

# COURSE DELIVERY PLAN 2027

## Bachelor of Social Work

**COURSE CODE: ABSW**

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| <b>CAMPUS</b>              | Footscray Park (FP)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>COLLEGE</b>             | College of Sport, Health and Engineering                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>STUDY MODE</b>          | Full Time or Part Time                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>DURATION</b>            | 4 years Full Time or Part Time equivalent                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>FEE TYPE</b>            | For information on course fees, refer to <a href="http://vu.edu.au/fees">http://vu.edu.au/fees</a>                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>APPLICATION METHOD</b>  | VTAC - <a href="https://vtac.edu.au">https://vtac.edu.au</a><br>Direct Application - <a href="https://gotovu.custhelp.com/app/landing">https://gotovu.custhelp.com/app/landing</a>                                                                                  |
| <b>TIMETABLE</b>           | <a href="http://vu.edu.au/timetables">vu.edu.au/timetables</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>COURSE REQUIREMENTS</b> | To attain the Bachelor of Social Work, students will be required to complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 384 credit points of Core studies.</li></ul>                                                                                                  |
| <b>FURTHER INFORMATION</b> | Unit and course information is available from the University course search site at <a href="http://vu.edu.au/course-search">http://vu.edu.au/course-search</a> or go to <a href="https://askvu.vu.edu.au">https://askvu.vu.edu.au</a> or Phone VUHQ on 03 9919 6100 |
| <b>COURSE CHAIR</b>        | Priscilla Dunk-West                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>COURSE ADVICE</b>       | AskVU <a href="https://askvu.vu.edu.au/app/askcua">https://askvu.vu.edu.au/app/askcua</a>                                                                                                                                                                           |

**Note:** Students are required to enrol in all units for semester 1 and 2, and are not permitted to enrol in more than 48 credit points per semester as a full-time load.

**Core/Elective** Core (a unit that must be completed) & Elective (you have some choice in what you select).

**Prerequisites** A number of units within the degree have 'prerequisites'. These prerequisites must be met before enrolment in the unit is permitted. Generally these prerequisites require the successful completion of a unit or units taken at an earlier stage in the course. Students should pay particular attention to these prerequisite requirements as failure to meet these can seriously hinder progression through the course.

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## YEAR 1

| UNIT CODE | UNIT TITLE                                 | UNIT TYPE | SEM | CREDIT POINTS | CAMPUS | PRE-REQUISITES |
|-----------|--------------------------------------------|-----------|-----|---------------|--------|----------------|
| ASW1001   | Introduction to Social Work                | Core      | 1B1 | 12            | FP     |                |
| HHB1104   | Introduction to Public Health and Wellness | Core      | 1B2 | 12            | FP     |                |
| ASX1003   | Foundations of Social Science Research     | Core      | 1B3 | 12            | FP     |                |
| AEK1105   | Aboriginal Traditions and Policy           | Core      | 1B4 | 12            | FP     |                |
| HHH1000   | Interpersonal Skills and Communication     | Core      | 2B1 | 12            | FP     |                |
| ABA1003   | Introduction to Sociology                  | Core      | 2B2 | 12            | FP     |                |
| ASA1024   | Applied Human Rights                       | Core      | 2B3 | 12            | FP     |                |
| ASW1000   | Working in Human Services Organisations    | Core      | 2B4 | 12            | FP     |                |

## YEAR 2

| UNIT CODE | UNIT TITLE                                  | UNIT TYPE | SEM | CREDIT POINTS | CAMPUS | PRE-REQUISITES |
|-----------|---------------------------------------------|-----------|-----|---------------|--------|----------------|
| ASW3101   | Skills for Social Work Direct Practice      | Core      | 1B1 | 12            | FP     |                |
| ASW2102   | Social Welfare: History and Current Context | Core      | 1B2 | 12            | FP     |                |
| ASW3097   | Social Work and Trauma Informed Care        | Core      | 1B3 | 12            | FP     |                |
| ASW2202   | Social Work Theories                        | Core      | 1B4 | 12            | FP     |                |
| ASW2090   | Groupwork Theory and Practice               | Core      | 2B1 | 12            | FP     |                |
| ASW2104   | Critical Social Work Theories               | Core      | 2B2 | 12            | FP     |                |
| ASW3103   | Social Work Practice: Legal Context         | Core      | 2B3 | 12            | FP     |                |
| ASW2103   | Human Development in Social Context         | Core      | 2B4 | 12            | FP     |                |



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## YEAR 3

| UNIT CODE | UNIT TITLE                                | UNIT TYPE | SEM      | CREDIT POINTS | CAMPUS | PRE-REQUISITES |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------|-----------|----------|---------------|--------|----------------|
| AEK3203   | Working Ethically in Aboriginal Community | Core      | 1B1, 2B1 | 12            | FP     | AEK1105        |
| ASW3300   | Working With Individuals and Families     | Core      | 1B2, 2B2 | 12            | FP     |                |
| ASW2013   | Introduction to Social Policy             | Core      | 1B3, 2B3 | 12            | FP     |                |
| APS2030   | Qualitative Social Research Methods 1     | Core      | 1B4, 2B4 | 12            | FP     |                |
| ASW3002   | Professional Practice                     | Core      | SB, WB   | 48            | FP     |                |

## YEAR 4

| UNIT CODE | UNIT TITLE                                       | UNIT TYPE | SEM      | CREDIT POINTS | CAMPUS | PRE-REQUISITES |
|-----------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------|---------------|--------|----------------|
| ASW4002   | Advanced Professional Practice                   | Core      | SB, WB   | 48            | FP     |                |
| ASW3104   | Health and Mental Health: Practice and Policy    | Core      | 1B1, 2B1 | 12            | FP     |                |
| ASW3096   | Understanding and Responding to Family Violence  | Core      | 1B2, 2B2 | 12            | FP     |                |
| ASW4003   | Social Work Advocacy: Scope, Research and Design | Core      | 1B3, 2B3 | 12            | FP     |                |
| ASW4004   | Social Work Advocacy: Social Change in Action    | Core      | 1B4, 2B4 | 12            | FP     | ASW4003        |

**Please note: students must complete all of the previous year before commencing units from the next.**

### Further information regarding placement units:

Bachelor of Social Work students will undertake their first placement (ASW3002) in third year, and second (ASW4002) in fourth year. These units are enrolled in Summer or Winter Block, but generally continue throughout semester (Semester one if Summer, Semester Two if Winter).



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