Medical and Health Sciences
Postgraduate Prospectus 2021

Medical Sciences | Medicine | Nursing
Optometry and Vision Science | Pharmacy | Population Health

No 1
Global Reputation**
No 1
In New Zealand for Employability***
Thank you for considering postgraduate study with us at the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences (FMHS).

Postgraduate study offers a wealth of opportunities including involvement in crucial research, learning from prominent mentors and expanding your networks and career prospects.

We are a leading provider of tertiary education across New Zealand’s health sector and are highly regarded internationally for our medical and health research. Many of our teaching staff are leaders in their fields, providing you the opportunity to learn from the best.

We provide high quality education with up-to-date research, teaching, study and laboratory facilities. Our research activity is organised on a thematic basis, which encourages collaboration across the faculty and wider University.

The Grafton Campus is a modern facility that sits alongside New Zealand’s largest tertiary hospital, providing high-quality teaching and research translation in association with the newly established Auckland Academic Health Alliance.

The faculty is located in the heart of Auckland, which is ranked third= out of 231 world cities for quality of living*, so you can also experience the bustling nightlife, restaurant and café scenes for which Auckland City is renowned.

I warmly invite you to explore our postgraduate prospectus and website and discover the range of options available.

This prospectus provides the information to start you on your journey with our Schools of Medicine, Medical Sciences, Nursing, Pharmacy, Population Health and Optometry and Vision Science.

I look forward to welcoming you to our faculty in 2021.

PROFESSOR JOHN FRASER
Dean, Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences
The University of Auckland

*Amerc Quality of Living Survey, 2019
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AUCKLAND’S quality of living is ranked 3rd worldwide
Why study with us?

The University of Auckland is New Zealand’s leading University* and pre-eminent research-led institution. The Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences at the University of Auckland is an internationally recognised comprehensive health sciences faculty boasting a reputation for research excellence.

Our reputation
The Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences is large, diverse and committed to improving the health of our local, national and global communities through excellence in teaching, research and service. The faculty works at the cutting edge of research, at the commercial biotechnology interface, in the clinical care setting and in the community.

We offer a broad range of postgraduate programmes that are innovative and designed to ensure our graduates remain in high demand, both here and overseas.

We pride ourselves on the close collaborations that we have developed with the country’s healthcare providers; this ensures our teaching and research is relevant to the present and future health needs of New Zealand.

Our postgraduate students are a significant part of the research drive and outputs of the faculty and the wider University.

High-quality teaching, research and people
Many of our lecturers and health researchers are regarded as experts in their fields, frequently directing global research projects designed to better the lives of New Zealanders, and in turn passing this knowledge on to our students. Our active research programmes provide a wealth of information, keeping us at the forefront of modern medicine and ensuring our teaching is as relevant and informed as it can possibly be.

Outstanding facilities
Our modern facilities including our laboratory spaces provide the highest quality teaching and research space for our students.

Pathways
A feature of many of our programmes is that students may often move from one qualification to another, using the study they have already completed as a building block towards further study. This allows, for example, students to progress from a postgraduate certificate to a postgraduate diploma to a masters degree. There are some restrictions on programme movement, so it is recommended that students seek advice from our Student Centre prior to commencing study.

Subjects, courses and programmes
We offer a wide range of postgraduate subjects and within each subject, an extensive list of individual courses. In many cases it is possible to combine study in more than one subject area within a programme. Teaching in the faculty is offered by the Schools of Medical Sciences, Medicine, Nursing, Optometry and Vision Science, Pharmacy, and Population Health and our department of Māori Health’s Te Kupenga Hauora Māori (TKHM). It may be possible to combine subjects from different schools into one programme. Talk to a PG adviser at our Student Centre for advice. (See p. 24.)

A full list of subjects and courses can be found at www.fmhs.auckland.ac.nz/pg

Read more about our ranking here
www.auckland.ac.nz/rankings

* www.topuniversities.com

** www.timeshighereducation.com
The University of Auckland is New Zealand’s LEADING University in the QS World University Rankings 2020

UoA is the only NZ University in the TOP 100

QS 5+ Stars rating

The University of Auckland is rated as a Five Stars Plus institution for Excellence Overall as well as the following categories:

Research • Employability • Teaching • Facilities • Internationalisation • Innovation • Inclusiveness

Amy Lovell
PhD in Medical Sciences, Discipline of Nutrition
School of Medical Sciences
The term “postgraduate” refers to any programme of study that is at a higher level than an undergraduate programme.
Where can postgraduate study take me?

Why should I consider postgraduate study?
There are many reasons why you might consider postgraduate study:
• You may have an interest in a particular subject.
• You may have a desire to learn new skills or develop your current skills to an advanced level.
• Further study is considered vital for health professionals looking to update their skills or specialise in a particular field of healthcare.

Whatever your motivation, a postgraduate coursework qualification will provide you with the ability to explore new and emerging fields of study, give you the opportunity to acquire further specialist knowledge and theory, and in some cases, advanced knowledge of professional practice.

Completion of a postgraduate research qualification will enable you to demonstrate mastery of specialist knowledge and theory. It will give you the capacity to define and manage a research project, as well as the opportunity to undertake original research and practice.

Students who complete postgraduate qualifications from our faculty add to the research strengths of the country and the clinical excellence of New Zealand’s health sector. Many obtain roles of responsibility within hospitals and healthcare centres, while others work internationally with globally competitive research groups and biotechnology industries, or find challenging positions within pharmaceutical and health promotion agencies.

Before becoming our Associate Dean (Academic), Bridget Kool held other senior academic roles at the University including Academic Director for the School of Population Health, and Director of the BHSc (Hons) programme.

Bridget is a Registered General and Obstetric Nurse and practised as a paediatric nurse for 25 years. She has completed an MPH (1st class honours) and PhD (Dean’s List) both from the University of Auckland.

Achievements throughout her career include over 70 papers published in peer-reviewed journals, research funding from prominent organisations and roles such as the Chair of the Safekids Advisory Board, an invited member of the Statistics New Zealand Working Group for Serious Injury Information and the National Trauma Stakeholder Group, and an Associate Editor for Injury. She has also held a number of significant former service roles including former New Zealand Branch President of the Australasian Epidemiological Association, and Editor for the Australian New Zealand Journal of Public Health.

Bridget continues to be active in research, and enjoys supervising postgraduate research students. Outside of work, Bridget enjoys anything that involves the outdoors including snow skiing, tramping, water skiing, and surfing.
Postgraduate research

Our postgraduate students are a significant part of the research drive and outputs of the faculty and the wider University. Our graduates are increasingly finding their niches in other prestigious international research institutes, including the universities of Cambridge and Oxford, UCLA, Burnham Institute and Harvard.

Some of our research centres and groups where postgraduate students can participate in ongoing research:

Auckland Cancer Society Research Centre (ACSRC)
Regarded internationally as one of the world’s leading anti-cancer drug development laboratories, the ACSRC is this country’s acknowledged heavy hitter in drug development.
http://www.auckland.ac.nz/acsrc

Centre for Addiction Research (CFAR)
The centre brings together researchers from across our faculty who are exploring the effects of substance abuse and gambling on individuals, their families, communities, and society. Their ongoing work in diverse areas such as psychopharmacology, general practice, psychiatry, public health, Māori health, psychological medicine and clinical pharmacology has earned the centre a highly regarded national and international track record.
www.auckland.ac.nz/cfar

Centre for Brain Research (CBR)
Established in 2009, the centre excels in world-class neuroscience research carried out by cross-faculty teams, alongside clinical collaborations with leading neurologists, neurosurgeons and physicians in New Zealand and around the world. Scientists, doctors and students work at every level, from the laboratory to the clinic with whanau and in the community.
www.auckland.ac.nz/cbr

National Institute for Health Innovation (NIHI)
NIHI discover, develop, test and deliver innovative approaches to today’s most pressing health problems. Their team consists of academic researchers, project managers, developers, data managers and biostatisticians whose work is focused on preventing disease, improving people’s health, reducing health inequities and enabling the delivery of more effective and equitable healthcare.
www.nihi.auckland.ac.nz/

Professor Andrew Shelling, the Associate Dean (Research), oversees research, coordinates the implementation of strategy and chairs the Faculty Research Committee, which helps to provide strategic direction for the development, coordination and promotion of the faculty’s research.

We are committed to improving the health of our local, national and global communities through excellence in research. The faculty is the largest biomedical research faculty in New Zealand, with a proud history of attracting and growing pre-eminent researchers and talented students, and generating high levels of research funding.

We have fostered a very strong research culture and host a number of internationally renowned and highly regarded research programmes and research centres. A strong culture of collaboration exists at all levels through the faculty, allowing vital links across faculty, between faculties and with other tertiary research institutions.
New Zealand National Eye Centre (NZ-NEC)
The centre includes the two ophthalmic professions - the Department of Ophthalmology and the School of Optometry and Vision Science incorporating the Molecular Vision Laboratory. The NZ-NEC constituent departments currently have a combined staff of more than 100 clinicians, clinician-scientists and vision-scientists, including honorary appointments, working in the area of eye health, vision research and education in New Zealand.
www.auckland.ac.nz/nz-nec

Surgical and Translational Research Centre (STaR)
STaR Centre draws together four related research platforms that are committed to collaborative, cross-disciplinary and translational research. The research platforms cover the disciplines of molecular science, engineering science, clinical science and population science. As well as working together cohesively, they also actively collaborate with local, national and international research groups.
www.auckland.ac.nz/star

Centre for Longitudinal Research – He Ara ki Mua
This Centre provides an academic hub of expertise in life course epidemiological approaches to population health issues. It draws together academics from across the Faculties of Medical and Health Sciences, Science, Business and Education, working on cross-disciplinary research projects.
www.auckland.ac.nz/crlr

Tōmaiora - Māori Health Research Group
Established in 1997, Tōmaiora is a leading Māori Health Research Group based within Te Kupenga Hauora Māori (TKHM) (the Department of Māori Health). TKHM is responsible for teaching, building capacity and capability and undertaking research in Māori health.
www.auckland.ac.nz/tomiora

Werry Centre for Child and Adolescent Mental Health
Werry Workforce Whāraurau, is the national centre for infant, child and adolescent mental health and addiction workforce development. Its staff work toward improving the mental health of children and young people in New Zealand through supporting teaching, training, resources, promoting evidence based practice, workforce development, advocacy, and by actively supporting those who provide services to children, young people and their families/whānau.
www.werryworkforce.org

FIND YOUR NICHE in a prestigious international research institute
Maurice Curtis
Head of Department
Anatomy and Medical Imaging
Postgraduate scholarships and funding

FMHS specific scholarships and awards
Our research-led faculty offers a variety of scholarships and awards to help further our students in their academic, clinical or research careers.

Dean’s International Doctoral Scholarship (FMHS)
For full-time international PhD students. $28,200pa plus domestic fees, insurance and relocation grant.

Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences Nursing Research Fees Bursaries
Tuition fees bursary for MNurs and MHSc for research in the School of Nursing. Available to New Zealand citizens and permanent residents.

James Hodge M and P Paykel Trust Research Scholarship in Medical and Health Sciences
To encourage outstanding science students to undertake research in medical and health sciences in order to achieve an Honours or a Masters degree at the University of Auckland. Up to three scholarships of $5,000 per year.

Elizabeth Ewing Memorial Scholarship in Adolescent and Young Adult Health
A $5,000 scholarship to support a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident enrolled full-time or part-time in postgraduate research focusing on adolescent and young adult health.

Edna and Denis Moloney Scholarship
A scholarship to fund travel and other costs for a full-time MD or PhD student to present an oral paper at a conference in a field related to cancer research.

Arthur Thomas Paterson Award in Ophthalmology
Award of up to $20,000 to support a Vocational Trainee in Ophthalmology with the costs of overseas postgraduate training.

Douglas Goodfellow Masters Scholarship in Medical and Health Sciences
A $2,500 scholarship for a New Zealand citizen who is enrolled full-time in a masters programme at FMHS who is experiencing financial difficulty.

John Hamel MacGregor Awards in Medical Science
Award of up to $10,000 for MBChB students enrolling part-time or full-time in a BMEdSci(Hons) or postgraduate research degree in FMHS before completing their MBChB.

Margaret Piper Doctoral Scholarship
To support international and domestic PhD students enrolled full-time or part-time in FMHS.

HC Russell Memorial Postgraduate Scholarship
A scholarship of up to $4,500 for masters level or $10,000 for PhD level full-time study in Optometry by a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident.

University of Auckland Scholarship in General Practice
A scholarship of up to $7,500 to support a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident undertaking postgraduate research in the Department of General Practice and Primary Health Care.

William Henry Staunton Memorial Scholarship
For a PhD candidate in FMHS undertaking cancer-related research.

Margaret Burland Doctoral Scholarship
To support a domestic or international student enrolled full-time or part-time in doctoral study in FMHS.
Find out more at our FMHS Postgraduate Scholarships webpage.
www.fmhs.auckland.ac.nz/pg-scholarships

University of Auckland Scholarships
There is also a range of University of Auckland scholarships and awards open to postgraduate students including:

University of Auckland Health Research Doctoral Scholarship
A scholarship to support international and domestic students enrolled in a PhD in a health-related area in the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences.

The University of Auckland Senior Health Research Scholarship
Of up to $40,000, plus compulsory fees for domestic and international students paying domestic fees, to support health professionals returning to University study for a doctorate in health related areas.
See the full range of UoA scholarships and awards:

Postgraduate scholarships
www.auckland.ac.nz/PGScholarships
Doctoral scholarships
www.auckland.ac.nz/is-doctoralscholarships
See all University of Auckland scholarships
www.auckland.ac.nz/scholarships

$40 million in postgraduate scholarships are offered by the University of Auckland each year
Our postgraduate programmes have been designed to meet the needs of those aspiring to, or involved in, academic, clinical and professional careers. We offer both research and taught programmes:

**Doctorates**
An advanced course of independent study and original research, presented in the form of a thesis.

**Masters degrees**
Advanced specialist study and/or research in a particular field. We offer both research and taught masters degrees.

**Bachelors Honours degrees**
120-point programmes that follow on from a bachelors degree, enabling students to extend their knowledge and skills through further coursework and a dissertation, thesis or research portfolio.

**Postgraduate diplomas**
Graduate level qualifications that provide opportunities to venture into research as well as a pathway into a masters degree.

**Postgraduate certificates**
A postgraduate qualification in an area of interest or professional involvement.

Certificates of Proficiency
Most courses offered by the faculty can be taken as a Certificate of Proficiency (COP).

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**Certificate of Proficiency**

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<td><strong>Postgraduate certificate</strong> 60 points</td>
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<td><strong>Postgraduate diploma</strong> 120 points</td>
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Find out more about our postgraduate degrees and more information on postgraduate study options at: www.fmhs.auckland.ac.nz/postgrad
Honours/diploma programmes

Bachelor of Biomedical Science Honours
BBiomedScHons
Designed for academically able students to progress efficiently to PhD training, this programme is intended for people who aim to fill leadership roles in research and development. You will learn how to apply in-depth biomedical and biological science knowledge for the improvement of human health through the development of novel approaches to the diagnosis and treatment of disease.
www.auckland.ac.nz/bbiomedsc-hons

Bachelor of Health Sciences Honours
BHScHons
High-achieving health sciences graduates can study at an advanced level to graduate with enhanced analytical and research skills. This programme provides a deeper understanding of the epistemological underpinning of population health.
www.auckland.ac.nz/bhsc-hons

Bachelor of Medical Science Honours
BMedScHons
This research degree provides medical students or recent medical graduates with a unique opportunity to undertake original research and gain in-depth knowledge in a particular field of medical science.
www.auckland.ac.nz/bmedsc-hons

Bachelor of Nursing Honours
BNursHons
A programme for high-achieving nursing graduates who wish to enhance their career prospects or pursue nursing research. In most cases, you will work in partnership with a clinical academic supervisor to complete a project designed with your current employer.
www.auckland.ac.nz/bnurs-hons

Diploma in Paediatrics
DipPaed
This diploma is for medical practitioners registered and working in New Zealand. Students are required to complete six months of paediatric training before the end of the study year.
www.auckland.ac.nz/dippaed
I am a Health Psychologist in the Pain Services unit at Counties Manukau Health, serving our culturally diverse community.

I really enjoy my role and helping people and their families each day through difficult experiences. Psychology has been something I have always wanted to pursue.

“There are very few Pacific psychologists and I hope to encourage more of our people to take up studies in this area”

The Postgraduate Diploma in Health Psychology, being a practical course, I had the opportunity to learn in an applied and safe way under the guidance of experienced supervisors.

Working in this area exposes you to the underserved need – especially for our Pacific and Māori communities. I would fully encourage our Pacific and Māori people to enter into this area of health!

Jesse Fia’Ali’l is a Health Psychologist at Counties Manukau Health

JESSE FIA’ALI’L
Postgraduate Diploma in Health Psychology
Postgraduate certificate/diploma programmes

Postgraduate Certificate in Clinical Education  
PGCertClinEd  
This programme is for health professionals working in a range of healthcare settings who are responsible for undergraduate education, junior practitioners and other specialist training programmes. The PGCertClinEd aims to develop the skills necessary to become an excellent educator within a wide range of healthcare settings.  
www.auckland.ac.nz/pgcertclined

Postgraduate Certificate in Clinical Pharmacy  
PGCertClinPharm  
The generic PGCertClinPharm is for pharmacy graduates who are registered pharmacists who wish to advance their skills in this area with postgraduate study. The specialisation in Prescribing is designed to provide registered pharmacists who have already completed the Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Pharmacy with the knowledge and skills to register as a Pharmacist Prescriber with the Pharmacy Council of New Zealand.  
www.auckland.ac.nz/pgcertclinpharm

Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences  
PGCertHSc  
This certificate allows students to complete postgraduate taught courses in a diverse range of subjects that are related to health sciences. Ideal for current health professionals and those with a relevant undergraduate degree wishing to pursue postgraduate study in a health-related field. See webpage for specialisations available.  
www.auckland.ac.nz/pgcerthsc

Postgraduate Diploma in Biomedical Science  
PGDipBiomedSc  
This Diploma is for high-achieving graduates from science qualifications and some clinical programmes (eg MBChB). Examine processes underpinning human disease, and design and conduct medical science research addressing key health issues.  
www.auckland.ac.nz/pgdipbiomedsc

Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Education  
PGDipClinEd  
This programme enables clinical teachers to become excellent educators and researchers in clinical education.  
www.auckland.ac.nz/pgdipclined

Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Pharmacy  
PGDipClinPharm  
This programme is ideal for registered pharmacists to advance their education in clinical pharmacy.  
www.auckland.ac.nz/pgdipclinpharm

Postgraduate Diploma in Health Psychology  
PGDipHealthPsych  
Develop your skills to become a health psychologist, working directly with patient populations and the public. Students will gain sound knowledge of the social and psychological aspects of health problems and the application of suitable psychological interventions in health settings.  
www.auckland.ac.nz/pgdiphealthpsych

Postgraduate Diploma in Health Sciences  
PGDipHSc  
A Postgraduate Diploma for all current health professionals and those with a relevant undergraduate degree wishing to pursue postgraduate study in a health-related field. The programme covers a broad range of health science subjects. Complete a generic programme or specialise in one subject area. See webpage for information on specialisations.  
www.auckland.ac.nz/pgdiphsc

Postgraduate Diploma in Obstetrics and Medical Gynaecology  
PGDipObstMedGyn  
This Diploma is aimed at improving the standard of obstetric and gynaecological care provided by general practitioners working in the community. Students will undergo a programme of practical training and formal education.  
www.auckland.ac.nz/pgdipobstmedgyn

Postgraduate Diploma in Public Health  
PGDipPH  
Help reduce the burden of disease and injury and improve the quality of healthcare delivery in public health. This programme covers a range of activities and disciplines including epidemiology, demography, sociology, health statistics, health economics, health promotion, health management, health protection, environmental health and health services and policy.  
www.auckland.ac.nz/pgdipph

www.fmhs.auckland.ac.nz
Deciding to pursue a Master in Health Leadership was one of the easiest and best choices I have ever made. It prepared me for a career in health by providing me with the skills to support my passions.

I am now a project analyst at Synergia. After graduating from the Bachelor of Health Sciences, I studied the Master of Health Leadership. I was so thankful for the opportunity to work in partnership with Auckland Council and WAI Auckland on a project. My project looked at ‘AKL Paths and the addition of drinking water foundations for better health outcomes’. I wrote a business case, looking at how we can improve access to drinking water. It was accepted by Auckland Council and implemented a few months later.

I gained a good understanding of how local government and Auckland Regional Public Health Service works and also gained experience with stakeholder engagement, interviewing, literature scans and business cases.

In the future, I would love to create and manage community programmes to empower people to gain better control over their lives.

Emelia Masari is a Project Analyst at Synergia.

Masters

Master of Audiology Maud
This research-based programme is recognised by the New Zealand Audiological Society (NZAS). Facilities such as the University’s Hearing and Tinnitus Clinic and The Oticon Foundation Hearing Education Centre provide excellent opportunities for clinical training and continuing education for practising audiologists.

www.auckland.ac.nz/maud

Master of Biomedical Science MBiomedSc
A Master of Biomedical Science will develop students expertise in applying biological and biomedical knowledge to the improvement of human health through the development of novel approaches to the diagnosis and treatment of disease.

www.auckland.ac.nz/mbiomedsc

Master of Clinical Education M ClinEd
This Masters will develop students educational theory and practice, underpinned by a research project, for a career in clinical education. Gain skills in clinical teaching, including one-on-one supervision, bedside teaching, small group teaching and interactive large group teaching.

www.auckland.ac.nz/mclined

Master of Clinical Pharmacy M ClinPharm
The Master of Clinical Pharmacy provides pharmacists with the opportunity to carry out research and contribute to the advancement of medicines and clinical pharmacy practice.

www.auckland.ac.nz/mclinpharm

Master of Health Leadership MHlthLd
This is an innovative qualification for health professionals and graduates of health sciences, public health, commerce, law and arts degrees, who seek to improve the experiences of patients, the health of communities and populations, and the operations of health services. Visit our webpage for information on the specialisations.

www.auckland.ac.nz/mhthld

Master of Health Practice MHlthPrac
The theory taught and research project undertaken in this Masters will provide practitioners with advanced knowledge and skills necessary to work in the community or in practice, specialising in areas of Health Promotion, Addiction, Mental Health and Pacific Health. Visit our webpage for information on specialisations.

www.auckland.ac.nz/mhthprac

Master of Health Psychology M HealthPsych
This two-year postgraduate programme provides a strong background in the theoretical, methodological and practical applications of health psychology. The programme will equip you with a sound knowledge base and high-quality research skills needed to design and carry out effective health psychology research and interventions in healthcare settings.

www.auckland.ac.nz/mhealthpsych
Master of Health Sciences  MHSc
The Master of Health Sciences provides health professionals the opportunity to advance the knowledge and skills necessary for leadership roles in the delivery of health services, systems or research fields.
www.auckland.ac.nz/mhsc

Master of Nursing  MNurs
The Master of Nursing is for New Zealand registered nurses looking to acquire advanced skills with a substantial focus on clinical orientation.¹
www.auckland.ac.nz/mnurs

Master of Nursing Practice  MNursPrac
If you are a registered nurse wanting to upskill, the Master of Nursing Practice is the ideal programme for advancing your career opportunities. This advanced nursing programme is designed to build upon your current skills and knowledge and provide an in-depth diagnostic and analytical approach to patient care using evidence-based healthcare. ¹
www.auckland.ac.nz/mnursprac

Master of Nursing Science  MNSc
Students with an undergraduate degree in Health Sciences (BHSc), or Science (BSc) with courses in Physiology and Psychology, can now enter the nursing profession at an advanced level upon completion of the Master of Nursing Science. ¹
www.auckland.ac.nz/mnsc

Master of Public Health  MPH
Prepare for a career in the public health sector with this internationally recognised qualification. An ideal programme for students pursuing a career in disease prevention, surveillance, health promotion, epidemiology and other areas of public health. You can complete this programme as either a taught or research masters.
www.auckland.ac.nz/mph

¹. Students undertaking Advanced Nursing or Mental Health Nursing need professional registration.

“I always had a passion for the social sciences and wanted to affect policy and real change”

Josh Cronin-Lampe is a Policy Analyst at Health Research Council

Working with the Fred Hollows Foundation of New Zealand and the Pacific Eye Institute (PEI) was definitely the highlight of my study, as we were able to work alongside each other to design a meaningful and useful research programme. For my thesis, I worked with these organisations to analyse the severity of Diabetic Retinopathy in patients that present to screening at the PEI’s diabetic eye clinic, as well as the long-term follow-up of these patients over time. The results are being used to inform the health promotional activities of the PEI, and the Fred Hollows Foundation more broadly.

Winning the Global Health Prize for Top Student was also another highlight and I was fortunate to have such amazing supervisors and collaborators who were extremely supportive, connected and insightful.

I always had a passion for the social sciences and wanted to affect policy and real change towards improving equity, population health and wellbeing.

After graduating, I landed a great role in the strategy and policy team at the Health Research Council of New Zealand. It’s a rewarding role and my study helped prepare me well for it.

Josh Cronin-Lampe is a Policy Analyst at Health Research Council
I completed my undergraduate degree at AUT University but decided to come to the University of Auckland because of its reputation for high quality research in cognitive neuroscience.

I was attracted to the School of Optometry and Vision Science because of the work done on size perception in the brain by cognitive neuroscientist Associate Professor Sam Schwarzkopf, and the fascinating work on involuntary eye-movements by Professor Steven Dakin, a vision scientist.

“Doing your PhD can keep you busy and for that reason I think work-life balance is essential”

My PhD investigates the link between eye movements and subjective perception. The quality of my own work is influenced by the deeply-embedded culture of research in the school. There are many academics working here who have been happy to lend their advice and skills to my own work, which has been invaluable.

I am looking into pursuing a career in academia, but there are also excellent opportunities in the public or private sectors, including market and policy research.

Doing your PhD can keep you busy and for that reason I think work-life balance is essential, which is why in my time out of the lab I train and compete in the sport of powerlifting.

Poutasi W. B. Urale is a PhD candidate in Optometry and Vision Science.
Doctorates

**Doctor of Medicine (MD)**
The Doctor of Medicine (MD) is a professional doctorate that provides an opportunity for experienced medical clinicians to undertake advanced study and research.

www.auckland.ac.nz/md

**Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)**
The PhD is a globally recognised postgraduate research degree and the highest level of degree you can achieve. PhD students are critical, curious, creative thinkers who undertake original research over at least 3 years.

www.auckland.ac.nz/phd

Interfaculty degree and diplomas

**Bachelor of Science Honours (BScHons)**
Bachelor of Science students looking to advance their knowledge in the specialisations of Pharmacology and Physiology will do so at the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences.¹

www.auckland.ac.nz/bsc-hons

**Postgraduate Diploma in Science (PGDipSci)**
The Postgraduate Diploma in Science (PGDipSci) is an opportunity for Bachelor of Science graduates to advance their qualifications. Our specialisations are Optometry, Pharmacology and Physiology.¹

www.auckland.ac.nz/pgdipsci

**Master of Science (MSc)**
Bachelor of Science students specialising in Optometry, Pharmacology and Physiology are provided with the opportunity to work on independent research within the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences.¹

www.auckland.ac.nz/msc

¹ Other specialisations available through Faculty of Science.

Please note, December start is available for some 120 point research masters, subject to supervisor availability. Please check with Student Centre for further information.
We welcome international students at all postgraduate levels to the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences. Based in the heart of Auckland City, next to the Auckland Domain and Auckland City Hospital, we offer an inviting and stimulating environment with first-class teaching in a range of postgraduate programmes from certificates to doctorates.

Our range of high-quality programmes in clinical and non-clinical areas offer postgraduate study opportunities for international students with a health background and for those with an interest in a career in health.

Our new Master of Nursing Science offers students with an undergraduate degree in any discipline the opportunity to complete two years of postgraduate study.

Both the Master of Health Practice and the Master of Health Leadership provide practical skills and a workplace-based project. They provide excellent opportunities for international students and complement the wide range of other postgraduate programmes available in our faculty.

Highlights

- Master of Health Leadership with three specialisations (120/180 points)
- Master of Health Practice with five specialisations (120/180 points)
- Master of Nursing Science (240 points)
- Master of Biomedical Science (120/240 points)

International funding and scholarships

We offer a range of scholarships in Medical and Health Sciences for international students. These include a Medical Sciences Scholarship of up to $20,000 per year and the Master of Health Leadership Scholarships of up to $15,000. Please see our website for details of all available international scholarships: www.auckland.ac.nz/scholarships

International Office

The International Office provides advice for international students throughout the University on all matters relating to application, admission, fees, immigration, arrival services and Orientation. Support is also available to all students enrolled in our faculty at Grafton’s Student Centre. The University of Auckland has a number of resources especially for international students that can be accessed online at: www.international.auckland.ac.nz

English language requirements

For applicants whose first language is not English, you must provide evidence that shows proficiency in English at the level required for postgraduate study. The required minimum IELTS score is 6.5 with no band less than 6. The required minimum TOEFL scores are 575 in total for the paper-based test with a minimum TWE of 4.5 and 90 in total for the computer-based test with a minimum essay writing score of 21. For more information and approved alternatives, visit: www.auckland.ac.nz/is-english

Health and travel insurance

All international students are required to have appropriate and current health insurance for their period of study. The insurance also has to cover your travel to New Zealand to study. For more information, visit: www.auckland.ac.nz/is-insurance

Other key information

International students requiring assistance with the application process or advice about eligibility for entry to postgraduate programmes should contact the International Office team. We recommend you start the application process as early as possible so you have sufficient time to apply for your visa. www.auckland.ac.nz/international-apply

The University has a number of official agents and representatives overseas who can assist you with the application process in person. A list of their contact details is available at: www.auckland.ac.nz/overseasrep

Medical Sciences Scholarship up to $20,000

and

Masters of Health Leadership up to $15,000
I completed an undergraduate bachelors degree in psychology in a country where mental health isn’t yet very well established.
I decided to pursue this qualification to further increase my chances of becoming a psychologist and this programme is a stepping-stone into the necessary degree I need to do that. As an international student I wanted to understand the public health system here in New Zealand.

“Where I am from in the Philippines, the concept is taboo, surrounded by a blanket of negative assumptions which makes it a disreputable practice. Here in New Zealand, I can learn so much more.”

My area of study focused on population health, which consisted of papers on mental health development and promotion, research, addiction studies and health policy - all concerned with improving the health and wellbeing at population levels as opposed to the individual level.

Eivry Kerxen Ambe is studying a Postgraduate Diploma in Health Sciences (PGDipHSc)
Te Kupenga Hauora Māori

Te Kupenga Hauora Māori (TKHM) coordinates teaching in Māori Health across the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences and externally, spanning foundation, undergraduate and postgraduate levels. Te Kupenga Hauora Māori houses the Tōmaiora Māori Health Research Unit.

Postgraduate study in Māori Health offers excellent opportunities to gain critical awareness of Māori health and ethnic inequalities in health. Health inequalities are of significant national and international interest for research, policy and provision of health services.

It is important that all public health workers in New Zealand have an understanding of how inequalities are created and maintained, and how they may be reduced and eliminated.

Students will learn from experts in Māori Health, many of whom have established links with other indigenous health workers and researchers around the Pacific region.

A specialisation in Māori Health should be considered by postgraduate students whose future careers have Māori health development as a significant focus through research, policy, management, service, clinical and community pathways. Individual Māori Health courses should also be considered by health workers wanting to gain knowledge and insight into the fundamentals of Māori health and actions to reduce ethnic inequalities in health.

Key learning outcomes

Learning outcomes in Māori Health vary depending on the level and type of course, but in general we aim for graduates to have:

- An understanding of health and the forces that shape it.
- An understanding of the role various health related professions can play in Māori health development.
- A critical understanding of health inequities between Māori and non-Māori and the determinants of these disparities.
- Skills to enable health-related professionals to monitor personal and institutional contributions to Māori health outcomes.
- An ability to apply Kaupapa Māori research principles in a range of contexts in order to advance Māori health.
- A commitment to lifelong learning in Māori and indigenous health.

Find out more about TKHM at www.fmhs.auckland.ac.nz/tkhm

“As a Māori student, I have been well supported by the facilitators of this programme.”
Māori and Pacific Admissions Scheme (MAPAS) PG

Uniquely tailored support for indigenous Māori and Pacific students enrolled in postgraduate study at the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences.

How can MAPAS PG support me?
All MAPAS postgraduate students studying within the faculty are supported to succeed with access:

- To workshops for academic study, writing and research skills.
- To writing wānanga retreats to focus on research and writing away from home and outside of formal teaching space to minimise distractions.
- To targeted tutorials (by arrangement).
- To cohort get-togethers (whakawhanaungatanga) and networking with fellow postgraduate students.
- To access to specific online resources.
- To support and guidance on scholarship applications and funding grants.
- To assistance to access support services such as Student Health and Counselling, Student Learning Services, spiritual and religious support, Tuākana network, Student Disability Services and the Examinations Office.

Am I eligible?
You are eligible to access MAPAS postgraduate support if you:
1. Have verified indigenous New Zealand Māori or Pacific Whakapapa/ancestry and
2. Are a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand and
3. Have applied for entry into a postgraduate programme at the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences

How do I register to receive MAPAS Postgraduate Support?
To access this support you must:
1. Be admitted into a Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences postgraduate programme.
2. Submit a MAPAS postgraduate registration form online:
www.fmhs.auckland.ac.nz/pg-mapas

My thesis will explore the perceptions rangatahi/young urban Māori have on healthy and sustainable kai and the forces that influence their perspectives.

I see nutrition as a vehicle for social and climate justice through which health equity can be achieved for Māori. I am studying to become a registered dietitian to help address this in Aotearoa.

As a Māori student, I have been well supported by the facilitators of this programme. MAPAS PG also provided support throughout and facilitated meetings with the nutrition department to get advice about the best path for me to achieve my goals.

A highlight of my studies was being supported by the faculty to travel to the USA to attend an indigenous nutrition conference in 2019, which inspired my thesis and invigorated my passion for Māori health and nutrition.

Summer Rangimaarie Wright (Ngāti Maniapoto) is studying the Master of Health Sciences in Nutrition and Dietetics programme.
Support for postgraduate study

Student Learning Services
Student Learning Services facilitates the development of effective academic learning and performance skills in students and helps those who encounter difficulties in their studies. Academic tutors teach process skills, which are crucial to academic success. Programmes cater for the learning needs of all students from first year undergraduates to postgraduates.

Phone City Campus: +64 9 923 8850
Email: sls@auckland.ac.nz
www.library.auckland.ac.nz/student-learning

Doctoral Skills Programme
The Doctoral Skills Programme provides an Induction Day and different workshop strands to help students complete their doctorates successfully and in a timely manner. Advice on career planning and professional development is also available for students to better achieve their goals upon completion of the doctorate. Book a course at:

www.auckland.ac.nz/doctoral_skills

English language support
DELNA (Diagnostic English Language Needs Assessment) is a free service that determines the level of English language support you will need to succeed in your studies.

www.delna.auckland.ac.nz

Free services to improve your academic English skills, including language learning materials and help with academic writing, listening skills and pronunciation are provided by English Language Enrichment.

www.library.auckland.ac.nz/ele

Scholarships Office
The Scholarships Office staff are available to advise students on scholarships and funding opportunities, including guaranteed scholarships and Summer Research Scholarships.

The University also offers guaranteed scholarships to domestic research students who meet GPA thresholds from their qualifying programme. International PhD applicants who meet GPA thresholds in their qualifying programme from a New Zealand university are also guaranteed a scholarship. There are no application forms or closing dates: you apply for your programme and the scholarship is assessed at the same time. For more information and to see if you qualify visit:

www.auckland.ac.nz/makethegrade

For detailed scholarship information, including criteria, closing dates, online applications and application forms.

Scholarships available within the University of Auckland are administered through:

Scholarships Office Phone: +64 9 923 7494
Email: scholarships@auckland.ac.nz
www.scholarships.auckland.ac.nz
How to apply

Apply for admission online:
www.auckland.ac.nz/applynow

This application will be acknowledged by email, which will also provide a login and password to allow you to check the progress of your application online. The email will also list the certified documents the University requires to verify your personal details and entrance qualifications.

Places in some of the faculty’s postgraduate programmes are limited. Applicants are advised to apply by the University of Auckland’s closing dates (see Important dates, p. 26) as late applications will only be considered if places are available. We encourage you to apply as soon as possible.

Accept your offer of place and enrol

Once you have completed the formal admission process you may be offered a place in a programme. You must accept this offer before you enrol in any individual courses. You need to be formally enrolled in a course to get access to most University services, including access to the Library, online Library materials and CANVAS.

Your enrolment must be completed no later than the end of the second week of each semester or a late enrolment fee may be charged. Once you are formally enrolled an invoice will be generated.

If you have any enquiries about registration or practising in New Zealand, please see the following websites for further information:

Medical Council of New Zealand
www.mcnz.org.nz

Nursing Council of New Zealand
www.nursingcouncil.org.nz

Optometry Council of Australia and New Zealand
www.ocanz.org

Pharmacy Council of New Zealand
www.pharmacycouncil.org.nz

Admission to doctorates

Applicants for a doctoral degree must have a bachelors (honours) or masters degree with first class or second class (division I) honours (or an equivalent qualification or experience) and a proven ability to carry out independent research.

All intending doctoral students must complete and submit an online Application for Admission at:
www.auckland.ac.nz/applynow

Before you begin, make sure you have electronic versions of:

- Relevant academic transcripts
- Statement of Research Intent
- CV and/or résumé
- Two reference letters

Information on the doctoral registration process:
www.fmhs.auckland.ac.nz/doctorates

For advice on academic matters related to PhDs and MDs, contact:
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Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences,
The University of Auckland,
Private Bag 92019 Auckland 1142,
New Zealand
Phone: +64 9 923 6748
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Professor Trevor Sherwin is the Associate Dean (Postgraduate), here at the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences.

Prior to moving to New Zealand, Trevor gained a PhD in Cell Biology from the University of Kent at Canterbury, UK, in 1989. He took up an academic position at the University of Manchester where he specialised in molecular parasitology.

Trevor moved to NZ and the University of Auckland’s Dept. of Ophthalmology in 1998. He now specialises in cornea with research interests in cell reprogramming, ocular stem cells and corneal engineering, and the pathogenesis of corneal dystrophies.

Trevor has published more than 100 papers in top ranking journals including the premier journals Nature, Science and Cell and has presented his work at many international venues including a prestigious open lecture at the Natural History Museum, London.

Trevor’s research has attracted in excess of $5 million in funding and has received more than 4,000 citations in scientific literature.

Along with his sense of humour, Trevor is known for his love of music and passion for photography. His reputation with students is built on his dedication to strive for and maintain excellence in teaching. Many of Trevor’s research students have gained high honours, of which he is extremely proud.

Trevor Sherwin
Associate Dean Postgraduate

For a list of key contacts by department
www.fmhs.auckland.ac.nz/pg-contacts
Important dates

Application closing dates
Please make careful note of the application closing dates listed below. Applications submitted after the closing date will be considered if places are available. If you wish to apply to begin your study in Semester Two, check with the Student Centre for closing dates.

Doctoral applications may be submitted at any time of the year.

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**Late Year (December) research masters admission**

| Research masters ³ | Check with faculty |

**Late Year (December) research masters intake 2021**

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1. Dates to be confirmed.
2. Subject to places being available. Check with our Student Centre to see if there are specific closing dates for the programme you wish to study.
3. December start is available for some 120-point research masters, subject to supervisor availability. Please check with our Student Centre for further information.
## Summer School
- Lectures begin: Mon 6 Jan
- Auckland Anniversary Day: Mon 1 Feb
- Waitangi Day: Sat 8 Feb
- Lectures end: Fri 12 Feb
- Study break: Sat 13 Feb
- Examinations: Mon 15 Feb – Weds 17 Feb
- Summer School ends: Weds 17 Feb

## Semester One 2021
- Orientation welcome: Week beginning 22 Feb 2021
- Semester One begins: Mon 1 Mar
- Mid-semester break/Easter break: Fri 2 Apr – Fri 16 Apr
- Graduation: Mon 3, Weds 5, Fri 7 May
- Lectures end: Fri 4 June
- Queen’s Birthday: Mon 7 June
- Study break: Tues 8 June – Weds 9 June
- Examinations: Thurs 10 June – Weds 28 June
- Semester One ends: Mon 28 June
- Inter-semester break: Tues 29 June – Fri 16 July
- Orientation week: Mon 12 July – Fri 16 July

## Semester Two 2021
- Semester Two begins: Mon 19 July
- Mid-semester break: Mon 30 Aug – Fri 10 Sep
- Graduation: Tues 28 Sep
- Lectures end: Fri 15 Oct
- Study break: Mon 18 Oct
- Labour Day: Mon 25 Oct
- Examinations: Tues 19 Oct – Sat 6 Nov
- Semester Two ends: Sat 6 Nov

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