



**DEAKIN**  
UNIVERSITY AUSTRALIA

**ASSOCIATE DEGREE OF ARTS,  
BUSINESS AND SCIENCES**

**CHISHOLM INSTITUTE**

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# Deakin's Associate Degree of Arts, Business and Sciences

This two year full-time (or part-time equivalent) course gives you the opportunity to study in state of the art learning centres right here at Chisholm Institute in Dandenong and the Mornington Peninsula.

As one of Australia's most progressive universities, Deakin strives to provide pathways for students to participate in higher education and recognises that in today's competitive work environment, a university degree can make all the difference.

## Benefits of studying the associate degree

The associate degree provides a range of opportunities, including:

- » a chance to study close to home
- » entry to university without the usual prerequisites
- » an introduction and transition to tertiary study
- » a guaranteed place\* in a range of Deakin bachelors degrees at either Geelong or Warrnambool
- » up to 18 months credit towards your chosen degree
- » a dual qualification
- » a stand-alone qualification for enhanced employment opportunities into your chosen field including administration, marketing, business, banking, science, finance, education and community health.

## Am I eligible to apply?

The associate degree is open to applicants from a range of backgrounds, including those who are:

- » mature-age and returning to study
- » current Year 12 students
- » currently completing a diploma
- » looking for a career change.

\* Conditions apply.

## Some facts

This unique learning environment links you with students studying your course throughout Victoria, with immediate real time feedback from your lecturer and one-on-one support at your campus.

When undertaken at Chisholm Institute, the associate degree of Arts, Business and Sciences can be studied concurrently with a diploma. This program will help you develop skills in research, written communication, and oral presentation, as well as the ability to critically analyse concepts.

To graduate from the Associate Degree of Arts, Business and Sciences, you need to complete a minimum of 16 credit points, comprising core units, elective units and a TAFE diploma course.

The core units will focus on the knowledge and skills needed to be a successful university student. They will provide you with an introduction to studying at university from the perspective of different disciplines or subjects, and ensure that you become a more self-directed learner, particularly through the development of academic writing, critical thinking and information technology skills.

## STUDENT SNAPSHOT



Bianca Nevondinski  
Studying Associate Degree of Arts,  
Business and Sciences  
Completed: Diploma, Chisholm,  
Dandenong Campus

I've worked in aged care for 13 years and decided I needed to further my education in order to be able to make a difference. The associate degree appealed to me because of the flexibility of studying part time in order to get into my chosen field of psychology. I will have my degree in psychology in 2014, which I will then use to provide comprehensive mental health support in the aged care sector.





## Chisholm Institute – Dandenong and Mornington Peninsula campuses

In 2013 you will be able to study the associate degree at either of two Chisholm Institute campuses – Dandenong and Mornington Peninsula.

These campuses provide free car parking, library resources, cafeteria, student lounges, as well as on-campus student training restaurants and hair and beauty centres.

### Dandenong Campus

A large commercial and retail hub, Dandenong is located 35 km south-east of Melbourne. Chisholm's Dandenong Campus is one of the Institute's largest campuses, and is home to students from a range of cultures and backgrounds, which adds to the richness and diversity of the campus.

Located close to shopping centres, cafés and recreational areas, students also enjoy on-campus facilities including wireless network access throughout the campus. A range of student support services are available including study skills, careers and employment advice, counselling, assistance and support.

### Mornington Peninsula (Rosebud) Campus

Chisholm's Mornington Peninsula Campus, located at Rosebud, offers a centre of learning excellence that is responsive to local needs and supports the region's business and industry. It delivers educational and skills training designed to meet community, employment and business requirements.

The campus has outstanding facilities including wireless network access throughout.

Chisholm's Mornington Peninsula Campus provides industry-relevant training and placement programs to enhance student learning, including the opportunity to participate in an international placement program in China for children's services students.

Other services include the Chisholm shuttle – a public transport service linking the Rosebud town centre and main bus routes to the campus as well as a range of student support services including study skills, careers and employment advice, counselling, assistance and support.

### Core units – first year

#### Trimester 1

Learning for a Knowledge Society  
E-literacy for Contemporary Learning

#### Trimester 2

Work and the Sustainable Society

In second year, you will continue with your diploma studies and undertake elective units from a relevant Deakin bachelors degree via a supported off-campus delivery mode. You will be guided with your subject selection to ensure the units you choose will provide the maximum credit when using the associate degree as a pathway to a bachelors degree or to optimise employment opportunities.

### How to apply

If you would like to apply to study the Associate Degree of Arts, Business and Sciences along with a diploma course at Chisholm Institute, you need to:

#### 1. Apply for a diploma course at Chisholm

Full-time and part-time applicants for all diploma courses should contact Chisholm at [www.chisholm.edu.au](http://www.chisholm.edu.au) or phone 1300 244 746 for application instructions.

#### 2. Apply for the Deakin associate degree

Full-time and part-time applicants who want to study the Associate Degree of Arts, Business and Sciences at Chisholm can apply in two ways:

- » Download an application form online at [deakin.edu.au/doorstep](http://deakin.edu.au/doorstep) and submit directly (with a detailed personal statement) to Chisholm

or

- » Obtain a Deakin associate degree application form from Chisholm's, Dandenong or Mornington Peninsula campuses and submit directly to Chisholm Institute.

You may be required to attend an information session and complete a literacy exercise.

For further Deakin information phone 1300 753 680.



## 2013 courses and pathways

Once you successfully complete your associate degree and diploma, you may be eligible to receive Credit For Prior Learning into a Deakin course. This table shows the number of credit points you may be credited for.

Course	Campus	Target award	Credit points
Associate Degree of Arts, Business and Sciences (Technology Studies)/Advanced Diploma of Information Technology (Software Development)	Dandenong	Bachelor of Information Technology	Up to 12
Associate Degree of Arts, Business and Sciences (Education Studies)/Diploma of Children's Services	Mornington Peninsula Dandenong	Bachelor of Education (Primary) Bachelor of Early Childhood Education	Up to 6 Up to 16
Associate Degree of Arts, Business and Sciences (Health Studies)/Diploma of Children's Services	Mornington Peninsula Dandenong	Bachelor of Health Sciences Bachelor of Psychology	Up to 10
Associate Degree of Arts, Business and Sciences (Science Studies)/Diploma of Conservation and Land Management	Mornington Peninsula	Bachelor of Environmental Science (Freshwater and Marine Biology) Bachelor of Fisheries and Aquaculture	Up to 7
Associate Degree of Arts, Business and Sciences/ Approved other TAFE Diploma	Dandenong Mornington Peninsula	Bachelor of Arts	Up to 12

For more information, please visit [deakin.edu.au/future-students/courses](http://deakin.edu.au/future-students/courses).

### STUDENT SNAPSHOT



Nikki Taylor

Studying: Associate Degree of Arts, Business and Sciences/ Diploma of Children's Services  
Chisholm, Mornington Peninsula Campus

I finished Year 12 in 2005 and started a hairdressing apprenticeship, completing my trade school component at Chisholm. I wanted to change careers as I realised I wasn't passionate about what I was doing and Deakin at Your Doorstep seemed like a good pathway for me. I first heard about the associate degree when I enquired at Chisholm about courses that could lead into a career in education.

Some of my friends who are teachers completed their studies through Deakin. They all recommended Deakin as they had found all of their lecturers and tutors to be really supportive. As I thought it would be really challenging for me to start uni, the idea of being well supported was appealing.

As a mature age student, I knew that I would need some assistance with things like writing essays and working with newer technologies.

I'm hoping to complete my Bachelor of Education (Primary) and work as a primary school teacher.



## Sample course structure<sup>^</sup>

### Associate Degree of Arts, Business and Sciences (Education Studies)/Diploma of Children's Services

<b>Year/Level 1</b>	<b>Trimester 1</b>	Learning for a Knowledge Society	E-Literacy for Contemporary Learning	TAFE diploma units
	<b>Trimester 2</b>	Work and the Sustainable Society		TAFE diploma units
<b>Year/Level 2</b>	<b>Trimester 1</b>	Ecology and the Environment		TAFE diploma units
	<b>Trimester 2</b>	Visions of Australia – Time and Space 1700–2010		TAFE diploma units

<sup>^</sup> This sample course structure should only be used as an example. It is recommended that all students seek assistance from a student adviser.

For more course structures and information on study units, please visit [deakin.edu.au/future-students/courses](http://deakin.edu.au/future-students/courses).

## Frequently asked questions

### Costs

#### How much will it cost?

Associate degree students have a Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP) which means that the government pays a portion of the tuition costs. The remainder is paid as HECS (Higher Education Contribution Scheme) for each unit in which you enrol. The cost per unit varies and is available on the Deakin website. However, an indicative cost for the first year is \$2800 plus TAFE diploma costs. The cost for the second year will depend on which units you choose.

#### How do I pay?

You can use HECS-HELP to defer payment and pay no upfront fees or pay upfront at the start of each trimester and receive a discount. Repayments are made through the Australian Taxation Office once your annual income exceeds the minimum threshold for payment. To check if you're eligible for HECS-HELP, and to find out what your responsibilities are as a Commonwealth Supported student, please visit [www.studyassist.au](http://www.studyassist.au).

In addition to course fees, you may also be required to pay a student service and amenities fee. For more information, please visit [deakin.edu.au/future-students](http://deakin.edu.au/future-students).

### Time

#### How much time will I spend studying the associate degree each week?

The first year introductory units, including lectures and tutorials, are conducted one full day a week for each 12-week trimester. Generally you would be expected to be engaged both in and out of class for a total of 8–10 hours per week for each unit.

#### What are the key dates?

- » Closing date for direct applications – Friday 15 February 2013
- » Orientation Week – 4 to 8 March 2013
- » Commencement of Trimester 1 lectures – Monday 11 March 2013
- » Closing date for DAYD scholarship applications – Friday 15 March 2013

#### How does the trimester system work?

There are three trimesters: Trimester 1 runs from February to June, Trimester 2 from July to November and Trimester 3 from November to February. There is a short break mid-trimester and a longer break between each trimester.

### Selection and enrolment

#### How do I apply?

See details inside this brochure.

#### Where do I apply first?

You can apply for both at the same time, as each has a separate selection process. Your TAFE will be able to provide you with an associate degree application form.

#### How will I know if I've been selected?

You will receive email notification with directions on how to accept or decline your offer.

#### Can I defer from the associate degree if I get accepted?

Yes, you can complete and submit the Deferral of Offer application form online or contact your Tutorial Support Officer. Please note that you should not enrol if you intend to defer.

#### How do I enrol?

You need to attend the associate degree enrolment session scheduled at your TAFE campus. Details will be provided in your offer email. Any queries should be directed to your Tutorial Support Officer.

#### Can I do the associate degree at my local TAFE without doing a TAFE diploma?

Yes, if you already have a recent diploma that is relevant to the degree pathway that you are seeking. Deakin will determine the amount of credit that will be granted for your existing diploma.

You may also study the associate degree as a stand-alone qualification by completing the core units at your TAFE and the remainder of the course by off-campus study. Please see your Tutorial Support Officer for more information or contact Deakin on 1300 753 680.

#### Where can I find more information about Deakin's associate degree online?

Visit [deakin.edu.au/doorstep](http://deakin.edu.au/doorstep).

For further information email: [associatedegree@deakin.edu.au](mailto:associatedegree@deakin.edu.au).



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