

Graduate Diploma of Public Health (GDPH) - Grad Dip Pub Health

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	On-campus	Online
Start:	Trimester 1 (January) Trimester 2 (May)	Trimester 1 (January) Trimester 2 (May)
Standard duration:	1 year full-time or 2 years part-time	
Program articulation:	From: ; Graduate Certificate of Public Health To: ; Master of Public Health	

Notes:

In 2023 the programs follows the Semester calendar. The [Academic Calendar and Important Dates](#) webpage will allow you to view and download a copy of the important dates for the Semester calendar.

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Program aims

This program aims to produce high quality health professionals who are able to contribute to public health practice and research. An integrated approach to teaching the five main public health disciplines: biostatistics; epidemiology; environmental health; health policy and management; and social and behavioural sciences; are taught in three core courses. Each of the core courses includes the topics related to public health by scaffolding665 Tw28.15

Australian Qualifications Framework

The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) is a single national, comprehensive system of qualifications offered by higher education institutions (including universities), vocational education and training institutions and secondary schools. Each AQF qualification has a set of descriptors which define the type and complexity of knowledge, skills and application of knowledge and skills that a graduate who has been awarded that qualification has attained, and the typical volume of learning associated with that qualification type.

This program is at AQF Qualification Level 08. Graduates at this level will have advanced knowledge and skills for professional or highly skilled work and/or further learning.

The full set of levels criteria and qualification type descriptors can be found by visiting www.aqf.edu.au.

Admission requirements

To be eligible for admission, applicants must satisfy the following requirements:

- Completion of a three-year or four-year bachelor degree in the area of health, or equivalent, with a GPA > 4.8;
OR
- Completion of a university three-year or four-year bachelor degree in a different discipline with a GPA > 4.8, and completion of one year of full-time work experience in a healthcare setting;
OR
- Completion of UniSQ's [Graduate Certificate of Public Health](#) with a GPA > 4.8.
- English Language Proficiency requirements for Category 3.

All students are required to satisfy the applicable [English language requirements](#).

If students do not meet the English language requirements they may apply to study a University-approved [English language program](#). On successful completion of the English language program, students may be admitted to an award program.

Program structure

The Graduate Diploma of Public Health consists of 8 units comprised of:

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Footnotes

+ 2 unit course

Semester 1 Ipswich on-campus offer available from 2024

Program completion requirements

To be eligible to graduate, students must complete all components of the program (8 units) with a passing grade for each course.

Required time limits

Students have a maximum of 3 years to complete this program.

Electives/Approved courses

Students are required to undertake one (1) elective course. This course must contribute to the knowledge and skills required of public health practitioners, and approved by the Masters of Public Health Program Director.

Coursework

Coursework courses

- [PUH8010 Integrated Public Health Core A](#) (2 units)
- [PUH8020 Integrated Public Health Core B](#) (2 units)
- [PUH8030 Public Health in Practice A \(Case-based Learning\)](#)
- [HEA8302 Culture as a Determinant of Health](#)
- 1 unit of elective

Research course

- [HSC8050 Research Methodology for the Human Sciences](#)

IT requirements

For information technology requirements please refer to the [minimum computing standards](#) .

Articulation

Students who graduate with the Graduate Diploma of Public Health are eligible to apply for [MPUH Master of Public Health](#).

Exit points

Students may exit with a [GCPU Graduate Certificate of Public Health](#) provided they have met the requirements within the program structure of the [GCPU Graduate Certificate of Public Health](#).

Credit

Exemptions/credit will be assessed based on the [UniSQ Credit and Exemption Procedure](#).

Recommended enrolment pattern - Semester 1 intake (full-time)

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