

<b>Programme</b>	Postgraduate Diploma in Non Communicable Diseases
<b>Programme Description</b>	<p>This Postgraduate Diploma in Non Communicable diseases (PGDNCD) programme is designed to equip health professionals and appropriate candidates with proficiencies and capacities to critique &amp; effectively address the burdens of Non communicable diseases (NCDs), identify the risk factors; discuss the social determinants of health; analyse the NCD epidemiology, surveillance framework and targets; and evaluate the different NCD high risk approaches in Fiji and the Pacific region.</p> <p>Also, this programme inspires the candidates to ethically conduct counselling skills, communication and motivational interview to address the NCD risk factors with patients and these are: smoking, improper nutrition, alcohol consumption, physical inactivity, stress and spirituality (SNAPSS) with obesity prevention; and practice the WHO PEN Module and Protocols with the assessment tools in the prevention, management and control of NCD patients.</p> <p>Moreover, the new programme aims to prepare its graduates, and those interested to work in the area of NCD, with fundamental knowledge, be compassionate, attain competencies and practical skills required to manage NCD patients presenting in primary care settings and communities in Fiji and the region.</p> <p>The new PGDNCD with coursework and clinical components of 120 credits at level 8 is designed to be completed within 3 years of first enrolment for both full time and part time students.</p>
<b>Majors</b>	N/A
<b>Minimum Requirements</b>	<p>For entry into the PGDNCD programme the following criteria will apply:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) A health-related Bachelor's degree with GPA 3.0; or</li> <li>2) A minimum of three years' work experience in the NCD area in the health sector (demonstrated on their curriculum vitae) with a written and positive reference from a supervisor. All other conditions in the UASR Page 29, 6.11.2 also apply.</li> <li>3) Those with an undergraduate degree not related to health, or with less than five years work experience but strong references, will be considered on a case by case basis.</li> <li>4) All admissions into the PGDNCD programme must be endorsed by the HOD (in consultation with PC) before it can be endorsed by the HOS of the SPHPC, CMNHS.</li> </ol>
<b>Duration</b>	1 year full time
<b>Programme Type</b>	Postgraduate Diploma
<b>College Name</b>	College of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences
<b>Campus</b>	Public Health and Primary Care, Tamavua
<b>Credit Point</b>	120

<b>Programme Structure</b>		
<b>Unit Code</b>	<b>Unit Title</b>	<b>Credit Points</b>
PCP 810	Epidemiology and Burdens of Non Communicable Diseases	30
PCP 811	Package of Essential NCD Interventions for Primary Health Care (PEN)	60
PCP 812	Smoking, Nutrition, Alcohol, Physical Activity, Stress, Spirituality	30
	<b>Total Credit Points:</b>	<b>120</b>

<b>Unit Prerequisites</b>		
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PCP 810	Epidemiology and Burdens of Non Communicable Diseases	None
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