

Graduate Diploma in Health (GradDipHlth – 120 points)

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the General Regulations for the University.

1. Version

- (a) These Regulations came into force on 1 January 2026.
- (b) This diploma was first offered in 2026.

2. Variations

In exceptional circumstances the Amo Matua, Te Kaupeka Oranga | Executive Dean of Health, or delegate may approve a personal programme of study which does not conform to these regulations.

3. The structure of the qualification

To qualify for the Graduate Diploma in Health a student must:

- (a) be credited with a minimum of 120 points towards the qualification; and
- (b) be credited with a minimum of 45 points from Schedule E to these regulations; and
- (c) be credited with a minimum of 75 points at 300-level from Schedule V of the Degree of the Bachelor of Health.

4. Admission to the qualification

To be admitted to the Graduate Diploma in Health, a student must have:

- (a) satisfied the Admission Regulations for admission to the University; and
- (b) have:
 - i. qualified for an Aotearoa New Zealand bachelor's degree; or
 - ii. at least 5 years employment experience deemed relevant to this programme by the Amo Matua. Te Kaupeka Oranga | Executive Dean of Health, or delegate; or
 - iii. been admitted with Academic Equivalent Standing; and
 - iv. been approved as a student for the Graduate Diploma in Health by the Amo Matua, Te Kaupeka Oranga | Executive Dean of Health, or delegate.

5. Subject

There are no majors, minors, or endorsements for this qualification.

6. Time limits

The qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University with a time limit of 60 months.

7. Transfers of credit, substitutions and cross-credits

This qualification adheres to the General Conditions for Credit and Transfer Regulations, with no additional stipulations.

8. Progression

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University, with no additional stipulations.

9. Honours, Distinction and Merit

Honours, Distinction, and Merit are not awarded for this qualification.

10. Exit and Upgrade Pathways to other Qualifications

- (a) A student who has completed the requirements for the Graduate Diploma in Health but has not yet graduated, may apply to the Amo Matua, Te Kaupeka Oranga | Executive Dean of Health, or delegate to be admitted to the Bachelor of Health and have credits transferred.
- (b) A student who has graduated with the Graduate Diploma in Health, may apply to the Amo Matua, Te Kaupeka Oranga | Executive Dean of Health, or delegate to be admitted to the Bachelor of Health and have their GradDipHlth subsumed as stipulated in the General Regulations to the University.
- (c) A student who has not met the requirements for the Graduate Diploma in Health or who wishes to transfer to the Graduate Certificate in Health may apply to the Amo Matua, Te Kaupeka Oranga | Executive Dean of Health, or delegate for admission.

Schedule E: Elective Courses for the Graduate Diploma in Health

For full course information, go to courseinfo.canterbury.ac.nz

Students must complete a minimum of 45 points from the following list of courses:

Course Code	Course Title	Pts	2026	Location	P/C/R/RP/EQ
HLTH101	Introduction to Health Studies	15	S1	Campus	
			S1	Distance Learning	
HLTH105	Communication for Practice	15	S2	Campus	R: SOWK206, HSRV201 EQ: SOWK105
			X3	UC Online	
HLTH106	Te Wero - Māori Health Issues and Opportunities	15	X2	UC Online	
			S2	Campus	
			S2	Distance Learning	
HLTH112	Anatomy & Physiology I	15	S1	Campus	R: SPRT104, SPCO104, BIOL116 EQ: SPRT104
			X4	UC Online	
HLTH203	Epidemiology	15	S1	Campus	P: Any 60 points at 100-level from any subject. R: HLTH110
HLTH213	Health Systems and Policy	15	S1	Campus	P: Any 60 points at 100-level in any subject.
HLTH216	Foundations of Mental Health and Addictions	15	NO		P: Any 60 points at 100-level in any subject R: SOWK303
HLTH302	Evidence in Health	15	NO		P: HLTH203 or HLTH213 R: HLTH301
HLTH312	Health Planning, Implementation and Evaluation	15	S1	Campus	P: Any 30 points at 200-level from Health Science (HLTH or HLED).