

Sexual Health

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Overview:	<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>																		
Learning Outcomes:	-																		
Structure & Available Subjects:	<p>Standard 200 Point Program (no Advanced Standing): FIVE core subjects and TEN elective subjects and the Capstone Selective POPH90227 Public Health in Practice OR FIVE core subjects, NINE elective subjects and either a Research Project or Professional Practice unit</p> <p>Students granted 25 Credit Points Advanced Standing: FIVE core subjects and EIGHT elective subjects and the Capstone Selective POPH90227 Public Health in Practice OR FIVE core subjects, SEVEN elective subjects and either a Research Project or Professional Practice unit</p> <p>Students granted 50 Credit Points Advanced Standing: FOUR core subjects and SEVEN elective subjects and the Capstone Selective POPH90227 Public Health in Practice OR FOUR core subjects and EIGHT elective subjects and either a Research Project or Professional Practice unit</p>																		
Subject Options:	<p>Core Subjects</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> <tr> <td>POPH90231 Qualitative Research in Public Health</td> <td>Semester 2</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>POPH90218 Public Health Leadership and Management</td> <td>July</td> <td>12.50</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Highly Recommended Electives</p>	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	POPH90231 Qualitative Research in Public Health	Semester 2	12.50	POPH90218 Public Health Leadership and Management	July	12.50
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POPH90070 Clinical Sexual & Reproductive Health	May	12.5
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:
POPH90190 HIV and AIDS:An Evolving Global Response	March	12.50
POPH90169 Adolescent Sexuality and Sexual Health	Semester 1	12.5
POPH90199 Gender and Health	Semester 1	12.50
POPH90066 Women and Global Health	September	12.50

Pre-requisite Subjects for the Research Project

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POPH90068 Sexually Transmissible Infections	Semester 2	12.50
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and ONE of the following

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90070 Clinical Sexual & Reproductive Health	May	12.5
POPH90069 Sexual and Reproductive Health	August	12.50

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

In addition to the subjects required for the standard sexual health research project you will also need the following subject which can be done concurrently:

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90200 Principles of Social Research Design	February	12.50

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

In addition to the subjects required for the standard sexual health research project you will also need to take one of the following:

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
POPH90243 Epidemiology 3	March	12.5
POPH90242 Epidemiology 2	August	12.5

Capstone

There are three Capstone options to choose from - please refer to the Course Entry for detailed information on each of these:

	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Research Project2 Professional Practice Unit3 Capstone selective subject (POPH90227 Public health in Practice) and an additional elective.
Related Course(s):	Master of Public Health