

Course Plan for Graduate Diploma in Community Development 2023 (G1061)

Welcome to postgraduate study at Murdoch and the Community Development program.

The Graduate Diploma in Community Development requires completion of **24 credit points worth of units: 18 credit points of core units, plus 6 credit points of specified electives**. The table below lists the core units and specified electives and when they are available for enrolment. The Graduate Diploma is also **customizable by choosing some alternative units** as part of your study, which can be approved by the Academic Chair. If you have questions about this or you are looking for some guidance, please get in touch with Cam Tero, Academic Chair for Community Development: c.tero@murdoch.edu.au

More information about all of the units below can be found by using the unit codes to search the Murdoch handbook: <https://handbook.murdoch.edu.au>

Semester 1	Credit points
Core unit - COD545: Community Development Theory and Practice	3
Core unit - COD504: Community, Policy and Change	3
Specified elective – see list below	3
Specified elective – see list below	3
Semester 2	
Core unit - COD505: Community, Industry and Local Government	3
Core unit - COD601: Community Development Methods	3
Core unit COD608: Community Development Internship (also available as a year-long unit)	6

Specified Electives:

- **AST650:** Culture, Communities and Sustainability in Asia (3 credit points, available semester 1)
- **SUS611:** Resilient Regions (3 points, available in the **winter study period**)
- **COD502:** Community Development in Indigenous Communities (3 points, available semester 2)
- **SUS512:** Sustainability, Ecology and Communities (3 points, available semester 2)
- **EDN546:** Dynamics of Cultural Diversity in the Workplace and the Community (3 points, available semester 2)
- **TLC501:** Communication Skills for Postgraduate Study - recommended for students new to studying in Australia. (available semesters 1 and 2)

Other units to consider for alternative enrolment (will need to be approved by contacting the Academic Chair)

- **SUS523:** Cities and Sustainability (3 points, available semester 1)
- **EDU616:** Teaching and Learning in Culturally Diverse Environments (3 points, available semester 1)
- **GOV511:** Critical Approaches to Development (6 points, available semester 2)
- **AST558:** Gender in Asian Societies (3 points, available semester 2)
- **MBS651:** Leading and Managing Nonprofit Organisations (3 points, available **Trimester 2**)