

# Bachelor of Health Sciences / Bachelor of Commerce (2008) Degree Requirements

This four-year double degree course is designed to allow students to pursue their areas of interest in both accounting and health sciences. The combination of health science and commerce will provide students with the opportunity to combine the health administration stream already existing in the Bachelor of Health Sciences with Bachelor of Commerce units. The graduates of such a degree will be able to apply the knowledge and skills of an accountant to the health area. Combined with the Bachelor of Health Sciences, the degree equips students with specific skills and knowledge in health administration, health policy and health services management enabling them to pursue a career in the public or private health services sector. Many unit combinations are possible enabling students to build their course to suit their particular interests for their future careers. The health sector is a large and complex industry and provides interesting careers with a need for the ability to participate in, and respond to a rapidly changing environment. The double degree should provide graduates with the confidence and skills necessary for such a specialised career.

## Course Structure

The course requires a total of 540 credit points taken over four years. All School of Business units are worth 15 credit points.

This grid is a guide only, some commerce units can be taken in either semester 1 or 2 at different year levels.

YEAR 1				
Sem 1	<b>PHE1PHA:</b> Introduction to Public Health A	<b>HBS1API:</b> Introduction to the Human Body	<b>ECO1IMA:</b> Macroeconomics	<b>LST1BSL:</b> Business Law
Sem 2	<b>PHE1PHB:</b> Introduction to Public Health B	<b>HBS1HRB:</b> Regulation of Human Body Function	<b>ECO1IMI:</b> Microeconomic s	<b>BUS1MIS:</b> Management Information Systems
YEAR 2				
Sem 1	<b>PHE1HOA</b> Health of Australians	Second Year Health Sciences unit #	<b>MGT1FOM:</b> Foundations of Management	<b>ACC1AMD:</b> Accounting for Management Decisions
Sem 2	<b>PHE1AHS</b> Australia's Health Care System	Second Year Health Sciences unit #	<b>ECO1ISB:</b> Introductory Statistics for Business	<b>ACC1IFA:</b> Introductory Financial Accounting
YEAR 3				
Sem 1	Second Year Health Sciences unit #	Second Year Health Sciences unit # <b>plus</b> Second or Third Year Health Sciences elective (10 credit points) # (Can be taken in Sem 1 or 2)	<b>FIN2FIN</b> Finance	<b>ACC2CRE:</b> Corporate Reporting
Sem 2	Third Year Health Sciences unit # (30 cpts)	Third Year School of Business elective (15 credit points)	Second Year School of Business elective	<b>LST2LBA:</b> Law of Business Association
YEAR 4				
Sem 1	Third Year School of Business elective (15 credit points)	<b>ACC2IMA:</b> Introductory Management Accounting	Third Year Accounting Unit (Auditing recommended)	<b>ACC3AFA:</b> <b>Advanced Financial Accounting</b>
Sem 2	Third Year Health Sciences unit # (30 cpts)	<b>ACC2IMB:</b> Intermediate Management Accounting	Third Year Accounting Unit (Taxation recommended)	Third Year Accounting Unit

### Professional Recognition

Taxation and Auditing are no longer part of the accreditation requirements for CPA Australia although both are required for membership of the Institute of Chartered Accountants (ICAA). Students who do not complete the Taxation and Auditing units as part of their degree will be admitted to membership in CPA Australia, but will be required to complete studies in both areas as part of their ongoing CPA training.

### Key

# Taken from either the School of Public Health or Human Biosciences

### Note:

For details of the Bachelor of Commerce units, see entries in the Faculty of Law and Management section of the La Trobe Undergraduate Course Handbook

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