

**Program Code**

MAS

**Program Minimum Units**

36

**Standard Duration**

1 Year

**Program Faculty**

Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences

**AQF Level**

09

**Academic Year**

2018

These Program Rules should be read in conjunction with the University's policies (<http://www.adelaide.edu.au/policies>).

**Overview**

The Master of Science in Addiction Studies is jointly offered by the academic staff of the University of Adelaide (Australia), King's College London (UK) and Virginia Commonwealth University (USA) and delivered entirely online; no campus attendance is required. The program is available to students from all countries, but online lectures, assignments and correspondence are in English only. The program provides students with an advanced educational experience covering the scientific basis of addiction, comparative epidemiology, evidence-based interventions (including pharmacological, psychosocial and public health approaches), research methodology and addictions policy. The program does not provide training in clinical or counseling skills.

Due to the joined nature of the program, one of the three universities will be the primary enrolling university for all students in a cohort. The rules and regulations of the primary enrolling university will apply on academic progress, appeals, grievances or academic dishonesty as outlined in the Memorandum of Agreement.

The Master of Science in Addiction Studies is an AQF Level 9 Masters qualification with a standard full-time duration of 1.5 years.

**Academic Program Rules for Master of Science in Addiction Studies (MScAddictSt)**

There shall be a Master of Science in Addiction Studies (MScAddictSt).

**Qualification Requirements****Academic Program**

To qualify for the degree of Master of Science in Addiction Studies, the student must complete satisfactorily a program of study consisting of the following requirements with a combined total of not less than 36 units:

1. Core courses to the value of 30 units
2. Research equivalent courses to the value of 6 units in the form of a research project

### Core Courses

To satisfy the requirements for Core Courses students must complete courses to the value of 30 units.

Courses to the value of up to 30 units may be taken from the following:

- PHARM 7515EX [Biological Basis of Addiction](#) (4 units)
- PHARM 7516EX [Public Health Issues and Approaches to Addiction](#) (4 units)
- PHARM 7518EX [Treatment of Addiction: Psychosocial Interventions](#) (4 units)
- PHARM 7517EX [Treatment of Addiction: Pharmacotherapies](#) (4 units)
- PHARM 7519EX [Treatment of Addiction: Critical Issues](#) (4 units)
- PHARM 7520EX [Addiction Policies](#) (4 units)
- PHARM 7521EX [Research Methodology in Addictions](#) (6 units)

### Research Dissertation

To satisfy the requirements for Research Dissertation students must complete courses to the value of 6 units.

Courses to the value of up to 6 units may be taken from the following:

- PHARM 7522EX [Research Project in Addictions](#) (6 units)

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