Why JCU?

A STUDENT EXPERIENCE LIKE NO OTHER

• Access to world-class teachers
• Develop skills in state-of-the-art facilities
• Achieve exceptional employment outcomes
  • Benefit from small class sizes
  • Connect with professional networks
• Discover great accommodation options

ACCESS EXPERTISE
Join supportive learning environments with access to JCU’s leading lecturers. Learn in small classes and connect with experts in clinical practice, health education and health promotion.

MEANINGFUL CONTRIBUTION
Have a positive impact. Working in tropical, Indigenous, metropolitan, rural and remote areas, JCU graduates are valued health professionals in their communities.

STRONG NETWORKS
Build professional networks through collaborative learning. JCU graduates have a comprehensive understanding of health care formed from multidisciplinary connections.

READY TODAY FOR TOMORROW
Expand employability opportunities. A focus on developing professional skills for career advancement produces graduates who are highly regarded for their insight and knowledge.
Make a difference in healthcare education with a Master, Graduate Diploma or Graduate Certificate of Health Profession Education at JCU. Gain a valued qualification from a leading university in rural and remote health in Australia and the wider Asia-Pacific region.

This course is for health professionals who aspire to work in health education and research. Become a leader in improving clinical teaching and education research in all health professions including medicine, nursing, dentistry, and allied health.

Focus on teaching and learning in health contexts with specific strategies for clinical settings. Develop skills in assessment, curriculum design, and research based on evidence and relevant to your career in health. Complete every subject online for exceptional flexibility with support from JCU’s outstanding teachers.

COURSE DETAILS:

Locations: External
Start Dates: February, July
Duration: Masters: 1.5 years full-time, 3 years part-time
Prerequisites: Registration as a nurse, medical doctor or other health professional in Australia; or AQF level 7 bachelor degree in relevant discipline plus 2 years’ experience; or equivalent.

Please visit the handbook for a detailed outline of the course structure. Note: Information is for domestic students only.
Progress your studies

Pursue your passion to a higher level through nested qualifications. You can enter directly into a Master of Health Professional Education, or use the Graduate Certificate and Graduate Diploma as stepping stones towards your Masters.

Master of Health Professional Education
(36 CREDIT POINTS)

Graduate Diploma of Health Professional Education
(24 CREDIT POINTS)

Graduate Certificate of Health Professional Education
(12 CREDIT POINTS)
“I think Health Professional Education helps you not just to move into education, but makes you a better clinician. I can educate my patients better and talk to students and colleagues more effectively. The course has given me a passion for research I never thought I’d find. I now feel I can make a real difference through research, rather than doing exclusively service based delivery.”

Dr Angie Nilsson
MASTER OF HEALTH PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION
Career Opportunities

JCU Health Professional Education graduates have the advantage of a qualification in teaching, educating, and HPE in addition to their clinical discipline.

Graduates are employed in urban and rural hospitals, general practices, and community clinics.

You could find employment as an education leader in your discipline in tropical and remote areas, and across Australia and the Asia-Pacific.

“I have learned about adult, interactive education and effective strategies for teaching on the ward when time is short. My confidence in the education of medical students, interns, junior doctors, GP Registrars and indeed my peers has improved. The lectures and assessment are authentic, promoting good work-based learning. The support from JCU staff is excellent.”

Merrilee Frankish
GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF HEALTH PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION
Ready today for tomorrow

The Graduate Certificate and the Graduate Diploma consists of core subjects, which provide students with strategies related to learning and teaching in clinical settings. The Master degree will equip you with the skills and knowledge to be an effective professional educator in a clinical setting. The Master degree’s core subjects cover theoretical perspectives of learning and teaching in health professional education, clinical teaching strategies, knowledge and skills in assessment, curriculum design and leadership and educational research.

“The suite of Health Professional Education (HPE) subjects are presented at different levels, for a variety of clinical teaching contexts and for all health professionals. The Graduate Certificate HPE has content designed for developing and improving teaching skills, the Graduate Diploma HPE develops you as a Lead Educator or Course/Subject Coordinator and the Master HPE develops leadership skills for designing, implementing and innovating in health based education programs. Online learning makes this a highly accessible and flexible way to gain postgraduate qualifications, with opportunities to collaborate with other students, and experienced faculty readily available to support your learning.”

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