

AQF LEVEL	AQF LEVEL 7 CRITERIA – BACHELOR DEGREE	PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES
PURPOSE	The Bachelor Degree qualifies individuals who apply a broad and coherent body of knowledge in a range of contexts to undertake professional work and as a pathway for further learning.	
KNOWLEDGE	Graduates of a Bachelor Degree will have a broad and coherent body of knowledge, with depth in the underlying principles and concepts in one or more disciplines as a basis for independent lifelong learning.	Graduates of the Bachelor of Political Science and International Relations will have a broad and coherent body of knowledge of the theoretical underpinnings, major debates and contemporary relevance of political science and its sub-disciplines of international relations, comparative politics, political theory, public policy and political economy.
SKILLS	Graduates of a Bachelor Degree will have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • cognitive skills to review critically, analyse, consolidate and synthesise knowledge • cognitive and technical skills to demonstrate a broad understanding of knowledge with depth in some areas • cognitive and creative skills to exercise critical thinking and judgement in identifying and solving problems with intellectual independence • communication skills to present a clear, coherent and independent exposition of knowledge and ideas 	Graduates of the Bachelor of Political Science and International Relations will have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • cognitive skills to demonstrate the ability to locate, evaluate and synthesise theoretical and empirical materials • cognitive and technical skills to investigate, analyse and synthesise information, problems, concepts and theories and to apply established theory to different bodies of knowledge and practice in Political Science and International Relations • cognitive skills to demonstrate knowledge of ethical, legal and/ or environmental responsibilities of individuals and organisations in society • cognitive skills to demonstrate an understanding of major theories, models and tools for analysing and interpreting real world domestic and global issues • cognitive, technical and creative skills to design, evaluate, implement, analyse and theorise the use of techniques, processes, and contemporary practices in Political Science and International Relations to identify and solve problems, preparing students for the workplace • communication skills to present in a clear, coherent manner and catering for a variety of audiences, including government, employers, employees, community and markets • communication skills to work in professional and business contexts and work effectively in diverse groups

**APPLICATION OF
KNOWLEDGE &
SKILLS**

Graduates of a Bachelor Degree will demonstrate the application of knowledge and skills:

- with initiative and judgement in planning, problem solving and decision making in professional practice and/or scholarship
- to adapt knowledge and skills in diverse contexts
- with responsibility and accountability for own learning and professional practice and in collaboration with others within broad parameters

Graduates of the Bachelor of Political Science and International Relations will demonstrate the application of knowledge and skills to:

- plan, problem solve and apply appropriate decision making in the main areas of professional practice and/or scholarship
- identify problems, analyse major theories, models and tools for analysing and interpreting real world domestic and global issues
- make independent judgements in a range of politics and policy-related problems and situations through problem solving and applying theory to real world scenarios and cases
- work in diverse contexts with responsibility and accountability for their own learning and professional practice and in collaboration with others within broad parameters
- communicate in professional and business contexts and work effectively in diverse groups
- operate in professional practice and community engagement.