

Change the (Health) World

Graduate Certificate in Health Science (Health Services Innovation)

Exclusive metro north cohort commencing semester 1, 2020

Metro North Hospital and Health Services (MNHHS) partnered with the Australian Centre for Health Services Innovation (AusHSI) at QUT to develop the Health Services Innovation major in the Graduate Certificate in Health Science. The aim of the QUT Graduate Certificate (Health Services Innovation) is to increase the capacity of MNHHS clinical, administrative and operational staff to implement innovative change in, and evaluate the value of health services.

The MNHHS cohort will be guided through four units, part-time over 2020/21. The subjects are taught through six 2-5 day block courses.

	Unit Name	Dates	Location
Semester 1, 2020	Innovation, Improvement and Implementation in Health – <i>learn an evidence based approach for introducing improvements in healthcare so they become usual practice and are sustainable.</i>	27-28 February 2020 2-3 April 2020 11 May 2020	QUT, Kelvin Grove campus
Semester 2, 2020	Health Systems – <i>explore systems of health care both in Australia and internationally and the factors that influence the design and functioning of those systems.</i>	27-28 August 2020 8-9 October 2020	QUT, Kelvin Grove campus
Semester 1, 2021	Cost-Effectiveness Analysis for Healthcare – <i>understand how to assess the combined value of clinical outcomes and economic costs. Become a better steward and increase healthcare value.</i>	5-day learning block in March/April 2021 – Dates TBA	QUT, Kelvin Grove campus
Semester 2, 2021	Independent Study – <i>a workplace-based project, supported by a MNHHS clinical facilitator and AusHSI staff.</i>	No formal teaching	Work- place-based

The QUT Graduate Certificate (Health Services Innovation) is structured so that students can continue studies and obtain a Master of Health Management.

Unique support for the MNHHS cohort:

- AusHSI will provide a dedicated team of health economists, statisticians and implementation scientists to support the application of students' academic learning to the planning, implementation and evaluation of workplace-based projects.
- MNHHS has a dedicated position to support staff in their transition back to studying, providing support and advice on coordinating the workplace-based projects and identify additional support required from MNHHS to realize innovative change.

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MNHHS selection process

Please read the 2020 Guide for Applicants for full details:

- Complete an application form through “SmartyGrants” funding portal – found on <https://metronorth.health.qld.gov.au/research>
- Upload your 2 page CV
- Print application and CV and submit to your Head of Department/ Executive Director. Upload signed form.
- Submit all documents by closing date – Midnight Monday 2nd of September 2019
- A multi-profession selection panel will meet and inform applicants by 4 October 2019
- MNHHS will facilitate the QUT enrollment process.

Commitment

There are a limited number of positions in the course and MNHHS is heavily subsidising these. Applicants are required to invest in their learning through the following:

- Use your yearly Queensland Health professional development leave, up to a maximum of 7 days per year; less if you get less, for course work days
- Use your yearly Queensland Health professional development allowance (PDA) as a co-contribution toward the course
 - e.g. Health Practitioner - \$1700 PDA - \$1700 per year contribution
- If you don't receive a PDA allowance there will be an out-of-pocket fee of \$500 per year
 - e.g. Administration – no PDA -\$500 per year contribution
- Commit to attending ALL of the block course dates (not negotiable due to learning model)
- Commit to passing the subjects and completing your project within the 2 year program.

Self-Funded Positions

There is an opportunity to self-fund an additional position in the course. Please be aware that self-funding does not guarantee a place but is taken into consideration when reviewing final numbers. Opportunities to nominate for a self-funded position are provided in the application.

Indicative course costs

At this stage, indicative course costs for self funded positions as at June 2019 are \$5625 in 2020, and \$5928 in 2021.

QUT Entry Requirements for Graduate Certificate Health Science (Health Services Innovation)

Students must have:

- A completed recognised bachelor degree in any discipline; or
- A completed recognised diploma qualification (or higher award) with at least three years full-time equivalent (FTE) professional work experience which includes at least one year in a supervisory or leadership role (e.g. with responsibility for decision making, team work, quality assurance, and/or policy development); or
- Current registration within the applicant's field of practice with a nationally recognised professional body with at least three years full-time equivalent (FTE) professional work experience; or
- For applicants working in a field of practice that does not have a nationally recognised professional body, at least seven years full-time equivalent (FTE) professional experience in a supervisory or leadership role (eg: with responsibility for decision making, team work, quality assurance, and/or policy development).

Course details available at <http://www.aushsi.org.au/training/graduatecertificate/>

For further information regarding the application visit <https://metronorth.health.qld.gov.au/research> or contact: Louise D'Allura Learning Coordinator Graduate Certificate Health Services Innovation on 07 3647 9761 or MNHHS-Research-GradCertHSI@health.qld.gov.au