Science (Medicine) Honours

3831 | 48 Units of Credit

Overview

Information regarding this program can also be obtained from the UNSW Medicine website.

This is a one year research program offered to students in the six year Medicine program or Arts/Medicine who have achieved a high standard in their studies. Those who complete the research program in conjunction with the six year curriculum will be eligible for the award of the degree BSc(Med)Hons.

In general the aims of the year, normally spent in supervised research, are to enable the student to acquire an appreciation of the value of observation and research in the development of medical science, to determine the 'current state of knowledge' in a defined field, to provide experience in the written and spoken presentation of scientific information and scholarly research, and to provide an invaluable background in basic research philosophy and techniques on which a subsequent career in specialised medical research may be built, and develop an understanding of, and ability to interpret research that underpins evidenced-based clinical practice. This year enables the student to gain experience in the written and spoken presentation of scientific information.
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Learning Outcomes

1. Obtain, record, collate and analyse data derived from research undertaken using appropriate qualitative or quantitative techniques and interpret and report their significance in the light of underlying theory.

   Professionals  Scholars  Leaders

2. Explain the 'current state of knowledge' in a defined field.

   Professionals  Scholars

3. Explain how scientific research and observation underpins the development of medical science and clinical practice.

   Professionals  Scholars

4. Present scientific findings in oral and written formats.

   Leaders  Professionals  Scholars

5. Critically appraise research presented in academic papers.

   Scholars  Professionals

Graduate Capabilities:

For more information on Graduate Capabilities, please click on this link.
Program Structure

Students must complete 48 UOC as a standalone program.

Core Courses

Students enrol in MDCN7007 (16 UOC) in Term 1, Term 2 & Term 3 for a total of 48 UOC.

MDCN7007    |  16 UOC
BSc (Med) Hons

Enrolment Disclaimer

Unless advised otherwise by your program authority, you should follow the rules for the handbook for the year you commenced your program. You are also responsible for ensuring you enrol in courses according to your program requirements. myUNSW enrolment checks that you have met enrolment requirements such as pre-requisites for individual courses but not that a course will count towards your program requirements.
Admission Requirements

Entry Requirements

For candidates in the programs 3802, 3805, 3841, 3845 and 3855

1.(a) Undergraduates who have successfully completed at least the first three years of the six year Medicine program (3802 or 3805), or at least the first four years of the Arts/Medicine program (3841, 3845, or 3855) may enrol for the degree of BSc(Med)Hons in a program approved by the BSc(Med)Hons Committee.

(b) A student may register as a candidate for the degree in any of the Clinical Schools of UNSW Medicine, the School of Biochemistry, the School of Microbiology or the School of Psychology, subject to the permission of the Head of the School concerned and the BSc(Med)Hons Committee. Registration in any other School will be considered on a case-by-case basis, and is subject to the permission of the Head of School concerned and the BSc(Med)Hons Committee.

2. The program for each candidate shall be designed to introduce the student to research in the appropriate discipline and shall consist of such formal and special work and any examinations prescribed by the BSc(Med)Hons Committee.

For more information about admission requirements for various UNSW programs, visit the following website(s):

Domestic Students
International Student
Program Requirements

Progression Requirements

The student needs to achieve a minimum combined score from all assessments of at least 50%, as well as achieve a pass (50% or higher) for their thesis (final report) to pass the course.

Students marks will be reviewed by members of the BSc(Med)Hons Committee twice per year. If the midyear marks are unsatisfactory, mid-year verbal report and discussion will take place between the student, supervisors and Committee covering progress in meeting the aims of the research project and any problems encountered by the student and supervisors.

For more information on university policy on progression requirements please visit Academic Progression.
Pathways

Post Graduate

Master of Health Management - MHM
9801 Health Management

Faculty: Faculty of Medicine
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 48
Typical Duration: 1 Years

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Master of Public Health - MPH
9045 Public Health

Faculty: Faculty of Medicine
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 48
Typical Duration: 1 Years

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Master of International Public Health - MIPH
9048 International Public Health

Faculty: Faculty of Medicine
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 48
Typical Duration: 1 Years

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Professional Outcomes

Accreditations

Professional institutes that offer accreditation on completion of this program:

- The New South Wales Board of the Medical Board of Australia

Graduates enter the medical workforce, primarily in the major public teaching hospitals, and complete a 1 year internship program. Upon successful completion of this internship junior doctors are eligible to receive full registration with the State Medical Board or Council. In general, registration in one state of Australia entitles the doctor to registration in other states.

Career Opportunities

Medical Practitioners
Recognition of Achievement

University Medal

The University Medal is awarded to recognise outstanding academic performance by a bachelor degree student in line with the University Medal Policy and University Medal Procedure.

Honours Classes

The degree of BSc(Med)Hons may be awarded in the following grades:

- 85 - 100: high distinction (Honours class I)
- 75 - 84: distinction (Honours class II, division 1)
- 65 - 74: credit (Honours class II, division 2)
- 50 - 64: pass only (Honours class III)
- or: no award made.
Additional Information

Assessment Guidelines

1. The BSc(Med)Hons Committee determines the assessments for the program on the advice of the supervisors and two assessors for the final report who are external to the supervisor and at least one being external to the School of enrolment.
2. The compulsory components of the assessment include a thesis, an essay or literature review, two seminar presentations and a supervisors' report.
3. Candidates must take part in the activities of the program by participating in seminars, by presenting of essays or literature reviews and other prescribed activities.
4. A thesis is compulsory and forms a major part of the assessment. The thesis must be typed and suitable for subsequent binding if required. The typescript length of the thesis is normally no more than 20,000 words.
5. Candidates are required to present their research projects in the two seminar presentations organised by the BSc(Med)Hons Committee.
6. It is desirable that candidates take part in the activities of the school by participation in seminars and other prescribed activities.
7. The degree of BSc(Med)Hons may be awarded in the following grades: Honours Class 1; Honours Class 2, Division 1; Honours Class 2, Division 2 or no award made.
Program Fees

At UNSW fees are generally charged at course level and therefore dependent upon individual enrolment and other factors such as student's residency status. For generic information on fees and additional expenses of UNSW programs, click on one of the following:

Domestic Students
Commonwealth Supported Students
International Students
Pre-2019 Handbook Editions

Access past handbook editions (2018 and prior)

Pre-2019 Handbook Editions