

# Bachelor of Arts (Honours)

Burwood (Melbourne)  
Waurm Ponds (Geelong)  
Online



Conduct research on a topic that matters to you while expanding your career opportunities or preparing for a PhD.

## Course essentials

**Deakin code:** A400

**Location:** Burwood (Melbourne), Waurm Ponds (Geelong), Online

**Intakes:** T1 (March), T2 (July)

**Duration:** 1 year full-time or part-time equivalent

## Course overview

If you value independent thinking and are looking for a pathway to research degrees and enhanced career opportunities, the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) could be ideal for you. In this specialised year of study, you will conduct in-depth research on a topic you're passionate about, and develop advanced research skills and disciplinary knowledge through coursework.

Our experienced academics will supervise you as you work on your thesis and engage with the wider discourse around your chosen topic. You'll improve your critical and constructive thinking and gain practical research skills you can use in a range of private and public sectors to positively impact issues you care about.

**The Bachelor of Arts (Honours) is available in the following areas of study<sup>1</sup>:**

Anthropology	Languages
Children's literature	Literary studies
Creative writing	Middle East studies
Criminology	Philosophy
Gender and sexuality studies	Politics and policy studies
History	Professional and creative writing
International relations	Sociology

## Course structure

The Bachelor of Arts (Honours) course requires the completion of 8 credit points of study at level 4. Half of that requirement is met through coursework, which may include directed reading and/or enrolment in course work units, and half is satisfied through a research project (thesis or dissertation) of 14,000–16,000 words. You must also complete a compulsory 0-credit-point academic integrity unit.

## The Deakin difference

Our academic staff are world-leading researchers in their fields of expertise and committed to using their research to make an impact outside the University. As a Deakin honours student, you will have increased access to academic staff support and will benefit from targeted activities to support your studies and your career, for example through CV writing and careers advice workshops. Our academics work hard to create an environment in which you and your peers can become great researchers, and through which you can exchange ideas.

Many of Deakin's arts disciplines are ranked in the top 1% of university subjects globally<sup>2</sup>, including philosophy, politics and international studies and sociology.

## Career opportunities

The Bachelor of Arts (Honours) develops important and transferable career skills making you highly employable within many industries. You will graduate with advanced skills in managing a large project (the thesis), conducting research, developing original ideas through advanced critical thought, and applying in-depth discipline knowledge to real-world problems.

After graduation, you may be eligible to extend your research experience through masters and doctoral research programs. Our graduates have found careers in a wide range of fields relevant to their specialised area of interest.

## We're here to help

Deakin is here to support you. From your application through to graduation, we offer many support services to ensure you feel confident throughout your studies:

- **Study support**
- **Career services**
- **Online study experience**
- **Fees and scholarships**
- **Health and wellbeing**

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1 If you wish to continue your studies in a creative arts or communications major, such as film and TV (creative arts) or journalism (communication), you will need to pursue either a Bachelor of Creative Arts (Honours) or Bachelor of Communications (Honours).

2 QS World University Rankings By Subject 2021