



Master of Rehabilitation Counselling (International students)

Program code	Admission requirements	Commencing in
5578	Related Bachelor degree or higher and interview	Trimester 1, Trimester 2 and Trimester 3
Available at Z~Distance Education	Any Bachelor Honours degree or higher and interview	Apply Now
Duration 1 to 1.5 years full-time	(more)	
Credit points 120		
Indicative fee \$25,000.00* per year (more) * 2024 indicative annual fee		

About this program

Rehabilitation counsellors are allied health professionals who work within a counselling and case management framework to assist people who are experiencing disability, a health condition or social disadvantage to participate in employment or education, or to live independently and access services in the community. In this program you will gain the knowledge and skills needed to work as a rehabilitation counsellor in government, insurance, workers compensation and motor accident rehabilitation, disability employment services, the National Injury Insurance Scheme (NIIS), the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) (or equivalent internationally), and private and not-for-profit rehabilitation services.

You will learn about vocational evaluation, job placement, injury management, disability studies, applied counselling and research methods. You will also undertake a supervised practicum placement, which will give you the opportunity to apply theory to practice.

Additionally, you will complete a supervised dissertation or choose from elective courses in areas such as workplace health and safety, mental health, entrepreneurial and negotiation skills, disability and ageing studies. This will allow you to complete specialist courses and research relevant to your interests in a particular area of rehabilitation counselling practice.

Duration

The **Master of Rehabilitation Counselling** offers a range of different durations depending on your prior studies and work experience.

You may be eligible to complete this program in 1.5 years full time, or part-time equivalent, if you have:

- Bachelor, related discipline and interview **OR**
- Bachelor Honours, non-related discipline and interview **OR**
- Graduate Certificate, non-related discipline and interview **OR**
- Graduate Diploma, non-related discipline and interview **OR**
- Masters, non-related discipline and interview

You may be eligible to complete this program in 1 year full-time, or part-time equivalent, (with 40 credit points of advanced standing) if you have:

- Graduate Certificate, related discipline and interview **OR**
- Graduate Diploma, related discipline and interview

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

The program is offered full-time and part-time via off-campus study only.

International students can study this program from anywhere in the world (with the exception of Australia) provided that they have access to the internet.

Work-integrated learning

Work-integrated learning is established in the core course **7313AHS Rehabilitation Counselling Practicum** which is completed in the final trimester of study. Students are required to complete 200 hours (minimum) on-site supervised practice in a suitable rehabilitation counselling practice context. Students will be required to meet requirements for commencing 7313AHS in consultation with Master of Rehabilitation Counselling program staff **prior** to their final trimester of study.

My career opportunities

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You will be prepared to work as an accredited rehabilitation counsellor in government, insurance, workers compensation and motor accident rehabilitation, disability employment services, the National Injury Insurance Scheme (NIIS), the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) (or equivalent internationally), and private and not-for-profit rehabilitation services providing vocational assessment, counselling, case management, life skills training and social support for clients with disability, injury and vocational disadvantage.

Program accreditation

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The Master of Rehabilitation Counselling is accredited by the **Rehabilitation Counselling Association of Australasia (RCAA)**.

Professional recognition

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Graduates of this program will be eligible to apply for membership with the **Australian Society of Rehabilitation Counsellors (ASORC)** and the **Rehabilitation Counselling Association of Australasia (RCAA)** subject to meeting any additional requirements that may be stipulated by ASORC or RCAA. Students should contact ASORC and/or RCAA to confirm membership requirements.

English language requirements for Rehabilitation Counselling Association of Australasia (RCAA) membership are higher than those required to enter this program. Students should seek advice regarding English language requirements by contacting **RCAA** directly.

Placement requirements

Professional Practice requirements

There are placements associated with this program and before undertaking professional experience placements, all students in this program are required to have completed the following by the end of their first trimester of study:

- Vaccinations and Health Tests
- Licenses and Certificates
- Online Training
- Health Placement Requirements

Students should refer to the **checklist of professional practice requirements for their Health discipline** on the **Health Placement Support Hub** for full details of the requirements regarding professional placement to ensure that they meet eligibility for placement.

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Students who complete the dissertation component will have a pathway to higher degree research study. Graduates who wish to continue on to higher degree research studies and have not completed the dissertation component would be eligible for entry into the **Graduate Diploma of Health Research (4161)** which provides the necessary preparation for entry into the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) or Master of Philosophy (MPhil) programs.

What are the fees?

International students

An International student is one who is not:

- an Australian or New Zealand citizen or
- a Pacific Engagement visa holder or
- a person who has Australian permanent resident status.

Indicative annual tuition fee

The indicative annual tuition fee is calculated based on a standard full-time study load which is usually 80 credit points (two full-time trimesters).

The indicative annual tuition fee is based on current conditions and available data and should only be used as a guide. These fees are reviewed annually and are subject to change.

Tuition fees

- An International 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 for students who commence their program prior to 2014 is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student commenced the program.
- The tuition fee for students who commence their program from 2014 onwards is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student is enrolled.

Program fees for the Master of Rehabilitation Counselling (5578)

Fees for this program can be found on the Programs and Courses website in the "Overview and fees" section. Select your commencing year to view your fees.

Changing programs

If an International student changes to a different program they will be subject to the approved program fee for the trimester in which they are enrolled.

Permanent resident status

If an **undergraduate student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will be provided with a domestic fee-paying place.

The student may then apply for a Commonwealth supported place at the next admission period provided that the student satisfies the conditions for transfer from a domestic fee-paying place to a Commonwealth supported place as set out in the [Undergraduate Programs Admission Policy](#).

If a **postgraduate student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will automatically be considered for a Commonwealth supported place (subject to availability) or a domestic fee-paying place as applicable for the program.

If a **research student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will automatically be considered for a Commonwealth Government Research Training Program (RTP) Fee Offset or a domestic fee-paying place as applicable for the program.

Further information

- [Fees and Charges Procedure](#)
 - 3.6 - Fees for International Students
 - 3.9 - Administrative and Miscellaneous Charges
 - [Fees and Charges Schedules](#)
- [Cost of studying in Australia](#)