



University of
South Australia

Graduate Certificate in **AGEING AND DISABILITY**

Prepare for a professional career in aged and disability support or management.

Upskill to advance your career in the national priority sectors of disability and aged care.

Study courses with a specific focus on ageing and disability across a range of contexts to develop sector specific knowledge.

Study courses with a specific critical disability studies and ageing focus.

Benefit from flexible study options through online and gain a qualification in six months of full time study.

PROGRAM SNAPSHOT

Magill Campus

0.5 years full-time

Online

Program code: MCAG

SATAC code: 4GCO99 (Internal)

OVERVIEW

The Graduate Certificate in Ageing and Disability focuses on equipping graduates with the key knowledge and skills to effectively work in both ageing and disability sectors, as well as being able to provide some NDIS supported services.

Designed to meet the national priorities and the growing demand across the ageing and disability sectors, the Graduate Certificate focuses on students developing a strong body of knowledge of human service practice. Graduates will have an in-depth understanding in the underlying principles and concepts of social and emotional development and wellbeing, and ethical practice at the individual, community and policy level of ageing and disability service provision. Graduates knowledge of policy will also help them to navigate major systems such as the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) and My Aged Care policies.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates of the Graduate Certificate will be equipped for entry to middle level positions in age and disability support or management.

Career outcomes include:

- Direct disability and age care support services
- Leadership, coordination and team supports in ageing and disability sector
- Community development, project officer and service design and evaluation roles
- Social planning, support coordination, local area coordination, program agency manager
- Case management or project roles in local, state and national government departments and agencies.

ALSO CONSIDER

- Graduate Certificate in Nursing (Health and Ageing)
- Graduate Certificate in Human Services Management
- Graduate Certificate in Health Services Management

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

Students will complete four core courses:

- Constructions of Ageing And Disability
- Diversity in Ageing and Disability
- Case Management and Support Coordination
- Ageing, Disability and the Law

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- A completed three-year Bachelor degree or equivalent in any discipline from a recognised higher education institution.
- OR a completed Certificate IV or Diploma VET/TAFE qualification in a related discipline and a minimum of one year full-time professional (and/or formal voluntary) experience in the disability, rehabilitation or related human services fields or part-time equivalent.
- OR a minimum of three years' full-time Human Services sector, ageing and disability or related services experience (including formal voluntary) or part-time equivalent within the past 15 years.

Applicants are asked to also provide a brief curriculum vitae.

HOW TO APPLY

Make note of the program's SATAC code and your application can be made via the SATAC website at satac.edu.au/postgraduate-apply

EXPERTS AT YOUR FINGERTIPS



"As a developmental educator I am committed to walking alongside people living with disabilities and their networks to achieve their aspirations, life goals and take their place as full citizens. I have had a diverse range of roles in disability services in direct service provision, management, governance and research. As a result, I am passionate about educating future professionals to practice with high levels of integrity in a diverse range of settings, ensuring that social justice is accessible to all members of society. This program offers you insights into the range of employment options in the ageing and disability sectors, as well as a balance of theory and technical practice skills that are highly valued and sought after by employers. There is high demand for graduates who can work in direct service, service development, quality assurance and management."

Program Director
Associate Professor Caroline Ellison



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