



Curtin University

2020 **POSTGRADUATE**  
COURSE GUIDE

# PUBLIC HEALTH

COURSEWORK AND RESEARCH DEGREES

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# WELCOME TO CURTIN



**Curtin is a vibrant, young university where ideas and cultures combine to create a place of enthusiasm, endeavour and achievement.**

When you choose Curtin, you are choosing an innovative, global university with extensive industry connections and campuses in Western Australia, Malaysia, Singapore, Dubai and Mauritius.

You'll learn in technology-rich environments and feel inspired by our high-impact research spanning many areas including astronomy and planetary science, emerging technologies, economics, health, minerals, energy and sustainability.

## THE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Established in 1979, Curtin's School of Public Health has a history of leading positive change in public health in Australia and the broader Asia-Pacific region.

Public health practice has become increasingly challenging. The emergence of new diseases, the threat of global climate change and terrorism, the steady increase of the world's population, and the globalisation of world economies have placed public health policy and practice at the forefront of government agendas.

The school has a proven track record for preparing its graduates to meet these critical challenges and successfully work in the field of public health.

## STUDYING AT POSTGRADUATE LEVEL

A postgraduate degree at Curtin can change your life. It will give you additional knowledge to advance your career, specialise in a particular area or take your career in a promising new direction.

### Postgraduate options

Curtin offers postgraduate coursework and research qualifications. A graduate certificate is six months' full-time study; a graduate diploma is one year of full-time study; and a master degree is one-to-three years' full-time study.

A research degree involves independent, original research and completion of a thesis, and may involve up to four years of full-time study.

### Gain industry experience

Experiential learning is highly valued by employers. You will benefit from Curtin's strong links to business and industry, working on real projects and research initiatives, undertaking internships and attending events and networking opportunities.

### Convenient and flexible study

Course flexibility enables you to combine your current work commitments with study. Many courses allow domestic students to study full-time, part-time or online.

### Financial assistance

You could be eligible to apply for a Curtin scholarship or other support such as FEE-HELP, employer-funded study or income tax deductions.



**Ranked in the top one per cent of universities in the world**  
(Academic Ranking of World Universities 2018)

**TOP 20**

**Ranked in the top 20 young universities globally**  
(2019 QS 50 Under 50)



**Ranked in the top 150 universities worldwide and 9th in Australia for Public Health**  
(Shanghai Ranking Consultancy's Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2019)

## EXPERIENCE PERTH

Located on the beautiful western coast of Australia, Perth is multicultural, prosperous and safe – an ideal destination for students and tourists alike.

### AFFORDABLE LIVING

Perth has lower living costs than Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Adelaide\*.

### TRANSPORT

The metropolitan area is serviced with an extensive road network and easy-to-use public transport.

## SHOPPING AND CULTURE

Perth is home to Elizabeth Quay, Forrest Place, Murray Street Mall and numerous galleries. Close to Perth, the port city of Fremantle is a great place to learn about WA history.

### FOOD AND DRINK

Cafés and restaurants offer a variety of global cuisine. You can try the best of WA produce at Yagan Square; and find wineries, cheese shops and chocolate factories in the Swan Valley, WA's oldest wine region.

### ENTERTAINMENT

Perth hosts numerous domestic and international sports competitions, music concerts and festivals throughout the year.

## NATURE AND WILDLIFE

There are many magnificent parks and gardens in and around Perth. Kings Park, which is larger than New York's Central Park, showcases more than 3,000 species of WA's unique flora. Caversham Wildlife Park has many Australian animals, including kangaroos you can handfeed.

## AQUATIC AND COASTAL

Perth's coast features breathtaking beaches and scenery. Don't forget to visit Rottnest Island – a famous holiday destination near Perth that is home to the friendly quokka.

\*Economist Intelligence Unit Worldwide Cost of Living Survey 2018

### PERTH WEATHER

Perth has a Mediterranean climate

	High / Low (°C)
Summer (December to February)	30° / 17.5°
Autumn (March to May)	26° / 13.7°
Winter (June to August)	19° / 8°
Spring (September to November)	23° / 11.7°

source: australia.com

### PERTH TIMEZONE

Perth GMT+8



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### PLANNING YOUR NEXT CAREER MOVE

Changes in the marketplace mean your career could take unexpected turns. Curtin Associate Professor Julia Richardson suggests ways to develop your career strategy based around your motivation, your skills and competencies, and your personal and professional networks.

[curtin.edu/3-things](http://curtin.edu/3-things)



# GET THE CURTIN EDGE



**Curtin ensures you gain the knowledge and skills required to get ahead in today's changing workplace.**

### INTERNATIONAL FOCUS

We value the experience and expertise international students bring to our programs, and we strive to bring an international perspective to our courses.

### Go Global

Through our Go Global program, you could go on a professional placement overseas in an area related to your discipline. You will spend four weeks in a health clinic, hospital or school, delivering health services to the community while expanding your knowledge of international health issues. In previous years, students have visited Cambodia, Vietnam, India and China.

You may be able to undertake a Go Global program in addition to your studies, or as part of your course.

[curtin.edu/goglobal](http://curtin.edu/goglobal)

### EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

As a health student, you can undertake professional placements in a variety of settings. This experience enables you to practise your knowledge and skills in authentic contexts, and collaborate with professionals from diverse health backgrounds that you may work with in the future.

### LABORATORY FACILITIES

Your theoretical learning is reinforced through simulation-based laboratory training. Using modern equipment and information technology hardware, you'll practise contemporary methods in laboratories and computer suites under supervision.

### CAREER SUPPORT

Curtin Careers, Employment and Leadership can help you find part-time work in Perth to support you while you're studying. We also offer career planning services to identify further study or career options, while our Global Careers service can connect you with employers around the world.

[careers.curtin.edu.au](http://careers.curtin.edu.au)

## CAMPUS LIFE



The Perth campus is located just six kilometres from the city centre. Through our 20-year master plan, we're transforming the campus into a contemporary cultural precinct that brings together higher education, business, technology, the arts and recreation.

### LIVING ON CAMPUS

We offer more than 1,000 places to stay at our Perth campus. You'll enjoy comfortable and tidy single or shared accommodation, free wi-fi, parking and an off-peak gym membership at Curtin Stadium.

Rooms are fully furnished and there are plenty of recreation facilities and support services, plus you're in easy walking distance of your classes, the library, shopping centre, gym and public transport. You can also participate in a range of weekly activities and social events.

[curtin.edu/housing](http://curtin.edu/housing)

### COURSE ADVICE

Our Curtin Connect staff provide advice on courses, applications, enrolment, getting your ID card and organising your course timetable.

### WELLBEING SERVICES

There is a range of confidential wellbeing services if you ever need help or advice, or you're unsure where to find the support you need.

You can also consult a doctor, physiotherapist, counsellor and other health professionals at our campus-based medical centre and health and wellness clinics.

[curtin.edu/personalsupport](http://curtin.edu/personalsupport)

### CHILDCARE AND SCHOOLING

The Curtin University Early Childhood Centre is a popular on-campus childcare facility for children under the age of five. We strongly recommend you apply for a place for your child as early as possible.

[curtin.edu/earlychildhoodcentre](http://curtin.edu/earlychildhoodcentre)

### Subsidised schooling

If you're an international student and have school-aged children, your children may be eligible to access government schooling at the same subsidised fee levels that apply to local students.

[curtin.edu/familyfriendly](http://curtin.edu/familyfriendly)

### SECURITY AND PERSONAL SAFETY

Curtin provides a range of safety resources including swipe-card building access, 24/7 security patrols, well-lit pathways, after-hours security escort, a campus courtesy bus, emergency telephone stations and the SafeZone security app.

[curtin.edu/safety](http://curtin.edu/safety)



## DIETETICS

International students accepted. Refer to inside back cover for details.



Dietetics involves studying medical aspects of diseases that can be prevented or treated through diet.

In this course you will learn the science and art of providing medical nutrition therapy and public health nutrition programs for individuals and groups in different economic, social, psychological and physiological conditions.

You will study specialised topics in medical nutrition therapy, counselling and food service, and undertake placements in a range of settings such as hospitals, community centres, aged care and food service providers. You will also complete an independent research project in an area relevant to nutrition and dietetics.

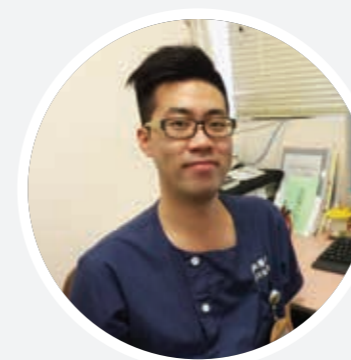
### PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

This course is accredited by the Dietitians Association of Australia.

### THE FUTURE OF DIETETICS

Population growth, increased life expectancy, advances in medicine and technology, as well a growing public interest in nutrition and food safety, are transforming the role of the dietitian.

Dietitians will increasingly oversee the management of obesity and chronic health conditions. Technology will enable instant communication between dietitians and their clients and increase business opportunities. New medical research in areas such as genetics will enable dietitians to create tailored nutritional and lifestyle plans for individuals.



"After graduating from high school in Hong Kong, I decided to study overseas. I was attracted to the Curtin nutrition course because it's a well-established program. The course was challenging but rewarding. I was impressed by the calibre of the lecturers and tutors.

"The course expanded my knowledge in clinical nutrition and counselling, and I developed skills in critical thinking and time management, which are very valuable in my current role."

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Master of Dietetics

### MASTER OF DIETETICS

#### COURSE ESSENTIALS

CRICOS CODE 079872K

DURATION 2 years full-time

COURSE CODE MG-DIETS

STUDY MODE Full-time, part-time\*

INTAKE February

LOCATION Perth

This course has an earlier application deadline: [curtin.edu/hs-application-deadlines](http://curtin.edu/hs-application-deadlines).

\* Australian and New Zealand students can complete the first year on a part-time basis over two years, but the second year of the course is only offered full-time.

### ADMISSION CRITERIA

An undergraduate degree that meets the Dietitians Association of Australia requirements for entry to a graduate entry master. These requirements specify that 50 per cent of each of the first and second years of undergraduate study must comprise bioscience, chemistry, physiology and biochemistry.

You also need to have completed the equivalent of 100 credit points of undergraduate study in nutrition at second and third year levels.

Entry to this course is competitive and a high course weighted average is required. You are not eligible to enter this program if you have a dietetic qualification that can be considered by the DAA for recognition of overseas skills.

You must also meet Curtin's English language proficiency requirements, and provide supplementary information with your application. For more information, visit [curtin.edu/hs-admission-requirements](http://curtin.edu/hs-admission-requirements).



Curtin's nutrition and dietetics research is ranked well above world standard

(Excellence in Research for Australia 2018)



For more information visit [curtin.edu/hs-ps](http://curtin.edu/hs-ps)

# ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

This course is only available to Australian and New Zealand students.



This course gives you the professional skills to identify, assess, evaluate and control environmental hazards that could impact human health.

Managing the health needs of a community effectively requires sensitivity to public expectation, and an equitable balance of science, law, environmental and social factors, and sustainability.

In this course you will study subjects covering the core aspects of environmental health including management, law, food safety and risk assessment. Your learning will be supported by foundation studies in public health.

The course also contains a practicum unit where you will undertake 100 hours of work experience in an environmental health workplace.

When you complete this course you will be eligible for employment as an Environmental Health Officer in local government, or in various positions in private industry and state and federal government.

## THE FUTURE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

The environmental health sector is undergoing radical change, driven by growing public awareness that human health is dependent on a healthy environment. Global and local attention is focusing on areas such as air and water quality, contaminated land, food safety and the creation and disposal of waste.

As an environmental health practitioner, you will be well-placed to help create and maintain safe and

sustainable communities for today and into the future.

## INDUSTRIES

- Local, state and federal government
- Private consultancies
- Commercial organisations
- Food retailers
- Armed forces

## GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

### COURSE ESSENTIALS

CRICOS CODE	Not applicable
DURATION	1 year full-time
COURSE CODE	GD-ENVHL
STUDY MODE	Full-time, part-time
INTAKE	February, July
LOCATION	Perth, online

### ADMISSION CRITERIA

- A bachelor degree in a related discipline such as public health, human biology, food technology, environmental science/management, biology, chemistry, biomedical science and allied health\*
- Successful completion of at least one full-time semester or equivalent in core science subjects such as human biology/biology, anatomy and physiology, microbiology, chemistry and physics\*
- Meet Curtin's English language proficiency requirements.

\*If you do not have this background, you may gain entry following successful completion of prescribed units.

### PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

This course is fully accredited by Environmental Health Australia and the Western Australian Environmental Health Officers Professional Review Board.

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Graduates are eligible to become members of Environmental Health Australia.



"Environmental health is a field with real employment opportunities within both government and private organisations and it's a fantastic starting point for a career in public health. The practical skills and knowledge that this course has given me has made the transition from student life to full-time employment easy."

**Alex Ravine**  
Environmental Health Officer,  
City of Belmont  
Graduate Diploma in Environmental Health



For more information visit [curtin.edu/hs-pg](http://curtin.edu/hs-pg)

# HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

International students are eligible for the Graduate Diploma in Health Administration and Master of Health Administration.



These courses equip you with the skills and knowledge needed to navigate the complexities of leading and managing the delivery of services in a modern healthcare environment.

They are designed for clinicians, managers and administrators who want to deliver high quality, safe and effective healthcare. You will expand on your knowledge and abilities in areas of leadership and management, quality and safety, health economics, health policy, planning and evaluating health services, and understanding complex health systems.

In the master degree you will undertake practical work experience within a healthcare organisation, and complete a research project by working alongside research staff or with a healthcare provider.

### PROFESSIONAL ACCREDITATION

These courses are accredited by the Australasian College of Health Service Management.

### THE FUTURE OF HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

Healthcare systems across the world aim to deliver safe and effective healthcare to the population. However, this is becoming more difficult as health systems face challenges relating to financial sustainability, safety and quality accountability, changing healthcare needs and rapidly advancing technology.

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Graduates can apply for membership of the Australasian College of Health Service Management.

Graduates with medical qualifications can also apply for membership of the Royal Australasian College of Medical Administrators.



This course is ranked 2nd in Australia and 27th worldwide for health management courses (Eduniversal Best Masters Ranking 2018)

## GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

### COURSE ESSENTIALS

CRICOS CODE	Not applicable
DURATION	6 months full-time
COURSE CODE	GC-HLADMN
STUDY MODE	Full-time, part-time
INTAKE	February, July*
LOCATION	Perth, online

\*Beginning in July may extend the course duration due to unit availabilities.

## GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

### COURSE ESSENTIALS

CRICOS CODE	007874D
DURATION	1 year full-time
COURSE CODE	GD-HLADMN
STUDY MODE	Full-time, part-time
INTAKE	February, July
LOCATION	Perth, online

## MASTER OF HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

### COURSE ESSENTIALS

CRICOS CODE	006110A
DURATION	2 years full-time
COURSE CODE	MC-HLADMN
STUDY MODE	Full-time, part-time
INTAKE	February, July
LOCATION	Perth, online

### ADMISSION CRITERIA

- A bachelor degree or equivalent in an appropriate discipline\*
- Work experience in health administration\*
- Meet Curtin's English language proficiency requirements.

\*If you do not have the required qualifications or work experience, you may need to undertake additional bridging units.



For more information visit [curtin.edu/hs-pg](http://curtin.edu/hs-pg)

# HEALTH PROMOTION

International students can only study the Graduate Certificate in Health Promotion externally (online) in their country of origin. International students can study the Graduate Diploma in Health Promotion at the Perth campus, or online in their country of origin.



Many contemporary health issues are preventable but require complex, innovative solutions.

These courses are designed in response to industry and society needs, and will develop your knowledge and skills in the major principles of health promotion, and prepare you to apply your expertise in diverse settings.

You will explore health promotion history, principles, strategies, politics and systems, and develop skills to design, implement and evaluate programs.

There are opportunities for you to undertake professional industry placements, regional or overseas study tours or volunteer with Curtin research and practice groups.

If you complete the graduate diploma, you can undertake an additional year of study to receive a Master of Public Health.

## PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

The Graduate Diploma in Health Promotion is the first postgraduate health promotion course outside Europe to be accredited by the International Union for Health Promotion and Education (IUHPE).

Students who successfully complete the graduate diploma are immediately eligible for Health Promotion Practitioner registration through the Australian Health Promotion Association.

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

All graduates are eligible for membership of the Australian Health Promotion Association, the Public Health Association of Australia, and the IUHPE.

## GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN HEALTH PROMOTION

### COURSE ESSENTIALS

CRICOS CODE	Not applicable
DURATION	6 months full-time
COURSE CODE	GC-HLPROM
STUDY MODE	Full-time, part-time
INTAKE	February, July*
LOCATION	Perth, online

\*Beginning in July may extend the course duration due to unit availabilities.

## GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN HEALTH PROMOTION

### COURSE ESSENTIALS

CRICOS CODE	010560G
DURATION	1 year full-time
COURSE CODE	GD-HLPROM
STUDY MODE	Full-time, part-time
INTAKE	February, July
LOCATION	Perth, online

### ADMISSION CRITERIA

- A bachelor degree preferably in health, education, behavioural sciences, social sciences or management
- Meet Curtin's English language proficiency requirements.

You are also required to provide supplementary information with your application. For more information, visit [curtin.edu/hs-admission-requirements](http://curtin.edu/hs-admission-requirements).

### POTENTIAL EMPLOYERS

- Aid organisations
- Not-for-profit organisations
- Local, state and federal government
- Private sector
- Research organisations
- Universities



For more information visit [curtin.edu/hs-pg](http://curtin.edu/hs-pg)

# OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

International students can study these courses externally (online) in their country of origin.

Develop your passion for occupational health and safety and inspire your vision of creating safer and healthier workplaces.

In these online courses you will develop strong theoretical occupational health and safety skills and discover new knowledge and novel ways of solving problems.

These courses will nurture your creativity, critical thinking skills and confidence, and ensure you're capable of and committed to upholding the standards and ethical values of the occupational health and safety industry.

Students who undertake the master degree will complete an original research project under the guidance of one of our experienced staff.

## PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

The master degree is recognised by the Institution of Occupational Safety and Health (IOSH) (UK). Upon graduating,

you will be eligible to apply for IOSH membership and for certification with the Safety Institute of Australia.

## GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

### COURSE ESSENTIALS

CRICOS CODE	Not applicable
DURATION	6 months full-time
COURSE CODE	GC-OCHLSF
STUDY MODE	Full-time, part-time
INTAKE	February, July
LOCATION	Online

### ADMISSION CRITERIA

- A bachelor degree with a health, science or management-related background
- Meet Curtin's English language proficiency requirements.



## GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

### COURSE ESSENTIALS

CRICOS CODE	Not applicable
DURATION	1 year full-time
COURSE CODE	GD-OCHLSF
STUDY MODE	Full-time, part-time
INTAKE	February, July
LOCATION	Online

### ADMISSION CRITERIA

- A bachelor degree with a health, science or management-related background
- Meet Curtin's English language proficiency requirements.

## MASTER OF OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

### COURSE ESSENTIALS

CRICOS CODE	Not applicable
DURATION	1.5 years full-time
COURSE CODE	MC-OCHLSF
STUDY MODE	Full-time, part-time
INTAKE	February, July
LOCATION	Online

### ADMISSION CRITERIA

- A bachelor degree with a health, science or management-related background
- 18 months of subsequent work experience in occupational health and safety OR a recognised graduate diploma in occupational health and safety
- Meet Curtin's English language proficiency requirements.


### INDUSTRIES

- Engineering and construction
- Healthcare
- Manufacturing
- Mining, oil and gas



For more information visit [curtin.edu/hs-pg](http://curtin.edu/hs-pg)

# PUBLIC HEALTH

 International students accepted. Refer to inside back cover for details.

Whether you already work in public health or want to move into this field, these courses prepare you for contemporary public health practice, addressing traditional and emerging public health issues.

You will gain a thorough grounding in the major areas of public health and learn how to effectively plan, implement and evaluate public health programs across educational, organisational, socioeconomic, environmental and political domains. You'll learn about public health measures and explore major problems in both low and high income settings and countries.

To complement your learning, you may choose to undertake professional industry placements, regional or overseas study tours, or volunteer with Curtin's research and practice groups.

If you continue to the master degree, you will have the option to carry out research with an academic supervisor, or enhance your practical and leadership skills by working on a public health project in partnership with industry.

You can bundle your courses by combining a Graduate Diploma in Health Promotion with the Master in Public Health, and complete both courses in a two-year timeframe.

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Graduates are eligible for membership of the Public Health Association of Australia.

## GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN PUBLIC HEALTH

### COURSE ESSENTIALS

CRICOS CODE	079914E
DURATION	6 months full-time
COURSE CODE	GC-PUBHL
STUDY MODE	Full-time, part-time
INTAKE	February, July
LOCATION	Perth, online

## GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN PUBLIC HEALTH

### COURSE ESSENTIALS

CRICOS CODE	080069E
DURATION	1 year full-time
COURSE CODE	GD-PUBHL
STUDY MODE	Full-time, part-time
INTAKE	February, July
LOCATION	Perth, online

## MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH

### COURSE ESSENTIALS

CRICOS CODE	064462G
DURATION	2 years full-time
COURSE CODE	MC-PUBHL
STUDY MODE	Full-time, part-time
INTAKE	February, July
LOCATION	Perth, online

## THE FUTURE OF PUBLIC HEALTH

An ageing population, chronic disease burden, emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases, population mobility, climate change and health inequalities require us to take a different approach to health, one that closely considers the relationship between human health and natural systems.

A public health approach is grounded in the ecological, social, technological, political, economic, commercial, behavioural and individual determinants of health. This course's relevance to the future of public health is in equipping future leaders, practitioners, policymakers and researchers with the ability to understand, measure, track and respond to the factors which can effectively prevent and control disease, and promote and protect the public's health.

### POTENTIAL EMPLOYERS

- Government
- Not-for-profit organisations
- Primary health services
- Public institutions

## ADMISSION CRITERIA

- A bachelor degree preferably in health, education, behavioural sciences, social sciences or management
- Meet Curtin's English language proficiency requirements.

You are also required to provide supplementary information with your application. For more information, visit [curtin.edu/hs-admission-requirements](http://curtin.edu/hs-admission-requirements).



"Working in community health in Malawi led me to better understand the public health issues my country is facing. These issues require better research and people with good leadership skills to help influence policy and improve public health practices.

"Studying at Curtin was empowering for me and enabled professional and personal growth. The course provided a very comprehensive base of study that improved my knowledge, skills, and attitudes in public health."

**Chimwemwe Tembo**  
Health Coordinator,  
St John of God Hospital, Malawi  
Master of Public Health



For more information visit [curtin.edu/hs-pg](http://curtin.edu/hs-pg)

# SEXOLOGY

 International students accepted. Refer to inside back cover for details.

**Acquire specialist knowledge and skills in sexology, and examine recent research on the biological, psychological and social aspects of human sexuality.**

In these courses you will study a variety of counselling models and therapeutic tools as they relate to different areas of sexology, including common sexual issues, difficulties and dysfunctions, and their treatments in the context of diverse populations.

You'll examine ethics in sexology and review your attitudes and values in a sex-positive environment.

In the master degree, you will learn how to conduct your own research and analyse your findings, as well as undertake a supervised placement to apply your learning in a professional setting.

Upon graduation you will be able to integrate this specialisation into your professional discipline, and be conversant in the key aspects of sexology as a public health issue.

Media material of a sexually graphic nature is used in this course.

## ADMISSION CRITERIA

- A bachelor degree (with a minimum course weighted average of 70) in a relevant health area such as medical studies, education and theology, health promotion, health sciences, psychology, social work, sociology and anthropology or biological sciences
- Meet Curtin's English language proficiency requirements.

You are also required to provide supplementary information with your application. For more information, visit [curtin.edu/hs-admission-requirements](http://curtin.edu/hs-admission-requirements).

## THE FUTURE OF SEXOLOGY

Many people in Australia and around the world are still impacted by negative messages about sex. This issue, combined with the public's increasing exposure to sexualised images and messages on the internet and in social media, creates a challenging environment for the future sexologist.

These courses aim to address these issues through the use of evidence-based research and best practice, equipping graduates to draw from a 'sex positive' framework to resolve these challenges, and help promote better sexual health discussions.

## GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN SEXOLOGY

### COURSE ESSENTIALS

**CRICOS CODE** 068615G

**DURATION** 1 year full-time

**COURSE CODE** GD-SXLYG

**STUDY MODE** Full-time, part-time

**INTAKE** February, July<sup>1</sup>

**LOCATION** Perth, online<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Beginning in July may extend the course duration due to unit availabilities. July intake is not available to international students.

<sup>2</sup> Some units are taught as a block intensive, requiring you to attend a full-week workshop. If you are studying this course online in Australia, you must be able to attend the Perth campus to complete these units.

## MASTER OF SEXOLOGY

### COURSE ESSENTIALS

**CRICOS CODE** 074567D

**DURATION** 2 years full-time

**COURSE CODE** MC-SXLYG

**STUDY MODE** Full-time, part-time

**INTAKE** February, July\*

**LOCATION** Perth

\*Beginning in July may extend the course duration due to unit availabilities. July intake is not available to international students.

# RESEARCH DEGREES



**Our research degrees enable you to conduct independent, original research under the supervision of a senior academic. You'll be supported through the University's facilities and industry partnerships, helping you turn your discoveries into real-world outcomes.**

The following overarching research degrees encompass many specialist subjects:

- Doctor of Philosophy
- Master of Philosophy
- Master of Research.

Find a supervisor at [research.curtin.edu.au](http://research.curtin.edu.au). Alternatively, contact our Graduate Research School for more information:

Tel: +61 8 9266 3337

Email: [GRS.FutureStudents@curtin.edu.au](mailto:GRS.FutureStudents@curtin.edu.au)

Web: [curtin.edu/postgrad-research](http://curtin.edu/postgrad-research)

## RESEARCH IN PUBLIC HEALTH

The School of Public Health has a global reputation for producing high-impact research in the following areas:

- epidemiology and biostatistics
- healthy lifestyle interventions
- clinical cardiovascular research
- health economics
- environmental health and safety.

We support students to take up research opportunities in honours, master and PhD degrees and encourage the public to participate in our research.

## AUSTRALIAN TRADIES EXPOSED TO EXCESSIVE NOISE LEVELS

Almost one in five Australian working men experience noise above the recommended occupational limit on their most recent working day, research by the School of Public Health has found.

Lead author Kate Lewkowski, an audiologist from the School of Public Health, says hearing loss affects more than half a billion people worldwide and continues to be a leading cause of disability in Australia.

"Hearing loss can significantly reduce someone's quality of life as it can lead to social isolation and poor mental health," Lewkowski says.

"Our survey aimed to determine how many workers are exposed to hazardous workplace noise and ototoxic chemicals in the Australian workplace.

"We interviewed 5000 workers and found that men were more likely to be exposed to excessive noise and workplace

ototoxic chemicals compared to women. This finding is likely due to the gender employment patterns in industries such as construction.

"The findings also show that four out of five workers who exceeded the full noise exposure limit were also likely to be exposed to at least one ototoxic chemical in the workplace."

Co-author John Curtin Distinguished Professor Lin Fritschi, also from the School of Public Health, said despite current regulations in place to reduce workplace noise, high levels of noise continued to exist in many Australian workplaces.

"Our findings have important implications for the Australian workforce and immediate action is needed to reduce the future burden of hearing loss," Professor Fritschi says.

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## SCREENING AND REGISTRATION



Before applying for a health sciences course, you should be aware that some additional screening may be required.

### CRIMINAL RECORD SCREENING

Many of our health sciences courses require you to undertake external placements, clinical practice or fieldwork involving contact with the public. External agencies, such as government departments, nongovernment agencies and hospitals may require you to obtain a criminal record screening prior to undertaking any external placement, practicum or fieldwork. Please note that external agencies can vary their requirements without notice and may not always advise Curtin of these changes.

A criminal record screening may not necessarily preclude you from participating in any of the above. However, serious crimes of a violent or sexual nature; where the victim was under 18 years of age or elderly; for dealing or trafficking drugs; involving fraud; or any offence that resulted in a jail sentence, may render a person unsuitable for employment and/or provision of services to clients.

If you apply for a clearance and have a conviction relating to offences of a violent or sexual nature, or where the victim was under 18 years of age or elderly, this information will be placed on a national database and made available to other authorities.

Full details about obtaining the relevant criminal record screening will be provided upon your enrolment or as part of your Curtin offer.

[curtin.edu/healthscreening](http://curtin.edu/healthscreening)

### CLINICAL HEALTH SCIENCES SCREENING

If you are enrolled in a course that includes supervised practice (including research) in a clinical setting, you are required to undergo screening for and vaccination against a range of infectious diseases before beginning your placement.

If you test positive to a blood borne virus, you are advised to contact your course coordinator for career advice. You may also need to complete other requirements at your own cost, such as senior first aid training.

For specific details relating to these requirements, visit

[curtin.edu/healthfieldwork](http://curtin.edu/healthfieldwork).

### WORKING WITH CHILDREN

The *Working with Children (Criminal Record Checking) Act 2004* aims to protect children from harm by introducing a high standard of compulsory national criminal record checking for people working with children in Western Australia.

As a health sciences student, you may be required to work with children between the ages of zero and 17 as part of your practicum. In such cases, you will need to have a Working with Children Check. Your course coordinator will advise you when you need to obtain this check.

[workingwithchildren.wa.gov.au](http://workingwithchildren.wa.gov.au)

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND FEES



### SCHOLARSHIPS

You may be eligible for a scholarship to support your study. Sign up to the scholarships email alert to make sure you don't miss an opportunity.

[scholarships.curtin.edu.au](http://scholarships.curtin.edu.au)

### FEES

#### Tuition fees

Tuition fees are calculated on a semester basis. Fees are subject to annual increase and are calculated according to the credit points within a course. Indicative course fees for the 2020 commencement year are available from September 2019.

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#### Student Services and Amenities Fee

The Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF) is used for supporting a comprehensive range of non-academic services and amenities. SSAF does not apply to international students.

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### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Postgraduate study is an investment in your future. If you are concerned that you cannot afford postgraduate study, there are several options for financial assistance you can explore.

#### Employer-paid study

Your employer may help you with the cost of postgraduate study. Many organisations have employee-education policies designed to share the costs of education that is mutually beneficial.

### FEE-HELP

If you are an Australian citizen or a New Zealand Special Category Visa holder or a permanent humanitarian visa, you may be eligible for the Australian Government's FEE-HELP loan for all or part of your tuition fees.

[curtin.edu/fee-help](http://curtin.edu/fee-help)

#### Tax benefits

If there is a direct connection between your postgraduate course and your current employment, you may be entitled to an income tax deduction for tuition fees and expenses.

[ato.gov.au](http://ato.gov.au)

# APPLYING TO CURTIN



## STUDY OPTIONS

Curtin offers flexible study options to help you manage work and family commitments. You can study full-time, part-time or online\*, subject to availability.

To study full-time, you must enrol in three or four units per semester (75 or 100 credits), while part-time study involves as few as one or two units (25 or 50 credits) per semester.

If you study online, you will complete the same coursework and assessments as students who study on campus.

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- you are an Australian citizen, Australian dual citizen or New Zealand citizen, or
- you are a permanent resident of Australia, or
- you hold an Australian permanent humanitarian visa.

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- you are not a citizen of Australia and New Zealand, or
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## PREVIOUS LEARNING

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The admission criteria of all Curtin postgraduate courses include English language proficiency. Some courses have specific and higher English requirements than others.

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## Curtin English

Completing a program at our Curtin English language centre will help you meet the English language proficiency. If you receive an offer to study at Curtin but don't meet the English requirement, you may qualify for a free 10-week program.

[english.curtin.edu.au](http://english.curtin.edu.au)

## Course content

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