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4702.3 Master of Public Health
4704.3 Graduate Diploma in Public Health
4705.3 Graduate Certificate in Public Health

Recommended Progression 2020



Welcome to Public Health at Western Sydney University

Welcome to the postgraduate program in Public Health at Western Sydney University. This booklet has been prepared to assist you in choosing the progression that best fits your needs. In the next few pages you will find the recommended progression table for:

- Master of Public Health 2-year pathway, Autumn and Spring entry
- Master of Public Health 1.5-year pathway, Autumn and Spring entry
- Master of Public Health 1-year pathway, Autumn and Spring entry
- Graduate Diploma in Public Health, Autumn and Spring entry
- Graduate Certificate in Public Health, Autumn and Spring entry

The table has been colour coded to help you identify units. Blue units represent domain, or core units. These are foundational knowledge units that are required and preferably completed in the first semester/year.

Orange represents focus units, which are specific knowledge units. Several of these units will have as pre- or co-requisites domain units, to ensure students have the appropriate foundational knowledge to build from.

Green units are applied, or capstone, and are designed to be undertaken in the last semesters of study. In the longer programs, students will have a selection of 3 options to choose from. Both the Dissertation and the Internship units have high GPA entry requirements, and are capped to a maximum number of students. It is therefore required that students get in touch with the unit coordinator well before semester start to ensure all requirements are met.

Red units are flexible/elective units, and are only available for students in the 2-year pathway of the Master of Public Health program. Students can choose any postgraduate unit (i.e. level 7) from across the university or select the two research-focused units indicated in the table to have stronger research training.

Please note that the tables below were designed for commencing students. Those students already enrolled in the program will need to check which units they have already completed against units in the new course. Most units will have equivalents, but some of them may not be required or not fit in the new program. Please contact your Academic Course Adviser to discuss the best option for you.

On behalf of the Dean of the School of Health Sciences and the entire Postgraduate academic team I wish you an enjoyable study journey with us at Western Sydney University.

4702.3 Master of Public Health – 2-year pathway ([A4056](#)), Autumn entry

Year/Semester		Unit			
1	Autumn	401363 Health Systems and Policy	401372 Social Determinants of Health	401076 Introduction to Epidemiology	400418 Health Advancement and Health Promotion
	Spring	401077 Introduction to Biostatistics	400840 Communicable Diseases	400847 Surveillance and Disaster Planning	401080 Research Protocol Design and Practice
2	Autumn	401174 Epidemiology of Non-Communicable Diseases	401238 Qualitative Research Methodology in Health	Any level 7 Elective OR Special Focus on Research (800166 Research Design 1: Theories of Enquiry)	Any level 7 Elective OR Special Focus on Research (800167 Research Literacies)
	Spring	401079 Dissertation (40cp) ¹ OR 401368 Professional Internship in Health (40cp) OR 401369 Professional Project in Health 1 (20cp) 401370 Professional Project in Health 2 (20cp)			

4702.3 Master of Public Health – 2-year pathway ([A4056](#)), Spring entry

Year/Semester		Unit			
1	Spring	401363 Health Systems and Policy	401076 Introduction to Epidemiology	400840 Communicable Diseases	401077 Introduction to Biostatistics
	Autumn	400418 Health Advancement and Health Promotion	401372 Social Determinants of Health	401174 Epidemiology of Non-Communicable Diseases	401238 Qualitative Research Methodology in Health
2	Spring	400847 Surveillance and Disaster Planning	401080 Research Protocol Design and Practice	Any level 7 Elective OR Special Focus on Research (800166 Research Design 1: Theories of Enquiry)	Any level 7 Elective OR Special Focus on Research (800167 Research Literacies)
	Autumn	401079 Dissertation Full-time(40cp) OR 401368 Professional Internship in Health (40cp) OR 401369 Professional Project in Health 1 (20cp) 401370 Professional Project in Health 2 (20cp)			

¹ Students who wish to complete a Dissertation can also choose to do it in two semesters as two 20cp units. If that's the case, in the 3rd semester they would enrol in [401282](#) Dissertation Part-time (20cp) and in their 4th semester they would again enrol in [401282](#) PLUS another 20cp of electives OR special focus units.

4702.3 Master of Public Health – 1.5-year pathway (A4057), Autumn entry

Year/Semester		Unit			
1	Autumn	401363 Health Systems and Policy	401372 Social Determinants of Health	401076 Introduction to Epidemiology	401077 Introduction to Biostatistics
	Spring	401080 Research Protocol Design and Practice	400840 Communicable Diseases	401282 Dissertation Part-time (20cp) ² OR 401369 Professional Project in Health 1 (20cp)	
2	Autumn	401174 Epidemiology of Non-Communicable Diseases	400418 Health Advancement and Health Promotion	401282 Dissertation Part-time (20cp) OR 401370 Professional Project in Health 2 (20cp)	

4702.3 Master of Public Health – 1.5-year pathway (A4057), Spring entry

Year/Semester		Unit			
1	Spring	401363 Health Systems and Policy	401076 Introduction to Epidemiology	401080 Research Protocol Design and Practice	400840 Communicable Diseases
	Autumn	401372 Social Determinants of Health	400418 Health Advancement and Health Promotion	401077 Introduction to Biostatistics	401174 Epidemiology of Non-Communicable Diseases
2	Spring	401079 Dissertation Full-time(40cp) ³ OR 401368 Professional Internship in Health (40cp) OR 401369 Professional Project in Health 1 (20cp) ⁴ 401370 Professional Project in Health 2 (20cp)			

² Students who wish to complete a Dissertation will need to complete it as part-time in 2 semesters (20cp+20cp)

³ Students who wish to complete a Dissertation can also choose to do it in two semesters as two 20cp units. If that's the case, in the 2nd semester they would enrol in [401282](#) Dissertation Part-time (20cp) and in their 3rd semester they would again enrol in [401282](#) PLUS [401372](#) AND [401077](#).

⁴ Students can also choose to do [401369](#) in 2nd semester PLUS [400418](#) AND [401174](#), and in their 3rd semester do [401370](#) PLUS [401372](#) AND [401077](#).

4702.3 Master of Public Health – 1-year pathway ([A4058](#)), Autumn entry

Year/Semester		Unit			
1	Autumn	401372 Social Determinants of Health	401076 Introduction to Epidemiology	401174 Epidemiology of Non-Communicable Diseases	401077 Introduction to Biostatistics
	Spring	401080 Research Protocol Design and Practice	400840 Communicable Diseases	401369 Professional Project in Health 1 (20cp)	

4702.3 Master of Public Health – 1-year pathway ([A4058](#)), Spring entry

Year/Semester		Unit			
1	Spring	401080 Research Protocol Design and Practice	400840 Communicable Diseases	401369 Professional Project in Health 1 (20cp)	
	Autumn	401372 Social Determinants of Health	401076 Introduction to Epidemiology	401174 Epidemiology of Non-Communicable Diseases	401077 Introduction to Biostatistics

4704.3 Graduate Diploma in Public Health – Autumn entry

Year/Semester		Unit			
1	Autumn	401076 Introduction to Epidemiology	401363 Health Systems and Policy	400418 Health Advancement and Health Promotion	401174 Epidemiology of Non-Communicable Diseases
	Spring	401372 Social Determinants of Health	401077 Introduction to Biostatistics	400840 Communicable Diseases	Any level 7 Elective

4704.3 Graduate Diploma in Public Health – Spring entry

Year/Semester		Unit			
1	Spring	401076 Introduction to Epidemiology	401363 Health Systems and Policy	401372 Social Determinants of Health	400840 Communicable Diseases
	Autumn	400418 Health Advancement and Health Promotion	401077 Introduction to Biostatistics	401174 Epidemiology of Non-Communicable Diseases	Any level 7 Elective

4705.3 Graduate Certificate in Public Health – Autumn and Spring entry

Year/Semester		Unit			
1	Autumn/Spring	401076 Introduction to Epidemiology	401363 Health Systems and Policy	400418 Health Advancement and Health Promotion	401077 Introduction to Biostatistics