Diploma of Dementia Care

**M1D – 100% HECS Scholarship** (conditions apply)

The Diploma of Dementia Care is the first course of its kind, delivered by the Wicking Dementia Research and Education Centre. This fully online, eight-unit program is available to carers, aged care, community and health industry workers and anyone with an interest in learning more about dementia.

Suitable for those with or without formal education qualifications, articulation into further study at Associate Degree and Bachelor level is available upon successful completion. Learn from our global experts, with all our education programs informed by the latest research evidence.

A condition as serious as dementia requires a special type of care – and a special type of person to provide it. Our course will develop your specialised understanding of dementia so that you can make a positive difference to the lives of people living with dementia. Broaden your knowledge and your scope of practice in this key public health area.

**Meet the challenges of dementia and apply today.**

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**What’s involved**

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<th><strong>Duration</strong></th>
<th>8 units</th>
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<td><strong>Study Load</strong></td>
<td>Full-time or Part-time</td>
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<td><strong>Intake</strong></td>
<td>February and July</td>
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<td><strong>Study mode:</strong></td>
<td>Fully online</td>
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<td><strong>Scholarships:</strong></td>
<td>100% student contribution (HECS component) waived by UTAS</td>
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**About this course**

Dementia is a neurological condition that affects tens of millions of people across the globe – one that poses significant challenges to their quality of life as well as that of their families and communities. During this course, you will gain a deeper knowledge of the condition, the changes that occur in the brain, the behaviours and needs associated with the changes, and the practical strategies necessary to care for people living with dementia.
Key course information
In each semester 1-2 units are considered part-time and 3-4 units full-time.

Students who are new to online learning, are returning to study or are currently in the workforce are advised to consider part-time enrolment in their first semester.

- 100% HECS Scholarships available
- No pre-requisites, each application is considered
- Course is delivered entirely online, with no face to face component
- No exams (assessments may include quizzes, discussion boards, essays, and presentations)
- Units offered across three semesters per year
- Dedicated Student Advisors guide students’ learning

Further study and Recognition of Prior Learning
Upon completion of the Diploma of Dementia Care, students may consider further studies. The Diploma of Dementia Care will count as year 1 toward the Bachelor of Dementia Care; or as credit towards a Bachelor of Ageing and Dementia Studies.

Prior education at a tertiary or TAFE level (or equivalent) may also be considered as being counted as credit toward the Diploma.

For some students (depending on existing level of education), study will also be available in the Master of Dementia Program.


The people behind the program
The Wicking Dementia Research and Education Centre was established with core funding from the J.O. and J.R. Wicking Trust (Equity Trustees) and is located within the College of Health and Medicine at the University of Tasmania.

The Wicking Dementia Centre is a global leader in dementia research and education, with a mission to transform the understanding of dementia worldwide and to build a workforce to lead positive change in dementia care. It combines quality research in the themes of Care, Cause and Prevention of dementia, with advanced online learning technologies, to achieve its purpose of addressing the global impact of dementia.

Dementia has a profound impact on individuals, families and communities, and the number of people with dementia across the world increases every year as our global population ages. Dementia is now one of the most significant health, social and economic issues of the 21st Century.

How to apply into the Diploma of Dementia Care
It’s easy. Just head to https://www.utas.edu.au/admissions and apply. If you have any questions regarding the Diploma or application process, please phone or email us via the contact details below.

Contact Us
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Visit: utas.edu.au/wicking/doctorate

CRICOS Provider Code: 00586B

It is estimated that from 2015 to 2050, the total number of people living with dementia worldwide will increase from 47 to 131 million1.