

PUBLIC HEALTH, MAJOR (0055)

Western Sydney University Major Code: 0055

Previous Code: M4021.1

Only available to 4656 Bachelor of Health Science students

Public health is the science of disease prevention, prolonging life and improving health for individuals and their communities. This work is achieved by promoting healthy lifestyles, researching disease prevention, conducting population health assessment and measurement, improving environmental health, engaging the community and detecting, preventing and responding to infectious diseases. Public health professionals are required to assess and respond to emerging public health issues and work in a variety of settings, including national and state health departments, community organisations and the global health sector. The Public Health major builds a student's knowledge of the biological, social, cultural, economic and physical factors that underpin the health of a population and how to promote health for all. Students will also develop and use skills in epidemiology and biostatistics, surveillance and prevention, and public health policy. Students in T109 Clinical Science, who would not otherwise have the opportunity to take the 140-hour subject MEDI 3007 Professional Health Placement may choose to do so. This Major will be identified on the Student's Academic Transcript following completion of the course

Location

Campus	Mode	Advice
Campbelltown Campus	Internal	HealthSciences@westernsydney.edu.au
	Online	HealthSciences@westernsydney.edu.au
Sydney City Campus*	Internal	Dr Andrey Zheluk (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/a.zheluk@city.westernsydney.edu.au)

* Curriculum delivered through an agreement with another party

Major Structure

For 4656 Bachelor of Health Science students enrolled in testamur majors T018 Health Promotion, T019 Health Services Management or T109 Clinical Sciences. This second major will be noted on the student's transcript. This major is made up of 80 credit points.

Subject	Title	Credit Points
PUBH 1012	Public Health	10
BIOS 1035	Anatomy and Physiology in Health	10
HLTH 2022	Biostatistics in Health	10
PUBH 2020	Epidemiology for Public Health	10
PUBH 3024	Harm Minimisation and Prevention	10
PUBH 3025	Health Policy and Advocacy	10
PUBH 3027	Public Health in a Changing World	10
For students in T018 Health Promotion or T019 Health Services Management:		10
HLTH 3018	Ethical and Legal Issues in Health Care	
Or		
for students in T109 Clinical Science select one of the following:		

HLTH 3018	Ethical and Legal Issues in Health Care
MEDI 3007	Professional Health Placement

Total Credit Points 80

Related Programs

Bachelor of Health Science (4656) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-health-science/>)