

Master of Public Health (HLM101.1)

Please note these are the 2021 details for this course

Domestic students

Selection rank	
Delivery mode	Blended
Location	Bruce, Canberra
Duration	1.5 years
Faculty	Faculty of Health
Discipline	Discipline of Public Health
UAC code	880735
English language requirements	<p>There are non-standard English language requirements for this course. To be eligible you must have an overall IELTS Academic score (or equivalent) of 7.0, with no band score below 6.5. For alternate/equivalent ways of meeting the English requirements for this course please view the English Proficiency Requirements document on the university website.</p> <p>View IELTS equivalences</p>

International students

Academic entry requirements	<p>To study at UC, you'll need to meet our academic entry requirements and any admission requirements specific to your course. Please read your course admission requirements below. To find out whether you meet UC's academic entry requirements, visit our academic entry requirements page.</p>
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Location	Bruce, Canberra
Duration	1.5 years
Faculty	Faculty of Health
Discipline	Discipline of Public Health
CRICOS code	0101072
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About this course

This degree in Public Health delivers a model of postgraduate public health training which aims to draw participants from a range of disciplines and offer a flexible program to meet the needs and interests of students. The program takes a broad ecological approach highlighting the interdependence between human health and ecosystems. As such, the program acknowledges the complexity and interrelatedness of contemporary and emerging public health concerns. The program reflects the need for an interdisciplinary public health workforce with a broad range of primary skills plus specialised skills which extend beyond the traditional biomedical boundary. As such, this will be a unique approach to public health training in Australia. The program builds on the current strengths of the University.

Program Description The Master of Public Health prepares graduates to work in a wide variety of fields by drawing on a broad range of courses across public health, environmental health, land use and urban planning, sociology, community development, health management, health promotion and international development. Students may come from a range of backgrounds and the degree can be tailored to meet the interest and needs of students. This interdisciplinary degree has a focus on the ecological model of public health that emphasises and analyses the important interactions between the social, biological, economic and environmental determinants of human health in an ecological framework. The program equips students with skills and knowledge in assessment and management of health hazards and in the development of health promoting and sustaining environments and prepares students to bridge between professions to facilitate an interdisciplinary approach to contemporary public and environmental health problems. The program prepares students to undertake the core elements of public health in addition to understanding the multiple systems in which public health is central to operations.

Admission requirements

A completed bachelor degree.

Admission to this course is competitive. Applications will be assessed on the basis of academic merit and the number of available places.

Assumed knowledge

Students are expected to have basic competency in understanding of bio-statistical concepts.

Periods course is open for new admissions

This course is not open for new admissions.

Credit arrangements

There are currently no formal credit transfer arrangements for entry to this course. Any previous study or work experience will only be considered as part of the application process in accordance with current [course rules](#) and [university policy](#).

Course requirements

Master of Public Health (HLM101) | 36 credit points

Required - Must pass 24 credit points as follows

[Expand All](#) | [Collapse All](#)

Research Planning PG (6486) | 3 credit points — Level P

Research Project in Health PG (6cp) (9593) | 6 credit points — Level P

Epidemiology and Principles of Research PG (9594) | 3 credit points — Level P

Ecological Public Health PG (10054) | 3 credit points — Level P

Health Economics PG (10057) | 3 credit points — Level P

Health Promotion Principles and Practice PG (10058) | 3 credit points — Level P

Principles and Practice of Interdisciplinary Public Health PG (10063) | 3 credit points — Level P

Open Electives - 6 credit points as follows

- - Must pass 6 credit points from anywhere in the University, subject to the approval of the Course Convener.

Restricted Choice - Must pass 6 credit points from the following

Communicable Disease Control PG (10053) | 3 credit points — Level P

Global Health PG (10055) | 3 credit points — Level P

Health Risk Assessment and Communication PG (10059) | 3 credit points — Level P

Limits to Growth PG (10061) | 3 credit points — Level P

In addition to course requirements, in order to successfully complete your course you must meet the inherent requirements. Please refer to the [inherent requirements statement](#) applicable to your course

Typical study pattern

UC - Canberra, Bruce

Standard Full Time, Semester 1 Commencing

Year 1

Semester 1

[Ecological Public Health PG \(10054\)](#)

[Epidemiology and Principles of Research PG \(9594\)](#)

[Health Promotion Principles and Practice PG \(10058\)](#)

[Principles and Practice of Interdisciplinary Public Health PG \(10063\)](#)

Semester 2

[Health Economics PG \(10057\)](#)

[Research Planning PG \(6486\)](#)

Two Restricted Choice Units

Year 2

Semester 1

[Research Project in Health PG \(6cp\) \(9593\)](#)

Two Open Elective Units

Standard Full Time, Semester 2 Commencing

Year 1

Semester 2

[Epidemiology and Principles of Research PG \(9594\)](#)

[Health Economics PG \(10057\)](#)

[Principles and Practice of Interdisciplinary Public Health PG \(10063\)](#)

One Restricted Choice Unit

Year 2

Semester 1

One Restricted Choice Unit

[Ecological Public Health PG \(10054\)](#)

[Health Promotion Principles and Practice PG \(10058\)](#)

[Research Planning PG \(6486\)](#)

Semester 2

[Research Project in Health PG \(6cp\) \(9593\)](#)

Two Open Elective Units

Course information

Course duration

An accelerated study plan is recommended over three semesters and winter term full-time or part-time equivalent. Based on a standard full time study plan, standard 1.5 years full time or part time equivalent. Maximum 6 years.

Learning outcomes

Learning outcomes	Related graduate attributes
<p>Learning outcomes for the Graduate Certificate in Public Health:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Students will have a critical understanding of research methods in public health from an ecological perspective; and- Students will have an understanding of ecological public health and its application to real world problems.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Students will have entry levels skills to work in public health; and- Students will be able to review public health issues from an ecological perspective.
<p>Learning outcomes for the Master of Public Health in addition to the above:</p> <p>Graduates of the Master Degree of Public Health will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- demonstrate specialised knowledge and skills in the practice of ecological public health;- demonstrate advanced understanding of the complex body of knowledge associated with contemporary and emerging local and global public health concerns;	<p>Graduates of a Master Degree of Public Health will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- think globally about issues in their profession;- adopt an informed and balanced approach across professional and international boundaries;- employ up-to-date and relevant knowledge and skills;

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- demonstrate specialised skills to critically analyse, synthesise, and interpret public health information;
 - demonstrate an advanced body of knowledge that includes the understanding of recent developments and skills of research principles and methods applicable to ecological public health;
 - demonstrate the application of knowledge and skills in interdisciplinary approaches to public health concerns with a broad range of partners;
 - cognitive skills to demonstrate mastery of theoretical knowledge and to reflect critically on theory and professional practice or scholarship;
 - investigate, analyse and synthesise complex information, problems, concepts and theories and to apply established theories to different bodies of knowledge or practice;
 - the application of knowledge and skills with high level personal autonomy and accountability; and
 - to plan and execute a substantial research based project, capstone experience and/or piece of scholarship.
- adapt to complexity, ambiguity and change by being flexible and keen to engage with new ideas;
 - evaluate and adopt new technology;
 - use creativity, critical thinking, analysis and research skills to solve theoretical and real-world problems;
 - work collaboratively as part of a team, negotiate, and resolve conflict;
 - display initiative and drive, and use their organisation skills to plan and manage their workload;
 - understand issues in their profession from the perspective of other cultures;
 - communicate effectively in diverse cultural and social settings;
 - make creative use of technology in their learning and professional lives;
 - behave ethically and sustainably in their professional and personal lives; and
 - reflect on their own practice, updating and adapting their knowledge and skills for continual professional and academic development.

Learning outcomes for the Graduate Diploma in Public Health, in addition to the above:

- Students will have a critical understanding of public health methods and their application;
- Students will have an understanding of public health practice in the global setting; and
- Students will be able to critically analyse public health problems and develop solutions using an ecological perspective.

- think globally about issues in their profession;
- understand issues in their profession; and
- behave ethically and sustainably in their professional and personal lives from the perspective of other cultures.

Awards

Award	Official abbreviation
Master of Public Health	M PubHealth

Alternative exits

Alternative exit award Graduate Certificate in Public Health:

Students may exit early from the Master course if they have passed 12 credit points from the following units:

6486 Research Planning PG

9594 Epidemiology and Principles of Research PG

10054 Ecological Public Health PG

10058 Health Promotion Principles and Practice PG

10063 Principles and Practice of Interdisciplinary Public Health PG

Alternative exit award Graduate Diploma in Public Health:

Students may exit early from the Master course if they have passed 24 credit points as follows:

a. Must have passed 18 credit points from:

6486 Research Planning PG

9593 Research Project in Health PG (6)

9594 Epidemiology and Principles of Research PG

10054 Ecological Public Health PG

10057 Health Economics PG

10058 Health Promotion Principles and Practice PG

10063 Principles and Practice of Interdisciplinary Public Health PG

AND

b. Must have passed 6 credit points from:

10053 Communicable Disease Control PG

10055 Global Health PG

10059 Health Risk Assessment and Communication PG

10061 Limits to Growth PG

Enquiries

Student category	Contact details
Current and Commencing Students:	Email: Health.Student@canberra.edu.au or Phone: 1300 301 727

Prospective Domestic Students:

Email study@canberra.edu.au or Phone 1800 UNI CAN (1800 864 226)

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and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of Canberra and the region. We also acknowledge all other First Nations Peoples on whose lands we gather.