justice sector and to be able to analyse and evaluate information to complete a range of activities relevant to the sector.</p>	<p>1. Communication</p> <p>The ability to present knowledge, ideas and opinions effectively and communicate within and across professional and cultural boundaries.</p>
<p>Graduates are expected to be able to apply their knowledge and skills to work both</p>	<p>3. Problem solving</p>

<p>individually and collaboratively to investigate justice sector issues and creatively solve problems that arise in that sector.</p>	<p>The ability to apply problem-solving processes in novel situations to identify and analyse problems then formulate and implement solutions.</p> <p>4. Working independently and with others</p> <p>The ability to plan their own work, be self-directed, and use interpersonal skills and attitudes to work collaboratively.</p> <p>5. Professionalism and social responsibility</p> <p>The capacity and intention to use professional knowledge and skills ethically and responsibly, for the benefit of others and the environment.</p>
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Majors

- [Major in Justice Studies \(MJ0147\)](#)

Awards

Award	Official abbreviation
Associate Degree of Justice Studies	AssocDeg JusticeSt

Honours

None.

Alternative exits

The Diploma of Justice Studies is subsumable into this course. This course is subsumable into the Bachelor of Justice Studies.

Enquiries

Student category	Contact details
Prospective Domestic Students	Email study@canberra.edu.au or Phone 1800 UNI CAN (1800 864 226)
Prospective International Students	Email international@canberra.edu.au or Phone +61 2 6201 5342
Current and Commencing Students	In person Faculty of Business, Government and Law student support area (Building 11, Level B, Room 27 - Reception counter) or Email BGLCourseConveners@canberra.edu.au

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