

# BACHELOR OF APPLIED SOCIAL STUDIES (ORDINARY)

## Overview

NFQ Level 7, Major Award

## Alternative Pathway for Students not Proceeding to Fourth Social Work

The Bachelor of Applied Social Studies (BASS) (Ordinary) Level 7 is an alternative degree pathway for students who do not satisfy the pass standard for the placement modules (SS3206 and SS3207) in Third Year of the BSW (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bsw/>) programme over the summer and/or Autumn Supplemental Examinations, or who decide not to continue with their professional training in the BSW programme. Such students may opt instead to register for the Bachelor of Applied Social Studies (BASS) (Hons). On successful completion of Third Bachelor of Applied Social Studies, these students may exit with a Bachelor of Applied Social Studies (BASS) (Ordinary) Level 7.

Students also have the option to progress to Fourth Bachelor of Applied Social Studies (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bass/>) where, on successful completion, they qualify with a Bachelor of Applied Social Studies (BASS) (Hons) Level 8.

**Note: Students who opt for this Pathway are not eligible to be considered for registration with the Social Workers Registration Board.**

**Note:** Exemptions in relevant modules passed as part of BSW III will be carried over to BASS III.

## Programme Requirements

For information about modules, module choice, options and credit weightings, please go to Programme Requirements (p. 1).

## Programme Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Year 1 - Social Work</b>		
Students take <b>60</b> credits as follows:		
<i>Core Modules</i>		
Applied Psychology		
AP1022	Social Psychology	5
AP1023	Lifespan Development	5
Economics		
EC1121	Markets, Governments and the Economics of Social Issues	5
EC1122	Markets, Governments and the Economics of Social Issues	5
Social Policy		
SS1017	Politics and Social Policy (Part 1)	10
SS1018	Politics and Social Policy (Part 2)	5
Social Work		
SS1202	Introduction to Social Work Theory, Methods and Skills	10
Sociology		
SC1012	Introduction to Sociology (Part A)	5

SC1013	Key Issues in Sociology (Part B)	10
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### Year 2 - Social Work

Students take **60** credits as follows:

#### Core Modules

Social Policy		
SS2208	Child Care Policy	5
SS2228	Social justice, Human Rights and Advocacy Approaches in Social Work.	5
SS2220	Introduction To Social Work Practice	5
SS2224	Critical Perspectives On Age and Ageing	5
Social Work		
SS2201	Practice Skills Laboratory	10
SS2214	Social Work Practice Contexts	10
SS2216	Social Recovery Approaches to Mental Health	5
SS2217	Social Research	5
SS2225	Social Work with Young People	5
SS2226	Social Work with Families	5

### Year 3 - Applied Social Studies

Students take **60** credits as follows -all listed core modules (**30** credits and **\*30** credits of elective modules:

#### Core Modules

LW3401	Legal Studies	5
SS3208	Life Courses, Biographies and Reflective Learning	5
SS3209	Child Care and Protection Practice	5
SS3210	Deviance, Welfare and Justice	5
SS3216	Community Development	5
SS3217	Groupwork	5

#### Elective Modules

Students take modules to the value of **30** credits from the following: 30

Students must take at least one of the following options:

SS2028	Social Justice and Mental Health: Combating Discrimination, Labelling and Stigma (10)
SS2029	Politics and Social Policy II (Part 1) (5)
<b>plus</b> SS2031	<b>plus</b> Politics and Social Policy II (Part 2) (5)
Students take remaining credits from the following options:	
SS2004	Personal Lives and Family Policy (5)
SS2007	Penal Policy and Practice (5)
SS2025	Social Movements and Health (5)
SS2026	Special Education and Disability: Principles, Policies and Practices (5)

<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>180</b>
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## Examinations

Full details and regulations governing Examinations for each programme will be contained in the *Marks and Standards Book* and for each module in the *Book of Modules*.

## Programme Learning Outcomes

**Programme Learning Outcomes for Bachelor of Applied Social Studies (Ordinary) (NFQ Level 7, 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;
- Understand 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;
- Understand 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 social research.