

PUBLIC HEALTH, MAJOR (0055)

Western Sydney University Major Code: 0055

Previous Code: M4021.1

Only available to 4656 Bachelor of Health Science students

Public health is the science of disease prevention, prolonging life and improving health for individuals and their communities. This work is achieved by promoting healthy lifestyles, researching disease prevention, conducting population health assessment and measurement, improving environmental health, engaging the community and detecting, preventing and responding to infectious diseases. Public health professionals are required to assess and respond to emerging public health issues and work in a variety of settings, including national and state health departments, community organisations and the global health sector. The Public Health major builds a student's knowledge of the biological, social, cultural, economic and physical factors that underpin the health of a population and how to promote health for all. Students will also develop and use skills in epidemiology and biostatistics, surveillance and prevention, and public health policy. Students in T109 Clinical Science, who would not otherwise have the opportunity to take the 140-hour subject MEDI 3007 Professional Health Placement may choose to do so. This Major will be identified on the Student's Academic Transcript following completion of the course

Location

| Campus | Mode | Advice |
|---------------------|----------|--|
| Campbelltown Campus | Internal | Dr Caterina Tannous (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/c.tannous@westernsydney.edu.au) |
| | Online | Dr Caterina Tannous (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/c.tannous@westernsydney.edu.au) |
| Sydney City Campus | Internal | Dr Andrey Zheluk (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/a.zheluk@city.westernsydney.edu.au) |

Major Structure

For 4656 Bachelor of Health Science students enrolled in testamur majors T018 Health Promotion, T019 Health Services Management or T109 Clinical Sciences. This second major will be noted on the student's transcript. This major is made up of 80 credit points.

| Subject | Title | Credit Points |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| PUBH 1012 | Public Health | 10 |
| BIOS 1035 | Anatomy and Physiology in Health | 10 |
| HLTH 2022 | Biostatistics in Health | 10 |
| PUBH 2020 | Epidemiology for Public Health | 10 |
| PUBH 3024 | Harm Minimisation and Prevention | 10 |
| PUBH 3025 | Health Policy and Advocacy | 10 |
| PUBH 3027 | Public Health in a Changing World | 10 |

For students in T018 Health Promotion or T019 Health Services Management: 10

HLTH 3018 Ethical and Legal Issues in Health Care

Or

for students in T109 Clinical Science select one of the following:

HLTH 3018 Ethical and Legal Issues in Health Care

MEDI 3007 Professional Health Placement

Total Credit Points 80

Related Programs

Bachelor of Health Science (4656) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-health-science/>)