

2009 Course Summary Sheet

■ Doctor of Health Science (HL90)

This document will assist you with the selection of your study program and completion of your enrolment. Other useful information can be found on the Student Services website studentservices.qut.com which can also be accessed via the Online Enrolment portlet.

Location: Kelvin Grove

Course Duration: 3 years full-time, 6 years part-time

Total Credit Points: 288

Standard Credit Points/Full-Time Semester: 48 (average)

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COURSE RULES

Commencing Students: Commencing students are required to enrol as specified in the University's letter of offer in regards to their course, major, attendance mode and type, location and class codes. Students need to ensure they have a supervisory team for the research component of HL 90 prior to any enrolment. To discuss the research component, students need to contact Dr Monika Janda in the School of Public Health 07 3138 9674 or Professor Patsy Yates in the School of Nursing on 07 3138 3835.

Student Responsibility: Students are expected to enrol as per the standard course structure as contained in this Course Summary Sheet. Students are responsible for ensuring that their enrolment form is completed correctly and that their enrolment status is accurate at all times. Students are expected to abide by the university's due dates when submitting enrolment or credit applications and that their address details are up to date. Failure to do any of the above may result in financial and academic penalties.

Attendance Mode and Class Code: Students are required to enrol in the attendance mode and type as specified in the University's letter of offer. It is the student's responsibility to ensure correct location and class codes are entered on their enrolment form as incorrect or missing information may lead to enrolment difficulties.

Requests to change class code for specific units from internal to external (or vice versa) will only be considered if the unit is offered in that mode *and* the request is made prior to week 2 of semester. Late requests may result in long delays for posting of external note packages and may consequently affect assessment. Only students officially enrolled in a unit as external class code will receive external note packages.

Underloads: It is not expected that a student should underload, i.e. undertake less credit points than the standard semester load as outlined in this course summary sheet. If, however, your circumstances require you to undertake fewer units you are permitted to underload by 12 credit points (1 unit). Underloads of 2 or more units require Course Coordinator approval. Note that taking an underload may lead to difficulties in course progression.

Overloads: It is not expected that a student should overload i.e. undertake more credit points than the standard semester load. Overloads are not permitted in the first semester of study without Course Coordinator approval. If your circumstances require you to overload you should be aware of the possible academic consequences of an increased study load and difficulties with course progression.

Prerequisite Units: Students are expected to complete prerequisite units as outlined in the Course Summary Sheet before proceeding to subsequent units. A student who has received a 2 grade for a unit which is a prerequisite for a unit in the following semester, *but has passed all other units in that semester*, shall be permitted to continue but must repeat the failed unit in the following year. A student failing more than one unit in a semester, which includes at least one unit which is a prerequisite for the following semester, must consult their Course Coordinator for enrolment advice.

Academic Credit Applications: Students should apply for academic credit by the due date as delays may cause enrolment difficulties. Students should enrol in the standard program until the success of any academic credit application is known. Students should seek advice from their Course Coordinator before altering their enrolment program after receiving academic credit or exemptions.

Timetabling of Units: A clash-free timetable is guaranteed for the standard programs of study only. In the event that an elective unit clashes with a core unit the student is required to substitute an appropriate elective unit which does not clash with the core unit. Student's following a non-standard enrolment program may need to substitute units or take an underload as a

result of timetabling clashes. **Note that part-time mode is a reference to credit points load and does not indicate attendance type (e.g. evening classes).**

Change of Course/Major and Transfer Policy: Students must complete at least one semester of study in their course of offer before applying for an intra-faculty transfer to another Health Faculty course/major. Students will be allowed to transfer to another Faculty of Health course only if they (a) meet the minimum entry requirements which applied for that course/major in the most recent admission period *and* (b) there is a quota place available.

Period of On-Campus Residentials: Students must complete a period of on-campus residential in February each year. This 2-3 day experience allows students to come onto the Kelvin Grove campus, to engage in on-campus activities and to devote uninterrupted time to writing and research. In addition, students will be expected to attend a number of arranged seminars and present research-to-date to the HL90 cohort and invited supervisors. It represents an opportunity to get critical feedback and to discuss research ideas and issues with peers. The proposed dates for 2009 are to be advised.

Important Note: please ensure you select the correct teaching period, class and location code for all units you are enrolled in.

Course Structure

Students undertake 96 credit points of coursework units and 192 research portfolio credit points. *The coursework must be completed before proceeding to the research component.* Students will be able to choose from the lists of major study areas listed on page 4. To achieve the appropriate advanced levels you must:

- choose one of the major study areas (listed on page 4)
- complete four (4) units from this major study area
- complete one (1) theoretical framework unit
- complete two (2) core research units
- complete one (1) approved elective unit or one (1) additional unit from your major study area

In addition it is strongly recommended students enrol in IFN001 Advanced Information Retrieval Skills during their first year of candidature. This 4 credit point unit (4x1hr sessions) guides students through accessing QUT's databases and research tools. Overload for this 4-week period is allowable.

FULL-TIME COURSE STRUCTURE

Location Code	Class Code	Credit Points	Contact Hrs/Wk	Sem of Offer
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Year 1, Semester 1 #

Core unit in Research Methods
Core unit in Research Methods
Major Study 1
Major Study 2

Year 1, Semester 2

Theoretical Framework Unit
Major Study 3
Major Study 4
Major Study 5 or Elective unit

Year 2, Semester 1

HLR710/1 Research Project
HLR710/2 Research Project

Year 2, Semester 2

HLR710/3 Research Project *
HLR710/4 Research Project

Year 3, Semester 1

HLR710/5 Research Project
HLR710/6 Research Project

Year 3, Semester 2

HLR710/7 Research Project
HLR710/8 Research Project ~

PART-TIME COURSE STRUCTURE

Year 1, Semester 1

Core unit in Research Methods
Major Study 1

Year 1, Semester 2

Theoretical Framework Unit
Major Study 2

Year 2, Semester 1

Core unit in Research Methods
Major Study 3

Year 2, Semester 2

Major Study 4
Major Study 5 or Elective Unit

Year 3, Semester 1

HLR710/1 Research Project

Year 3, Semester 2

HLR710/2 Research Project

Year 4, Semester 1

HLR710/3 Research Project *

Year 4, Semester 2

HLR710/4 Research Project

Year 5, Semester 1

HLR710/5 Research Project

Year 5, Semester 2

HLR710/6 Research Project

Year 6, Semester 1

HLR710/7 Research Project

Year 6, Semester 2

HLR710/8 Research Project ~

Stage 2 must occur no later than 6 months into candidature for full-time students and 12 months for part-time students. Students will be expected to present a detailed research proposal for approval before enrolment in the research units (HLR710- (1-8).

* Confirmation of Candidature must occur in the semester of enrolment in HLR710/1. Students cannot progress to the next stage until they have successfully completed Thesis Confirmation. Students will be expected to produce a written document as well as present their proposal at a seminar presentation.

~ A final seminar must be presented prior to the thesis being submitted for external examination.

CORE RESEARCH UNITS DETAILS		Location	Class	Credit	Contact	Sem of
		Code	Code	Points	Hrs/Wk	Offer
HLN405	Qualitative Research Methods	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	1 & 2
HLN706	Advanced Research Methods	KG	INT	12	4	2
HLN710	Fundamentals of Epidemiology & Research Designs	KG	INT	12	3	1&2
HLN711	Advanced Qualitative Methods	KG	INT	12	3	2
NSN424	Evidence Based Practice	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	1
PUN105	Health Statistics	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	1

THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK UNITS DETAILS		Location	Class	Credit	Contact	Sem of
		Code	Code	Points	Hrs/Wk	Offer
PUN103	Advanced Epidemiology (<i>Pre req: HLN705 or PUB326 or PUN743 or equivalent</i>)	KG	INT	12	3	2
PUN632	Health Services Management, Leadership & Change	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	2

THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK UNITS DETAILS		Location Code	Class Code	Credit Points	Contact Hrs/Wk	Sem of Offer
PUN743	Foundations & Practice of Epidemiology	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	1&2
PUP032	Intervention Design and Theories of Change	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	1

MAJOR STUDY AREAS

Students must complete three units from their major study area.

		Location Code	Class Code	Credit Points	Contact Hrs/Wk	Sem of Offer
<u>Health Promotion</u>						
HLN701	Independent Study	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	1, 2, S
PUP034	Advanced Studies & Practice in Health Promotion (Pre/Co requisite: PUP032, PUP038)	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	2
PUP037	Health Program Evaluation	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	2, S
PUN467	Public Health Risk Assessment	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	2

Health Services Management and Policy Sciences

HLN701	Independent Study	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	1, 2, S
PUN211	Health Care Finance & Economics	KG	INT	12	3	1
PUN632	Health Services Management, Leadership & Change	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	2
PUN688	International Health Policy & Management	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	2

Public Health

HLN701	Independent Study	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	1, 2, S
PUN103	Advanced Epidemiology (Pre req: HLN705 or PUB326 or PUN743 or equivalent)	KG	INT	12	3	2
PUP034	Advanced Studies & Practice in Health Promotion (Pre/Co requisite: PUP0352, PUP038)	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	2
PUP037	Health Program Evaluation	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	2

Occupational and Environmental Health Sciences

HLN701	Independent Study	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	1, 2, S
PUN008	Risk Assessment	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	1, 2
PUN010	Implementing Risk Management (Prerequisite: PUN008)	KG	EXT	12		2
PUN106	Population Health	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	1
PUN363	Environmental Health Law (Prerequisite PUN620)	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	1
PUN465	Environmental Protection (Prerequisite PUN620)	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	2
PUN466	Communicable Diseases	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	2
PUN467	Public Health Risk Assessment	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	2
PUP250	Occupational Hygiene (Prerequisite: PUP415)	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	2
PUP415	Occupational Health	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	2

Nursing

(Nursing major is available to candidates who are eligible for registration as a nurse in Australia. Other candidates who do not take the nursing major can take individual units as electives.)

HLN701	Independent Study	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	1, 2, S
NSN424	Evidence Based Practice	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	2
NSN507	Contemporary Practice Issues	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	1
NSN508	Advanced Readings in Nursing (Prerequisite: 48cp of advanced studies)	KG	INT/EXT	12	3	1, 2
NSN515	Clinical Leadership and Management	KGT	INT/EXT	12	3	1&2