

# Sexual Health

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<b>Overview:</b>	<p>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, the core public health concepts and implications are similar and so the sexual health stream is of interest and relevance to both local and international students. 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.</p>														
<b>Learning Outcomes:</b>	-														
<b>Structure &amp; Available Subjects:</b>	<p><b>Standard 200 Point Program (no Advanced Standing):</b></p> <p>FIVE core subjects and TEN elective subjects and the Capstone Selective POPH90227 Public Health in Practice <b>OR</b></p> <p>FIVE core subjects, NINE elective subjects and either a Research Project or Professional Practice unit</p> <p><b>Students granted 25 Credit Points Advanced Standing:</b></p> <p>FIVE core subjects and EIGHT elective subjects and the Capstone Selective POPH90227 Public Health in Practice <b>OR</b></p> <p>FIVE core subjects, SEVEN elective subjects and either a Research Project or Professional Practice unit</p> <p><b>Students granted 50 Credit Points Advanced Standing:</b></p> <p>FOUR core subjects and SEVEN elective subjects and the Capstone Selective POPH90227 Public Health in Practice <b>OR</b></p> <p>FOUR core subjects and EIGHT elective subjects and either a Research Project or Professional Practice unit</p>														
<b>Subject Options:</b>	<p><b>Core Subjects</b></p> <p>Student must complete POPH90217 unless they have been granted 50 points Advanced Standing (150 point program) or an exemption has been granted.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Subject</th> <th>Study Period Commencement:</th> <th>Credit Points:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>POPH90217 Foundations of Public Health</td> <td>February</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>POPH90013 Biostatistics</td> <td>Semester 1</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>POPH90014 Epidemiology 1</td> <td>Semester 1</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	POPH90217 Foundations of Public Health	February	12.50	POPH90013 Biostatistics	Semester 1	12.50	POPH90014 Epidemiology 1	Semester 1	12.50
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POPH90231 Qualitative Research in Public Health	Semester 2	12.50
POPH90218 Public Health Leadership and Management	July	12.50

### Highly Recommended Electives

Students cannot enrol in both POPH90069 and POPH90070. They must choose to enrol in only one of these.

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90070 Clinical Sexual & Reproductive Health	March	12.50
POPH90068 Sexually Transmissible Infections	Semester 2	12.50
POPH90069 Sexual and Reproductive Health	August	12.50

### Other Recommended Electives

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90169 Adolescent Sexuality and Sexual Health	February	12.50
POPH90190 HIV and AIDS:An Evolving Global Response	March	12.50
POPH90199 Gender and Health	Semester 1	12.50
POPH90198 Sex Work, Drugs, Sex Between Men & HIV	July	12.50
POPH90066 Women and Global Health	September	12.50

### Pre-requisite Subjects for the Research Project

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90013 Biostatistics	Semester 1	12.50
POPH90014 Epidemiology 1	Semester 1	12.50
POPH90068 Sexually Transmissible Infections	Semester 2	12.50
POPH90231 Qualitative Research in Public Health	Semester 2	12.50

### and ONE of the following

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90070 Clinical Sexual & Reproductive Health	March	12.50
POPH90069 Sexual and Reproductive Health	August	12.50

### Pre-requisite subjects for a Social Health/Qualitative Research Project in Sexual Health

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90200 Principles of Social Research Design	February	12.50
POPH90013 Biostatistics	Semester 1	12.50
POPH90014 Epidemiology 1	Semester 1	12.50
POPH90068 Sexually Transmissible Infections	Semester 2	12.50
POPH90231 Qualitative Research in Public Health	Semester 2	12.50

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POPH90070 Clinical Sexual & Reproductive Health	March	12.50
POPH90069 Sexual and Reproductive Health	August	12.50

**Pre-requisite subjects for a Epidemiology/Quantitative Research Project in Sexual Health**

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90013 Biostatistics	Semester 1	12.50
POPH90014 Epidemiology 1	Semester 1	12.50
POPH90068 Sexually Transmissible Infections	Semester 2	12.50
POPH90231 Qualitative Research in Public Health	Semester 2	12.50

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POPH90070 Clinical Sexual & Reproductive Health	March	12.50
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Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90243 Epidemiology 3	April	12.50
POPH90242 Epidemiology 2	September	12.50

**Research Project**

Students may apply to enrol in a Research Project in Sexual Health. Students entering the Master of Public Health from 2011 must have a weighted average mark of at least 70% for all relevant subjects to be eligible to enrol in the research project. Successful research project applicants will be selected on the basis of academic merit.

Those students who do undertake (or are currently enrolled in) the Research Project please note the following important information:

- # Students who have already completed one semester of their Research Project will be completing their project over two semester's (12.5 points per semester) so please enroll in the remaining semester.
- # Students who have not commenced their Research Project have the option of applying to enrol in a year-long research project or a semester-long research project.

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90265 Research Project In Public Health	Semester 1, Semester 2	12.50
POPH90255 Research Project in Public Health	Semester 1, Semester 2	25

**Related Course(s):**

Master of Public Health