



Bachelor of Medical Science (Honours) (Domestic students)

Program code	Admission requirements
2099	Bachelor of Medical Science or equivalent with 5.0 GPA over second and third year
Available at	
Gold Coast Campus	
Duration	(more)
1 year full-time	Commencing in
2 years part-time	Trimester 1 and Trimester 2
Credit points	
80	
Indicative fee	
\$9,500.00* per year (more)	
* 2024 indicative annual CSP fee	

About this program

This program is designed to provide students with an opportunity to undertake advanced study and supervised research work in the specialisation defined by their undergraduate degree program within the context of a multidisciplinary cohort.

The research skills developed within this program will provide an attractive credential for students seeking employment in the public or private sectors. The program will also provide the necessary preparation for entry into a higher degree research program. The multidisciplinary context of the program, involving team-teaching of students and the sharing of coursework and seminar experiences across disciplines will be invaluable to students given the importance of a multidisciplinary approach to researchers and practitioners seeking to understand complex problems in health.

Code	Program title	Campus	Intake
1280	Bachelor of Medical Science	Gold Coast, Nathan	Trimester 1 only
2099	Bachelor of Medical Science (Honours) (this program)	Gold Coast	Trimester 1 and Trimester 2

Progression is dependent upon satisfying admission requirements.

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

This program is offered on-campus full-time or part-time. Students may commence the program in either February or July. Students entering the program in February will undertake an intensive course in Trimester 1 followed by coursework and dissertation in Trimesters 1 and 2. Students entering the program in Trimester 2 will undertake coursework and a dissertation course in their first trimester and complete the dissertation in their second trimester.

Students who wish to complete the program part-time will be required to consult with the Program Director to determine the appropriate program structure.

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.

This program consists of 30 credit points of coursework and a 50 credit point research thesis component.

Coursework

The coursework will provide critical evaluation of research and presentation, develop the student's knowledge and understanding of statistical analyses techniques as applied to scientific research and develop an awareness of research proposal design and background. Students are required to attend compulsory coursework sessions as stipulated in the University teaching timetable and in the course timetables provided by Course Convenors.

Dissertation

Students are required to find a suitable supervisor for their research project prior to submitting their application for admission into the program. Students who are unable to locate a suitable supervisor should discuss their proposed research project with the Program Director.

The final research component of the program will be a dissertation which will involve research on a specific project, a seminar and thesis describing the research in detail.

During enrolment in the dissertation component of the program students will work under supervision and be required to meet regularly with their supervisor. It is recommended that students discuss on-campus attendance requirements of their research project with their supervisor at the start of the dissertation.

Depending on the project, attendance at off-campus locations may also be required. Where the project requires on-campus laboratory work, students are required to undertake their research at an appropriate laboratory on the Gold Coast campus or according to the directions of the student's supervisor, and/or Program Director.

Please contact the Program Director for more information about available projects.

Workplace Health and Safety Training

Students are to discuss required workplace health and safety training with their supervisors prior to the commencement of [6001HLS Dissertation Preparation](#). Students who fail to undertake the prescribed workplace health and safety training will not gain entry into laboratories.

My career opportunities

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Graduates of the program will be able to plan and conduct research in medical science and related disciplines, and therefore will be well-placed for positions in the private, not for profit, and public sectors. In addition, graduates will be eligible to apply for admission to higher degree research programs, thereby preparing them for high level research careers.

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)

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](#)