

RURAL HEALTH AT CQUNIVERSITY

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CQUniversity's health courses have been developed to meet the ever-increasing needs of our communities - both here in Australia, from regional to rural and metropolitan - and for the wider global audience.

The University offers numerous pathways and study options into the discipline of Health from short courses to certificates, diplomas, undergraduate degrees, postgraduate study to PhDs and research higher degrees.

Following is a brief summary of some of the courses available in the discipline of Health at CQUniversity Australia.

HEALTHY AGEING AND DEMENTIA STUDIES

The Healthy Ageing and Dementia Studies postgraduate courses ([Graduate Certificate in Healthy Ageing](#), [Graduate Diploma of Healthy Ageing](#), [Graduate Certificate in Dementia Studies](#), [Graduate Diploma of Dementia Studies](#)) will enable you to develop specialised skills in the provision of quality services to older people. You will acquire expert knowledge about complex human ageing processes and how to meet the needs of the ageing population.

These innovative courses take an interdisciplinary approach to understanding the opportunities and challenges associated with population ageing. Taught with a holistic life-span approach to the ageing experience, the courses explore important topics such as culture, sexuality, environment, elder abuse, and ageism. All courses place a specific focus on the needs of rural and remote older people, in addition to ageing Indigenous populations.

The graduate certificates will introduce important foundational concepts of healthy ageing or dementia while the graduate diplomas allow for a broader examination of relevant issues to enhance your understanding and skills allowing you to gain the knowledge to work in a rapidly growing range of services that provide care to the ageing population.

NURSING

The [Bachelor of Nursing](#) at CQUniversity is designed to develop your theoretical, practical and research knowledge, enabling you to become an effective nursing professional.

Your education and training will incorporate a combination of online interactive learning, face-to-face teaching and clinical placements to ensure you graduate highly employable, confident and work-ready.

You will also be able to benefit from our clinical placement strategy, which is highly successful and offers placement opportunities across Australia and overseas.

Our close links with industry means the course is constantly updated so you are well prepared to enter the workforce. In addition, you can also choose to study on-campus or benefit from



the flexibility of studying by distance education. Studying via distance gives you the opportunity to balance study with your work and life commitments.

The [Graduate Certificate in Nursing \(Re-Entry\)](#) enables you to develop advanced knowledge and skills in order to return to work as a Registered Nurse. This distance education course will build on your existing theoretical, practical and research knowledge and includes a five-day residential school and 160 hours of industry-based learning. On successful completion of the Graduate Certificate of Nursing (Re-Entry) you will be eligible for registration as a Registered Nurse with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia.

PARAMEDIC SCIENCE

The [Bachelor of Paramedic Science](#) at CQUniversity is designed to equip you with the skills to become a high-quality paramedic. If you are already a practicing paramedic and would like to gain a formal qualification, this course may also be for you.

You will develop foundation knowledge in sciences, human body systems, study and research skills and paramedic practice. In addition your training will focus on disease processes and emergency treatment and include practical placements in paramedic care, enabling you to graduate work-ready and highly sought-after by employers.

Work placement within the industry allows you to put your learning into practice and work closely with paramedics to respond to real-life emergency situations.

Choose to study on-campus or benefit from the flexibility of studying by distance education.

PHYSIOTHERAPY

The [Bachelor of Physiotherapy \(Honours\)](#) at CQUniversity is a four-year course designed to develop your skills and enable you to practice as a Physiotherapist.

The course aims to develop the skills that enable you to become confident in assessing, treating and managing a range of conditions for people of all ages. In addition, your education and training will focus on ways to prevent injuries and promote health and wellbeing - skills that are highly valuable within the industry.

The course includes a large practical component through both university-based units and clinical education placements in a range of settings. This allows you to put your learning into practice, gain real-life work experience and graduate work ready.

PUBLIC HEALTH

The new [Bachelor of Public Health \(Specialisation\)](#) will allow you to develop broad skills and knowledge in public health, whilst developing specialised expertise in the areas of Health Promotion and Environmental Health.



During your studies you will have the opportunity to complete practical placements in real-world settings, enabling you to further enhance your employability and put the skills and knowledge you obtain into practice.

The course is available to study on-campus in Cairns, Bundaberg or Rockhampton or by distance education. Typically this course will take three years to complete for a full-time student and approximately six years part-time.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Visit the CQUniversity booth at the National Rural Health Conference in Cairns, 26-29 April or call us on 13 27 86.