

MENZIES SCHOOL OF HEALTH RESEARCH:

Opening the door to world-class opportunities in Indigenous health research.

Menzies is home to outstanding and award-winning researchers and research supervisors. Postgraduate studies in public health practice and health research skills provide an academic pathway to the research degrees of Master by Research and Doctor of Philosophy. Study with us and be at the coalface of world-class research with the flexibility to undertake research in global or Indigenous health areas.

Menzies' vision is to improve health outcomes and reduce health inequity for populations in Australia and the Asia-Pacific region, particularly for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. We have a history of scientific discovery and public health research achievement spanning more than 30 years. We partner with Indigenous communities across Australia to conduct high-quality research that is

meaningful and beneficial. We also provide excellent education that is relevant and accessible. Our work tackles critical public issues such as child and youth health and development, food security and nutrition, mental health, cancer, diabetes, kidney and heart disease as well as researching ways to strengthen the delivery of health services to Indigenous Australians. Meanwhile, our global and tropical health research is focused on malaria, tuberculosis, bacterial infections and maternal and child health in the Asia-Pacific region.

Changing THE World

Menzies' headquarters extends over two impressive, modern and ecologically sound buildings. In 2014, a new building on Charles Darwin University's (CDU) Casuarina campus and upgraded facilities at Royal Darwin Hospital (RDH) Campus were opened. Our improved laboratory complex also provides facilities for experimentation in the fields of microbiology, parasitology, molecular biology, immunology

Cutting-edge FACILITIES

and biochemistry. Menzies also has offices in Alice Springs, Brisbane, Timika (Indonesia) and Kota Kinabalu (Malaysia). Students are an integral part of Menzies and lecture rooms and higher degree research student facilities are provided at the main campuses.



150+

RESEARCH PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

60+

INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

20+

ASIA-PACIFIC COUNTRIES WHERE MENZIES PIONEERS GLOBAL AND TROPICAL HEALTH RESEARCH



What can I study?

GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN Health Research

- Research design • Research skills • Epidemiology • Biostatistics
- Qualitative research methods • Clinical trials • Indigenous health research

MASTER OF Public Health

- Public health • Epidemiology • Qualitative research methods
- Indigenous health and social change • Health policy
- Electives in Indigenous health, global health and public health practice
- Option to complete MPH with a supervised research project

MASTER BY Research / DOCTOR OF Philosophy

- Research supervision • CDU generic skills • HDR conferences
- Student support funds • HDR scholarships

INDIGENOUS HEALTH RESEARCHER

Dr Gabrielle McCallum is a graduate from Menzies' Master of Public Health and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) programs. She completed her PhD in 2014, looking at improving the management of bronchiolitis, especially in Indigenous children hospitalised with bronchiolitis.

Dr McCallum explained that she was first drawn to Menzies when she saw a job advertisement for a researcher. "I knew deep down that I wouldn't remain a hospital nurse. I wanted to make a difference in a less traditional way," she said.

Her first research role saw her involved in a 2001 cross-sectional study examining the impact of the newly-introduced Prevenar pneumococcal vaccine on ear disease.

Since 2015, Dr McCallum has been managing Menzies' respiratory program in the Child Health division.

This includes large National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) funded clinical trials and other large multi-centre studies. These programs are active in the Northern Territory, Australia and internationally.

"I have a particular interest in improving lung health and wellbeing of Indigenous children, by improving evidence-based programs, education and translating research findings into meaningful and culturally appropriate outcomes," said Dr McCallum.

She now mentors Menzies' staff and students. Dr McCallum won the Bupa Health Foundation Emerging Health Researcher Award in 2015. This award acknowledges early-career health researchers committed to translating health research into clinical practice.



Professor Gail Garvey is an Indigenous researcher who is currently leading two large national grants: a National Centre of Research Excellence in Discovering Indigenous Strategies to Improve Cancer Outcomes via Engagement, Research Translation and Training (DISCOVER-TT) and a Cancer Council New South Wales Strategic Research Partnership Grant with investigators from leading research institutes across Australia.

She is also currently a chief investigator on other large epidemiological and psycho-oncology cancer projects that are reviewing support services, screening programs, systems approaches to service delivery and the feasibility of specific interventions to improve the outcomes in cancer for Indigenous Australians.

"Until recently cancer has been a low priority on the Indigenous health agenda, despite the disease being the second leading cause of death among Indigenous people and accounting for a greater number of deaths each year than diabetes and kidney disease," she said.

"There is a clear need to improve health services for people with cancer by utilising the information we do have and by identifying knowledge gaps.

Professor Garvey plays a leadership role in Indigenous cancer research nationally.

Course Name: Master of Public Health CRICOS Course Code: 090536M | Course Name: Master by Research (IAS) CRICOS Course Code: 053295G | Course Name: Doctor of Philosophy (IAS) CRICOS Course Code: 053291A

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