Master of Health Promotion

Good health begins in our everyday lives; in how we work, live and play. As the range of public health concerns attributed to lifestyle and environment grows, so does the need for dedicated health professionals to address these issues.

With a Master of Health Promotion, you have the opportunity to make a broad impact on public health through programs, strategy, policy and research. The program prepares you for careers that allow you to make contributions towards safe, stimulating and enjoyable working and living conditions for all.

This program is one of few masters’ programs in Australia to focus exclusively on the field of Health Promotion. You will learn from leading academics, be involved in research, and study in an environment that replicates workplace scenarios. You will study the foundations and principles of public health; how to assess health and wellbeing needs, how to plan, implement and evaluate health promotion programs; settings for health promotion; epidemiology; research methods and more.

For added flexibility, there is an option to exit this program with a Graduate Diploma in Health Promotion after completing eight courses (96 units).

Flexible study: on campus, online, or both
The program is offered at USC SouthBank campus in Brisbane, online, or a combination of both. For international students who study in Australia on a Student Visa, limits apply to how many online courses they can take – please refer to Program notes.

The fully online mode is available for domestic students and for international students who are not in Australia (for example international students who wish to study from their home country). For the courses in the Master of Health Promotion that are offered online, students have access to course coordinators and staff for enquiries and consultations.

Admission requirements
Entry to the Master of Health Promotion program requires completion of a recognised Bachelor’s degree or equivalent from a recognised higher education institution. If you have a Bachelor degree in the same discipline you may be eligible to receive credit of up to 48 units (4 courses). Non-graduates with extensive relevant industry experience may be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Professional recognition
Graduates are eligible for membership of the Australian Health Promotion Association, the Public Health Association of Australia, and the International Union for Health Promotion and Education.

Career opportunities
As a graduate, you can pursue a career in health promotion as a practitioner,
researcher, academic, consultant, policy officer, social advocate, project worker, project manager or educator in international, national, state and local level government and non-government organisations, community organisations, professional associations, private industry, or tertiary institutions.

Accreditation
The Master of Health Promotion has been accredited by the International Union for Health Promotion and Education.
PROGRAM STRUCTURE

Required courses (13) 168 units
HLT600 Indigenous Wellbeing Foundations
PUB600 Public Health Research and Evidence
PUB701 Epidemiology and Biostatistics
PUB702 Health Promotion Implementation and Evaluation
PUB703 Health Promotion Principles
PUB704 Health Promotion Settings
PUB705 Health Promotion Needs Assessment and Planning
PUB706 Introduction to Behavioural Health
PUB707 Public Health Foundations
PUB708 Quantitative Research Methods
PUB710 Health Research Project B
PUB725 Health Research Project A
PUB700 Health Promotion Project

Elective courses (2) 24 units
Select 2 postgraduate level elective courses (24 units) from either faculty (Arts, Business and Law or Science, Health, Education and Engineering).

Note: Program structures are subject to change. Not all USC courses are available on every USC campus.