

— Make an Impact

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- International studies
- Community services



Social Work

Transform lives and create lasting social change with a social work degree.

Learn how to foster socially inclusive communities and empower individuals and families to change their lives for the better.

Be prepared to think critically about social issues and act politically to help create change.

Meet the Expert

Christine Craik

Christine Craik is a social work lecturer at RMIT and the National President of the Australian Association of Social Workers (AASW).



I worked in the field for 30 years, in casework, advocacy and social action, so my teaching is based on a lot of experience. I don't think you can do one without the other.

I was inspired to teach in this field because I wanted social workers to come out of university with an eye for action as well as casework.

The philosophy of social work at RMIT is cutting edge, with a critical approach to meet the needs of our changing society. I'm really pleased to be part of this environment.



Find out more at rmit.edu.au/programs/bh105

Why study social work?

Few careers offer you the opportunity to advocate and be a positive force for change the way social work can.

If you see yourself making a real difference in the world and want a career that's in demand, there's never been a better time to study social work.

As part of the degree:

- You'll learn from passionate and engaged members of society, who actively work towards a fairer world for all.
- You'll have the opportunity to put your skills into practice and connect with the industry through work-integrated learning placements.

Career outlook

Prepare to join a sector that might see you assisting individuals, formulating and implementing social policies, participating in social research or managing and developing programs to assist community groups, individuals and families.

As a social worker you'll have a truly flexible career where you can work in many settings, including:

- housing
- drug and alcohol services
- asylum seeker and refugee services
- disability services
- domestic violence
- primary and secondary schools
- allied health
- child protection
- mental health and wellbeing.



Programs

Bachelor of Social Work (Honours)

📍 BH105 📍 City 🕒 4 years full-time

VTAC 3200331101 📄 ATAR (2018: 76.25)

rmit.edu.au/programs/bh105

In this program you will study courses in social work theory and practice, sociology, politics, policy and research.

Field education forms a large component of the program to develop your practical experience, networks and career opportunities. In the third and fourth years, you'll undertake two 70-day placements, usually within human services and community service organisations.

Your placement in third year will focus on direct practice with individuals, families and small groups. The fourth year placement involves the integration of theory and macro-level practice.

Bachelor of Social Work (Honours) / Bachelor of Social Science (Psychology)

📍 BH106 📍 City 🕒 5 years full-time

VTAC 3200333351 📄 ATAR (2018: 90.25)

rmit.edu.au/programs/bh106

Social workers and psychologists often work side-by-side in organisations where expertise in both areas is required.

This double degree combines our two highly respected programs to give you a unique and broad grounding.

Learn about social work theory and practice as well as cognitive, developmental and biological psychology, mental health, and research.

You'll also learn about law in social work, including working with violence and abuse, and study advanced courses on psychological assessment and psychopathology.

You'll develop skills in program management and evaluation and put them to practice in two 70-day field placements in your third and fifth years.

Gita Graham

(pictured above)

Bachelor of Social Work (Honours)



I am drawn to social work because of its commitment to human rights and social justice.

Having a social work degree will enable me to be more employable in the industry. It will open doors to roles I'm interested in and organisations I wish to work for.

The RMIT program places great emphasis on the importance of social workers being politically aware and engaged, and I feel that this is a really important element in my preparation as a social worker.

I'm learning about significant social issues both locally and globally, and the ethical concerns and debates surrounding these issues in the current political climate.



Find out more at
rmit.edu.au/programs/bh105

Youth Work

Pave the way for future generations by addressing the social, behavioural, welfare, developmental and protection needs of young people.



Dorothy Bertrand

Diploma of Youth Work



When I was in a really rough part of my life, I had a youth worker reach out to me and she saved my life. Sometimes all it takes is one person to change a life, and since that person changed mine, I made it my goal to hopefully be that person for someone else.

RMIT has provided me with so many skills and helped me develop as a person. I now know what to do in difficult situations and how to report them, how to be a leader and how to be a balanced worker in a highly demanding field.

The biggest highlight of my studies was working alongside Victoria Police, as part of the Ropes Program, which gives young offenders a second chance.



Find out more at rmit.edu.au/programs/c5331

As a youth worker you'll provide emotional and practical support to young people between the ages of 10 and 25, by helping to develop their skills and confidence, while securing their well-being and connection to their community.

Why study youth work?

You are passionate about working with young people and want to have a positive, long-lasting effect on society's development.

Career outlook

The role of a youth worker is diverse, with many exciting and challenging career opportunities that involve working in:

- schools
- residential care facilities
- youth centres
- health clinics
- community centres.

What you will study

RMIT's youth work programs will prepare you with the skills and knowledge to create environments in which all young people can explore their individual and collective capabilities and thrive intellectually, physically and creatively.



Programs

Certificate IV in Youth Work

📍 C4352 📍 City 🕒 1 year full-time
VTAC 3200372464 **NCC** CHC40413
rmit.edu.au/programs/c4352

The Certificate IV in Youth Work provides students with foundation skills and knowledge required for the youth work sector.

During your course you will develop your communication and youth engagement skills. Areas of study include; Case Management, Community Development, Mental Health, Trauma Informed Care, Legal & Ethical Issues, Planning & Conducting Group Activities and Alcohol and Other Drugs.

The program will enable you to confidently design programs that address the social, behavioural, health, welfare, developmental and the protection needs of young people.

As part of the program, students are able to complete a Mental Health First Aid Certificate.

To complement the Youth Work program, students develop their skills through an Industry Work Placement that covers a variety of community based youth services.

Diploma of Youth Work

📍 C5331 📍 City 🕒 1 year full-time
NCC CHC50413
rmit.edu.au/programs/c5331

The Diploma of Youth Work reflects the roles and responsibility to manage programs and services for young people through a range of agencies.

You will develop your skills and knowledge of the under-pinning principles of a holistic and strength-based practice.

Your studies will include, managing organisational structures, effectively responding to client's needs, developing networks and collaborative youth work partnerships, case managing young people with mental health issues and legal and ethical compliance.

You will be involved in workshops, team and individual projects, mentoring programs and weekly classes. You will develop research and critical thinking skills to enhance your understanding as a Youth Work practitioner.

The program is complimented with an Industry Work Placement.

Bachelor of Youth Work and Youth Studies

📍 BP322 📍 City
🕒 3 years full-time. Part-time may be available.
VTAC 3200333371
📄 NEW ATAR: (2018: -)
rmit.edu.au/programs/bp322

The Bachelor of Youth Work and Youth Studies explores complex issues affecting at-risk youth, such as homelessness, radicalisation, poverty and mental health. It encourages critical debate and investigation of youth in relation to space, digital landscapes, culture, religion, family and the law.

This program provides four main streams of learning:

Professional Human Services

Prepares you to work in client-facing industries as a carer, counsellor, advocate and champion of others, in sometimes challenging environments.

Youth Work

Puts you in the professional practice field, where you will gain a clearer understanding of how the youth sector works.

Youth Studies

Develop critical insights into the research on and representations of young people that influence policy making decisions.

Specialisation & Electives

Further explore and specialise in a subject of your choice. Areas of study include: criminal justice, international development, Indigenous Studies, community services and languages.

International Studies

Positively contribute to global issues.

Engage with the challenges and opportunities of a rapidly changing world and prepare yourself for success in international organisations, businesses and government agencies.

Why study international studies?

From policy making in China to community development in South America, an International Studies degree will see you experience a range of dynamic careers across the globe.

As part of the degree:

- You will build your understanding of intercultural, social and political issues and processes.
- You will have the opportunity to learn on the job through overseas internships, and develop professional skills in international relations, diplomacy, business and humanitarian policy.
- You'll learn from leading professionals in the field who enjoy sharing their knowledge, experience and contacts to prepare you for work and life as a global citizen in a global career.
- You'll join a vibrant and active student community.
- Funded opportunities for overseas study are available as part of the degree
- Learn a language

Career outlook

Graduate destinations include:

- OXFAM
- UNDP
- UNICEF
- World Vision
- Federal or State Government departments
- Deloitte
- Asylum Seeker Resource Centre.

Bachelor of Arts (International Studies)

📍 BP048 📍 City 🕒 3 years full-time
VTAC 3200333031 📄 ATAR (2017: 87.15)
rmit.edu.au/programs/bp048

In this degree you'll study global history, global political processes, international political economy, human mobility, global governance, and international human rights law.

You will explore the intercultural and cross-cultural dimensions of international management, social research, public policy and project management.

Apply your learning in a two-month international internship and 7000-word independent research project.

You will also increase your employability by studying a language as part of this degree.



Natassia Bell

Bachelor of Arts
(International Studies)



I was drawn to the practical aspect of the RMIT degree, particularly the internship.

International studies focuses a lot on real-life issues, and so most of the assignments we do are based on real-time world events. We also have to do a lot of our work in pairs or groups, so we learn how to work with people that might be very different from ourselves, to produce something of quality.

Recently we participated in a mock United Nations conference. The event itself was a five-hour conference, but the preparation leading up to the event was an entire semester's work. This was one of the most interesting yet difficult assessments I have done, but it was also very fun.



Find out more at
rmit.edu.au/programs/bp048

Community Services

Supporting health and wellbeing.

The need for community carers and support workers is at an all-time high. Skilled workers in aged, disability and community services are needed to support people to live full lives and maintain connections with their community.



Individual Support

These programs combine studies in aged, disability and home care to prepare you with the skills required to provide personal care support to a range of people in different settings, including in-home support, residential care and day programs.

Certificate III in Individual Support (Ageing, Home and Community)

📄 C3400 📍 City
🕒 Twelve months part-time
NCC CHC33015
rmit.edu.au/programs/c3400

Certificate III in Individual Support (Ageing)

📄 C3401 📍 City
🕒 Twelve months part-time
NCC CHC33015
rmit.edu.au/programs/c3401

Certificate III in Individual Support (Ageing and Disability)

📄 C3402 📍 City
🕒 Twelve months part-time
NCC CHC33015
rmit.edu.au/programs/c3401



Community Services

This program will prepare you to carry out casework, provide client services, and support youth and families in social, community and welfare organisations. It will also prepare you to work in community education or development projects based locally and internationally.

Certificate IV in Community Services

📄 C4363 📍 City
🕒 One year full-time
VTAC 3200310134
NCC CHC42015
rmit.edu.au/programs/c4363

Diploma of Community Services (Case Management)

📄 C5345 📍 City
🕒 One year full-time
(in addition to the Certificate IV)
NCC CHC52015
rmit.edu.au/programs/c5345



Financial Counselling

In this program you'll learn how to provide information, support and advocacy to help people in financial difficulty. You'll also learn the skills needed to work as an accredited financial counsellor within areas of law and policy including consumer credit law, debt enforcement practices, the bankruptcy regime and government concession frameworks.

Diploma of Financial Counselling

📄 C5360 📍 City
🕒 One year full-time or two years part-time.
NCC CHC51115
rmit.edu.au/programs/c5360



Alcohol and Other Drugs

RMIT's Alcohol and Other Drugs programs will prepare you with the skills you need to make a difference to people's lives by providing services and interventions to clients experiencing drug and alcohol dependency.

Certificate IV in Alcohol and Other Drugs

📄 C4364 📍 City
🕒 One year full-time
VTAC 3200373064
NCC CHC43215
rmit.edu.au/programs/c4364

Diploma of Alcohol and Other Drugs

📄 C5346 📍 City
🕒 One year full-time
(in addition to the Certificate IV)
NCC CHC53215
rmit.edu.au/programs/c5346

Pathways

Don't meet entry requirements?

Pathways provide opportunities for you to progress from one program to another.

Different levels of study at RMIT mean you can explore more than one way to get the qualification you want.

Certificate, diploma and advanced diploma qualifications can be credited towards a degree. Alternatively, partly completed degree studies may be credited to a diploma, advanced diploma or different degree.

For the most up-to-date information about pathways please contact Info Corner: study@rmit.edu.au or visit rmit.edu.au/study-with-us/applying-to-rmit/local-student-applications/pathways

Fees and scholarships

For up-to-date fee information visit:
rmit.edu.au/programs/fees

RMIT also offers a number of scholarships for degree students, which you can find out more about at:
rmit.edu.au/scholarships

RMIT's equity places

If you are studying VCE or VCAL at a Schools Network Access Program (SNAP) school and want to apply to RMIT, please talk with your school's careers or pathway coordinator to help you go through the process for applying for equity consideration. For more information visit:
rmit.edu.au/study/applying-to-rmit/equity-access

How to apply

Visit the program page for more information on entry requirements and how to apply.

Acknowledgment of Country

RMIT University acknowledges the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nations as the traditional owners of the land on which the University stands. RMIT University respectfully recognises Elders both past and present. We also acknowledge the traditional custodians of lands across Australia where we conduct business, their Elders, Ancestors, cultures and heritage.

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