Bachelor of Health Sciences
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Disability and inclusion
Environmental health
Exercise science
Family, society and health
Food studies
Health and sustainability
Health promotion
Medical biotechnology
Nutrition
Physical activity and health
Psychological science
Psychology for professional development

2021 Undergraduate
Inspire social change

Everyone deserves to lead a healthy life, but many people find that obstacles stand in their way. Through working in a health-related field, you’ll have the chance to reduce health disparity and help people – whether in Australia or overseas – to lead fuller, healthier and happier lives.

As a Bachelor of Health Sciences graduate, you’ll have the grounding in multiple fields of health sciences to prepare yourself for a successful career in the fastest growing employment sector in Australia.

Your future in health sciences

Pursue a rewarding career in a growing field

Health sciences encompasses a range of occupations and specialisations, from nutrition and disability inclusion to population wellbeing, environmental health and medical technology.

The health and human services sector is one of the largest and fastest growing industries in Australia and the world. With ageing populations and public health issues like obesity and chronic illness on the rise, and with governments around the world placing emphasis on disease prevention and treatment, employability in the sector is stronger than ever, and continually increasing. In Australia, the health care and social assistance sector is projected to make the largest contribution to employment growth, increasing by 252,663 jobs over the next five years to May 2024.1

Study what you’re passionate about

Specialise in two or three major areas that appeal to you as future careers, and choose elective units to broaden your skill set. Expanding your interests by combining multiple majors and electives can open more doors to further study and increase your employability.

Make a difference

Equip yourself with the knowledge and problem-solving skills to make a real difference to the health of society and combat issues like obesity, sedentary workforce and disability exclusion. The Deakin Institute for Health Transformation’s Global Obesity Centre leads the way in this, and has developed RESPOND – a model of creating community-led change to reverse childhood obesity. The model is now in demand by communities around the world. With Deakin, you can make lasting, positive change to the health of communities and populations in Australia and across the globe.

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Why choose Deakin?

#1 university for student satisfaction in Victoria1
#1 university for both generic skills and good teaching in Victoria1
#1% of universities globally2

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1 Australian Graduate Survey 2010–2015, Graduate Outcomes Survey 2015–2019 (GOS), Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT).
2 Shangai Ranking’s Academic Ranking of World Universities 2019.
3 Graduate Outcomes Survey 2018.
Your future in health sciences

Study when and where you want
Join the thousands of students currently studying online at Deakin’s Cloud Campus. You’ll learn about health sciences with the same top teachers as on-campus students, with the ultimate flexibility to study anywhere, anytime.

You can also fast-track your degree by studying extra units throughout the year, taking advantage of our three trimesters of study.

Skills to get you a job
Gain a competitive edge in the workplace with real-world expertise and practical skills. Deakin is ranked the #1 university for both generic skills and good teaching in Victoria.¹

Gain real-world experience in health
Our strong industry partnerships mean that the Bachelor of Health Sciences matches current industry practice and offers a range of work placement and study abroad opportunities. You could find yourself taking up work experience across:

• government departments
• hospitals
• research institutes
• businesses
• community groups.

With the Health Practicum in your final year, you can complete a 120-hour field education placement. This gives you the opportunity to apply your theoretical knowledge in a real-world context, adding experience to your resume, enhancing your future employment prospects and developing your professional networks in the health sector.

Prepare for a successful career
This flexible degree allows you to combine study areas that you are passionate about, and benefit from workplace learning to become a specialist in the booming health and human services sector.

Our graduates work in community, organisational and project roles in a range of settings, like:

• local government
• non-government organisations (NGOs)
• private organisations
• their own consultancies
• small businesses.

Depending on your majors, your health sciences degree can prepare you for work in the following roles:

• community engagement officer
• disability support planner
• environmental and sustainability officer
• exercise specialist
• family/community/refugee/indigenous project officer
• food and nutrition policy developer
• food scientist
• health educator or counsellor
• health policy adviser
• health promotion officer
• health and sports marketer or PR officer
• international aid worker
• lifestyle and wellness professional
• nutrition and health promotion coordinator
• policy adviser
• regional health service planner
• youth worker.

Discover the pathway to your perfect career in health
Combining different majors opens the door to more pathways and boosts your employability. Through the Bachelor of Health Sciences, you’ll get invaluable experience with work-integrated learning opportunities, equipping you with the knowledge and skills you need to excel in your chosen field once you graduate.

Have a look through the table below for some of the real-world career opportunities that you could pursue upon graduation, depending on your major combination. If you decide to complete a third major, the pathways you can take are even more diverse.

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¹ Graduate Outcomes Survey 2019.

If you’d like to take your health career to the next level, our postgraduate study options in health include:²

• Master of Public Health
• Master of Health Promotion
• Master of Health Economics
• Master of Health and Human Services Management
• Master of Disability and Inclusion
• Master of Nutrition and Population Health
• Master of Human Nutrition
• Master of Dietetics

² Some courses may require additional experience. Check course pages on our website for full entry requirements.

We’ve had a steady stream of excellent Deakin students over the last two and a half years. Each builds on the work of the previous student, developing and expanding our Refugee and Asylum Seeker Service Directory, plus they get to engage clients in our social inclusion programs. In our experience, Deakin students are talented, passionate, creative and intelligent.

Rob Koch
Student placement supervisor
Coordinator of Community Development and Volunteer Services
Refugee Health and Wellbeing, Monash Health
Bachelor of Health Sciences

Discover your passion in the health and human services sector. Our Bachelor of Health Sciences gives you the flexibility and scope to meet your career aspirations.

Course details
Course code: H300
Campus and ATAR: 59.75 | 50.50 | 55.05 | 59.15
Duration: Three years full-time study or part-time equivalent
Intake: Trimester 1, Trimester 2, Trimester 3
VTAC codes: 440014301 | 440014302

Entry requirements
Year 12 prerequisites1
- VCE units 3 and 4 – a study score of at least 25 in English other than EAL or 30 in English EAL.
Non-Year 12 requirements2
- Entry for non-Year 12 applicants is based on their performance in one of the following:
  - senior secondary certificate of education with ATAR of at least 50 or equivalent
  - certificate IV in a related discipline
  - diploma in any discipline or 50% completion of a diploma in a relevant discipline
  - successful completion of relevant study – equivalent to at least two Deakin University units – at an accredited higher education institution
  - evidence of academic capability judged to be equivalent, including foundation program approved by Faculty Board, or relevant work or life experience.

IELTS: 6.5/6

How the Bachelor of Health Sciences works
The Bachelor of Health Sciences is made up of 24 credit points spread over three years of full-time study. It includes core units, majors and elective units.

Core units
During your degree you must complete six core units across the three year levels of your degree. These compulsory core units are designed to give you a solid foundation for a career in the health and human services sector.

Majors
You must complete two of the 12 major areas of study on offer during your degree. Each major is six units taken across the three year levels of your degree (with the exception of the ‘Psychological science’ major, which has 10 units).

First and second majors
Your two compulsory majors complement each other, expand your career opportunities and help you to tailor your degree to your career goals.

Third major (optional)
Dependent on your other major choices and your particular interests, you can choose to undertake a third major area of study. Your third major can be from health, or even another area of the university, and will take up the remaining unit spaces in your degree.

Electives
If you decide not to do a third major, you can fill the remaining unit spaces in your degree with electives. These individual units can be as varied as you like and can be from within health disciplines or from other areas of the university (prerequisite requirements may apply).

Practical placements
Depending on your major and elective unit choices, you can choose to complete one or more practical placement or work-integrated learning units in your second and/or final year of study. This will give you real-world experience before you graduate.

Honours
If you have an interest in research (and have performed well during your studies) you can apply for an honours year upon completion of your degree. This additional fourth year of study lets you work with a professional researcher to delve into a specialised area of health and human services.

Course structure
The Bachelor of Health Sciences includes six core units taught across the three years of the degree, equipping you with the core skills and competencies required by contemporary health and human services industries.

Year | Trimester | Core units
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Year 1 | Trimester 1 | Understanding Health HBS107
 | Trimester 2 | Health Information and Data HBS108

Year 2 | Trimester 1 | Australian Health Care System HSH211
 | Trimester 2 | Population Health: A Research Perspective HSH219

Year 3 | Trimester 1 | Program Planning, Management and Evaluation HSH323
 | Trimester 2 | Integrated Learning for Practice HSH324

Majors
Become a specialist in two major areas and choose elective units that fascinate you. You can also consider selecting a third major area of study.

Major | Campus
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Disability and inclusion | WP
Environmental health | WP
Exercise science | WP
Family, society and health | WP
Food studies | WP
Health promotion | WP
Health and sustainability | WP
Medical biotechnology | WP
Nutrition | WP
Physical activity and health | WP
Psychological science3 | WP
Psychology for professional development | WP

1. Cloud Campus and Warrnambool Campus not available to international students.
2. Trimester 3 is an optional intake, which allows you to fast-track your degree.
3. For international students, Trimester 3, like Trimester 1 and 2, is available at Melbourne Burwood Campus and Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus.
4. These courses are offered in Trimester 1, Trimester 2, Trimester 3, and have corresponding campuses.
5. Majors and elective units.
6. Academic Integrity (HAI010) is a compulsory 0-credit-point unit that you must undertake as part of this course.
7. Cloud Campus students will be required to attend some campus-based activities.
8. Some units are available at the Cloud Campus.
9. Individual units may not be available on every campus.
Majors

Your choice of majors lets you tailor your degree to your interests. Whatever you choose, this is the degree to propel you into a rewarding career, contributing to the promotion of good health and wellbeing.

Disability and inclusion

The disability and inclusion major is unique to Deakin, equipping you with the skills to work as an inclusion professional, working to overcome the social and structural barriers that contribute to disability. Develop relevant, up-to-date skills and knowledge, including understanding government policy, human rights and advocacy, and inclusive services for people with a disability.

A significant factor contributing to projected employment growth in this sector includes the full implementation of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS). This leads to a focus on how best to support individuals to achieve their life goals, as well as designing relevant services, and leading changes to foster more inclusive communities.

A major new national initiative is the introduction of local area Coordinator roles, with new jobs on offer around Australia.

Career opportunities

Studying disability and inclusion enables you to pursue professional work in the disability, health and community sectors. You can take on roles that focus on:

- inclusive communication strategies
- disability services and support
- policy development and advocacy
- human rights.

Environmental health

Studies in environmental health focus on healthy environments, healthy people and the relationships between them. Learn the details of developing and implementing sustainable environmental policy and programs and education strategies, in addition to monitoring issues that impact positive health and the environment. Study units ranging from Microbiology, and Foundations of Food, Nutrition and Health, through to Toxicology, and Risks to Healthy Environments.

Career opportunities

After studying environmental health, you may pursue work in the growing areas of public health and environmental policy. These may include areas as diverse as:

- environmental education
- disease control
- environmental protection
- health education
- food safety
- water and air quality monitoring
- disaster relief
- occupational health
- policy development.

Exercise science

Studies in exercise science equip you with an understanding of the core sciences underpinning both formalised exercise training and recreational physical activity. You’ll learn how to apply exercise science to improve individual performance, with a solid understanding of:

- human structure
- human anatomy
- exercise physiology
- biomechanics
- exercise prescription.

You’ll experience a range of different learning approaches, integrating your exercise interests with your study, and matching these to your employment objectives. Hands-on learning is a key feature of this major.

Career opportunities

Studying a major in exercise science can lead to a career in:

- the health and fitness industry
- physical assessment
- sports program development
- biomechanics
- aged care fitness
- exercise and sporting roles in community recreation and community development organisations.

Alternatively, you may choose to undertake further study in areas of clinical exercise physiology or applied sport science, to pursue a vocationally focused career within the health and human services sector.

Please note: Students who choose to study this major at the Cloud Campus will be required to complete campus-based intensive workshops of two to four days for HSE101, HSE211, HSE202, HSE301 and HSE302.

Exercise science school in Australia

Deakin University’s School of Exercise and Nutrition Sciences has been ranked the #1 sport science school in Australia and has placed third in the world by the prestigious Shanghai Ranking’s Global Ranking of Sport Science Schools and Departments.

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1 Shanghai Ranking’s Global Ranking of Sport Science Schools and Departments 2016–2018.
Studying family, society and health can lead to valuable work in:

- Career opportunities in the family health sector, as well as current research in family health, and the need for supportive environments. It focuses on human development and healthy households, economic wellbeing issues facing households and families, such as the link between healthy human development and healthy households, economic wellbeing and health, and the need for supportive environments. It focuses on current research in family health, as well as contemporary issues in the family health sector.

Career opportunities

Studying family, society and health can lead to valuable work in:

- Family and community welfare
- Health promotion
- Health education
- Issues prevention
- Policy development
- Not-for-profit organisations, offering support services and resources to families.

These may include areas as diverse as:

- In the prevention of ill-health. This is combined with practical skills focused on understanding the causes of health and illness and, in turn, learn effective strategies for the prevention of ill-health. This is combined with practical skills focused on changing lives for the better. These include:
  - Health education and communication
  - Health planning
  - Politics and policy in health
  - Sustainability management.

Career opportunities

Study in the growth area of health promotion can lead you to roles in public health, education, marketing and policy development. These may include areas as diverse as:

- Community engagement
- Health promotion
- Project management
- Health and wellbeing planning
- Indigenous health promotion
- Strategic planning
- Media and communications.

Join the Deakin Sustainable Food Movement

The establishment of Deakin’s community garden came about as a result of research undertaken by the Health, Nature and Sustainability Research Group, looking at the opportunities and barriers for developing a community garden at Deakin. A student-led group – the Deakin Sustainable Food Movement – grew from this research, and has played a key role in the development of the garden.

The health and wellbeing benefits are numerous, from mental health to nutritional health. Community gardens provide an increased engagement with nature and a sense of belonging within the broader community, providing new social networks and a sense of collaboration. The added bonus is access to affordable fresh fruit and vegetables.

Food studies

A major in food studies provides extensive knowledge across all areas of the food industry, ranging from the science of food composition to community issues, such as genetically modified foods and food law, microbiology and food safety. Develop an understanding of:

- Food and its relationship to health
- The role of nutrition in disease prevention
- Food policy
- Food development innovation.

Career opportunities

After exploring food studies, you can pursue a range of careers in the food industry, including those in:

- Health services
- Manufacturing
- Product development
- The media.

Food studies can also lead you to further study in human nutrition and dietetics.1

Health promotion

A major in health promotion equips you with the skills to design and implement public programs and community development and engagement initiatives, to enable individuals and communities to achieve their health potential. You will develop a sound knowledge of the causes of health and illness and, in turn, learn effective strategies for the prevention of ill-health. This is combined with practical skills focused on changing lives for the better. These include:

- Health education and communication
- Health planning
- Politics and policy in health
- Sustainability management.

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- Strategic planning
- Media and communications.
Majors

Health and sustainability
A major in health and sustainability enables you to understand the environment and how it affects community health. Learn how to identify and predict the impact of human behaviours and policy on natural systems and ecological sustainability, and propose strategies that apply the principles of environmental sustainability and health promotion. Explore the social, economic and environmental determinants of health in areas such as environmental sustainability, climate change and local and global environments for health.

Career opportunities
Studying health and sustainability gives you the skills you need to work in:
• health and sustainability programs
• policy development
• community education and campaigns
• environmental research.

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<td>Politics, Policy and Health HSH302</td>
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Medical biotechnology
Medical biotechnology uses cells and cell materials to produce pharmaceutical and diagnostic products that help treat and prevent human diseases. This major provides you with a sound understanding of the core sciences underpinning biotechnology for medical advancement, and develops your investigative skills in a wide range of health and medical science areas. Explore units ranging from gene technology and medical diagnostics, through to cell engineering and medical innovation.

Career opportunities
Studying a major in medical biotechnology can lead to further study in the areas of allied health or biomedical science. It also sets you up for a career in medical research, medical technology or health innovation.

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<td>Cell and Tissue Engineering HMM305</td>
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Nutrition
A major in nutrition introduces you to the science and physiology underpinning human nutrition, and explores the role that good nutrition plays in human health and the prevention of disease. This major equips you with skills in supporting the nutritional wellbeing of individuals and communities, making it relevant to a range of health promotion and community development contexts. It also provides a foundation for further studies in nutrition and dietetics.

You will explore areas like:
• human function
• nutritional physiology
• diet and disease
• population nutrition
• the connection between nutrition and physical activity.

Career opportunities
After studying nutrition, you’re eligible to tap into the demand for qualified nutrition professionals and may apply for registration as an Associate Nutritionist with the Nutrition Society of Australia (depending on the attainment of sufficient food science/biological science units in addition to the nutrition major). You can also find opportunities to work in areas like:
• food development and innovation
• food education
• nutrition
• public and community health
• community aid groups
• food banks
• nutrition programs for schools.

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1 Additional entry requirements apply for further study in these areas.
2 For more information on registration, please visit nsa.asn.au.

I have always had a passion for both disability service and exercise and fitness. The Bachelor of Health Sciences enabled me to combine both.

David Swift
Bachelor of Health Sciences student
A major in physical activity and health provides you with an understanding of how physical activity and health outcomes are shaped by the social, economic and environmental factors that influence individuals and communities. You’ll develop an in-depth understanding of current research evidence around physical activity and sedentary behaviour and how it relates to the health of the community, population and individuals. You’ll also explore key areas of psychology and apply your knowledge to make a positive impact in the community.

Career opportunities

Studying physical activity and health will lead you to roles in areas of:
- physical activity program development
- education in physical activity and health
- project management and evaluation
- community policy development.

Graduates work in population-focused roles, such as those in local councils, recreation, health and wellbeing, or creating information and health programs for a region, sector or cohort.

Psychological science

The major in psychological science prepares you for an additional postgraduate training towards becoming a practising registered psychologist.1 You’ll develop an in-depth understanding of:
- human behaviour
- social development
- research methods
- biology
- psychology
- human personality.

You’ll explore key psychological themes of the brain, childhood development and how psychology impacts on broader community health.

Career opportunities

Studying a major in psychological science provides a good foundation for additional study in psychology.2 Alternatively, it can open doors to careers in:
- community services
- counselling
- behavioural science
- organisational development
- community welfare
- policy development.

1 To work as a psychologist, students must complete an undergraduate degree with a major in psychology, followed by a fourth year of study in psychology (an honours in Psychology or Deakin’s Graduate Diploma of Psychology (Advanced), accredited by the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC).

2 Additional entry requirements apply for further study in this area.

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**Psychology for professional development**

A major in psychology for professional development gives you the opportunity to study fundamental psychology concepts focusing on psychology of health, life course development, as well as health promotion. The work placement was a great opportunity to get hands-on experience in public health. Each day was a little bit different, so interacting with health practitioners also gave me a clearer understanding of the field and the different aspects of community development.

Vimbayi Kagonda
Bachelor of Health Science/Bachelor of Arts student
Bachelor of Health Sciences/ Bachelor of Arts

Course details
Course code: D391
Campus and ATAR: [NP] 60.35
Duration: Four years full-time study or part-time equivalent
Intake: Trimester 1, Trimester 2, Trimester 3
VTAC codes: [1400614071] [1400514071]

This flexible degree allows you to major in fields from both health sciences and arts and to tailor the course to your unique interests and career aspirations. You can structure your course to focus on an area that reflects your individual passion.

Entry requirements
Year 12 prerequisites
VCE units 3 and 4 – a study score of at least 25 in English other than EAL or 30 in English (EAL).
Non-Year 12 requirements
Entry for non-Year 12 applicants is based on their performance in one of the following:
• senior secondary certificate of education with ATAR of at least 50 or equivalent
• a certificate IV in a related discipline
• a diploma in any discipline or 50% completion of a diploma in a related discipline
• successful completion of relevant study at an accredited higher education institution equivalent to at least two Deakin University units
• evidence of academic capability judged to be equivalent, including a foundation program approved by Faculty Board, or relevant work or life experience.

IELTS: 6.5/6

Course structure
This course consists of 32 credit points – 16 credit points from the Bachelor of Health Sciences and 16 credit points from the Bachelor of Arts. Design your own course by combining subjects from a range of health and arts-related study areas. You choose how to structure your course and can combine, for example, food studies with language and culture and arts-related study areas. You choose how to structure your course – the choice is yours.

Bethany Griffiths
Bachelor of Health Sciences/Bachelor of Arts student

The combined course offers many different avenues and opportunities to study a range of subjects on offer at Deakin. For me, this course combines my love of journalism with my passion for health promotion and gives me the knowledge and experience to assist in whichever path I choose to take.

Depending on the majors you take and your choice of elective units, you could be qualified to work in diverse areas including:
• health promotion
• health education
• media
• health journalism
• community health
• policy
• health marketing.

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1 Cloud Campus is not available to international students.
2 Trimester 3 is an optional intake, which allows you to fast-track your degree.
3 Recent secondary education applicants include current Year 12 students in 2020, and Year 12 graduates from 2010 and 2018.
4 There are four categories under which non-Year 12 applicants may apply to Deakin:
• applicants with higher education study
• applicants with Vocational Education and Training (VET) study
• applicants with work and life experience
• applicants who completed Year 12 in 2017 or earlier.

Visit deakin.edu.au/course and head to the course of interest to find out further details on admission requirements.

5 IELTS is the International English Language Testing System (for international students only). The IELTS score reflects the minimum overall score required as well as the lowest score allowed for any band (overall score/lowest band score). International student entry requirements can be found at deakin.edu.au/international-students.

NP means not published – less than five offers made to recent secondary education applicants.
Pathway to postgraduate studies

Deakin’s Faculty of Health will prepare you to explore the largest and fastest-growing employment industry in Australia.1 We inspire students to reach their potential, provide personal, dynamic learning experiences and conduct world-class research.

Health sciences graduates can use their degree as an excellent pathway to postgraduate study at Deakin, with graduates receiving 4 credits points towards the:

• Master of Public Health
• Master of Health Promotion
• Master of Health Economics
• Master of Health and Human Services Management.

Master of Public Health Help develop and activate solutions to improve health and wellbeing.

• Improving existing health-promoting environments
• Identifying public health priorities
• Developing strategies and interventions to ensure equity in the health system.

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Master of Health Promotion

Elevate clients and the wider community on how to implement healthy lifestyles with a postgraduate qualification in health promotion. Preventing illness and promoting health are major aspects of the work of health agencies in all developed and developing countries. You’ll examine strategies that help people take steps for their own health, strengthen community action and create environments that are more supportive of good health. These include:

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Master of Human Nutrition

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The Master of Dietetics is accredited by the Dietitians Association of Australia (DAA). Students graduating from accredited courses are eligible for full membership of the DAA and the Accredited Practising Dietitian (APD) program, to work in all areas of dietetics.

1 Industry Employment Projections 2019 Report, Department of Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business.
2 Top ranking university

Deakin’s Faculty of Health has been ranked in the top 1% in the world by the prestigious, international ranking system, ShanghaiRanking’s Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2019.
Applying to Deakin

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• Current Year 12 student in 2020
• Completed Year 12 in 2019 or 2018
• Interstate Year 12 student
• New Zealand school leaver
• International Baccalaureate (IB) student
• Gap-year student

Non-Year 12 applicant

• Applicants with higher education study
• Applicants with VET study
• Applicants with work and life experience
• Applicants who completed Year 12 in 2017 or earlier

For more information on admission requirements and the type of applicant you are, visit deakin.edu.au/courses/how-to-apply. You can also email myfuture@deakin.edu.au or call 1800 693 888 to discuss your options.

Find your course

Undergraduate courses at Deakin generally begin in March and some courses, including the Bachelor of Health Sciences, also have intakes in July and November.

Once you find the course you’re after, make sure you understand the entry requirements, application methods and application dates. You can call us on 1800 693 888 to discuss your options.

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Special consideration

We’re committed to providing equity and access for individuals and groups who might not otherwise enjoy the benefits that flow from participation in higher education. Deakin provides additional consideration to applicants who may have experienced difficult circumstances, such as family, financial, medical, a disability or other challenges.

When applying through VTAC, submit an application through VTAC’s Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS). If applying direct to Deakin, provide information and supporting documentation regarding your circumstances when prompted in our online applicant portal.

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Understand the entry and documentation requirements

Make sure you understand the entry requirements for your chosen course by reading the course page carefully. For recent secondary education applicants, in addition to the listed ATAR, some courses may require you to have studied a prerequisite subject, while others may also require you to provide extra materials, such as a personal statement.

Gather supporting documents

When applying direct to Deakin as a non-Year 12, it’s important to attach any requested supporting documentation, which may include a CV, academic transcripts, STAT results or a personal statement, otherwise your application may be delayed. We recommend gathering all this documentation before you begin the application process to ensure you can complete it in one sitting.

Apply

Our flexible trimester system means you can start in Trimester 1 (March), 2 (July) or 3 (November). If you’re a recent secondary education applicant, applications for Trimester 1 should be made through VTAC (vtac.edu.au). If you’re a non-Year 12 applying for Trimester 1 for one Deakin course only, you may apply direct to Deakin. Applications for Trimester 2 or 3 should be made directly to Deakin via the applicant portal at applicantportal.deakin.edu.au.

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We understand that you might want to have a break before you begin your university course. That’s why we’ve made deferring your studies easy. Most courses let you postpone your studies, but still retain your Deakin place for up to two years. Visit deakin.edu.au/enrolment for information on offers, deferring and more.

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Offers

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1 Subject to availability and meeting academic requirements.