

Bachelor of Justice Studies (SCB001.1)

Please note these are the 2023 details for this course

Domestic students

Selection rank	65
	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.

English language requirements	An IELTS Academic score of 6.0 overall, with no band score below 6.0 (or equivalent). View IELTS equivalences
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Duration	3.0 years
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UAC code	367035
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Faculty	Faculty of Business, Government & Law
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Discipline	Canberra Law School
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Location	Bruce, Canberra
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Fees 

Per Unit	Per Annum	Full Course
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International students

Academic entry requirements	To study at UC, you'll need to meet our academic entry requirements and any admission requirements
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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](#).

[View UC's academic entry requirements](#)

English language requirements An IELTS Academic score of 6.0 overall, with no band score below 6.0 (or equivalent).

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CRICOS code 095941B

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About this course

Do your career justice in the nation's capital

The Bachelor of Justice Studies will equip you with an in-depth understanding of the structure, concepts and underlying principles of the justice system. Within the unique legal context of the nation's capital – which covers both ACT and federal jurisdictions – you'll explore the practical and theoretical issues that arise in developing, managing and administering justice policy.

Choose to study the specialist electives which interest you, including human rights, judicial administration in civil and family law, or criminal justice issues. You'll gain skills in advocacy, communication, problem solving, negotiation and mediation, and will graduate work-ready for a range of professional roles in the civil and criminal justice sectors, responsible for developing and implementing justice policy and improving access to justice.

Study a Bachelor of Justice Studies at UC and you will:

- learn the fundamentals of the Australian justice system – its core concepts, structure and principles

- understand the social, legal, economic and political environment affecting the justice sector
- broad theoretical and technical knowledge about many areas of the justice sector
- analyse and generate solutions to problems and transmit knowledge and ideas relevant to the sector to others
- apply your knowledge and skills to demonstrate autonomy, well-developed judgement and responsibility
- analyse and evaluate information to complete a range of activities relevant to the justice sector
- work both individually and collaboratively to investigate issues and creatively solve problems that arise within the justice sector
- develop the relevant cognitive, technical and communication skills to undertake professional roles in research, operations, policy or advocacy.

Work Integrated Learning

As part of the course's Work Integrated Learning (WIL) component, you'll undertake an internship placement of 75 hours in an area of your choosing. You'll apply practical skills, including analysis, research, problem solving and writing, in a law or justice workplace. Past student internship examples have included time at community legal centres, courts, the Commonwealth Ombudsman, federal and ACT government departments (including Justice and Community Safety), the Australian Federal Police Association, and community organisations, such as Victim Support ACT and Legal Aid ACT.

You'll also participate in a virtual work experience program where you will study highly practical units, such as dispute management. The program will draw together theoretical, practical and professional skills and knowledge in a capstone project, where you will focus on your real-world area of interest or potential future employment goal.

Career opportunities

- Probation and parole officer
- Police officer
- Policy Officer
- Border protection officer
- Community corrections officer
- Public servant
- Course-specific information

The Bachelor of Justice Studies is not an accredited course, but is taught in conjunction with the Bachelor of Laws degree, which is accredited by the ACT Law Society.

Professional accreditation

None.

Admission requirements

Admission to this course is based on an entrance rank. A rank can be achieved by the following means:

- Year 12 ATAR
- other Australian Qualification
- work experience
- overseas qualification

We also offer a number of entry initiatives that give you the opportunity to gain entry to the University via alternate pathway programs and admissions schemes.

More information is available on our Alternative Entry page: <http://www.canberra.edu.au/future-students/applications/apply-now/alternative-entry>

Assumed knowledge

None.

Periods course is open for new admissions

Year	Location	Teaching period	Teaching start date	Domestic	International
2023	Bruce, Canberra	Semester 1	06 February 2023	✓	✓
2023	Bruce, Canberra	Semester 2	31 July 2023	✓	✓
2024	Bruce, Canberra	Semester 1	05 February 2024	✓	✓
2024	Bruce, Canberra	Semester 2	29 July 2024	✓	✓
2025	Bruce, Canberra	Semester 1	03 February 2025	✓	✓
2025	Bruce, Canberra	Semester 2	28 July 2025	✓	✓
2026	Bruce, Canberra	Semester 1	02 February 2026	✓	✓
2026	Bruce, Canberra	Semester 2	27 July 2026	✓	✓

Credit arrangements

A credit transfer arrangement is available for this course for the following institutions:

Diploma of Government (PSP50122) (30523)

Diploma of Legal Services (BSB52215) (30398)

Diploma of Paralegal Services (30378)

Course requirements

Bachelor of Justice Studies (SCB001) | 72 credit points

Award Options - Must select 1 of the following

[Expand All](#) | [Collapse All](#)

Bachelor - 72 credit points as follows

Open Electives - 24 credit points as follows

- Must pass 24 credit points from anywhere in the University, as a breadth major, a breadth minor and/or as individual units.

Required - 48 credit points as follows

Core Major in Justice Studies (CM0011) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 24 credit points as follows

Foundations of Law and Justice (11251) | 6 credit points – Level 1

Dispute Management (11252) | 3 credit points – Level 1

Law and Justice Internship (11253) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Capstone Law and Justice (11254) | 3 credit points – Level 4

Civil Justice (11255) | 3 credit points – Level 1

Criminal Justice (11256) | 3 credit points – Level 1

Law and Society (11257) | 3 credit points – Level 1

Specialist Major in Justice Studies (SM0029) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 12 credit points as follows

Investigating and Explaining Society (11236) | 3 credit points – Level 1

Advocacy and Communication (11258) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Gender and the Legal System (11259) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Vulnerability and the Law (11260) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Restricted Choice - Must pass 12 credit points from the following

Workplace Law in Context (11195) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Advanced Criminal Justice (11261) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Comparative Law (11262) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Current Issues in Law and Justice (11263) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Environmental and Planning Law (11264) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Family Law (11265) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Human Rights in Context (11266) | 3 credit points – Level 3

International Law (11267) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Law and Justice Internship Extended (6cp) (11268) | 6 credit points – Level 3

Law Reform and Social Change (11269) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Law, Culture and Creativity (11270) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Law, Innovation and Technologies (11271) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Law and Justice Research Project (11272) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Law and Justice Internship Extended (12cp) (11380) | 12 credit points – Level 3

BGL Research Internship (11571) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Note:

- From 2022 unit 11266 Human Rights in Context has been replaced by the equivalent unit 11784 Human Right Law. Students who have passed 11266 cannot enrol in unit 11784.

Diploma - 24 credit points as follows

Required - Must pass 21 credit points as follows

Investigating and Explaining Society (11236) | 3 credit points – Level 1

Foundations of Law and Justice (11251) | 6 credit points – Level 1

Dispute Management (11252) | 3 credit points – Level 1

Civil Justice (11255) | 3 credit points – Level 1

Criminal Justice (11256) | 3 credit points – Level 1

Law and Society (11257) | 3 credit points – Level 1

Open Electives - 3 credit points from the following

- Must pass 3 credit points from anywhere in the University.

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

[Dispute Management \(11252\)](#)

One Open Elective Unit

[Foundations of Law and Justice \(11251\)](#)

Semester 2

[Civil Justice \(11255\)](#)

[Criminal Justice \(11256\)](#)

[Investigating and Explaining Society \(11236\)](#)

[Law and Society \(11257\)](#)

Year 2

Semester 1

[Advocacy and Communication \(11258\)](#)

[Gender and the Legal System \(11259\)](#)

Two Open Elective Units

Semester 2

One Open Elective Unit

[Law and Justice Internship \(11253\)](#)

[Vulnerability and the Law \(11260\)](#)

Specialist Major Restricted Choice Unit

Year 3

Semester 1

Two Specialist Major Restricted Choice Units

Two Open Elective Units

Semester 2

[Capstone Law and Justice \(11254\)](#)

Two Open Elective Units

Specialist Major Restricted Choice Unit

Standard Full Time, Semester 1 Commencing with 24cps Unspecified Credit

Year 1

Semester 1

[Dispute Management \(11252\)](#)

[Foundations of Law and Justice \(11251\)](#)

Semester 2

[Civil Justice \(11255\)](#)

[Criminal Justice \(11256\)](#)

[Investigating and Explaining Society \(11236\)](#)

[Law and Society \(11257\)](#)

Year 2

Semester 1

[Advocacy and Communication \(11258\)](#)

[Gender and the Legal System \(11259\)](#)

Two Specialist Major Restricted Choice Units

Semester 2

[Law and Justice Internship \(11253\)](#)

[Vulnerability and the Law \(11260\)](#)

Specialist Major Restricted Choice Unit

Year 3

Semester 1

Capstone Law and Justice (11254)

Specialist Major Restricted Choice Unit

Standard Full Time, Semester 2 Commencing

Year 1

Semester 2

Foundations of Law and Justice (11251)

One Open Elective Unit

Investigating and Explaining Society (11236)

Year 2

Semester 1

Dispute Management (11252)

Three Open Elective Units

Semester 2

One Open Elective Unit

Civil Justice (11255)

Criminal Justice (11256)

Law and Society (11257)

Year 3

Semester 1

Two Specialist Major Restricted Choice Units

Advocacy and Communication (11258)

Gender and the Legal System (11259)

Semester 2

Specialist Major Restricted Choice Unit

One Open Elective Unit

Law and Justice Internship (11253)

Vulnerability and the Law (11260)

Year 4

Semester 1

Specialist Major Restricted Choice Unit

[Capstone Law and Justice \(11254\)](#)

Two Open Elective Units

Standard Full Time, Semester 2 Commencing with 24cps Unspecified Credit

Year 1

Semester 2

[Foundations of Law and Justice \(11251\)](#)

[Investigating and Explaining Society \(11236\)](#)

[Law and Society \(11257\)](#)

Year 2

Semester 1

[Dispute Management \(11252\)](#)

[Gender and the Legal System \(11259\)](#)

Specialist Major Restricted Choice Unit

[Advocacy and Communication \(11258\)](#)

Semester 2

[Criminal Justice \(11256\)](#)

Specialist Major Restricted Choice Unit

[Civil Justice \(11255\)](#)

[Vulnerability and the Law \(11260\)](#)

Year 3

Semester 1

[Capstone Law and Justice \(11254\)](#)

Two Specialist Major Restricted Choice Units

[Law and Justice Internship \(11253\)](#)

Standard Part Time, Semester 1 Commencing

Year 1

Semester 1

[Foundations of Law and Justice \(11251\)](#)

Semester 2

[Investigating and Explaining Society \(11236\)](#)

[Law and Society \(11257\)](#)

Year 2

Semester 1

[Dispute Management \(11252\)](#)

One Open Elective Unit

Semester 2

[Civil Justice \(11255\)](#)

[Criminal Justice \(11256\)](#)

Year 3

Semester 1

One Open Elective Unit

[Advocacy and Communication \(11258\)](#)

Semester 2

Specialist Major Restricted Choice Unit

One Open Elective Unit

Year 4

Semester 1

[Gender and the Legal System \(11259\)](#)

One Open Elective Unit

Semester 2

One Open Elective Unit

[Vulnerability and the Law \(11260\)](#)

Year 5

Semester 1

One Open Elective Unit

Specialist Major Restricted Choice Unit

Semester 2

Specialist Major Restricted Choice Unit

[Law and Justice Internship \(11253\)](#)

Year 6

Semester 1

Specialist Major Restricted Choice Unit

One Open Elective Unit

Semester 2

One Open Elective Unit

[Capstone Law and Justice \(11254\)](#)

Standard Part Time, Semester 2 Commencing

Year 1

Semester 2

[Foundations of Law and Justice \(11251\)](#)

Year 2

Semester 1

[Dispute Management \(11252\)](#)

One Open Elective Unit

Semester 2

[Investigating and Explaining Society \(11236\)](#)

[Law and Society \(11257\)](#)

Year 3

Semester 1

[Advocacy and Communication \(11258\)](#)

One Open Elective Unit

Semester 2

[Civil Justice \(11255\)](#)

[Criminal Justice \(11256\)](#)

Year 4

Semester 1

[Gender and the Legal System \(11259\)](#)

One Open Elective Unit

Semester 2

Specialist Major Restricted Choice Unit

One Open Elective Unit

Year 5

Semester 1

One Open Elective Unit

Specialist Major Restricted Choice Unit

Semester 2

[Vulnerability and the Law \(11260\)](#)

One Open Elective Unit

Year 6

Semester 1

Specialist Major Restricted Choice Unit

One Open Elective Unit

Semester 2

[Law and Justice Internship \(11253\)](#)

Specialist Major Restricted Choice Unit

Year 7

Semester 1

[Capstone Law and Justice \(11254\)](#)

One Open Elective Unit

Course information

Course duration

Standard six semesters full-time or equivalent. Maximum twenty semesters.

Learning outcomes

Learning outcomes	Related graduate attributes
Demonstrate a broad and coherent theoretical and technical knowledge of the justice sector, and the social, legal, economic and political environment that affects it both domestically and globally.	<p>1.1 UC graduates are professional: Employ up-to-date and relevant knowledge and skills; and</p> <p>2.1 UC graduates are global citizens: Think globally about issues in their profession.</p>
Investigate justice sector issues, both autonomously and collaboratively, and creatively solve problems that involve legal, cultural and ethical complexities.	<p>1.4 UC graduates are professional: Work collaboratively as part of a team, negotiate, and resolve conflict; and</p> <p>2.4 UC graduates are global citizens: Communicate effectively in diverse cultural and social settings.</p>
Communicate effectively and persuasively, both orally and in writing, for legal and non-legal audiences across professional and cultural boundaries.	<p>1.2 UC graduates are professional: Communicate effectively; and</p> <p>2.3 UC graduates are global citizens: Understand issues in their profession from the perspective of other cultures.</p>
Critically analyse and evaluate legal issues and situations to provide legal insight and propose adversarial and non-adversarial solutions.	<p>1.3 UC graduates are professional: Use creativity, critical thinking, analysis and research skills to solve theoretical and real-world problems; and</p> <p>2.2 UC graduates are global citizens: Adopt an informed and balanced approach across professional and international boundaries.</p>
Engage in critical reflection to enhance personal performance, self-awareness and adaptability.	<p>1.6 UC graduates are professional: Take pride in their</p>

	<p>professional and personal integrity; and</p> <p>3.1 UC graduates are lifelong learners: Reflect on their own practice, updating and adapting their knowledge and skills for continual professional and academic development.</p>
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Demonstrate the initiative, drive and personal integrity required to undertake professional roles in the justice sector and to promote justice in the community.

1.5 UC graduates are professional: Display initiative and drive, and use their organisational skills to plan and manage their workload; and

2.6 UC graduates are global citizens: Behave ethically and sustainably in their professional and personal lives.

Majors

- [Core Major in Justice Studies \(CM0011\)](#)
- [Specialist Major in Justice Studies \(SM0029\)](#)

Awards

Award	Official abbreviation
Bachelor of Justice Studies	B JusticeSt

Enrolment data

2023 enrolments for this course by location. Please note that enrolment numbers are indicative only and in no way reflect individual class sizes.

Location	Enrolments
UC - Canberra, Bruce	74

Enquiries

Student category	Contact details
Bruce Current and Commencing Students	In person, Student Centre Building 1 (take a BGL Faculty course advice ticket) or Email bglstudent@canberra.edu.au

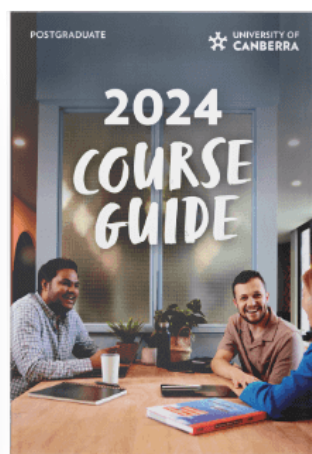
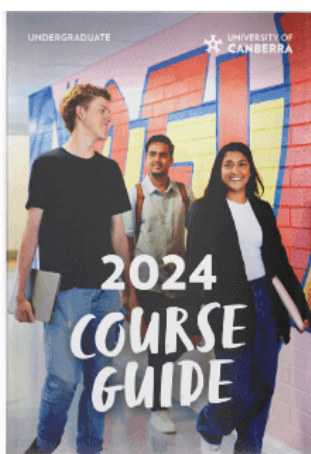
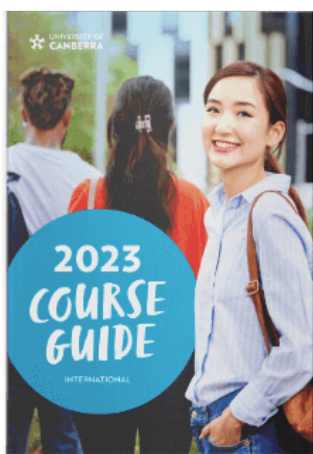
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UC acknowledges the Ngunnawal people, traditional custodians of the lands where Bruce campus is situated. We wish to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of Canberra and the region. We also acknowledge all other First Nations Peoples on whose lands we gather.