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EDUCATION AND ARTS

**Bachelor of Arts
(Western
Civilisation)**



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ACU's Bachelor of Arts (Western Civilisation) is an exciting new course opening up the intellectual tradition and culture of the West.

It is a liberal arts degree that will give ambitious students a deep understanding of western literature, philosophy, art, politics, religion, science and history, and how these help us to understand our world and the dialogue between cultures.

As an exceptional and high-achieving student, you will study with an intellectually motivated group of peers dedicated to the pursuit of knowledge and academic enquiry. The Ramsay Centre is funding 30 scholarships valued at \$30,000 per year (\$90,000 total) across the duration of your degree.

Applications should be made direct to ACU.

Applications open 1 July.

Learn more
acu.edu.au/western-civilisation



Duration:
3 years full-time

Campus:
North Sydney

Mode:
On campus

Cohort:
Domestic students



What you will study

Throughout this degree you will explore the past, present and future of western intellectual life and culture through immersion in some of the key literary, philosophical, artistic, religious, political and scientific works that have shaped the western intellectual tradition from antiquity to the present.

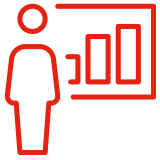
This unique liberal arts degree is centred on a 'great books' approach to the study of western civilisation. You'll delve into works by

Plato and Aristotle; Augustine and Aquinas; Da Vinci and Michelangelo; Homer and Shakespeare; Locke and Hume; Dickens and Tolstoy

– and you will also critically discuss, carefully critique, and debate their enduring influence.

As you progress through the course, you will develop a deep understanding of the key ideas and principles that have defined – and continue to define – western culture and which have significantly shaped the wider world.

At a time when the ideas of democracy, the rule of law, the scientific method, freedom of speech and religion, and the rights and dignity of the individual, are being called into question, a liberal arts education will immerse you in the serious study of how these hard-won ideas emerged over millennia.



Why study this course

You will study a rich liberal arts degree with some of the brightest students and scholars in Australia. We are committed to a personal learning approach, and the 14 core units will be delivered in small seminars of around 10 students, allowing in-depth, guided discussion.

You will develop skills greatly valued by contemporary employers across a range of professions: clear communication, critical thinking, creativity, collaboration and problem-solving – skills that will allow you to navigate the complexities of the modern world, and to make your own contributions to our common future.

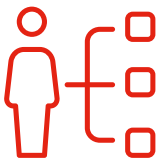


Scholarships available

The Ramsay Centre is funding 30 generous scholarships valued at up to \$90,000 (\$30,000 per year of the degree). This scholarship supports students enrolled in the Bachelor of Arts (Western Civilisation) at the North Sydney Campus. It includes funding for an optional international study experience, and an early payment to help offset start-up costs such as relocation and accommodation.

Scholarships are granted based on academic merit and alignment with Ramsay attributes – such as leadership qualities, commitment to enrichment of society, and critical habit of mind – and ACU's mission and focus – such as commitment to the dignity of the human person and the common good.

acu.edu.au/scholarships



Career outcomes

The Bachelor of Arts (Western Civilisation) provides you with rigorous training in a range of skills that are immediately transferable to the contemporary workforce. Career outcomes are diverse and

include research and policy work for government and NGOs, publishing and editing, work with arts and cultural organisations, and careers as university scholars.



How to apply

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ACU living and learning communities

While this course is offered at our North Sydney Campus, we encourage applications from all across Australia. With the support of a Ramsay Centre scholarship, you may wish to consider staying at our student accommodation in Sydney, the Miguel Cordero Residence (MCR).

MCR is located in Camperdown in Sydney's inner west – the vibrant cultural hub of the city. The modern residence is comprised of single occupancy and premium studios as well as private rooms in multi-share apartments. Common areas include the library, games and media rooms, barbecue terrace and private study rooms.

Sitting opposite the picturesque Camperdown Oval, MCR provides access to sporting fields, basketball courts, tennis courts, and an outdoor gym. Within walking distance to Newtown, there are plenty of cafes, restaurants and shops to explore. MCR has easy access to public transport to reach the campus and the best that Sydney has to offer.

More than just a place to stay, MCR is a community for students to gain the support they need to reach their goals, meet new people and excel in their studies.

[acu.edu.au/
studentaccommodation](https://acu.edu.au/studentaccommodation)

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We're here to help

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