



Curtin University



CENTRE FOR ABORIGINAL STUDIES

INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIAN CULTURAL STUDIES

Graduate Certificate

Enhance your opportunities and reduce business risk through knowledge, competence and skills for culturally appropriate practice when building relationships with diverse Indigenous Australian groups, communities and organisations.

Indigenous Australian Cultural Studies (IACS) offers both Indigenous and non-Indigenous students the opportunity to gain an understanding of the cultural diversity and ways of Indigenous Australians. If you are thinking of postgraduate studies, consider this graduate certificate.

This course is designed for those researching, working or intending to work with Indigenous Australian people in professional and community positions.

An understanding of Indigenous issues on a global, national and local level is explored which will give you a solid foundation for embarking on research with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Students examine the cultural, social, economic and political contexts and issues confronting Indigenous Australian people and relationships between non-Indigenous people. The dynamic and complex environment in which Indigenous Australian people are positioned is considered through an Indigenous Australian lens.

WHY IACS?

Understanding Indigenous culture is becoming a highly significant workplace skill so this Graduate Certificate will value-add to undergraduate degree courses particularly in areas like business, humanities, health and social sciences.

The multi-disciplinary approach makes the course relevant when dealing with issues concerning cross cultural management, service delivery and relationship development.

If you are looking at working in industries that involve working with Indigenous communities such as in government, mining, education or health, a well-rounded understanding of cultural and community protocols will be considered favourably by employers.

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Intake

February, July



Admission criteria

Applicants must meet University academic and English language entry standards. You will require a Bachelor degree or equivalent. Applications with non-formal qualifications, experience and expertise are considered for admission, but may be required to complete preliminary units.

Credit for Recognised Learning

Applications for credit for recognized learning (CRL) may be considered within this course. *

Duration: Six months.

Location: Internal Bentley Campus, online

Study Mode: Full-time (4 units 1 semester), part-time

Course Structure (4 units for completion)

Units	Unit Code	Credits
Core Units		
Social, Cultural and Historical Contexts of Indigenous Australians	INCD5000	25
Introduction to Indigenous Australians	INDS5001	25
Electives (choose 2 of the following)		
Graduate Listening to Country: First Nations Perspective	INDS5010	25
Land and Environment	INDS5011	25
Indigenous Research Methodologies	INDS5009	75
On-Country Learning, Exploring Indigenous Australian Knowledges Quarter 3 only	INDS5005	25

Please note within Electives students may choose another Graduate Certificate unit (25 Credits) from another faculty, relevant to the program and must be approved by Course Coordinator

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