



Media Release

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University of Newcastle gains accreditation for OHS program

The Australian OHS Education Accreditation Board announced this week that the University of Newcastle program leading to a Master of Work Health and Safety has achieved accreditation by meeting the OHS and educational standards set by the Accreditation Board for education of generalist OHS professionals.

Based in regional New South Wales the Master of Work Health and Safety which is delivered by distance mode draws students internationally.

The University of Newcastle Master of Work Health and Safety is the outcome of a review of the OHS related programs offered by the university which combined the key components of an OHS and an injury management program. The result is a program that provides the knowledge required by a generalist OHS professional with a strong injury management component. A unique offering in Australia.

Accreditation Board Registrar Pam Pryor said that the objective of the Accreditation Board was to ensure that quality professional education was available to aspiring and current OHS professionals and that this required a range of programs with differing emphases to meet the various OHS needs of industry. The University of Newcastle Master of Work Health and Safety is such an example.

RMIT University and Latrobe University led the way in achieving accreditation of their post graduate OHS programs in 2012 with Monash University and the Western Australia based Edith Cowen University recently achieving accreditation. They are now joined by the University of Newcastle with other universities currently being assessed.

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