

AQF LEVEL	AQF LEVEL 5 CRITERIA – DIPLOMA		PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES
<b>PURPOSE</b>	The Diploma qualifies individuals who apply integrated technical and theoretical concepts in politics and international relations contexts to undertake advanced skilled or paraprofessional work and as a pathway for further learning		
<b>KNOWLEDGE</b>	Graduates of a Diploma will have technical and theoretical knowledge and concepts, with depth in some areas within a field of work and learning	Graduates of the Diploma of Political Science and International Relations will have a broad and coherent knowledge that underpins theory, research, problem-solving and professional practice within the political science discipline. They will have foundational content knowledge in politics, political economy and international relations, which can be extended and deepened through further studies and/or professional practice.	
<b>SKILLS</b>	Graduates of a Diploma will have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• cognitive and communication skills to identify, analyse, synthesise and act on information from a range of sources</li> <li>• cognitive, technical and communication skills to analyse, plan, design and evaluate approaches to unpredictable problems and/or management requirements</li> <li>• specialist technical and creative skills to express ideas and perspectives</li> <li>• communication skills to transfer knowledge and specialised skills to others and demonstrate understanding of knowledge</li> </ul>	Graduates of the Diploma of Political Science and International Relations will have the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• cognitive and technical skills to source relevant information and synthesise theoretical and empirical knowledge in politics and international relations</li> <li>• cognitive and technical skills to critically analyse problems and evaluate issues in politics and international relations</li> <li>• technical and creative skills to plan a research study, express ideas and perspectives in politics and international relations, and to communicate findings</li> <li>• communication skills to transfer knowledge and specialised information in politics and international relations to others through a variety of modes and media</li> </ul>	

**APPLICATION OF  
KNOWLEDGE &  
SKILLS**

Graduates of a Diploma will demonstrate the application of knowledge and skills:

- with depth in some areas of specialisation, in known or changing contexts
- to transfer and apply theoretical concepts and/or technical and/or creative skills in a range of situations
- with personal responsibility and autonomy in performing complex technical operations with responsibility for own outputs in relation to broad parameters for quantity and quality
- with initiative and judgement to organise the work of self and others and plan, coordinate and evaluate the work of teams within broad but generally well-defined parameters

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

- In planning and problem-solving, and applying appropriate research skills and professional practice in politics and international relations
- In applying Australia's First Peoples' perspectives to contemporary contexts in politics and international relations
- To make independent judgements on a range of real-world problems, case studies and issues in politics and international relations
- To apply inclusive, ethical and sustainable practices in relevant contexts in global politics
- To enhance career paths and employability with responsibility and accountability for their own learning and professional development in collaboration with others