

Master of Development Studies

8942 - Stream C



Term 3 2026 Commencing Students – 96 UOC specialisation (SOCWWS)

Choose from available proposed courses in each year

Year 1 - 2026	Term 3	Year 2 - 2027	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Year 3 - 2028	TBC per semester calendar
	SRAP5101 Research Methods & Project Design		COMD5001 International Development Policy	SOCW7851 Community Development	Program Elective		• Program Elective* • Program Elective • Program Elective • Program Elective • Program Elective
	SOCW7857 Refugees & Forced Migration (prescribed electives)		COMD5000 NGOs, Civil Society & Development (prescribed elective)	SOCW7852 Politics of International Aid (preferred program elective)	SRAP5102 Research in the Real World		
	COMD5002 Development, Human Rights & Global Health		Program Elective	COMD5004 Climate change adaptation & development (preferred program elective)	Program Elective*		

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To check your progress in 2027, log in to the myPlan progression checker tool <https://www.unsw.edu.au/student/managing-your-studies/resources/myplan>

Students must complete 48 UOC as follows: Research Core Course (6 UOC) / Disciplinary Core Courses (12 UOC) / Prescribed Disciplinary Elective (6 UOC / Prescribed Electives (24 UOC)
Disciplinary Prescribed Electives & Program Electives Course Offerings:

NOTES	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
	Prescribed elective • COMD5000 NGOs, Civil Society & Development Electives • SRAP5001 Policy Analysis • ARTS5503 Academic Writing for the Humanities[^] • ARTS5505 Personalised English Language Enhancement (PELE) [^]	Electives • SRAP5004 Accountability & Governance • SRAP5021 Policy, Advocacy & Activism in the Digital Age • POLS5121 International Organisations • POLS5125 Politics of International Law • SRAP5025 Social Sciences Internship • ARTS5503 Academic Writing for the Humanities[^] • SRAP5107 Research Project (12 UOC)*	Electives • SRAP5102 Research in the Real World • SRAP5108 Politics, power and policy • SRAP5025 Social Sciences Internship • POLS5122 IPE • POLS5161 Developing Countries and IR • ARTS5505 Personalised English Language Enhancement (PELE)[^] • SRAP5107 Research Project (12 UOC)*

*Note that SRAP5107 is a thesis course of 12 UOC, undertaken as 6 UOC over two consecutive terms

[^]Electives marked can be approved in place of SRAP5106 which is not offered this year

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Master of Development Studies

8942 – Stream B



Term 3 2026 Commencing Students – 72 UOC specialisation (SOCWUS)

Choose from available proposed courses in each year

Year 1 - 2026	Term 3	Year 2 - 2027	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Year 3 - 2028	TBC per semester calendar
	SRAP5101 Research Methods & Project Design		COMD5001 International Development Policy	SOCW7851 Community Development	Program Elective		- COMD5000 NGOs, Civil Society & Development (<i>prescribed elective</i>) - Program Elective*
	SOCW7857 Refugees & Forced Migration (<i>prescribed electives</i>)		COMD5000 NGOs, Civil Society & Development (<i>prescribed elective</i>)	SOCW7852 Politics of International Aid (<i>preferred program elective</i>)	SRAP5102 Research in the Real World		
	COMD5002 Development, Human Rights & Global Health		Program Elective	COMD5004 Climate change adaptation & development (<i>preferred program elective</i>)			

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	Term 1 Prescribed elective - COMD5000 NGOs, Civil Society & Development Electives - SRAP5001 Policy Analysis - ARTS5503 Academic Writing for the Humanities[^] - ARTS5505 Personalised English Language Enhancement (PELE)[^]	Term 2 Electives - SRAP5004 Accountability & Governance - SRAP5021 Policy, Advocacy & Activism in the Digital Age - POLS5121 International Organisations - POLS5125 Politics of International Law - SRAP5025 Social Sciences Internship - ARTS5503 Academic Writing for the Humanities[^] - SRAP5107 Research Project (12 UOC)*	Term 3 Electives - SRAP5102 Research in the Real World - SRAP5108 Politics, power and policy - SRAP5025 Social Sciences Internship - POLS5122 IPE - POLS5161 Developing Countries and IR - ARTS5505 Personalised English Language Enhancement (PELE)[^] - SRAP5107 Research Project (12 UOC)*

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Master of Development Studies

8942 - Stream A



Term 3 2026 Commencing Students – 48 UOC specialisation (SOCWTS)

Choose from available proposed courses in each year

Year 1 - 2026	Term 3	Year 2 - 2027	Term 1	Term 2
	COMD5002 Development, Human Rights & Global Health <i>OR</i> SOCW7857 Refugees & Forced Migration <i>(prescribed or program electives)</i>		COMD5001 International Development Policy	SOCW7851 Community Development
	SRAP5101 Research Methods and Project Design		COMD5000 NGOs, Civil Society & Development <i>(prescribed elective)</i>	SOCW7852 Politics of International Aid <i>(preferred program elective)</i>
	Program Elective		Program Elective	Program Elective

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	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
	Prescribed elective • COMD5000 NGOs, Civil Society & Development Electives • SRAP5001 Policy Analysis • ARTS5503 Academic Writing for the Humanities [^] • ARTS5505 Personalised English Language Enhancement (PELE) [^]	Electives • SRAP5004 Accountability & Governance • SRAP5021 Policy, Advocacy & Activism in the Digital Age • POLS5121 International Organisations • POLS5125 Politics of International Law • SRAP5025 Social Sciences Internship • ARTS5503 Academic Writing for the Humanities [^] • SRAP5107 Research Project (12 UOC)*	Electives • SRAP5102 Research in the Real World • SRAP5108 Politics, power and policy • SRAP5025 Social Sciences Internship • POLS5122 IPE • POLS5161 Developing Countries and IR • ARTS5505 Personalised English Language Enhancement (PELE) [^] • SRAP5107 Research Project (12 UOC)*

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