

## Primary Care (General Practice)

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<b>Overview:</b>	<p>The Honours program at the General Practice and Primary Care Academic Centre will provide the student with the skills to conduct human research in the primary care setting. Primary health care research focuses on the provision of primary, comprehensive and continuing care. The research focus of the Centre is on quality and safety in primary health care, models of primary care and clinical research in primary care. The social model of health, the doctor patient relationship and the primary care team are all embedded firmly within this work. Honours students will have the opportunity to join one of the current research groups within the Academic centre.</p>									
<b>Learning Outcomes:</b>	<p>Honours students who graduate from the General Practice and Primary Care Academic Centre will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Demonstrate expertise in formulating primary care research questions;</li> <li># Demonstrate a respect for ethical values in primary care research;</li> <li># Apply critical and analytical skills and methods to the identification and resolution of problems within the complex primary care context;</li> <li># Demonstrate research skills in methods and analysis used in primary care research;</li> <li># Be proficient in the acquisition, processing and interpretation of research data, in both quantitative and qualitative methods relevant to the primary care setting;</li> <li># Demonstrate an understanding of the issues involved in translating clinical research results to the primary care setting.</li> </ul> <p>The opportunity to specialise provides a strong foundation for the future direction of Honours graduates, whether as a means of progressing to higher degree research at the Masters or PhD level, or improving the scope of employment options and professional advancement.</p>									
<b>Structure &amp; Available Subjects:</b>	<p>The Honours program consists of 100 credit points completed over 12 months full time (or part time equivalent) comprising of two (2) Advanced Coursework subjects and a Research Project. To be awarded Honours with a specialisation in Primary Care (General Practice), students must successfully complete the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># BIOM40001 Introduction to Biomedical Research (12.5 points)</li> <li># GENP40002 Introduction to Primary Care Research (12.5 points)</li> <li># GENP40000 and GENP40001 - Primary Health Care Research Project (75 points)</li> </ul> <p>There are no elective subjects in this Honours program.</p>									
<b>Subject Options:</b>	<p><b>Coursework Component</b></p> <p>Students must complete 25 credit points of advanced coursework subjects. This is achieved by enrolling in the following subjects in the appropriate semesters.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Subject</th> <th>Study Period Commencement:</th> <th>Credit Points:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>BIOM40001 Introduction To Biomedical Research</td> <td>February</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>GENP40002 Introduction to Primary Care Research</td> <td>Semester 1</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	BIOM40001 Introduction To Biomedical Research	February	12.50	GENP40002 Introduction to Primary Care Research	Semester 1	12.50
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**Research Component**

Students must complete a total of 75 credit points of research across the duration of the Honours program. This is achieved by enrolling in a combination of the following subjects in the appropriate semesters.

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
GENP40000 Primary Health Care Research Project	Semester 1	25
GENP40001 Primary Health Care Research Project	Semester 2	50

**Links to further information:**

<http://www.gp.unimelb.edu.au/>

**Related Course(s):**

Bachelor of Biomedicine (Degree with Honours)  
Bachelor of Science (Degree with Honours)