

Doctor of Philosophy

School of Public Health

The School of Public Health has a profile of research expertise in health policy, health promotion, health services management, health information management, primary health care, rehabilitation studies, counselling and psychotherapy, and palliative care.

More than 100 PhD and Doctor of Public Health students are supervised by School staff, making the School one of the leading Australian institutions for research training in public health.

The degree of **Doctor of Philosophy** is the principal research degree of the University. It requires up to four years (equivalent full-time) research under the guidance of a supervisor. It is also possible to be admitted as a part-time candidate.

Candidates complete a PhD thesis not exceeding 100,000 words which should also demonstrate a capacity for independent research and makes a substantial and original contribution to learning.

Areas of study

Please refer to www.latrobe.edu.au/publichealth/research where the following details about the School of Public Health can be obtained:

- Research areas of interest
- Recently completed thesis topics
- Current research projects

Academic staff information can be obtained from www.latrobe.edu.au/publichealth/Staff/academic_index.htm

Admission

The normal requirement for admission as a candidate is a bachelor's degree with at least upper second-class honours or a master's degree with a substantial research dissertation. Prospective students should contact Dr Simon Barraclough, s.barraclough@latrobe.edu.au to discuss candidature prior to applying.

Costs

Eligible students are normally offered places in the Commonwealth Research Training Scheme, which provides fees for the period of candidature. Full-time students may also apply for a Commonwealth or University scholarship.

How to apply

Please contact the academic course coordinator to discuss your topic of interest, qualifications, and research ideas. The course coordinator will seek a suitable supervisor to assist you in your research. If your topic is approved, you will be requested to make a formal application.

Applications are made through the University's Research and Graduate Studies Office www.latrobe.edu.au/rgso. Applications for candidature may be made at any time. Combined applications for candidature and scholarship close on 31 October each year (30 September for overseas applicants).

Doctor of Philosophy candidates may be commenced at any time during the academic year, by arrangement.

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