



University of
South Australia

Diploma in Health (UniSA Online)

The new 100% online Diploma in Health is a pathway into any UniSA health degree, using competitive entry.

Once you've successfully completed the program, you can progress to any UniSA health bachelor program (with UniSA Online or on-campus) using competitive entry, with the added bonus of using up to two course credits gained from studying the diploma.



Program overview

You will get a great start to university life by learning the skills to set you up for success in your bachelor degree, including:

- how to write academic assignments
- how to reference
- effective time management
- introductory health content courses

You'll also have the opportunity to complete degree electives in health-related topics, allowing you to experience your chosen health area through this pathway. With these electives, you'll get the added benefit of being eligible for up to two credits to put towards your bachelor degree.

Benefits of studying 100% online

- With the flexibility to study where and when it suits you, there is no need to hit pause on work or family commitments.
- Experience interactive and media-rich course material designed specifically for online learning.
- Be supported by a team of expert online academics who will guide you through your learning and provide detailed feedback on your work, seven days a week.
- Study with UniSA Online is spread across 4 terms through the year with each study period being 10 weeks long. With two subjects a term for full-time students, and one subject for part-time students, the flexibility allows you to fit study within your lifestyle and switch between full and part-time study as it suits you.

Program structure

Study Period 1 or 3

Critical Approaches to Online Learning
Applied Computer Practices
Introduction to Biosciences
UG Elective

Study Period 4 or 6

Introduction to Anatomy
Critical Thinking: Media and Academia
Introduction to Human Physiology
UG Elective

You can choose from the following electives:

The Social World
Health Systems and Services
Foundations of Health and Physical Activity
Foundations of Human Biology 1
Foundations of Human Biology 2
First Peoples' Health
Foundations of Health and Nutrition
Health and Society Introduction to Mental Health
Psychology Concepts

Study period dates

Study Period 1

Course material available
2 January 2023

Core teaching and assessment period
9 January 2023 – 17 March 2023

Study Period 3

Core teaching and assessment period
3 April 2023 – 9 June 2023

Study Period 4

Core teaching and assessment period
26 June 2023 – 1 September 2023

Study Period 6

Core teaching and assessment period
18 September 2023 – 24 November 2023

Where can the diploma take you?

UniSA offers many health programs, both on-campus and through UniSA Online. You can apply to the below degrees once you've completed the Diploma in Health (UniSA Online), using competitive entry.

You'll receive support if you progress to a UniSA bachelor degree, with the added benefit of applying directly through UniSA, rather than a SATAC application.

Bachelor of Biomedical Science
Bachelor of Clinical Exercise Physiology (Honours)
Bachelor of Exercise and Sport Science
Bachelor of Health Science (Public Health)
Bachelor of Human Movement
Bachelor of Laboratory Medicine (Honours)
Bachelor of Medical Radiation Science (all specialisations)
Bachelor of Midwifery
Bachelor of Midwifery (Mount Gambier)
Bachelor of Midwifery (Whyalla)
Bachelor of Nursing
Bachelor of Nursing (Mount Gambier)
Bachelor of Nursing (Whyalla)
Bachelor of Nutrition and Food Sciences
Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (Honours)
Bachelor of Outdoor and Environmental Leadership
Bachelor of Pharmaceutical Science
Bachelor of Pharmacy (Honours)
Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours)
Bachelor of Podiatry
Bachelor of Speech Pathology

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Bachelor Community Health
Bachelor of Health Science
Bachelor of Health Science (Healthy Ageing)
Bachelor of Health Science (Nutrition and Exercise)
Bachelor of Public Health

Note: You can apply to any bachelor degree offered by UniSA degree, even outside the health field, upon successful completion of this diploma.



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Frequently asked questions

How does online study work?

The course content you will be studying has been designed specifically for students studying online. Our team of expert Online Educational Designers have carefully crafted each course, from the types of assessments to the delivery of information, to ensure you get the most out of your degree and graduate with the skills and knowledge required by your profession.

Our 24/7 interactive online environment is a one-stop-shop for all your study needs. You'll learn via a mix of interactive and media-rich resources featuring live face-to-face experiences, videos, industry case studies and innovative learning environments to keep you inspired and motivated.

What is the flexibility of online study?

UniSA Online offer a flexible study structure allowing you the opportunity to study when/where suits your needs. You will have access to all of your course material at the beginning of your 10 week study period with visibility of due dates for any required coursework.

The only thing that is not flexible within your course will be your exam which is held in week 10 at a set date and time. You will be given a minimum of 4 weeks' notice for your exam date and time to prepare yourself regarding work and personal commitments.

Do I need a computer at home?

Yes. It would be very difficult to study without a home computer. Your reading, activity participation, assignment work and correspondence with staff will require a computer with Microsoft Office and high-speed internet access.

To ensure your computer meets the minimum IT requirements, you'll take a quick Computer System Test. This will check you are set up with the right equipment to study online; it takes only a few minutes and your results will be emailed directly to you.

UniSA Online domestic students may be eligible to apply for UniSA Online study grants valued at \$1,000 to assist with setup. See i.unisa.edu.au/scholarships for more information.

How much does it cost?

The diplomas have Commonwealth Supported fees that are determined by the Australian Government. Students are charged per semester based on the courses ('bands') they're enrolled in. For more information, visit unisa.edu.au/fees

What is a grade point average (GPA)?

GPA is calculated using all completed course grades obtained by the student for a program. It is a cumulative GPA which is calculated and updated as new results are entered.

Do I still have to pay the student services and amenities fee?

Yes, you must pay the student services and amenities fees by the invoice due date or eligible students can defer to SA-HELP.

What will my study load be?

As we support students with 100% online degrees, there is no 'typical' online student. We offer two study modes, full-time or part-time, depending on the time you have available to commit to your studies.

A full-time study load requires a minimum of 20 to 30 hours of study per week to

get through course content and produce your assessments. You will be enrolled in 2 courses per term for this study mode.

A part-time study load requires a minimum of 10 to 15 hours per week to get through course content and produce your assessments. You will be enrolled in 1 course per term for this study mode.

What can I expect from the UniSA Online Orientation?

The UniSA Online orientation is a self-paced resource which will provide you with information, tips and resources about transitioning to university, familiarise you with our unique online learning environment and the systems used at UniSA Online.

Once your application is approved, your Student Adviser will take you through the Online portal, help you enrol in your first courses and answer any questions you have.

If I come on campus, what will I have access to?

You will have access to all the services on-campus students have access to, including library resources, computer pools, gyms, and wellbeing services.

Visit online.unisa.edu.au to explore more of our frequently asked questions.

Program snapshot

-  100% online
-  4 terms per year, 10 weeks full-time per term
-  Full-time/part-time
-  Start in Jan 2023, finish in 1 year with full time study
-  Apply via emailing diplomas.college@unisa.edu.au
-  Fees are Commonwealth supported

This program is for domestic students only.

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