



**STOTT'S**  
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# Diploma of Community Services



**ACWA**  
AUSTRALIAN COMMUNITY  
WORKERS ASSOCIATION

<u>CRICOS</u>	091282J
<u>Intakes</u>	January/April/ July/September
<u>Course length</u>	2 years
<u>Campuses</u>	Melbourne/Sydney/ Perth/Brisbane*
<u>Study mode</u>	Full-time

## Course overview

With a Diploma of Community Services, you can graduate with the knowledge and skills to be a valued professional worker in the community service industry. Upon completion of the course, you will have gained the theoretical and ethical foundation required to prepare you for a meaningful and stimulating career. This may include working in areas such as child and family services, domestic violence, employment support, community development, and migrant services, among others.

## Course structure

To receive this qualification, you must complete 16 units: 8 core and 8 electives. The course is conducted in 8 terms, each comprising 10 weeks, exclusive of holidays. You will attend college 20 hours per week.

## Requirements

### **Local students**

Entry by interview.

### **International students**

Completed Year 12 or equivalent and IELTS 5.5 or equivalent.

### **Recognition of Prior Learning**

You may be able to shorten the length of your chosen course by measuring skills acquired through work, life experiences or qualifications obtained from formal studies or training. Australian Qualifications Framework qualifications and statements of attainment issued by another registered training organisation will be recognised by Acknowledge Education. For further information, please refer to Recognition of Prior Learning and Credit Transfer policy on our website.

To ensure participation in the Fieldwork Placement program, you will also need to obtain evidence of a Police Check and other relevant documentation as required by our partner agencies.

## Sample Partner Agencies



**VISABILITY**

## Professional Registration and Accreditation

Stott's College is a division of Acknowledge Education Pty Ltd, a Registered Training Organisation with the Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA).

The Diploma of Community Services is accredited by ACWA, which demonstrates that it meets the educational and practice standards set out by the national professional body for community workers.

\*Awaiting ACWA accreditation for Brisbane campus.

## Fieldwork Placement

Fieldwork Placements are a requirement of the course and an integral part of Stott's College Health and Community Services courses. The Diploma of Community Services requires 400 hours of supervised Fieldwork Placement.

## Skills First\* funding and VET Student Loans are available for eligible local students

\*This training is delivered with Victorian and Commonwealth Government funding. This funding is only available for Victorian students.

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## Units

### Core

<b>CHCCCS007</b>	Develop and Implement Service Programs
<b>CHCCOM003</b>	Develop Workplace Communication Strategies
<b>CHCDEV002</b>	Analyse Impacts of Sociological Factors on Clients in Community Work and Services
<b>CHCDIV003</b>	Manage and Promote Diversity
<b>CHCLEG003</b>	Manage Legal and Ethical Compliance
<b>CHCMGT005</b>	Facilitate Workplace Debriefing and Support Processes
<b>CHCPRP003</b>	Reflect on and Improve Own Professional Practice
<b>HLTWHS004</b>	Manage Work Health and Safety

### Elective

<b>CHCDEV001</b>	Confirm Client Development Status
<b>CHCCSM005</b>	Develop, Facilitate and Review all Aspects of Case Management
<b>CHCCCS004</b>	Assess Coexisting Needs
<b>CHCADV002</b>	Provide Advocacy and Representation Services
<b>CHCCDE011</b>	Implement Community Development Strategies
<b>CHCCSL001</b>	Establish and Confirm the Counselling Relationship
<b>CHCMHS001</b>	Work with People with Mental Health Issues
<b>CHCDFV006</b>	Counsel Clients Affected by Domestic and Family Violence

## Pathways

On successful completion of this course, you are eligible for direct entry into the second year of Stott's College's Bachelor of Community Services degree with credit for 8 out of the 24 units of study.



## Course outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, you are eligible for the Australian Community Workers Association (ACWA) membership. For further information, please visit the ACWA website.

### Occupational titles for graduates with this qualification may include:

- Welfare Worker
- Community Worker
- Case Worker
- Youth Worker
- Family Support Worker
- Disability Services Worker
- Migrant Resource Worker
- Community Based Corrections Officer
- Lifestyle Coordinator

*I have enjoyed access to a range of services and units created to promote career development, with first and second placements in reputable welfare organisations.*

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