Rural and Remote Medicine

Ready today for tomorrow
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

A LEADER IN RURAL AND REMOTE HEALTH

Study with JCU, Australia’s most successful university in producing health professionals who go on to serve rural and regional communities.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Be equipped with the skills to solve unique health challenges and make a difference to the health of underserved communities.

FLEXIBLE STUDY FOR BUSY PROFESSIONALS

Study from anywhere in Australia through online learning. Attend on campus for block intensives where you’ll strength your skills and build professional networks.

ACCESS EXPERTISE

Learn from experts who are leaders in rural and remote medicine. You’ll be well supported through your studies by passionate and experienced educators.
Rural and Remote Medicine

Understand the unique health issues facing rural and remote communities in Australia and throughout the world. Studying the Master of Rural and Remote Medicine equips you with the advanced academic skills specifically focused on the rural and remote context to complement your clinical expertise.

You will study five core subjects in the Graduate Diploma and eight core subjects in the Master of Rural and Remote Medicine. Both courses can be designed to match your passion through choosing from a wide variety of elective subjects that are grouped according to your interest area.

The Master of Rural and Remote Medicine has specialisations available in internal medicine, emergency medicine, paediatrics, mental health and population health.

**COURSE DETAILS:**

- **Locations:** Townsville
- **Commencing:** February, July
- **Duration:** 1.5 years full-time (Masters), Part-time available
- **Prerequisites:** AHPRA-registered rural health practitioners; or completed, or be enrolled in, a certified rural medicine or general practice training program; or an approved Australian Medical Council (AMC) accredited medicine program student; or an approved international rural health practitioner

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 Rural and Remote Medicine, or use the Graduate Diploma of Rural and Remote Medicine as a stepping stone towards your Masters.

Master of Rural and Remote Medicine
(36 CREDIT POINTS)

Graduate Diploma of Rural and Remote Medicine
(24 CREDIT POINTS)
“As a practicing clinician wanting to better understand what I do, and where I fit, the Master of Rural and Remote Medicine provides context to my work. The Master of Rural and Remote Medicine provided me, a very busy rural doctor, with a foundation on which to build my research and health professional education skills. It has been transformative in rekindling my enthusiasm for rural medicine.”

Dr Ewen McPhee

MASTER OF RURAL AND REMOTE MEDICINE
Career Opportunities

JCU’s Rural and Remote Medicine postgraduate degrees provide doctors and other health professionals with the skills to equip them to work in regional, rural and remote areas.

The courses are suited to doctors working in underserved communities including but not limited to General Practitioners (FACCRM and FARGP) and rural generalists. Graduates may also go on to work in academic teaching roles and in research focused on rural, remote, tropical and Indigenous health.

“The JCU Master of Rural and Remote Medicine is designed to wrap around the work of a rural generalist doctor, nurse or allied health practitioner to give them the skills to become an educator of the next generation of practitioners and a researcher who can define the scope of work and the health care need in rural and remote areas. I love the way that we have been able to devise a curriculum that rural or remote practitioners can do wherever they are, as long as they have internet access.”

Associate Professor Ruth Stewart
COURSE COORDINATOR
“The Master of Rural and Remote Medicine has given me the confidence to try new things and new career paths. It specifically works around rural remote medicine and it has real life application.”

Rayne Sweet, Registered Nurse
MASTER OF RURAL AND REMOTE MEDICINE

“The Rural and Remote Medicine course work provided me with relevant and reflective core subjects and a fantastic array of electives which have helped me reinvent myself in the later part of my career. The curriculum supported my core rural practice areas and my interests in rural medical education, developing nations work, and refugee health. The subject offerings and quality were excellent.”

Dr Dan Manahan
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