

# Sexual Health

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<b>Overview:</b>	The Sexual Health stream in the MPH focuses on the important recognition and understanding of how sexual health impacts on the public health of communities. In developed countries recent changes in the epidemiology of many STIs and changing sexual behaviour patterns have focused attention deservedly on improving access to services and the protection and empowerment of those most vulnerable in society. In addition many other social, cultural and economic influences are acknowledged as important considerations in the study and practice of sexual health. This sexual health specialisation enables students to familiarise themselves with the important public health implications of sexual health and to develop an advanced knowledge of the literature in a related area of interest. Students may have a clinical or non-clinical interest and professional background. Whilst sexual health priorities may differ between resource poor and resource rich settings, many of the public health implications overlap and both local and international students will be able to find a relevant area of interest within sexual health to study. Students with a specialised sexual health qualification in public health will find this relevant to work in a wide variety of areas including clinical sexual health services, policy and government related areas and international health.																														
<b>Objectives:</b>	-																														
<b>Structure &amp; Available Subjects:</b>	200 Point Program: 14 subjects and a research project 175 Point Program: 12 subjects and a research project 150 Point Program: 10 subjects and a research project																														
<b>Subject Options:</b>	<p><b>Two Core Consortium Subjects</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Subject</th> <th>Study Period Commencement:</th> <th>Credit Points:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>POPH90014 Epidemiology</td> <td>March</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>POPH90013 Statistics</td> <td>March</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><b>Recommended Consortium Subjects</b> A minimum of 2 other Consortium Subjects from the list below:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Subject</th> <th>Study Period Commencement:</th> <th>Credit Points:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>POPH90021 Principles &amp; Practice of Public Health</td> <td>March</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>POPH90023 Public Health Policy</td> <td>March</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>POPH90022 Environmental Influences on Health</td> <td>Semester 2</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>POPH90012 Health Economics &amp; Program Evaluation</td> <td>Semester 2</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>POPH90020 Health Promotion</td> <td>Semester 2</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>POPH90019 Social &amp; Cultural Perspec in Public Hlth</td> <td>Semester 2</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><b>Additional Core Subjects</b> One of the following subjects:</p>	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	POPH90014 Epidemiology	March	12.50	POPH90013 Statistics	March	12.50	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	POPH90021 Principles & Practice of Public Health	March	12.50	POPH90023 Public Health Policy	March	12.50	POPH90022 Environmental Influences on Health	Semester 2	12.50	POPH90012 Health Economics & Program Evaluation	Semester 2	12.50	POPH90020 Health Promotion	Semester 2	12.50	POPH90019 Social & Cultural Perspec in Public Hlth	Semester 2	12.50
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Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90146 Study Design in Epidemiology	May	12.50
POPH90200 Principles of Social Research Design	February	12.50

AND at least two of the following subjects:

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90067 Control of Sexually Transm. Infections	Semester 1	12.50
POPH90068 Sexually Transmissible Infections	Semester 2	12.50
POPH90069 Sexual and Reproductive Health	Semester 1	12.50

OR an optional core subject for health professionals instead of 505-533 is:

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90070 Clinical Sexual & Reproductive Health	March	12.50

### Recommended Electives

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90169 Adolescent Sexuality and Sexual Health	Semester 1	12.50
505-541 Sexual Function and Dysfunction	Not offered 2010	12.50
POPH90112 Infectious Disease Epidemiology	Semester 1	12.50
POPH90134 Harm Reduction - HIV in Drug Users	November	12.50

### Research Project

The research project is compulsory and allows students to consolidate their MPH studies in a particular discipline(s). Some research projects have pre-requisites and/or recommended subjects to help guide course planning. The Research Project is offered in two consecutive semesters i.e. Semester 1 and 2 or 2 and 1. All students should consult with the MPH coordinator early in their enrolment to identify possible research project topics and supervisors.

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90186 Research Project in Sexual Health	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50

Related Course(s):

Master of Public Health