Health & Medical Specialist Program Overview

Year 11 Semester 1 and 2
Unit 1: IG Health Studies
Preparation for Health and Medical work: shadow prac. Research lifestyle disease: developing and producing public health promotion.

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Unit 1: IG Integrated Science
Health in practice and science guided study tours, clinical skills and development of basic knowledge of health in science. Producing a reflection portfolio of knowledge, skills and experience.

Year 12 Semester 1
HMSP Group
Professional focus integrating information in cultural awareness in a remote aboriginal communities.

Our program is also supported by:
- Edith Cowan University
- Curtin University
- Murdoch University
- The University of Notre Dame
- University of Western Australia - Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry & Health Sciences
- Rural Clinical School
- Rural Health West
- P&N Bank Bunbury
- Scholarship provider

Work Placement:
As part of the course students will be required to complete a two day work placement

The APPLICATION Process:
A maximum of 25 positions available each year.
To register your interest for the Health and Medical Specialist Program simply tick the appropriate box on your Application for Enrolment which you will receive at your interview.
A second round of applications MAY be taken for students new to the region later in the year. Contact the College for details.

Students will be required to complete a selection assessment to demonstrate their academic potential for this course. In addition Year 9 NAPLAN results will be considered along with previous school reports.

Students will also be expected to complete a personal statement discussing their aspirations and reasons for applying for the program. Students may wish to provide additional documentation in line with a resume or portfolio.
Health and Medical Specialist Program

Attracting health and medical professionals into regional areas is now recognised as a national priority. Manea Senior College has become the first secondary school in Western Australia to respond to this national area of need by establishing the Health and Medical Specialist Program for senior secondary students.

Manea Senior College’s Health and Medical Specialist Program gives students seeking careers in medicine, dentistry, nursing or other health related professions a head start in attaining their goals.

Successful applicants will be dedicated and enthusiastic students, who will receive hands on, practical experience in their area of focus, as well as vital skills and knowledge for a career in the health and medical industries. Through our Specialist Program, students will experience hospital and health provider visits, university tours and lectures and the chance to observe health professionals in action.

Students select courses of their choice for Year 11 and 12, plus our Health and Medical Specialist Program, giving them a head start on their way to an exciting and rewarding career in health and medicine and further study at university and/or training facilities.

OPPORTUNITIES for Students:

- Participate in a residential camp
- Work alongside and observe health professional in practice;
- Obtain nationally recognised health qualifications;
- Obtain knowledge and skills relevant to the health and medical fields;
- Participate in guest speaker and mentor programs;
- Participate in community science events;

- Apply for specific Health and Medical Specialist Program scholarships with universities and training providers;
- Visit universities, hospitals, sports science facilities and other health/medical providers;
- Investigate the range of career opportunities that are available in the health and medical fields;
- Receive an ATAR bonus with select universities for completing this course; and
- Apply for some of the reserved university and training places set aside for our Health and Medical Specialist Program students.

Developing Skill Sets:

Students engage in nationally recognised units such as first aid, occupational health and safety, infectious control policies and procedures, medical terminology, health body systems, health promotion, conflict resolution and legal and ethical parameters.

These units are delivered via a combination of e-learning, tutorial and face to face delivery. This delivery is supported by classroom case study discussions around each unit. Students will also have the opportunity to develop research, communication and teamwork skills needed for future studies.

Professional Practice:

Students are involved in community-oriented, career-related and leadership development activities. Students participate in events and activities which recognise students’ competencies and skills in various health and medical occupations.

The Approach:

Students study a range of senior school courses and/or vocational qualifications appropriate to their intended university/vocational aspirations, plus our Specialist Program, which specifically focuses on health and medical fields.

Possible pathway available to students in our Specialist Program:

Students study a range of senior school WACE courses appropriate to their intended university aspirations and combine these with our Specialist Program. Manea senior school courses available to students include:

- Biology
- Chemistry
- English
- Human Biology
- Literature
- Physics
- Psychology
- Mathematics
- Mathematics Specialist
- Physical Education Studies

Guided hospital Tours/work Shadows

Our health and medical supporters realise the importance of investing in local youth and assist the program by providing incredible resources to the College including guided study tours, job shadowing and work placement opportunities, guest speakers, collegiate mentors and scholarships.

Students receive a rich, differentiated education, including field trips, guest speakers and access to a network of professionals they can call upon as they strive for excellence.

Providing students with a head start in their health and medical careers.