

# BACHELOR OF APPLIED SOCIAL STUDIES (HONS)

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## Programme Learning Outcomes

Programme Learning Outcomes for Bachelor of Applied Social Studies (Hons) (NFQ Level 8, Major Award)

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

- Apply knowledge of social policy to critically examine and understand the impact of social and political contexts in contemporary society;
- Illustrate a reflective approach to learning that is self-directed and employs principles of problem based learning;
- Apply social policy concepts and theory to understand changes in the contemporary welfare state;
- Be able to critically analyse policy responses in sectoral areas across the social services;
- Promote principles of social justice, human rights and equality;
- Demonstrate a knowledge and understanding of human behaviour within culturally diverse contexts;
- Apply knowledge of theoretical frameworks to understand and critically analyse social structures at macro and micro levels;
- Develop the ability to undertake and apply social research methods;
- Demonstrate the capacity to pursue comparative research in applied social studies and the ability to write in an appropriate academic style.