GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN AGEING, WELLBEING AND SUSTAINABILITY (4782)

Western Sydney University Program Code: 4782
AQF Level: 8

This program applies to students who commenced in 2021 or later.

Handbook Summary 2021-2024

The Graduate Diploma in Ageing, Wellbeing and Sustainability offers practitioners and professionals, who are currently involved in the planning and provision of services to aged communities, an opportunity to take a role in transforming a society that recognises older people as active contributors for the betterment of themselves and their communities.

With the aim to facilitate a sustainable milieu for individuals to age successfully, this program adopts a strength-based approach in addressing real-life challenges related to health and wellbeing, housing, transportation, use of technology, civic participation, cultural diversity and social inclusion.

This online program also provides an entry point to the Master of Ageing, Wellbeing and Sustainability for those who wish to further pursue their professional development in the ageing sector.

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Early Exit

Students may exit this program on completion of 40 credit points with a 4783 Graduate Certificate in Ageing, Wellbeing and Sustainability (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/graduate-certificate-ageing-wellbeing-sustainability/)

- Director of Academic Program - Rachel Gregory-Wilson

Study Mode

One year full-time or two years part-time.

Program Advice

Dr Diana Jefferies (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/profile/17738/)

Prospective students should visit the following websites for general enquiries about this program.

Enquire about this program (https://enquiry.westernsydney.edu.au/courseenquiry/)| Local Admission (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/) | International Admission (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/home/apply/admissions/) |

Location

Campus	Attendance	Mode	Advice
Online	Full Time	Online	See above
Online	Part Time	Online	See above

Inherent Requirements

There are inherent requirements for this program that you must meet in order to complete your program and graduate. Make sure you read and understand the requirements for this program online.

 Inherent Requirements (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/ir/inherent_requirements/inherent_requirements_for_postgraduate_nursing_courses/ageing-wellbeing-sustainability/)

Admission
Admission 2021-2024

Applicants must have successfully completed an undergraduate degree (AQF Level 7 or equivalent), in any discipline. Additionally, applicants must also have at least a Graduate Certificate related to Ageing, Health Sciences, Nursing, Social Sciences, Built Environment or Urban and Geography Studies.

Applications from Australian and New Zealand citizens and holders of permanent resident visas must be made via the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC). Use the links below to apply via UAC or Western Sydney University. Applications made directly to Western Sydney do not have an application fee.

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http://www.uac.edu.au/
https://westernsydney.uac.edu.au/ws/

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Recommend Sequence

Qualification of this award requires the successful completion of 80 credit points including the subjects listed below.

Full-time start-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Autumn session		
NURS 7060	Optimising Contribution of Older People	10
PUBH 7014	Health and Socio-political Issues in Aged Care	10
PUBH 7018	Leadership for Quality and Safety in Health Care	10
NURS 7061	Professional Focus: Age-Friendly Future	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
NURS 7059	Ageing in Place: Wellbeing and Sustainability	10
NURS 7082	Legal and Ethical Requirements to Support Decision Making in Health Care	10
PUBH 7026	Supporting Aged Communities	10
NURS 7019	Cultural and Social Diversity in Health Care	10
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**80**

Part-time start-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Autumn session		
NURS 7060	Optimising Contribution of Older People	10
PUBH 7014	Health and Socio-political Issues in Aged Care	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Spring session		
NURS 7059	Ageing in Place: Wellbeing and Sustainability	10
NURS 7082	Legal and Ethical Requirements to Support Decision Making in Health Care	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Year 2		
Autumn session		
PUBH 7018	Leadership for Quality and Safety in Health Care	10
NURS 7061	Professional Focus: Age-Friendly Future	10
	Credit Points	**20**
Spring session		
PUBH 7026	Supporting Aged Communities	10

NURS 7019	Cultural and Social Diversity in Health Care	10
	Credit Points	**20**
	Total Credit Points	**80**

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 80 credit points which include the subjects listed in the recommended sequence below.

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Spring		
NURS 7060	Optimising Contribution of Older People	10
HLTH 7009	Leadership and Change	10
Select two electives		20
Total Credit Points		**80**