Bachelor of Health Science

Duration
3 years full-time or part-time equivalent

Availability & Campus

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1 The following units are available to be studied at the South West (Bunbury) Campus: Health Promotion, Nutrition, Occupational Safety and Health.
2 This course can be completed online, depending on the majors selected.

Prepares students to be able to make a positive contribution to enhancing the health of communities. Health science is the study of the physical, psychological, social, and environmental dimensions of health. Students graduate with practical and theoretical knowledge and skills in communication, teamwork, critical thinking, innovation, and cross-cultural and international awareness. They are highly sought after and can choose a range of interesting and dynamic career pathways.

Students can choose to undertake two eight-unit majors, or a major and minor, in these disciplines:
- Addiction Studies
- Environmental Management
- Health Promotion
- Nutrition
- Occupational Safety and Health

Alternatively, students can undertake one 16-unit major in:
- Nutrition Bioscience
- Environmental Health

A minor in Youth Work is also available.

Employment Opportunities
Employment opportunities exist within a range of workplaces including aged care facilities and hospitals, rural and regional settings, asthma/diabetes/cancer/injury prevention councils, heart foundations, family planning associations, alcohol and other drug agencies, mining oil and gas industries, community development and local government organisations, disability services, justice and correctional agencies, research institutes, international aid organisations, and mental health support agencies.

Careers
Community Health Officer, Environmental Health Officer, Youth Worker, Child Health Officer, Health Promotion Officer, Health Worker, Nutritionist, Health Promotion Nutritionist, Occupational Safety and Health Management Officer

Course Structure
Students are required to complete a Core unit set. This will be supported by a supplementary program comprising of: two 8-unit Majors; or an 8-unit Major, plus a 6-unit Minor and 2 Elective units; or a 16-unit specialised Major.

- HST1111 Population Health
- MAT1114 Introductory Statistics
- HST1109 Epidemiology
- SCH1143 Systems Physiology
- HST2122 Health Research Methodology
- HST3501 Health Research Project
- IAS3100 Indigenous Health
- HST3502 Health Sciences Professional Practices
- Unit from Supplementary Program x 16

Note: Majors and Minors are selected from the Bachelor of Health Science. Alternate options require approval of the Course Coordinator.

Practicum
Students are required to complete a Professional Practice unit as part of the course. There are attendance requirements and professional practice rules for this practicum, and clearance and/or risk management protocols may be required. For more information, see course details on our website.

Non-Standard Timetable
Students can study the following majors either online or on-campus: Addiction Studies, Health Promotion, Occupational Safety and Health. The following majors can only be studied on-campus: Nutrition, Nutrition Bioscience and Environmental Management. The following major is available online but requires on-campus attendance: Environmental Health.

See more course information: ecu.edu.au/courses/K97
Bachelor of Health Science Honours

Duration
1 year full-time or part-time equivalent

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Qualifies individuals to apply a body of knowledge in a public health context to undertake professional work, and provides a pathway for research and further learning. Graduates will have coherent and advanced knowledge of the underlying principles and concepts in a population health discipline, as well as knowledge of research principles and methods.

Course Structure

Year 1 Semester 1
- RESS115 Research Preparation: Principles and Approaches
- HST5201 Public Health Thesis Proposal
- HST5202 Issues in Public Health Research

Year 1 Semester 2
- HST5205 Public Health Thesis Development 1
- HST5206 Public Health Thesis Development 2
- HST5207 Public Health Thesis Development 3

Admission Requirements
All applicants are required to have a Bachelor of Health Science degree and normally require a Weighted Average Mark (WAM) of 70 per cent or higher, with equivalents considered.

See more course information: ecu.edu.au/courses/Y17

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