## Institute of Koorie Education

# Deakin University - Master of Public Health (H747)

#### Course Description - Masters of Public Health - H747

The Institute of Koorie Education delivers the Master of Public Health program in community based delivery. The study program in public health has a strong Indigenous focus that aims to produce a highly skilled Indigenous Public Health workforce through the delivery of multidisciplinary public health studies in a culturally appropriate, secure and inclusive teaching and learning environment.

This initiative in Indigenous public health education seeks to challenge established concepts, theories and practices of public health. To achieve this, unit content and materials are adapted to incorporate Indigenous knowledge and perspectives. The learning environment encourages students to bring their own knowledge and experience in Aboriginal health to their studies and to ensure their studies have a practical application to their community.

Through participation in the study program students will develop:

- Enhance capacity to strategically contribute to health policy and programs;
- Relevant research skills and experience in applying them to areas of interest in Aboriginal health;
- Skills and knowledge necessary to tackle existing and emerging public health in Aboriginal communities; and
- Base of knowledge and expertise valuable for public health practice and management.

#### **Course Duration**

The Master of Public Health (MPH) comprises 2 years of full time study or part-time equivalent. It is a 12 credit point study program. The course is designed for maximum flexibility and draws students from all around Australia who bring with them their own knowledge and experience

#### **Career Opportunities**

The MPH degree equips student to work in a diverse range of environments – including;

- Community-controlled Aboriginal health services
- Community controlled Aboriginal organisations
- Local/State/Federal health departments
- Universities in the roles of project officer, researchers and academic teaching positions.

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#### Subject areas undertaken in the MPH include:

#### **Core Units:**

HSH701 Principles & Practice of Public Health
HSH702 Contemporary Health Issues & Policies

HSH744 Epidemiology HSH746 Biostatistics

HSH731-4 Minor / Major Project

#### **Selectives include:**

HSH725 Research Methods for Health Practice

HSH703 Health Promotion

#### **Electives include:**

HSH704 Health Communication

HSH705 Needs Assessment and Health Program Planning

HSH715 Qualitative Health Research

#### FOR AN APPLICATION FORM:

Ring the Institute of Koorie Education on (03) 52272538 Or visit www.deakin.edu.au/ike

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### The Kitjarra Residence & Study Centre

The Kitjarra Residences are available for student accommodation during study intensives. The residences provide for a comfortable learning and social environment.

The rooms are spacious, comfortable and are fully equipped to provide a healthy study environment. The lounges, kitchens and computer areas mean that life and study on-campus are enjoyable and study-friendly.



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The Institute offers degree courses in the Community Based mode of delivery. Attend intensive study blocks, whilst maintaining your family and community networks.

# **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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