

School of Public Health Program Director Dr Tamzyn Davey

Congratulations on being offered a place in the *Bachelor of Health Sciences* at The University of Queensland!

The Bachelor of Health Sciences (BHlthSc) provides a comprehensive introduction to Health and is suitable as both a pre-clinical program (e.g. for Medicine, Physiotherapy, Dietetics) or as a pathway into a health services profession (e.g. Health Promotion, Public Health, Health Services Management).

Your first year of study will provide you with a balanced introduction to health and will include courses in the biomedical sciences (e.g. anatomy, physiology), chemistry, psychology, preventive health, and health systems.

In your second year of study, you will concentrate on developing your specialist area of study and may include courses in nutritional sciences, physical activity, behavioural change, public health, legal and ethical principles in health, Indigenous health, and global health.

In Year 3, you will complete your specialisation and may select from a range of elective courses. In addition, in the final semester, all third year students complete one day per week supervised work experience, at a health industry work site, to ensure you are "job ready" after graduation.

As a UQ student, you will have access to extensive student support services including academic workshops for assignment writing, presentation skills, and exam preparation. You will also have access to over 190 clubs and societies as well as a variety of sports and activities.

We require all students to attend a "Welcome and Program Introduction" session in February 2016. This session will kick-start the Bachelor of Health Sciences Orientation Day which will include information sessions that will help you make the transition to University. The day is a great opportunity to ask any questions you may have and get to know some of your fellow students. Orientation information will be available on the UQ website from December 2015.

I hope this answers many of the questions you will have as a new student. If you find you need more information, please contact the School Office by phone on (07) 3365 5345, by email at <u>enquiries@sph.uq.edu.au</u> or visit our website <u>http://www.sph.uq.edu.au/b-health-sciences-program</u>.

I look forward to meeting you at Orientation.

Yours sincerely

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