Bachelor of Health Science (Domestic students)

Program code
1093

Available at
Gold Coast Campus

Duration
3 years full-time
6 years part-time

Credit points
240

Indicative fee
$10,000.00* per year (more)
* 2024 indicative annual CSP fee

Entry requirements
66.00
ATAR/RANK 2024
(more)

Commencing in
Trimester 1, Trimester 2 and Trimester 3

Prerequisites
NIL

Assumed knowledge
Any General or Applied English subject (Units 3&4, C)

About this program

You will learn from internationally renowned experts through hands-on, laboratory-based experience in state-of-the-art facilities.

Health Science encompasses studies in areas such as genetics, anatomy and physiology, chemistry and biochemistry, nutrition, molecular and cellular biology, communicable diseases, environmental health, and toxicology. Your firm grounding in health science will develop through understanding these topics with the opportunity to develop specialist areas of knowledge through the diverse range of electives.

The Bachelor of Health Science offers four majors in: Environmental Health, Environmental Toxicology, Information Technology and Communication and Media.

In the Environmental Health and Environmental Toxicology majors you will learn about environmental agents such as climate change, pollution and food safety that have the potential to adversely affect the health of any community. By studying local and international examples, you will learn how to address the very factors that impact our environment while understanding the rationale and practice of risk assessment.

In the Information Technology major, you will build on the strong health science base built in foundation year and in core courses, with experience of topics and themes expected to be key to health innovation, including data management, programming, and software and app design.

In the Communication and Media major you will gain specific expertise in strategic communication to develop and deliver health information and campaigns. Alongside journalism and media training, you will explore ethical communication, health and science communication and crisis and disaster management. You will gain a sophisticated understanding of the contemporary media landscape (including legacy, online and social media) and its essential role in 21st century public health practise. The skills developed in this major build upon the strong foundational health knowledge, and core courses in second and third year, providing complementary expertise in health, and science communication.

Honours is available through an additional year of study.

Code	Program title	Campus	Intake
1093	**Bachelor of Health Science (this program)**	**Gold Coast**	**Trimester 1, Trimester 2 and Trimester 3**
2101	Bachelor of Health Science (Honours)	Gold Coast	Trimester 1 and Trimester 2

Progression is dependent upon satisfying admission requirements.

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

The Bachelor of Health Science is offered full-time and part-time at the Gold Coast.

The Trimester 2 intake for this program will require students to undertake compulsory study in Trimester 3 in Year 1 of the program.

Student Income Support

To be classed as a full-time student, you are required to enrol in a minimum number of credit points each standard study period. The minimum credit points for full-time enrolment in this program is 30 credit points.

Trimester 1 and Trimester 2 are deemed standard study periods. As Trimester 3 is a non-standard study period, continuing students moving from one year to the next will not be required to study during this trimester to be eligible for student income support.

Domestic students who commence in Trimester 3 may be eligible for student income support from the onset of study provided they are enrolled full-time in this study period.

Please refer to the Australian Government website for more details.

My career opportunities

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Our diverse electives will help equip you for careers in a range of scientific and allied professions including working as a scientific advisor, pathology technician, industry representative, technical sales specialist, laboratory technician or research assistant.

This degree can provide a foundation for postgraduate application to medicine or other postgraduate allied health degrees. You will also be eligible to apply for entry to a graduate entry teacher preparation program.

Graduates with the Environmental Health major will be prepared for a career as an environmental health officer working in areas such as food and drug safety, environmental monitoring, air and water quality, noise control and radiation monitoring. These areas of employment may also be available for graduates with the Environmental Toxicology major.

Program accreditation

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The Environmental Health major is accredited by Environmental Health Australia (EHA).

Professional recognition

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The following organisations recognise graduates of this award:

- Australian and New Zealand Society for Cell and Development Biology (ANZSCDB)
- Australian Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (ASBMB)
- Australasian Society for Human Biology (ASHB)
- Australian Society for Medical Research (ASMR)
- Australian Society for Microbiology (ASM)
- Environmental Health Australia (EHA)

What are the fees?

Commonwealth supported students

- The indicative fee represents the expected average fee for an annual full-time study load (80 credit points). This is based on average study patterns across courses and the Australian Government's broad discipline areas (student contribution bands). A student's actual annual fee may vary in accordance with his or her choice of majors and electives. The Australian Government sets student contribution amounts on an annual basis.
- Find out more...

Fee-paying undergraduate (domestic) students

These fees are only applicable to domestic students who are not Commonwealth supported including:

- Full-fee paying domestic students who commenced their program prior to 2009.
- International students who have been approved to pay domestic tuition fees after obtaining Australian or New Zealand citizenship or permanent residency or a permanent humanitarian visa and who have not obtained a Commonwealth supported place.

Tuition fees

- A fee-paying undergraduate student pays tuition fees.
- Students are liable for tuition fees for the courses they are enrolled in as at the census date.
- The tuition fee is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student is enrolled.
- Find out more...

FEE-HELP

Eligible undergraduate fee-paying students may defer their tuition fees by taking out a FEE-HELP loan which is part of the Higher Education Loan Program (HELP). Payment of the loan is via the taxation system when income reaches a specified level.

- Higher Education Loan Program (HELP)

Further information

- Calculating tuition fees
- Calculating your EFTSL
- Fees and Charges Procedure
    - 3.2 - Fees for Undergraduate Students (Non-international)
    - Fees and Charges Schedules
- Financial help and support

Additional fee information

Throughout your program you may be required to pay for the following items:

first aid certificate; immunisations; uniforms; expenses associated with placements such as travel and accommodation.