

## TRANSITION FROM THE COLLEGE TO WESTERN SYDNEY UNIVERSITY SPRING 2026

**Disclaimer:** This suggested study pattern is based on the information currently available and is intended as a general guide only. Students are advised to refer to the official Academic Handbook and consult with the School to confirm their individual study plan.

### Guide for students transitioning from 7189 Diploma in Health Science to 4656 Bachelor of Health Science

More information on your chosen Bachelor Degree, including the sequence of study, can be found on the [University website](#) or in the [Student Handbook](#).

#### PATHWAY CREDITS

Your pathway credits are shown below and can be [found online](#).

Upon successful completion of your Diploma, you will receive full credit for the following subjects:

- PUBH1006 - Population Health and Society
- HLTH1012 - Evidence in Health
- PUBH2005 - Culture, Diversity and Health
- COMM1007 - Communication in Health
- Four Unspecified Electives

**Note:** If you plan to enter the Bachelor of Health Science (T109 Clinical Sciences), it is recommended that you complete NATS1029 and NATS1030 as electives at the College. These will provide credit for NATS1009 and NATS1010 in the degree. Please seek advice regarding any sequence variations.

For registration and academic advice please contact [healthsciences@westernsydney.edu.au](mailto:healthsciences@westernsydney.edu.au).

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## MAJORS

The Bachelor of Health Science course is very flexible with 5 testamur majors.

A Testamur Major is your primary specialisation. It is what is written on your degree when you graduate. Testamur Majors are in the following specialisations:

- The [T021 Public Health](#) specialisation equips you to analyse public health issues and respond by developing policies and priorities to help direct community health initiatives. You can work as a public health officer/analyst, health lifestyle coordinator or in environmental health. It is offered on-campus and fully online. 140hrs of work placement included.
- The [T018 Health Promotion](#) specialisation is accredited by the [Australian Health Promotion Association](#) and qualifies you to work as a health promotion officer. You will design and deliver programs and initiatives with a health promotion approach, focusing on effective education and preventative strategies. You may work with youth, disability groups, older people, and other vulnerable groups. Health promotion graduates are eligible for registration as [IUHPE Registered Health Promotion Practitioner](#). 140hrs of work placement included.
- The [T019 Health Services Management](#) specialisation is accredited by the [Australasian College of Health Services Management](#) and qualifies you to work as a Level 1 Manager in a health service. Your skill set will focus on the effective management of day-to-day operations of a service, hospital department, community or medical centre or health care organisation. 280hrs of placement included.
- The [T110 Recreational Therapy](#) specialisation is accredited by the [Australian Recreational Therapy Association](#) and qualifies you to work as a diversional therapist or recreational therapist. Your focus will be to use recreation and leisure as a means of facilitating health and well-being. You may work with older people, disability groups, those with a mental illness, or in physical rehabilitation. You may also work with young people. This program includes 720 hrs placement. Graduates are eligible to sit an exam to qualify as a [Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist](#).
- The [T109 Clinical Sciences](#) specialisation provides students with foundation knowledge and skills in preparation for future post-graduate clinical health courses. Student will complete foundation health science subjects as well as studies in anatomy, physiology, neuroanatomy, pathophysiology, and evidence-based practice. The Clinical Sciences program is a pathway major and on its own does not lead to a graduate level health professional role. As such, Clinical Sciences students are encouraged to pick up a second major which will offer employability in a health sector role in the event that the pathway progression does not eventuate.

You choose one testamur major. Once you accept your offer into 4656 Bachelor of Health Science, go to MySR to pick up your Testamur Major.

## HOW TO PICK A MAJOR

- Log in to [MySR](#) (My Student Records).
- Select the three lines (burger menu) in top left corner.
- Click Banner and then Student.
- Select Program Management.
- Select Field of Study Enrolment.
- Then click in Enrol Field of Study.
- Tick the relevant box under 'Majors' and click Submit.

## STUDY SEQUENCE: T021 PUBLIC HEALTH

The recommended study sequence for students commencing in Spring semester is:

Year	Semester	Subject Code
2	Spring	HLTH1013 - Professional Competencies in Health BIOS1036 - Human Development and Disease across the Lifespan HLTH2022 - Biostatistics in Health BEHV1014 - Psychology and Health
2	Autumn	BIOS1035 - Anatomy and Physiology in Health PUBH1012 - Public Health PUBH2020 - Epidemiology for Public Health One Elective subject
3	Spring	PUBH3025 - Health Policy and Advocacy PUBH3024 - Harm Minimisation and Prevention MEDI3007 - Professional Health Placement (140 hrs) One Elective subjects
3	Autumn	PUBH3028 - Transforming Health PUBH3027 - Public Health in a Changing World Two Elective subjects*

\*One of the electives taken need to be at UG - Level 3. See [Handbook Advanced Search](#) filters.

## STUDY SEQUENCE: T018 HEALTH PROMOTION

The recommended study sequence for students commencing in Spring semester is:

Year	Semester	Subject Code
2	Spring	HLTH1013 - Professional Competencies in Health BIOS1036 - Human Development and Disease across the Lifespan PUBH1011 - Promoting Health Collaboratively in Communities BEHV1014 - Psychology and Health
2	Autumn	BIOS1035 - Anatomy and Physiology in Health PUBH1010 - Health Promotion Theory and Approaches HLTH2024 - Research Methods in Health One Elective subject
3	Spring	PUBH3025 - Health Policy and Advocacy PUBH3026 - Health Promotion Planning and Implementation MEDI3007 - Professional Health Placement (140 hrs) One Elective subject
3	Autumn	PUBH3022 - Advances and Challenges in Health Promotion PUBH3028 - Transforming Health Two Elective subjects*

\*One of the electives taken need to be at UG - Level 3. See [Handbook Advanced Search](#) filters.

## STUDY SEQUENCE: T019 HEALTH SERVICES MANAGEMENT

The recommended study sequence for students commencing in Spring semester is:

Year	Semester	Subject Code
2	Spring	HLTH1013 - Professional Competencies in Health BIOS1036 - Human Development and Disease across the Lifespan PUBH3026 - Project Management in Humanitarian and Development Studies BEHV1014 - Psychology and Health
2	Autumn	BUSM1037 - Health Administration and Management MATH1012 - Management Analytics BUSM1026 - Organisational Behaviour BUSM2044 - Health Services Management (140 hours)
3	Spring	BUSM3080 - Health Care Systems and Organisation Culture MEDI3007 - Professional Health Placement (140 hours) Two Elective subjects
3	Autumn	PUBH3028 - Transforming Health BUSM3093 - Leading Organisational Change Two Elective subjects*

\*One of the electives taken need to be at UG - Level 3. See [Handbook Advanced Search](#) filters.

## STUDY SEQUENCE: T110 RECREATIONAL THERAPY

The recommended study sequence for students commencing in Spring semester is:

Year	Semester	Subject Code
2	Spring	BIOS1036 - Human Development and Disease across the Lifespan REHA1008 - Introduction to Leisure and Recreation Theory BEHV1014 - Psychology and Health HLTH2031 - Motor Behaviour
2	Autumn	HLTH1013 - Professional Competencies in Health BIOS1035 - Anatomy and Physiology in Health REHA1007 - Foundations of Recreational Therapy REHA 2014 - Recreational Therapy Assessment & Documentation (80 hours) (register via a rule waiver)
3	Spring	BEHV3002 - Abnormal Psychology REHA2015 - Recreational Therapy Process and Planning (80 hours) REHA3043 - Recreational Therapy Internship (20 credit points) (560 hours) (register via a rule waiver)
3	Autumn	REHA3041 - Facilitation in Recreational Therapy REHA3042 - Health Practice Management REHA3044 - Shaping the Future of Recreational Therapy PUBH3028 - Transforming Health

## STUDY SEQUENCE: T109 CLINICAL SCIENCES

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Year	Semester	Subject Code
2	Spring	HLTH1013 - Professional Competencies in Health BIOS1036 - Human Development and Disease across the Lifespan NATS1010 - Human Anatomy and Physiology 2 BEHV1014 - Psychology and Health
2	Autumn	NATS1009 - Human Anatomy and Physiology 1 HLTH2024 - Research Methods in Health Two Elective subjects
3	Spring	NATS1022 - Functional Anatomy NATS3037 - Neuroanatomy PUBH3023 - Evidence in Professional Reasoning BEHV3002 - Abnormal Psychology
3	Autumn	NATS2038 - Pathophysiology 1 PUBH3028 - Transforming Health Two Elective subjects*

\*Two of the electives taken need to be at UG - Level 3. See [Handbook Advanced Search](#) filters.

### Elective subjects

There is no set list of elective subjects for you to choose from - because electives are different for everyone. You can [use the handbook](#) 'search' function to filter results based on factors like Program, Field of Study or Subjects.