

DIPLOMA IN HEALTH SCIENCE (7189)

Effective from: 2025

Approved Abbreviation: DipHlthSc

Western Sydney University Program Code: 7189

AQF Level: 5

This program applies to students who commenced in Autumn Block 1, 2025 or later.

Replaced Programs

Students should follow the program structure for the session start date relevant to the year they commenced.

For Commencement Year 2021 to 2024 - 6000 Diploma in Health Science/B Health Science (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-health-science-bachelor-health-science/>)

For Commencement Year 2021 to 2024 - 6001 Diploma in Health Science (HPE)/B Health Science (HPE) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-health-science-bachelor-health-science-health-physical-education/>)

For Commencement Year 2021 to 2024 - 7018 Diploma in Health Science (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-health-science/>)

For Commencement Year 2020 to 2024 - 7142 Diploma in Health Science Extended (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-health-science-extended/>)

For Commencement Year 2020 to 2024 - 7143 Diploma in Health Science (Health and Physical Education) Extended (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-health-science-health-physical-education-extended/>)

For Commencement Year 2021 to 2024 - 7088 Diploma in Health Science (Health and Physical Education) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-health-science-health-physical-education/>)

The Diploma in Health Science is designed to equip students with valuable knowledge and analytical skills that can be applied to a diverse range of career paths and further academic pursuits. The program takes an interdisciplinary approach, which means it draws from multiple fields of study to provide a foundational understanding of health science. The program also intersects with various social, cultural, environmental and economic factors with societal challenges. Graduates from this program are likely to be equipped to pursue diverse career options and contribute positively to addressing health-related challenges in contemporary society. These include roles in public health, health promotion, recreational therapy, health services management and HPE.

Study Mode

One year full-time or two years part-time

Program Advice

College Program Enquiries (<https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/AdminApp@westernsydney.edu.au>)

Location

| Campus | Attendance | Mode | Advice | |
|--|------------|----------|-----------|--|
| The College - Nirimba Education Precinct ¹ | Full Time | Internal | See above | |
| | | | | The College Part Time Internal See above - Nirimba Education Precinct ¹ |
| | | | | Campbelltown ² Full Time Internal See above Campbelltown ² Part Time Internal See above |
| | | | | * Programs delivered through an agreement with another party ¹ This location is unavailable from Spring Block 1 2025. ² This location is available from Spring Block 1 2025. |

Admission

This program is open to Australian Citizens and Permanent Residents who are aged 17 years or over and **not** currently enrolled in or completing Year 12 in the same year of intended admission.

If you would like more information on The College's pathway diplomas, please visit: Pathway Programs | The College (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/study/application-pathways/the-college/courses/>)

For direct applications to Western Sydney University please visit: Western Sydney University ([uac.edu.au](https://westernsydney.uac.edu.au/)) (<https://westernsydney.uac.edu.au/ws/>)

For UAC applications please visit: Universities Admissions Centre - UAC (<https://www.uac.edu.au/>)

Program Structure

Students will need to enrol in **one subject that will run online for 17 weeks** (in either Autumn or Spring sessions) and **will simultaneously study another four subjects on campus in block mode (1 subject studied every 4 weeks)** during this period. Please note that subjects in blocks are studied over 4 weeks.

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 110 credit points including the subjects listed below.

Start-year Intake

| Subject | Title | Credit Points |
|--|--|---------------|
| Autumn Semester | | |
| GEDU 0016 | Employability and Graduate Success (WSTC Prep) | 15 |
| Autumn Block 1 | | |
| GEDU 1001 | Introduction to University Life (WSTC) | 10 |
| Autumn Block 2 | | |
| GEDU 1002 | Core Foundations and Key Ideas (WSTC) | 10 |
| Autumn Block 3 | | |
| PUBH 1015 | People, Health and Society (WSTC) | 10 |
| Autumn Block 4 | | |
| HLTH 1021 | Effective Communication in Health (WSTC) | 10 |
| Spring Semester | | |
| GEDU 0017 | Transition Success (WSTC Prep) | 15 |
| Spring Block 1 | | |
| HLTH 1023 | Diversity in Health (WSTC) | 10 |
| Spring Block 2 | | |
| HLTH 1022 | Evidence in Health Practice (WSTC) | 10 |
| Spring Block 3 | | |
| Choose one elective subject ¹ | | 10 |
| Spring Block 4 | | |

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| Choose one elective subject ¹ | 10 | COMP 1015 | Programming Fundamentals and Algorithmic Design (WSTC) | 10 |
| Total Credit Points | 110 | COMP 1016 | Foundations of Networking and Cyber Security (WSTC) | 10 |
| ¹ Students may choose electives from any other subject offered under a Destination College Diploma. These subjects cannot be University subjects or other College subjects. | | CULT 1028 | Introduction to Criminology and Justice (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | CULT 1029 | The Individual in a Global Context: The Concepts and Ideas that Shape Us (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | DESN 1023 | Visual Media Design (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | ECON 1015 | Understanding the Economic Context of Enterprises (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | EDUC 1010 | Educational Psychology (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | EDUC 1012 | Literacy and Numeracy for Educators (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | EDUC 1013 | Sociology for Educators (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | EDUC 2015 | Education for Sustainability (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | ENGR 1053 | Applied Physics for Engineers (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | ENVL 1008 | Sustainable and Ethical Industry Practices (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | FINC 1004 | Financial Concepts and the Language of Business (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | GEDU 1002 | Core Foundations and Key Ideas (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | HLTH 1021 | Effective Communication in Health (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | HLTH 1022 | Evidence in Health Practice (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | HLTH 1023 | Diversity in Health (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | HUMN 1068 | Intersectionality: Identity, Diversity and Difference (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | HUMN 1069 | Human Rights and Community Action (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | HUMN 1070 | Indigenous Australia: People, Places and Philosophies (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | HUMN 1072 | The Human Experience: Fundamentals of Arts and Humanities (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | HUMN 1073 | Understanding Contemporary Australia (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | INFO 1005 | Website Design (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | INFS 1017 | Database Design and Management (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | LANG 1033 | Cultural Crossroads: Understanding the World Through Texts (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | MATH 1039 | Engineering Mathematics and Statistics (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | MATH 1040 | Engineering Mathematics and Computing (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | MATH 1042 | Mathematics for the Digital World (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | MKTG 1013 | Marketing Enterprises (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | NATS 1029 | Human Anatomy and Physiology 1 (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | NATS 1030 | Human Anatomy and Physiology 2 (WSTC) | 10 |
| | | NATS 1032 | Introduction to Applied Science and Technology (WSTC) | 10 |
| Subject | Title | Credit Points | PROC 1009 | Materials Science in Engineering (WSTC) |
| BIOS 1040 | Natural Science (WSTC) | 10 | PUBH 1015 | People, Health and Society (WSTC) |
| BIOS 1041 | Fundamentals of Biotechnology (WSTC) | 10 | TEAC 2067 | Being a Teacher (WSTC) |
| BLDG 1019 | Construction Site Administration (WSTC) | 10 | | |
| BLDG 1020 | Domestic Construction (WSTC) | 10 | | |
| BLDG 1021 | Commercial Construction (WSTC) | 10 | | |
| BLDG 1022 | Construction Site Safety (WSTC) | 10 | | |
| BUSM 1045 | Creative Enterprises and Information Technologies (WSTC) | 10 | | |
| BUSM 1046 | Managing and Leading Enterprises (WSTC) | 10 | | |
| CART 1009 | Exploring the Creative Industries (WSTC) | 10 | | |
| CHEM 1013 | Essential Chemistry (WSTC) | 10 | | |
| COMM 1046 | Data Dynamics: Influence, Ethics, and Power (WSTC) | 10 | | |

Mid-year Intake

| Subject | Title | Credit Points | Spring Semester |
|--|--|---------------|-----------------------|
| GEDU 0016 | Employability and Graduate Success (WSTC Prep) | 15 | |
| GEDU 1001 | Introduction to University Life (WSTC) | 10 | Spring Block 1 |
| GEDU 1002 | Core Foundations and Key Ideas (WSTC) | 10 | Spring Block 2 |
| PUBH 1015 | People, Health and Society (WSTC) | 10 | Spring Block 3 |
| HLTH 1021 | Effective Communication in Health (WSTC) | 10 | Spring Block 4 |
| Autumn Semester | | | |
| GEDU 0017 | Transition Success (WSTC Prep) | 15 | |
| HLTH 1022 | Evidence in Health Practice (WSTC) | 10 | Autumn Block 1 |
| HLTH 1023 | Diversity in Health (WSTC) | 10 | Autumn Block 2 |
| Choose one elective subject ¹ | | 10 | Spring Block 3 |
| Choose one elective subject ¹ | | 10 | Spring Block 4 |
| Total Credit Points | | 110 | |

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Available Electives

Students may choose any subject from the below Destination College Diplomas as their electives. Please note, not all elective options may be available on all campuses or in all teaching sessions. Elective subjects cannot be the same as compulsory program-specific subjects.

| Subject | Title | Credit Points | |
|-----------|--|---------------|--|
| BIOS 1040 | Natural Science (WSTC) | 10 | |
| BIOS 1041 | Fundamentals of Biotechnology (WSTC) | 10 | |
| BLDG 1019 | Construction Site Administration (WSTC) | 10 | |
| BLDG 1020 | Domestic Construction (WSTC) | 10 | |
| BLDG 1021 | Commercial Construction (WSTC) | 10 | |
| BLDG 1022 | Construction Site Safety (WSTC) | 10 | |
| BUSM 1045 | Creative Enterprises and Information Technologies (WSTC) | 10 | |
| BUSM 1046 | Managing and Leading Enterprises (WSTC) | 10 | |
| CART 1009 | Exploring the Creative Industries (WSTC) | 10 | |
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