

Postgraduate Certificate in Palliative Care (PGCertPC – 60 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 2018.
- (b) This Certificate was first offered in 2010.

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 Postgraduate Certificate in Palliative Care a student must:

- (a) be credited with a minimum of 60 points towards the qualification; and
- (b) be credited with the courses listed in Schedule C to these Regulations.

4. Admission to the qualification

To be admitted to the Postgraduate Certificate in Palliative Care a student must have:

- (a) satisfied the Admission Regulations for admission to the University; and
- (b) either:
 - i. qualified for a degree from an Aotearoa New Zealand tertiary education organisation which is relevant to health sciences and the proposed programme of study; or
 - ii. qualified for an appropriate health or allied professional qualification requiring at least three years equivalent full-time tertiary study at an appropriate level; or
 - iii. successfully completed a qualifying course prescribed by the Amo Matua, Te Kaupeka Oranga | Executive Dean of Health or delegate; or
 - iv. presented evidence of ability for advanced level academic study; or
 - v. been admitted with Academic Equivalent Standing; and
- (c) either qualifications and at least 2 years experience that accord with membership of an approved health professional association, or be registered to practice within a health environment; and
- (d) access to relevant clinical placement to the satisfaction of the Amo Matua, Te Kaupeka Oranga | Executive Dean of Health or delegate; and
- (e) been approved as a student by the Amo Matua, Te Kaupeka Oranga | Executive Dean of Health or delegate.

5. Subjects

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

6. Time limits

The time limit for this qualification is 24 months.

7. Transfers of credit, substitutions and cross-credits

This qualification adheres to the Credit Recognition and Transfer Regulations, with the following stipulation:

- (a) With the approval of the Amo Matua, Te Kaupeka Oranga | Executive Dean of Health or delegate, a programme of study may include up to a total of 30 points in 400-level courses or higher from another New Zealand Tertiary Educational Organisation or equivalent overseas institution.

8. Progression

This qualification adheres to the General Regulations for the University, with the following stipulation:

- (a) A student may not fail more than 30 points in this qualification.

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 Postgraduate Certificate in Palliative Care 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 following qualifications and have credits transferred:
 - i. Postgraduate Diploma in Health Science (Palliative Care)
 - ii. Master of Health Sciences (Palliative Care)
 - iii. Master of Health Sciences Professional Practice (Palliative Care).
- (b) Admission to the Postgraduate Diploma in Health Sciences, Master of Health Sciences or Master of Health Sciences Professional Practice will be based on having met the relevant requirements for entry.
- (c) A student who has graduated with the Postgraduate Certificate in Palliative Care from Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha | University of Canterbury, may apply to the Amo Matua, Te Kaupeka Oranga | Executive Dean of Health or delegate to be admitted to the qualifications listed in Regulation 10(a) and have their Certificate subsumed in accordance with the General Regulations to the University.
- (d) There are no qualifications to which a student may transfer if they have not met these requirements.

Schedule C: Compulsory Courses for the Postgraduate Certificate in Palliative Care

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

Course Code	Course Title	Pts	2025	Location	P/C/R/PP/EQ
HLTH448	The Foundation of Hospice Palliative Care	30	X	Distance Learning	P: Subject to approval of the Head of School
HLTH449	Praxis in Hospice Palliative Care	30	X	Distance Learning	P: Subject to approval of the Head of School