Welcome to Arts

...your passport to the world
Message from the Dean

Welcome to the Faculty of Arts at UWA.

Our students study a wide range of units, specialising in diverse disciplines such as Anthropology and Sociology, Archaeology, Classics and Ancient History, Media and Communication, English and Cultural Studies, History, Linguistics, Music, Philosophy, Political Science and International Relations, as well as a choice of nine different languages.

Arts units create a stimulating learning environment in which you are encouraged to explore new ideas and develop your own understanding of the society and cultures around you. We know that everyone learns differently. So we offer you many teaching options – from traditional lectures, to interactive tutorials and practical workshops involving digital media. You also have access to world-class library facilities and computer support systems.

We hope that you will take advantage of the various options available to Arts students. Studying in another country, for instance, is an invaluable experience which greatly increases the value of your degree, and the flexibility of Arts courses makes it relatively simple to join a range of study-abroad programs.

The Arts Practicum provides an opportunity to experience a real workplace environment, allowing you to develop professional skills and giving you invaluable contacts with a prospective employer.

A wealth of scholarly, cultural and social activities is on offer through both the Faculty and the University, and we urge you to take advantage of everything on offer to make your time at UWA a fulfilling personal experience!

We trust your degree won’t just train you for a career, but will help shape your own life and future.

Krishna Sen
What is Arts?

The Faculty of Arts is made up of 3 Schools and each school has a range of majors that you can study:

**School of Social Sciences**
- Anthropology & Sociology
- Archaeology
- Asian Studies
- Chinese
- Communication & Media Studies
- Japanese
- Indonesian
- Korean
- Linguistics
- Political Science & International Relations

**School of Humanities**
- Classics & Ancient History
- English & Cultural Studies
- French Studies
- German Studies
- History
- Italian Studies
- Philosophy

**School of Music**
- Music Studies
- Specialist Music Studies
What is Arts?

Some BA majors are offered in the other faculties as well:

- Indigenous Knowledge, History and Heritage
  School of Indigenous Studies
  sis.uwa.edu.au/contact

- History of Arts
  Faculty of Architecture, Landscape and Visual Arts
  alva.uwa.edu.au/contact

- Human Geography & Planning
  Faculty of Science
  science.uwa.edu.au/contact

- Work & Employment Relations
  UWA Business School
  business.uwa.edu.au/contact
A major is a structured sequence of 8 units in a particular discipline, or field of study (e.g. Archaeology or Linguistics)

**Degree Specific major or Single Major Example**

Choose any area of study (see previous slide) and complete all units (8) in its sequence. Choose from Political Science and International Relations to Japanese or Music Studies

Here you would study your majors 8 units + 4 broadening units + 12 elective units

**Second Major or Double Major Example**

Your degree specific major must be from Arts (if you are BA student) and your second major can also be from arts OR from any other Bachelor course.

You can study Anthropology & Sociology along with Philosophy or maybe Marketing from the Bachelor of Commerce or Anatomy from the Bachelor of Science

Here you would study your degree specific majors 8 units + your second majors 8 units + 4 broadening units + 4 elective units

*Broadening units and Elective units are explained on the next slides 😊*
Your BA degree

To complete your BA degree you will need to take **24 units** (144 points – each unit is usually worth 6 points) made up of the following:

- **Degree-specific major (8 units)**
  This will be an Arts major, your main area of study throughout the BA

- **Second major - optional (8 units)**
  You can choose a second major from across the University

- **Broadening units (4 units)**
  Mandatory units aimed at exposing you to different areas of study (see next slide)

- **Electives (12 / 4 units)**
  Optional units taken from across the University to bring your total points to 144. (The number of electives will decrease if you choose a second major)

At the **Course Advice Information Sessions** you’ll hear more about the course structure, choosing your units & majors, and broadening requirements. Be sure to attend the **Information sessions**!
Broadening Units

You must complete 4 broadening units as part of your degree. They are intended to expose you to different ideas and ways of learning so that you are a versatile and adaptable graduate with a global perspective.

Quick Facts about broadening units:
• Broadening units come in two varieties – Category A and Category B
• At least 1 of the 4 must be from Category A and the remainder can be Category B.
• Combinations: ABBB or AABB or AAAB or AAAA
• Broadening units can be completed at any time in your degree
• Can be units at level 1, 2 or 3
• Can be electives or form part of a second major

You can complete your Category A unit requirement in several ways:
• Complete a Language Other Than English (LOTE) unit (as long as you also complete a non-language major).
• Participate in approved Study Aboard/Student Exchange program
• Complete elective units from either Indigenous Knowledge History and Heritage major or Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing major
# Study Plan – Example A

BA with single major (here: Archaeology)

## Course Study Plan: CSP001-ARCGY

**Degree:** BP001 Bachelor of Arts  
**Degree-specific major:** MJD-ARCGY Archaeology (two Level 1 units + two Level 2 units + four Level 3 units)

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**Key:**  
1 Degree-specific major unit  
_dept Broadening unit: Category A or B  
◆ Complementary unit  
☢ Elective

* This unit is available in semester 1, semester 2.

This study plan is an example of a full-time load of four units per semester.  
The standard minimum completion time for a bachelor’s degree is three years. The maximum completion time is 10 years.  
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Study Plan – Example B

BA with double major
Two arts majors (here: Communication & Media Studies and Political Science)

Course Study Plan: CSP001-CMMST-POLSC

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Key: 1 Degree-specific major unit 2 Second major unit ⬤ Broadening unit, Category A or B ⬤ Complementary unit ⬤ Elective

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BA with double major
One Arts major, one major from another faculty
(here: Communication & Media Studies and Marketing)

Course Study Plan: CSP001-CMMST-MRKTG

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Arts Opportunities

Arts Practicum

A workplace project-based unit which will give you:

• Hands-on experience which complements your studies
• Opportunity to put into practice the skills learnt in your Arts degree
• Professional networking

Students placed in over fifty organisations, including media, the Arts, government and private partners

Exchange Partners

UWA offers students the ability to study overseas for a semester or 2.

• Over 90 partner Universities throughout North and South America, Europe and the Asia Pacific region
• Increase your cultural awareness and global understanding
Useful Links

Current Students Website, where you’ll find links to the LMS, Student Connect, Webmail, timetable and more.

UWA Handbook, where you’ll find information about your course and units

Ask UWA, for any questions you might have

student.uwa.edu.au
handbooks.uwa.edu.au
ask.uwa.edu.au
The UWA Student Guild continues to represent the students of UWA at all levels of the University, while providing support services and an engaging campus culture of events, clubs and volunteering.

Join now and find out more at uwastudentguild.com/

The Arts Union represents every student undertaking study in the area of humanities and social sciences. They offer Arts students a range of services including academic advocacy and representation. Each semester they host a series of social, educational, sports, career and equity based-events.

E: artsunion@guild.uwa.edu.au
The Arts Student Office is your first stop for any questions about your course.

T: 6488 2091 / 6488 20789
E: ask.uwa.edu.au/

We are open Mon - Fri 9am to 4pm.
What’s next?

• Visit the UniStart website
• Enrol Online
• Go to Orientation
• Join Guild (it’s free!)
• Visit the Arts Student Office with any questions you may have