



Register of OHS Professional Education Programs

2014

Australian Qualification Framework (AQF) Level 9 (Masters by Course Work)

Some masters programs build on Graduate Diploma programs, others may have the Graduate Diploma as an optional exit point.

The programs in blue text are accredited by the Australian OHS Education Accreditation Board. These qualifications meet the knowledge requirements for OHS professional certification for graduates

As accreditation has only been available since April 2012 other universities are currently in the process of applying for accreditation. Contact the registrar on registrar@ohseducationaccreditation.org.au for further information on accreditation and accredited programs.

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Program

Title of program	Masters in Occupational Health Safety and Environment Management <i>(as provided by University for 2013)</i>
Post nominals for program	MOHSEMgt
Institution web link for program details	http://www.acu.edu.au/courses/2013/postgraduate/informatics_and_business_systems/occupational_health_safety_and_environment
AQF level of program	AQF level 9
Year of establishment of program or proposed date for first delivery	March 2013
Minimum pre-requisites for application	Degree in relevant discipline or suitable experience
Duration	Both part time and full time available Full time equivalent 1.5 years Minimum 1.5 years Average 3 years Maximum 4 years <i>In accordance with changes to the AQF, the duration of the masters will increase from 1.5 to 2 years full time equivalent from 2015.</i>
Mode of delivery	Fully online
Brief description of program	Corporate governance and social responsibility, OHSE principles, OHSE management systems, OHSE law, risk management, ergonomics and human factors, toxicology and occupational hygiene, OHSE management systems auditing plus research skills, OHSE epidemiology, and a research project.
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Program

Title of program for accreditation	Master of Occupational Health and Safety <i>(as provided by University for 2013)</i>
Post nominals for program	MOHS
Institution web link for program details	http://handbook.cqu.edu.au/Handbook/programs_1.jsp?s=1&code=CG62
AQF level of program	9
Year of establishment of program or proposed date for first delivery	1996
Minimum pre-requisites for application	<p>There are three possible options for entry into this program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students who have completed the GD OHS or equivalent can apply for 48 credit points towards the Master of Occupational Health and Safety. All other applications for Credit Transfer will be assessed by the Head of Program on a case-by-case basis.• A three year bachelor degree from an Australian university.• Consideration may also be given on an individual basis to applicants with professional OHS (non-degree) qualifications or equivalent and who have had at least five years work experience at a middle or higher management level; or other relevant qualifications and working towards professional OHS career development. <p>Students applying for entry via this alternative approach will need to provide and show the ability to write high level report writing; read and analyse academic literature, government policy texts and create detailed reports; and complete high level numeric tasks applicable to workplace situations.</p>
Duration	Both part time and full time available Full time equivalent 2 years
Mode of delivery	Distance mode with compulsory on-campus workshops



[Total days compulsory attendance = 10]

Brief description of program	Occupational health and safety studies develops your expertise in the identification and anticipation of occupational health and safety hazards in the workplace and enables a systematic approach for their assessment and control across the major discipline areas of occupational hygiene, human factors and safety science/risk management
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Program

Title of program for accreditation	Master of Rail Safety Management <i>(as provided by University for 2013)</i>
Post nominals for program	MRailSMgt
Institution web link for program details	http://handbook.cqu.edu.au/Handbook/programs_1.jsp?s=1&code=CB95
AQF level of program	AQF level 9
Year of establishment of program or proposed date for first delivery	2012
Minimum pre-requisites for	There are three possible options for entry into this program:



application	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students who have completed the GD RSM or equivalent can apply for 48 units of credit towards the Master of Rail Safety Management. All other applications for Credit Transfer will be assessed by the Head of Program on a case-by-case basis.• A three year bachelor degree from an Australian university or equivalent international qualifications• Consideration may also be given on an individual basis to applicants with professional OHS (non-degree) qualifications or equivalent and who have had at least five years work experience at a middle or higher management level; or other relevant qualifications and working towards professional Occupational Health & Safety/Rail Safety Management career development. <p>Students applying for entry via the third option will need to demonstrate the ability to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• write high level reports;• read and analyse academic literature, government policy texts and create detailed reports; and• complete high level numeric tasks applicable to workplace situations• IELTS band score of 6 (with no individual band score of less than 5.5) or equivalent test of English <p>Students applying for entry without a three year Bachelor degree from an Australian university will be assessed by the Head of Program.</p>
Duration	Both part time and full time is available Full time equivalent 2 years
Mode of delivery	Distance mode with compulsory on-campus workshops [Total days compulsory attendance = 10]
Brief description of program	The Master of Rail Safety Management is a postgraduate degree program that aims to develop a sophisticated set of skills and knowledge that provides students with the basis for leadership in rail safety management. The program is designed for, but not exclusive to, people currently working in the rail industry.
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Program

Title of program	Masters of Occupational Health and Safety
Post nominals for program	MOccHlthSfty(Curtin)
Web link for program details	http://publichealth.curtin.edu.au/programs/health_safety_environment.cfm
AQF level of program	AQF level 9
Year of establishment of program or proposed date for first delivery	Postgraduate courses in OSH have been running since the early 1980s as subsets of the Master of Public Health. The MOHS was introduced in the 1990s.
Minimum pre-requisites for application	Bachelor's degree in science related field at a recognised and accredited University
Duration	Both part time and full time available Full time equivalent 1½ years Minimum 1½ years Average 3 years Maximum 6 years
Mode of delivery	Full distance mode – Course delivered fully online
Brief description of program	10 x 25 credit units: Accident Prevention and Safety Management, Risk Management and Safety Technology, Occupational Hygiene and Chemical Safety, Ergonomics, Health and Safety Economics and Management, Compensation and Injury Management, Health Research Methods, three Optional Units plus 1 x 50 credit Research Project.
Program leader	Dr Krassi Rumchev



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Accreditation status	Accredited 2013-2017
Post nominals for program	MOccHlthSfty
Web link for program details	http://www.ecu.edu.au/future-students/ourcourses/overview?id=L65
AQF level of program	AQF level 9
Year of establishment of program or proposed date for first delivery	2013
Minimum pre-requisites for application	An undergraduate degree or the Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety.
Duration	Both part time and full time available Full time equivalent 2 years
Mode of delivery	Full distance mode
Brief description of program	Master of OHS is a 240 credit point course which consists of 9 core units and 3 electives. It is offered on-line either by full or part time study. The course has been developed in consultation with industry specialists and is delivered by industry specialists.
Program leader	A/Prof Sue Reed



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Program

Title of program for accreditation	Masters of Ergonomics, Safety and Health
Accreditation status	Accredited 2012-2016
Post nominals for program	MESH
Web link for program detail	http://www.latrobe.edu.au/health/professional/ergonomics
AQF level of program	9
Year of establishment of program or proposed date for first delivery	2010, reviewed 2012



Minimum pre-requisites for application

The normal entry requirement is a cognate Bachelor degree (e.g. in biological or behavioural sciences, a health or allied health profession, industrial engineering, etc.) but there are 'special entry' provisions for other applicants also.

Initial enrolment in the M.ESH requires:

- relevant 4-year Bachelor degree, or
- relevant 3-year Bachelor degree with honours, or
- a 3-year Bachelor degree plus additional evidence of suitability (e.g. other relevant courses completed, quality of academic record, employment history).

Applicants who satisfy the above pre-requisites for initial enrolment in a Masters degree but would prefer to enrol in the Graduate Certificate are welcome to do so. However, students who do not enrol initially in the Masters program must achieve at least a B-grade (70%+) average in first year subjects if they then wish to extend their studies to Masters level.

International applicants must meet English Language Requirement IELTS 6.5.

Duration

Part time only

Full time equivalent 1½ years

Maximum 1½ years

Mode of delivery

Distance mode with optional on-campus workshops
[Total days optional attendance = min 2 per year]

Brief description of program

This course is designed for people who wish to work at a professional level in the rapidly growing field of Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) with specialist coverage of Ergonomics. It is suitable for those already working in the field who need to upgrade their qualifications to meet new OHS professional practice requirements, as well as for new entrants. Both the Masters of Ergonomics, Safety and Health and the Graduate Diploma are accredited courses by the Australian OHS Education Accreditation Board (AOHSEAB). This course is offered by distance education to enable busy professionals to combine study with other commitments. There are no compulsory attendance requirements and study is part-time (up to a maximum of 0.5 of a full-time load).

The 180 credit point accredited Masters program is articulated so that at 60 credit points students can exit with a Graduate Certificate in Occupational Health, Safety and Ergonomics. Students enrolled in the Masters program complete another 120 credit points; however, those who exit prior to that can choose to take



out a Graduate Diploma in Ergonomics, Safety and Health (120 credit points in total).

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Program

Title of program	Master of Occupational and Environmental Health
Accreditation status	Accredited 2013-2017
Post nominals for program	MOEH
Web link for program details	www.med.monsh.edu.au/epidemiology/pgrad/
AQF level of program	AQF level 9
Year of establishment of program	2001
Minimum pre-requisites for application	Undergraduate degree in an appropriate discipline and relevant professional experience.
Duration	Both part time and full time available Full time equivalent 1.5 year Minimum 1.5 years Average 3-4 years Maximum 5 years
Mode of delivery for 2012	Distance mode with compulsory on campus workshops. [Total days compulsory attendance = 30]



Brief description of program	The Masters in Occupational and Environmental Health builds on the Graduate Diploma to assist students to prevent and manage occupational health problems. It provides a student the attitudes, skills and knowledge needed to evaluate health problems related to industrial activities. It caters to the special needs of medical practitioners, nurses, allied health professionals, scientists and OHS managers.
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Title of program	Masters of Health, Safety and Environment
Post nominals for program	MHealthSafEnv
Web link for program details	http://www.qut.edu.au/study/courses/master-of-health-safety-and-environment
AQF level of program	AQF level 9
Year of establishment of program or proposed date for first delivery	2013
Minimum pre-requisites for application	Graduate Diploma OHS (or equivalent), Graduate Diploma Environmental Health. Degree in science, health sciences or related



	field. <i>Students are encouraged to complete the Graduate Diploma in OHS or Environmental Health and then articulate into the masters degree.</i>
Duration	Both part time and full time available Full time equivalent 2 years Minimum 2 years
Mode of delivery	Face-to-face, or distance model with provision of some on-campus workshops
Brief description of program	The course aims to equip graduates with the skills and knowledge to fill professional Health, Safety and Environment roles in industry and government. Units include: OHS Management, OHS Law, Ergonomics, Occupational Health, Toxicology and Occupational Hygiene, Epidemiology & Research Design, Contemporary Risk Management and Risk Assessment, Environmental Protection, Environmental Health Law, Research Project, Concepts of Environmental Health, Environmental Management & Sustainability and Environmental Health Management
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Program

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Post nominals for program	MOHS
Web link for program details	http://www.rmit.edu.au/browse;ID=SPGMC135P13AUSCY;STATUS=A;SECTION=3;PAGE_AUTHOR=%20Program%20Guides



AQF level of program	AQF level 9								
Year of establishment of program	1999								
Minimum pre-requisites for application	<p>Students normally enrol into the Graduate Diploma OHS. Those students who successfully graduate from the Graduate Diploma with a Distinction average AND who have a prior Bachelor degree or better in Science, Health Science or Engineering, can continue on to the Masters OHS year. Students with non-RMIT Graduate Diplomas in OHS may apply.</p> <p>See RMIT GD052 website for additional English language requirement.</p>								
Duration	<p>Part time only</p> <table><tr><td>Full time equivalent</td><td>1.5 years (including the Graduate Diploma)</td></tr><tr><td>Minimum</td><td>3 years part time</td></tr><tr><td>Average</td><td>3 years Part time</td></tr><tr><td>Maximum</td><td>6 years Part time</td></tr></table>	Full time equivalent	1.5 years (including the Graduate Diploma)	Minimum	3 years part time	Average	3 years Part time	Maximum	6 years Part time
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Maximum	6 years Part time								
Mode of delivery for 2013	<p>The Masters year is via research project. In the future, if there is sufficient interest, there may be an option of taking additional high level course work and doing a smaller project.</p> <p>Before acceptance into the program, students must negotiate a project topic with the RMIT supervisor.</p> <p>Students must complete a Research Methods course during their first semester. Students are expected to meet with the Masters Student Cohort once per month and to meet with their supervisor at least once per month.</p> <p>All lectures and study materials are available electronically. Assignments will be submitted and returned marked electronically.</p>								
Brief description of program	<p>The Masters in OHS at RMIT is a minor thesis research project. The Masters builds on the knowledge and course work gained from the Graduate Diploma OHS and applies the learning to a problem in a real workplace.</p> <p>The learning and assessment approach used at RMIT is designed to prepare students for professional practice. The general approach to the research project is to apply the model of OHS Professional Practice for problem solving. This involves gathering information about the issue, diagnosing the issue, developing and implementing appropriate interventions, and evaluating their effectiveness, all the while communicating with relevant stakeholders.</p> <p>Specifically, students in the Masters program study:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Research Methods (12 credit points)								



- Research Project 1 (12 credit points) where the assessment is the Project Brief, Literature Review and Method for the research project
- Research Project 2 (24 credit points) where the assessment is the final project write up

Accreditation for the Masters program will be sought from AOHSEAB during 2014.

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Program

Title of program for accreditation	Master of Workplace Health & Safety
Accreditation status	Accredited 2013-2017
Post nominals for program	MWHS
Web link for program details	http://www.newcastle.edu.au/program/12273.html http://www.gradschool.com.au/programs/overview/master-workplace-health-safety/overview
AQF level of program	AQF Level 9
Year of establishment of program or proposed date for first delivery	2013
Minimum pre-requisites for application	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Relevant undergraduate bachelor degree (Health, Science or Engineering) from a recognised institution OR• Non relevant undergraduate bachelor degree + Graduate



Certificate in Workplace Health and Safety with a GPA of 5 or greater OR

- Graduate Certificate in Workplace Health and Safety or Graduate Certificate in Occupational Health and Safety with a GPA of 5 or greater.
- Special entry into the Graduate Certificate will be offered to those with non-university qualifications and 3 years relevant professional experience in a designated health and safety role, approved for this purpose by the Pro Vice-Chancellor. Admission to the Masters program following completion of the Graduate Certificate in Workplace Health and Safety for special entry students will require a Grade Point Average of 5.0 or higher.

Duration	Both part time and full time is available
	Full time equivalent 1.5 years
	Minimum 1.5 year
	Average 3 years
	Maximum 5 years

Mode of delivery Full distance mode

Brief description of program The Master of Workplace Health and Safety is a 120-unit postgraduate coursework program that provides training in occupational health, safety, injury management and rehabilitation. It can be completed wholly on-line as there is no requirement for on-campus attendance.

The program prepares graduates for work in the preparation and implementation of occupational health and safety programs at the workplace. It is designed to develop advanced knowledge, critical understanding and problem solving approaches to the complex ranges of issues and processes associated with practice in occupational health and safety and workplace injury management. As well as extending students' skills in raising awareness of occupational health and safety issues and dealing with risks and dangers in the workplace, the program also aims to encourage the desire to promote the health, safety and well-being of others in the workplace.

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Program

Title of program for accreditation	Master of Occupational Health and Safety Science
Post nominals for program	MOHSSc
Institution web link for program details	http://www.uq.edu.au/study/program.html?acad_prog=5558
AQF level of program	9
Year of establishment of program or proposed date for first delivery	2013
Minimum pre-requisites for application	A four-year bachelor degree or equivalent in any field OR a three-year bachelor degree in science, health science or a related field. All applicants must have completed a minimum of an approved tertiary-level Chemistry course AND an approved tertiary-level Biology course to be considered for entry to the program.
Duration	Both part time and full time available Full time equivalent 1.5 years
Mode of delivery	Face-to-face
Brief description of program	This program is specifically designed for graduates with science, health science and engineering degrees. Students will study courses about ergonomics; occupational health, hygiene and safety; law; and management. In their final year, they will undertake an industry research project that will provide a combined research and industry



experience to ensure they are job-ready.

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