

MASTER OF HEALTH (RESEARCH STUDIES)/PHD (4681)

Approved Abbreviation: MHLth(ResSt)/PhD

CRICOS Code: 071122B

Program Status:

This program applies to students who commenced in 2010 or later.

The Master of Health (Research Studies)/PhD program is designed for professionals working in a variety of settings including health care services, hospitals, the aged care sector and community organisations, enabling them to effectively assess and respond to emerging health planning and management issues. It allows students to undertake coursework study in areas of discipline specific interest as well as providing appropriate research skills training.

The Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) component provides training and education with the objective of producing graduates with the capacity to conduct research independently at a high level of originality and quality. A PhD candidate should uncover new knowledge either by the discovery of new facts, the formulation of theories or the innovative re-interpretation of known data and established ideas.

Study Mode

Four and a half years full-time (one and a half years for the Master of Health (Research Studies) plus three years for the PhD).

Program Advice

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Prospective students should visit the following websites for general enquiries about this program.

Enquire about this program (<https://enquiry.westernsydney.edu.au/courseenquiry/>) | Local Admission (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/>) | International Admission (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/home/apply/admissions/>) |

Location

Campus	Attendance	Mode	Advice
Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road	Full Time	Internal	See above

Admission

This program is only available to International students. Please contact the Program Advisor for further information.

Program Structure

The Master of Health (Research Studies)/PhD degree will include a 120 credit point Master degree that has a research training component of one third (40 credit points) with a coursework component of discipline based content of two thirds (80 credit points).

The PhD component of the program will be completed according to the current Doctor of Philosophy policy.

The program will comprise the following

- Core Subjects - 30 credit points
- Research Training - 40 credit points

- Alternate Health subjects - 40 credit points
- One Elective subject - 10 credit points

Students must successfully complete the following

Subject	Title	Credit Points
Core Subjects		
PUBH 7012	Health Economics and Comparative Health Systems	10
PUBH 7017	Leadership and the Development of Organisational Capacity	10
PUBH 7022	Public Health, Policy and Society	10
Research Training Component		
AGEN 7005	Research Protocol Design and Practice	10
HLTH 7014	Professional Topic	10
NATS 7044	Science and Health Research Project PG	20
Alternate Health Subjects		
Select 40 credit points of the following:		40
HLTH 7001	A Global Perspective on Social Determinants of Health	
PUBH 7004	Communicable Diseases	
PUBH 7009	Epidemiology and Quantitative Methods	
NURS 7023	Evidence Based Health Care	
PUBH 7011	Health Advancement and Health Promotion	
PUBH 7014	Health and Socio-political Issues in Aged Care	
HLTH 7007	Health Workforce Planning	
PUBH 7019	Occupational Health Management	
PUBH 7024	Safety and Risk Management	
PUBH 7028	Surveillance and Disaster Planning	
Elective		
Select one elective subject		10
Total Credit Points		120

Note: Enrolment in subjects other than those listed above for the Master of Health (Research Studies) portion may be possible with Director of Academic Program permission.

In order for students to progress into the PhD research program, they must have an average grade of 75 percent or greater across all subjects and have obtained a subject grade of greater than 74 percent for NATS 7044 Science and Health Research Project PG. The required research HRD documentation will be assessed by the Health and Science Research and Higher Degree Committee.

As part of this evaluation, successful candidature will be dependent on the availability of appropriate topics and available supervision. In order to facilitate this transition, students will be given ongoing academic advice regarding potential doctoral projects during the program of their Master's study.

Equivalent Subject

The equivalent subject listed below counts toward completion of this program for students who passed this subject in 2018 or earlier.

AGEN 7003 - Evidence Based Health Care, replaced by AGEN 7005 Research Protocol Design and Practice