

# **Diploma of Ageing Studies and Services**

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1 year full-time, up to 3 years part-time Intake: February (full-time and part-time) July (part-time only) • Online

#### ABOUT THIS COURSE

This Diploma, taught by the Wicking Dementia Centre is the ideal for those working with older adults in the community, aged care, or other sectors, as well as those eager to be part of this expanding workforce.

You'll gain knowledge on the social and biological aspects of ageing; chronicity and multimorbidity; age-related discrimination and prejudice; public health; and administrative processes related to policy and aged care.

You will cover contemporary issues relating to care and services for older people. You will learn about the many social, health, and political challenges that are associated with ageing. Areas of focus include the idea of 'care navigation', policy, safety and health promotion. Content also looks at the rising impact of dementia.

As our societies move towards having more older adults than children and younger people in the global population, it's vital that our social services and infrastructures are re-imagined and redesigned to support this growing demographic.

#### **KEY INFORMATION**

You'll develop skills to work independently and to share knowledge of the many aspects of ageing and ageing-related services with your respective teams and work environments. You'll be able to assist older adults and their family members in navigating the complexity of the aged care system and the trajectory of the needs of older adults across complex health and social systems.

- In each semester, 1-2 units are considered part-time and 3-4 units full-time.
- Each unit will require 8-10 hours each week for study.
- Learn through assessments such as quizzes, discussion boards, assignment plans, oral presentations and written assignments.
- · Dedicated Student Advisors guide your learning.

## **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Information on individual units and their fees may be found in the Course and Unit Handbook.

Articulation: Completion of the Diploma of Ageing Studies and Services enables articulation into year two of the Bachelor of Dementia Care (with an optional major in Ageing Studies and Services), or articulation into a range of degree programs with some recognition of prior learning.



Addresses the need for holistic knowledge of the ageing process.



Fully online, eight-unit course suitable for those with an interest in learning about ageing and older people.



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