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PROFILE

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'I found Deakin's staff to be supportive and genuinely interested in my progress and aspirations. The facilities and resources are excellent.

I enjoyed two work placements. The first was at Centrelink in Multicultural Services which led to my interest in working with diverse communities. My second placement was at the Werribee Community and Education Centre which later offered me my current employment.

I now gain immense job satisfaction by assisting newly arrived refugees and humanitarian entrants to settle within their local community through advocacy, access and support to achieve self-reliance and empowerment over their lives.'



Health



Career opportunities in the health sector have never been better. Job growth in the industry is strong and continues to increase steadily as public health issues such as obesity, heart disease, diabetes, sedentary lifestyles and ageing populations affect health care systems, not only in Australia, but globally.

Deakin Health has strong partnerships with industry and future employers, involving collaborative activities with government agencies, public and private organisations, hospitals and other universities. These partnerships ensure our courses remain relevant to workplace needs. It also provides you with the opportunity to learn from well qualified and enthusiastic academic and research staff.

The knowledge, skills and practical experience you gain as part of a Deakin Health degree provides you with the perfect platform to launch into a career in health and take advantage of the opportunities available in this dynamic and rewarding growth industry.

Health Sciences – flexibility to pursue the career you want

Deakin's Bachelor of Health Sciences is ideal if you are not sure what you want to study but know you're interested in a career in health. The flexible nature of this degree allows you to choose two specialist health-related study areas, then broaden your horizons by undertaking a range of complementary electives from across the University.

Food and Nutrition – highly regarded, with great pathways to a career in dietetics

Deakin's Bachelor of Food and Nutrition provides you with greater flexibility while reducing the need to study VCE chemistry as a prerequisite for entry. It is particularly well suited to those wishing to pursue a career in nutrition and the food industry, and provides an excellent pathway to further study in dietetics.

Public Health and Health Promotion – this unique degree will see you graduate job-ready

Deakin is the only university in Victoria offering an undergraduate course that combines both public health and health promotion. By placing a strong emphasis on practical experience and focusing on these two specialised areas rather than a broad range of health fields, this course provides you with the knowledge and skills to be work-ready on graduation.

Occupational Therapy offers global opportunities and professional recognition

Travel around the world as a Deakin OT graduate. Deakin's Bachelor of Occupational Therapy is accredited by Occupational Therapy Australia and the World Federation of Occupational Therapists thus enabling you to practise professionally in Australia and overseas, where there is growing demand for qualified occupational therapists.

Take advantage of our innovative approach and flexible study options in Social Work

Deakin provides a progressive and innovative approach to social work with an emphasis on communities, women's issues, community development and social development from urban to rural and local to global contexts. In addition to traditional face-to-face teaching, all subjects are available in off-campus mode. You can take advantage of this flexibility to study the entire course off campus. You'll also have the opportunity to gain practical skills and experience during fieldwork placements.

Food and Nutrition

Bachelor of Food and Nutrition 3 B

Deakin code	VTAC code	Indicative first year fee ¹	ATAR
H315	14961 (CSP)	\$6540 (CSP)	82.45
Year 12 prerequisites	VCE units 3 and 4 – a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or 25 in any other English.		
Non-Year 12 requirements	VTAC Pi form. Some applicants only: STAT Multiple Choice.		

There is increasing community interest in the issues of food and nutrition, and a growing demand for specialists in these fields. Deakin's Bachelor of Food and Nutrition is a comprehensive course that addresses all aspects of human nutrition and food science, with a strong emphasis on consumer health. Throughout the course you will acquire theoretical knowledge and practical skills in nutrition (principles of nutrition, lifespan nutrition, diet and disease, population nutrition, and nutrition and health promotion) and food science (the science of food, sensory evaluation of foods, food policy and regulation).

To add flexibility and diversity to your studies you may choose to undertake elective study from any area of the University (subject to availability and timetabling). Perhaps you'll choose studies in a complementary area such as health promotion, psychology, physical activity and health or exercise science. If you are interested in a career in the food industry it is recommended that you undertake a six-unit food science major sequence as it provides training for careers in this area.

If you are interested in the possibility of enhancing your employment prospects by consolidating your knowledge and skills through realistic field experience, you may choose to undertake an industry placement elective unit in third year.

Enrolled students and graduates can apply for membership of the Nutrition Society of Australia (NSA). If you choose to undertake the food science major sequence, you may also be eligible for membership of the Australian Institute of Food Science and Technology (AIFST).

For those interested in working in a clinical environment and becoming an Accredited Practising Dietitian, this course provides an opportunity to complete the prerequisites for the Master of Dietetics.

An honours year is available upon the completion of this degree, which can provide you with a competitive edge in the job market or a pathway into a higher degree.

Career opportunities

After successfully completing this course you will be well prepared for careers requiring knowledge of nutrition, health, food analysis, sensory analysis, product development, food safety and food manufacture. If you complete the food science major sequence will be well suited to careers in the food industry where your knowledge of nutrition and food composition will facilitate the creation and marketing of food products that help to improve health. You may also gain employment in diverse areas including: food policy, food regulation, consumer education and awareness campaigns, private practice, nutrition counselling and community nutrition.

Health Sciences

Bachelor of Health Sciences 3 B G W

Deakin code	VTAC code	Indicative first year fee ¹	ATAR
H300	B 14301 (CSP) G 15261 (CSP) W 18211 (CSP)	\$6300 (CSP)	B 76.70 G N/A W 50.20
Year 12 prerequisites	VCE units 3 and 4 – a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or 25 in any other English.		
Non-Year 12 requirements	VTAC Pi form. Some applicants only: STAT Multiple Choice.		

The Bachelor of Health Sciences is a flexible degree that is ideal if you are interested in a career in health but aren't sure which direction to take. You can structure your course according to your own interests, abilities and career aspirations.

While concentrating your studies on two specialised health-related areas chosen from the major sequences listed below, you also have the ability to explore complementary study areas and diversify your employment opportunities by undertaking elective units from any area of the University.

You can enhance your employment prospects and consolidate your knowledge and skills through an industry placement unit. Depending on the major sequences you choose to study this option is available as an elective unit in the final year of this course.

An honours year is available upon the completion of this degree, which can provide you with a competitive edge in the job market or a pathway into a higher degree.

Career opportunities

Career opportunities for Bachelor of Health Science graduates are diverse and depend on the major sequences and electives chosen. Depending on the study areas you choose, you may qualify to work in areas such as health promotion, health education, community health, project management, program planning, case management, counselling, family and community support, housing services, regional health service planning, sports psychology, sports nutrition and sports development.

The Bachelor of Health Sciences, with appropriate majors and electives, is one of the suitable pathways for entry into the Deakin University graduate-entry medicine program – for more details refer to the Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery located on page 66 of this Guide.

Major sequences

Throughout this course you must undertake two compulsory foundation units in addition to at least two major sequences of study from the following options:

- » Exercise science B X
- » Family, society and health B
- » Food studies B
- » Health promotion B G W
- » Human services B F X
- » Nutrition B G W
- » People, society and disability B X
- » Physical activity and health B G W
- » Psychology B G W X
- » Sport coaching B



KEY**3** Course duration**B** Melbourne Campus at Burwood**F** Geelong Waterfront Campus**G** Geelong Campus at Wairn Ponds**W** Warrnambool Campus**X** Off campus**Exercise science** **B X**

This major provides you with a sound understanding of the core sciences underpinning both competitive sport and recreational physical activity. A variety of learning approaches is adopted, allowing you to integrate your sporting interests with your studies, as well as matching these with your employment objectives.

Family, society and health **B**

This major focuses on the household and family as a setting for public health. It explores the issues facing households and families, including the link between healthy human development and healthy households, economic wellbeing and health, and the need for supportive environments. It is ideal for students wishing to work in welfare, health promotion, or with organisations offering support services and resources for families.

Food studies **B**

This major provides knowledge of food, ranging from the science of food composition to community issues such as genetically modified foods and food law. This understanding will be useful for a range of careers, including those in industry, health services, business and the mass media.

Health promotion **B G W**

This major will equip you with a sound knowledge of the causes of health and illness and provides you with effective strategies to help prevent illness. You will gain practical skills in health education and communication, health planning and management.

Human services **B F X**

Through this major, you will develop knowledge and skills regarding the context, organisational structures and practices that support quality human service provision by government and non-government organisations.

Nutrition **B G W**

Studies in nutrition will provide a sound knowledge of the biological basis of human nutrition and the relationship between diet, health and disease.

People, society and disability **B X**

Completion of this major will give you an opportunity to expand your job opportunities by being better informed about positive options and techniques to assist and support people with a disability.

Physical activity and health **B G W**

This major provides you with an understanding of how behaviour influences health, with a particular emphasis on the relationships between physical activity and health.

Psychology **B G W X**

This sequence develops your understanding of a range of topics in psychology, which is the science concerned with unravelling questions about human behaviour and mental processes. This six unit major is not intended for the purpose of registration as a psychologist.

Sport coaching **B**

This major will provide you with the skills, knowledge and techniques in sport coaching that will enable you to assist and support athletes and teams in a variety of settings.

Health Sciences combined course

Bachelor of Health Sciences/Bachelor of Arts **4 B**

Deakin code	VTAC code	Indicative first year fee ¹	ATAR
D391	14071 (CSP)	\$6140 (CSP)	81.35
Year 12 prerequisites	VCE units 3 and 4 – a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or 25 in any other English.		
Non-Year 12 requirements	VTAC Pi form. Some applicants only: STAT Multiple Choice.		

The Bachelor of Health Sciences/Bachelor of Arts is a flexible degree that is ideal if you are interested in a career in either health or arts but aren't sure which direction to take. The course allows you to undertake complementary studies in both these areas while exploring particular areas of interest to you. You choose how to structure your course and could combine, for example: exercise science with psychology, politics and policy studies with nutrition, sport coaching with media and communication, food studies with journalism, or sociology with health promotion.

Throughout the course you will explore the relationship between various areas of study, combining them in innovative ways to prepare you for careers in areas of government (local, national and international), education and research, consultancies, community organisations, private industry and non-government agencies, to name a few.

For more information, including major sequences and career opportunities, please refer to individual degree listing on page 64 for Bachelor of Health Sciences and page 30 for Bachelor of Arts or visit www.deakin.edu.au.

See also

Related course

Bachelor of Health and Physical Education, page 50.



Medicine

Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery 4 G

Deakin code	VTAC code	Indicative first year fee ¹
H311	Graduate entry through ACER Admission Centre	\$9080 (CSP)
Admission requirements	All applicants for the Deakin program are required to sit the Graduate Australian Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT) as a prerequisite for admission. For details about GAMSAT including testing dates visit www.gamsat.acer.edu.au .	

The Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery is a four-year graduate-entry program.

It is distinctive and innovative, and aims to contribute to the improvement of the health and wellbeing of Australians by training doctors who are skilled and motivated to pursue a career in medicine in rural and regional areas either as specialists or general practitioners.

As a Deakin Medical student you will gain a comprehensive understanding of the practice of medicine, with an emphasis on the early development of clinical, communication and procedural skills; diagnosis and management of chronic diseases; and multidisciplinary teamwork.

The first two years of the program use a systems approach and problem-based learning tutorials with a focus on inter-professional learning. During the third and fourth years, training will be delivered in clinical settings in one of four Clinical Schools – Geelong, Ballarat, Warrnambool or Box Hill. A cohort of students will spend all of third year attached to a regional general practice.

Deakin's Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Surgery is accredited by the Australian Medical Council (AMC). Graduates who satisfactorily complete an accredited intern year following successful completion of this course will qualify as registered medical practitioners in Australia and New Zealand.

For more information please refer to the Deakin Medical School web site at www.deakin.edu.au/hmnbs/medicine.

Career opportunities

There is currently a significant medical workforce shortage throughout Australia, particularly in rural, regional and outer metropolitan areas. You will be in high demand for internships and well prepared to enter specialty training programs for a diverse range of medical careers including accident and emergency, anaesthesia, dermatology, general practice, geriatric medicine, intensive care, medical administration, internal medicine, obstetrics and gynaecology, occupational medicine, ophthalmology, paediatrics, oncology, cardiology, neurology, pathology, histopathology, microbiology, psychiatry, public health medicine, radiology, rehabilitation medicine, sexual health, sports medicine or surgery.

Graduates may undertake work in private or public health, academia, research or a combination of these areas.

Selection criteria

Selection criteria include academic record (Grade Point Average – GPA), Graduate Australian Medical School Admission Test (GAMSAT) results, and interviews. Bonuses are available for applicants who can substantiate a rural and regional background, prior relevant study, prior clinical experience and/or financial disadvantage experienced during their undergraduate degree.

Pathways into medicine

- » Bachelor of Arts with a psychology major sequence and Honours (Psychology)
- » Bachelor of Applied Science (Psychology) and Honours (Psychology)
- » Bachelor of Biomedical Science with appropriate major sequences and electives
- » Bachelor of Health Sciences with appropriate major sequences and electives
- » Bachelor of Nursing
- » Bachelor of Occupational Therapy
- » Bachelor of Psychology
- » Graduate Diploma of Psychology

Occupational Therapy

Bachelor of Occupational Therapy 4 F

Deakin code	VTAC code	Indicative first year fee ¹	ATAR
H355	15351 (CSP)	\$6230 (CSP)	76.85
Year 12 prerequisites	VCE units 3 and 4 – a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or 25 in any other English.		
Non-Year 12 requirements	VTAC Pi form. Some applicants only: STAT Multiple Choice.		

Occupational therapists are trained to assist people to overcome limitations caused by injury or illness, psychological or emotional difficulties, delayed development or the effects of ageing. Occupational therapists assess client needs and develop suitable treatment programs involving exercises, activities or equipment to increase the client's ability to perform specific tasks. There is often a need to modify the client's home or work environments to assist in recovery and facilitate the return of their independence.

Occupational Therapy (OT) at Deakin has been developed in close consultation with Occupational Therapy Australia (Victoria), ensuring it meets changing workforce needs. It draws upon Deakin's core strengths in health education to ensure you receive a relevant, practical OT education. As a Deakin OT graduate you will be an internationally accredited occupational therapist and well prepared to practise in metropolitan, regional and rural locations.

Throughout the degree you will benefit from our on-campus clinical skills laboratory which simulates real life settings and enables you to gain the knowledge and skills required to help a client manage their entire day in modified home and office environments. You will also have the opportunity to consolidate your skills through a series of supervised placements amounting to more than 1000 hours of hands-on experience which commence shortly after you begin your first year of study.

Work placements are conducted in each of the four years of this course and are available in a variety of locations in metropolitan, regional and rural settings.

This course is accredited by Occupational Therapy Australia and the World Federation of Occupational Therapists. As a Deakin OT graduate you will be eligible to apply for membership of these organisations and practise professionally in Australia and overseas.

Selected students will have the opportunity to complete an honours year as part of this course which may provide a competitive edge in the job market or a pathway into a higher degree.

Work placement requirements

Please refer to page 68 for more information.

Career opportunities

Employment opportunities for occupational therapists have never been greater due to the national shortage of qualified practitioners in this field. As a graduate of this course you will be able to assist people of all ages to engage in any aspect of daily living. You will help them achieve independence at home, at work and in the community, and help them enhance their quality of life. You may work with children with physical or intellectual disabilities, in aged care or with people who have had accidents or are suffering from medical problems. You may work in areas including acute, psychiatric or rehabilitation hospitals, schools, community health, mental health, the workplace (such as in occupational health and safety and vocational rehabilitation), government, private practice or teaching and research.

KEY

- 3** Course duration
- B** Melbourne Campus at Burwood
- F** Geelong Waterfront Campus
- G** Geelong Campus at Warrn Ponds
- W** Warrnambool Campus
- X** Off campus

Public Health and Health Promotion

Bachelor of Public Health and Health Promotion **3** **B**

Deakin code	VTAC code	Indicative first year fee ¹	ATAR
H313	14321 (CSP)	\$7270 (CSP)	71.30
Year 12 prerequisites	VCE units 3 and 4 – a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or 25 in any other English.		
Non-Year 12 requirements	VTAC Pi form. STAT Multiple Choice and an interview.		

Public Health and Health Promotion seeks to understand and act on the social and environmental factors that cause poor health as well as those factors that create and sustain good health. The field relies on diverse approaches, including community engagement, policy development, research, education and media, to combat factors that cause poor health within populations. This is a growing field, with graduates finding exciting government and private sector roles across Australia and internationally.

Public Health and Health Promotion work placements during the program provide you with the opportunity to gain valuable work experience. You will further develop your skills and capacity in the field to prepare for your future career working in the health sector.

An honours year is available upon the completion of this degree, which can provide you with a competitive edge in the job market or a pathway into a higher degree.

Career opportunities

Graduates of the Bachelor of Public Health and Health Promotion course may qualify to work in positions including health promotion officer, community development officer, social planning officer, health educator, women's health officer, health policy developer, planning officer, health researcher, program development officer or program evaluator in a number of sectors or organisations.



*Olive Aumann
General Manager,
Health Development
Whitehorse Community Health
Service, Box Hill, Melbourne*

'Deakin students are highly regarded at the Whitehorse Community Health Service Ltd (WCHS) and have undertaken a number of important projects including community-based research in food security, needs assessment, public transport access and instigating multimedia-based evaluation methods.

In the health promotion area in particular, students provide very positive feedback about their work placements and many elect to continue their involvement in a volunteer capacity.'

Public Health and Health Promotion combined course

Bachelor of Public Health and Health Promotion/ Bachelor of Commerce **4** **B**

Deakin code	VTAC code	Indicative first year fee ¹	ATAR
D388	14251 (CSP)	\$7700 (CSP)	86.85
Year 12 prerequisites	VCE units 3 and 4 – a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or 25 in any other English.		
Non-Year 12 requirements	VTAC Pi form. STAT Multiple Choice and an interview.		

Health is crucial to the wellbeing of individuals and society with numerous career opportunities worldwide for health and community services professionals. Businesses are also recognising the importance of the health of employees and the communities they deal with.

This combined course provides you with a thorough understanding of the importance of health education, the factors influencing health practices, and strategies to promote the health of individuals and groups. You will also gain a professional business qualification incorporating aspects of management, marketing, human resources or finance, depending on the major sequence you take in the Commerce component of your degree.

You will also have the opportunity to undertake a Public Health and Health Promotion practicum unit in your final year to consolidate your knowledge and further develop your skills through realistic field experience which assists you to be work-ready after graduation.

Career opportunities

As a graduate of the Bachelor of Public Health and Health Promotion/Bachelor of Commerce you may find employment in either of these professional areas and work with groups such as children, adults, the disadvantaged and employees.

Knowledge of business and health issues assists with executive management positions that have policy development, budget and staff management responsibilities.

For more information, including major sequences and career opportunities, please refer to individual degree listing on this page for Bachelor of Public Health and Health Promotion and page 42 for Bachelor of Commerce or visit www.deakin.edu.au.

See also

Related course

Bachelor of Nursing/Bachelor of Public Health and Health Promotion, page 83.



Social Work

Bachelor of Social Work 4 F X

Deakin code	VTAC code	Indicative first year fee ¹	ATAR
H330	F 15431 (CSP) X 15421 (CSP)	\$5870 (CSP)	F 64.95 X N/A
Year 12 prerequisites	VCE units 3 and 4 – a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or 25 in any other English.		
Non-Year 12 requirements	VTAC Pi form. Some applicants only: STAT Multiple Choice.		

The Bachelor of Social Work provides an innovative and broad-based approach to social work with emphasis on rural and regional communities; race and gender issues; equity, power and diversity issues; social and community development; and anti-oppressive and empowerment approaches to social work practice and social policy.

In addition to traditional face-to-face teaching, you will have the opportunity to study a range of units in off-campus mode. You can take advantage of this flexibility to study when, where and how you like, and to fit your study in with your work and personal commitments. You can choose to undertake your entire course on campus, in off-campus mode, or combine on and off-campus study.

During the course you will cover areas related to social and behavioural sciences, sociology, politics, psychology, health sciences, law, social work theory and practice, social policy and research.

An integral part of your learning will be provided through fieldwork placements under the supervision of qualified social work practitioners. During the course you will complete two 70 day fieldwork placements. These placements are conducted in a variety of communities and workplaces in metropolitan and regional settings. As Social Work at Deakin has a rural focus, one of the two fieldwork placements offered will be undertaken in a rural setting.

Selected students have the opportunity to complete an honours year as part of this course which can provide a competitive edge in the job market or a pathway into a higher degree.

This course is accredited by the Australian Association of Social Workers (AASW). The AASW recognises Deakin's Social Work program's commitment to 'critically reflective practice' which sets it apart from other social work programs in Australia. As a Deakin Social Work graduate you will be eligible to apply for membership of the AASW and seek employment throughout Australia.

Work placement requirements

Please refer to additional information provided on this page.

Career opportunities

Social work is part of a growing human services field, with graduates working across local, state and federal government departments; in private and non-government human services organisations; and in various advocacy, policy making and tribunal capacities.

You may be involved in activities as diverse as policy development and research, counselling, family therapy, drug and alcohol counselling, community development and refugee assistance. Social workers also work as program managers or coordinators, as advocates, facilitators, activists or consultants. You may work in specialist areas such as health, housing, education, or with groups such as the aged, women, youth or multicultural populations.

Work placement requirements

In accordance with Department of Human Services policy*, Occupational Therapy and Social Work students are required to undertake a National Police Record Check prior to work placements in each calendar year of your course. In accordance with the Working with Children Act 2005**, all students are required to undertake a Working with Children Check at commencement of the course. If you fail to obtain a Police Record Check and a Working with Children Check prior to the commencement of the work placement you will not be able to undertake the work placement. You may also be required to declare your immunisation status to satisfy the requirements of health organisations where you will be undertaking your work placement. All expenses associated with the work placement are your responsibility.

* Department of Human Services Policy on Working with Children Check and Police Record Checks can be found at: www.dhs.vic.gov.au/facs/bdb/fmu/service-agreement/5.departmental-policies-and-procedures/5.6-police-records-check-policy.

** Department of Justice 2007, Working with Children Act 2005, Victoria, Australia retrieved 16 June 2008.

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¹ The indicative first year fee is an approximate indication of the cost of this course in the first year of full-time study for a Commonwealth Supported Place. We can't specify the exact figure, because fees are charged per unit, not per course, so the actual fees may vary depending on what units you choose to study.

The fees quoted in this book are for Australian students in 2011, and may change for 2012 and later years. You can find more information about fees on our web site www.deakin.edu.au or page 103. For information on fees for international students, please visit www.deakin.edu.au/international.

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Hands-on learning is a key feature of all Deakin's Health courses.