

Postgraduate Diploma

Public Health

Occupational Health and Safety

Course Code: 301104



The Postgraduate Diploma has an emphasis on practical and theoretical occupational health and safety skills with a strong mix of

science and technical practical and theoretical knowledge in the core discipline areas of occupational hygiene and health and safety economics and management.

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The postgraduate diploma consists of six core units and two optional units. The core units provide students with a strong foundation in overall risk management, ergonomics, occupational hygiene, accident prevention and occupational health and safety management. Students can choose from a variety of options that reflect their interest and that are relevant to their employment.

Occupational health and safety professionals work to ensure the development of safer and healthier workplaces, making a significant contribution to industry efficiency through the prevention of injury, occupational diseases and adverse environmental impacts.

An emphasis on industry based assessment and the development of practical skills ensures graduates are equipped with the skills and attributes required in the profession.

Knowledge in the core discipline areas are combined with skills in communication, critical thinking and problem solving to develop innovative, confident graduates with a diverse range of employment opportunities.

This course is offered on-line in a flexible learning management system.

Entry Requirements

A bachelor degree in an appropriate field plus at least two years' work experience or the completion of the Graduate Certificate in Occupational Health and Safety.

Course Organisation

Our postgraduate courses are designed in a step-wise progression from Graduate Certificate to Postgraduate Diploma to Master. Upon successful completion at each level, students can graduate or apply for admission to a higher qualification.

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All about Occupational Health and Safety



Duration and Availability

One year full-time or the equivalent part-time. This fee-paying course offered on-line in a flexible learning management system. Students will require regular access to a computer and the Internet to complete units. Each unit of study requires approximately 8-10 hours per week for the semester.

Intermediate Award

A student who has successfully completed the requirements of the Graduate Certificate in Occupational Health and Safety Management may apply for graduation subject to approval.

Career opportunities

Employment prospects are excellent, with graduates often earning above average salaries. Graduates gain employment in a variety of industries including mining, oil, gas, manufacturing and construction. There is also demand for graduates in corporate, government, health and academic sectors. With the stringent legislative requirements for health and safety in the workplace the demand for tertiary qualified occupational health and safety professionals is expected to continue.

Professional Recognition

The course is recognised by several professional bodies including the Australian College of Occupational Medicine.

Additional Course Expenses

Students may be expected to purchase a number of textbooks, readers and other essential study materials.

International Students

This course and associated units are offered in on-line mode only and DO NOT permit International Onshore Student Enrolment.

Sample Course Structure

Year 1 Semester 1

Accident Prevention & Safety Management 581
Risk Management & Safety Technology 582
Ergonomics 594
Occupational Hygiene & Chemical Safety 596

Year 1 Semester 2

Compensation & Injury Management 593
Health & Safety Economics & Management 582
2 Optional Units

Optional units

Diseases of Occupations 595
Mine Management 532
Environmental Health Impact Studies 590
Environmental Health Risk Assessment 682
Occupational Exposure Measurement & Evaluation 581[#]
Occupational Health & Safety Project/ Practicum 590
Law (OHS & Human Resources) 563

[#] Occupational Exposure Measurement and Evaluation 581 has pre-requisites of Ergonomics 594 and Occupational Hygiene and Chemical Safety 596 and requires on-campus attendance for a 4 day period in Semester Two.

Please refer to the Curtin Online Handbook for information regarding units: handbook.curtin.edu.au

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