

Diploma of Social Studies Foundations (DSSF) - DipSSF

This program is offered only to continuing students. No new admissions will be accepted. Students who are interested in this study area should consider the [FDUS Foundation Diploma of University Studies](#) which will be offered from Semester 2, 2016.

	Online #^
Semester intake:	No new admissions
Fees:	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
Standard duration:	1 year full-time, 3 years part-time
Program articulation:	To: Bachelor of Human Services ; Bachelor of Social Science ; Bachelor of Science

Notes:

The discipline-specific courses are available on-campus and by distance education. Details on these offerings can be found from the [undergraduate Arts programs](#).

The Sciences courses may also be available on-campus and in distance mode. Details on these offerings can be obtained from the [undergraduate Science programs](#).

The number of units of credit towards the ; [Bachelor of Human Services](#) and ; [Bachelor of Social Science](#) will depend on the major and courses studied with a maximum of eight credits being available.

Footnotes

The first four courses are compulsory and are only available online.

^ Students can only articulate into the Psychology major of the Bachelor of Science.

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Program Information Set

View USQ's admission criteria, student profiles and a summary of all of

- [DIP1001 Academic and Professional English](#)
- [DIP1002 Strategies for Successful Study](#)
- [DIP1004 Mathematical Literacy](#)

[DIP1000 E-Literacy for Contemporary Society](#) and [DIP1002 Strategies for Successful Study](#) are co-requisites: they must be studied together, and they must be the first courses taken.

For part-time students, [DIP1001 Academic and Professional English](#) and [DIP1004 Mathematical Literacy](#) must be studied after [DIP1000](#) and [DIP1002](#). All four courses must be taken in a single semester for those pursuing full-time studies.

Foundation studies in Social Science courses

After completing the four compulsory courses students can choose any four courses from the following selection:

- [CDS1000 Community Welfare and Development](#)
- [CDS1001 Human Relations and Communications](#)
- [CDS2000 Ethical Issues and Human Rights in the Human Sciences](#)
- [PSY1010 Foundation Psychology A](#)
- [PSY1020 Foundation Psychology B](#)
- [PSY1030 Cross-Cultural and Indigenous Psychology](#)
- [SOC1000 Approaches to the Social Sciences](#)
- [ANT1001 Introductory Anthropology](#)

Program completion requirements

To successfully complete the Diploma of Social Studies Foundation students must successfully complete the four compulsory core courses, and also the four social science foundation courses.

Required time limits

Students have a maximum of three years to complete this program.

IT requirements

Students must have reliable and ready access to email and the internet. Broadband access is required for the four compulsory core courses. Students should have access to a computer for [DIP1003 Essential Mathematics](#). For information technology requirements, please see the [minimum computing standards](#)

Students are able to enrol in any offered mode of a course (on-campus, external or online), regardless of the program mode of study they enrolled in.

Students undertaking the Diploma of Social Science Foundation must complete the four compulsory courses first. The recommended enrolment pattern for the four compulsory courses is as follows:
