About the Health Management Program

The University of New South Wales Master of Health Management (MHM) program is the oldest and largest program of its type in Australia. The program is aimed at developing high level competencies in motivated individuals who are looking to lead healthcare services in Australia and around the world.

Our students emerge from this program with a well-grounded understanding of the factors which influence the effective, efficient, appropriate, and equitable delivery of health services, including strategic planning, organisational behaviour, economic, financial and human resource management, policy development and analysis, and evidence-informed decision making.

The program has a strong emphasis on developing students’ ability to understand, analyse and meet the current and emerging challenges faced by managers and leaders across health care systems and services. Students are exposed to both the theory and practice of leading organisations, teams and individuals, how to shape workplace cultures and how to lead and manage within environments of social, political and organisational change.

A wide range of electives enable our students to pursue their studies into specific health management contexts (such as primary health care, the management of aged care services, laboratory management or the management of health services in disaster settings), to focus on particular skill areas (such as policy development or program design and evaluation), to further their knowledge of research methodologies (both quantitative and qualitative) or to implement key approaches (such as health impact assessment or economic evaluation).

Using cutting edge teaching and learning approaches, the MHM program draws on the latest Australian and international health services and management research, including the internationally recognised work of researchers in our School, to enable students to critically examine, explore and develop their own strategic approaches to improving the quality, safety and efficacy of care.

Program structure

The program comprises the following components, for a total of 48 units of credit:

- Core courses – 5 courses comprising 30 units of credit
- Elective courses – 3 courses comprising 18 units of credit

Course selection

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Mode of delivery

The MHM program can be undertaken either full-time or part-time. Courses are offered internally on campus with face-to-face teaching, or externally by distance mode using online teaching. All courses offered by the school are available in the distance mode. The degree can be completed online anywhere in the world without any attendance requirements. The School provides a great deal of flexibility for students to tailor their study options according to their needs.
Who are our graduates?
Our graduates occupy senior positions in hospitals, area health services, health service organisations, research centres and training institutions in Australia, the Asia-Pacific region and around the globe.

Dual Degrees
There is also the opportunity to undertake dual degrees in Public Health and Health Management or International Public Health which can be completed full-time over 18 months or 2 years (with a research component).

Who should apply?
Entry requirements include a recognised Bachelor degree in a field relevant to a health management discipline and at least two years’ related work experience.

Health Management programs
- Master Health Management
- Master Health Management (Extension)
- Graduate Diploma
- Graduate Certificate
- Master of Public Health / Health Management
- Master of International Public Health / Health Management
- Master of Health Management (Extension) / Master of International Public Health
- Master of Health Management (Extension)/ Master of Public Health
- Master of Health Management/ Master of International Public Health(Extension)
- Master of Health Management/ Master of Public Health (Extension)

Articulation
Credit for courses completed as part of the Graduate Diploma and the Graduate Certificate may be transferred to the Master of Health Management, in accordance with the UNSW policy on credit transfer.

Further information
Learn more about Graduate Health Management Programs at the School of Public Health and Community Medicine:

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“The wealth of knowledge and experience of the lecturers make the MHM a unique, internationally recognised program that addresses the complexities of the health system in Australia and worldwide. Working as a medical specialist in regional NSW I often face health management challenges that I would have found insurmountable before I joined the program. The MHM has allowed me to reflect on matters that have been ‘invisible’ to me in the past due to my limited knowledge of health management. I believe the MHM is the ideal complement not only to those students pursuing a career in health management but also to doctors practising clinical medicine. The program is an ‘eye opener’ and contributes greatly to make clinicians better doctors by enhancing their knowledge and skills in health management.”

MHM Student

Professional recognition
Our management programs meet the core requirements for a Fellowship with the Royal Australasian College of Medical Administrators (RACMA) and are accredited by the Australasian College of Health Service Management (ACHSM).