

Expression of Interest for Higher Degree Research Students

The Faculty of Medicine and Health offers supervised research degrees across the range of Schools. These are outlined in the below table. Our research degrees are in high demand, therefore, we have a limited number of places available for research students each year.

Please complete this form in full to allow us to assess your eligibility and identify potential supervisors when appropriate. Incomplete forms will not be considered. Should you be shortlisted you will be invited to submit a full application and asked to present evidence of your qualifications and skills as part of this.

DISCIPLINES OFFERED	DEGREES OFFERED
School of Rural Medicine	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medicine • Pharmacy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master of Philosophy (MPhil) • Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)
School of Health	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nursing • Social Work & Community Services • Counselling & Mental Health Practice • Health Management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master of Philosophy (MPhil) • Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)
School of Psychology	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Psychology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master of Philosophy (MPhil) • Master of Science (MSc) • Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) • Doctor of Philosophy (Clinical Psychology)

Completing this form does not guarantee you admission to the Faculty as a research student.

Once it has been determined that the applicant has met the relevant UNE entry requirements, they will be advised to contact potential supervisors in the Faculty of Medicine and Health to discuss their proposal. Applicants will then be invited to submit a full Higher Degree Research application through myUNE, including a more detailed research proposal and referee reports.

Admission to Candidature will only be approved once the relevant school has assessed the research proposal as suitable for a higher degree by research; the Faculty has certified that the necessary facilities and appropriate support for the applicant undertaking the proposed program are available; and an appropriate Principal Supervisor and Co-supervisor(s) have been appointed.

Please note that if there are no supervisors with sufficient availability or expertise in the proposed topic area, the applicant will not be invited to proceed with a full HDR application

School of Health

Expression of Interest Form

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Please return this form to
hdr-health@une.edu.au

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

Entry Requirements

- (a) has a degree of Master (AQF Level 9) with at least 25% research component undertaken at a sufficiently high standard; or
- (b) has a degree of Bachelor with at least upper second class honours (AQF Level 8); or
- (c) has a degree at AQF Level 8 or AQF Level 9 and have adequate research preparation since graduation. Adequate research preparation may be gained by an approved academic course, professional training, during an occupation or through peer reviewed publications; or
- (d) has previously undertaken work of sufficiently high standard towards a higher degree by research (AQF Level 9) in the University but not have submitted it for any degree; and
- (e) has produced documented evidence of capacity to undertake work at the PhD level; and
- (f) has completed and had approved by the Committee a PhD research proposal.

Master of Philosophy (MPhil)

Entry Requirements

- (a) has a degree of Bachelor with at least second-class Honours (AQF Level 8) or equivalent in an appropriate field of study; *or*
- (b) has a degree at AQF Level 7 or equivalent and has adequate relevant preparation since graduation. Adequate relevant preparation may be gained by an approved academic course, professional training, during an occupation or through peer reviewed publications; *and*
- (c) has completed and had approved by the relevant School officers an MPhil research proposal.

Relevance of the previous degree(s):

The completed degree(s) must be in an area that is relevant to the intended PhD, such that the applicant will have an understanding of the body of knowledge relevant to the intended PhD.

Evidence of research ability:

Normally based on theses and/or publications prepared as part of previous degrees.

Currency of applicant's knowledge of the discipline:

The applicant's degree(s) and/or professional experience must demonstrate that their knowledge of the relevant discipline is current.

Level of commitment:

Based on the information presented in this form, complemented by communication with potential supervisors via email or telephone.

English language skills:

All applicants must meet the University's [English Language Requirements Higher than the University Minimum Requirement Annex](#) which includes an overall IELTS (Academic) score of 7.5, and a minimum result of 7.0 in reading and writing.

Personal Information

Full Name:	
Email Address:	
Nationality:	
UNE Student ID (if applicable):	

Please select your area(s) of interest

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| Nursing | Health Management |
| Social Work | Patient Safety |
| Community Services | Suicide Prevention |
| Counselling | Geriatric Health |
| Mental Health | Indigenous Health |
| Social Work in Schools (SWiS) | Child Protection |
| Regional/Rural Health | Regional Health Workforce |
| Manna Institute | Scholarship of Teaching and Learning |
| Public Health | Medical and Surgical Nursing |
| Cancer and Palliative Care | Child and Adolescent Nursing |
| Primary Health Nursing | Mental Health Nursing |
| Emergency/Intensive Care | |
| Nursing | Other: _____ |

Intended Pathway	PhD	PhD.I	MPhil	MPhil.I
Intended Enrolment	Part time			
	Full time			
Intended Enrolment	Internal (based on campus in Armidale)			
	External (based elsewhere)			
Australian/International	Domestic applicant			
	International applicant			
Funding	I am planning to apply for a scholarship			
	I have a scholarship available			
	I have other sources of funding			
Specify name of scholarship or other source of funding				
If you are a candidate from a non-English speaking background, please supply either you IELTS or TOEFL score				
Are you currently applying to other Australian Universities?	Yes			
	No			

1. Proposed Thesis Title/Topic

2. Research Project Summary (100 words maximum)

3. Academic Qualifications

List all your degrees, beginning with the most recent

Name of Degree	Name of Institution and Country	Research Component percentage	Length of Program (full-time basis)	Completion date (month/year)	Overall Degree Grade or Grade Point Average

4. Research and/or Relevant Professional Experience

Please provide the following information for each company or institution

Company/Institution name	Start and end dates	Average hours per week	A brief description of your role (50 words maximum)

5. Relevant Publications

List any publications relevant to your proposed degree (maximum of 10 APA referencing style & DIO/ISBN)

Publication (most recent first)	Full Citation	Indicate your percentage contribution

6. Graduate Awards and Scholarships

Please provide details for all awards/scholarships received within the last 5 years

Name of award	Institution from which the award was granted	Annual monetary value	Start and end dates (month/year)	Briefly describe the research or study the award is supporting

7. Additional Information (100 words maximum)

Include other information you consider relevant, this could include the reasons you wish to enroll in an HDR with us and what research methodology you are interested in.

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