Graduate Diploma in Applied Science (Medical Physics)

These courses deal with well-established and emerging areas of medical and health physics including clinical measurement, computing, health physics, instrumentation, medical electronics, medical imaging, physiological monitoring, physics of radiotherapy, radiobiology, and radiological imaging sciences. The coursework also contains an introduction to the clinical sciences.

Entry requirements
Academic entry requirements
A completed recognised bachelor degree in physics (or equivalent qualification) or other evidence of qualifications that satisfactorily demonstrate you possess the capacity to pursue the course of study.

Course structure
Stage 1—Graduate Diploma (PH71) comprises assessed coursework such as advanced lectures, seminars, reading units or independent study. Full-time students will need an average of 14 hours a week of formal contact (seven hours for part-time students). Students can graduate with a Graduate Diploma in Medical Physics after satisfactory completion of Stage 1.

Stage 2—Master of Applied Science (PH80) students undertake a program of supervised research and investigation that can be completed at QUT or in a suitable external institution.

Career outcomes
Graduates can seek employment in hospitals, health departments, tertiary institutions and medical instrumentation companies. Depending on the field of employment, graduates may be known as a medical physicist, health physicist or bio-engineer. Professional medical/health physicists:

- apply electronic tools and medical software, ultrasonics, radiation and computers to clinical and environmental problems
- monitor the environment to maintain acceptable standards in the workplace and the community
- apply fundamental physical research in development programs
- are responsible for calibration, care and maintenance of instruments and apparatus.

Professional recognition
The course is accredited by the Australasian College of Physical Sciences and Engineers in Medicine.

Fees
HECS-HELP
You may be eligible for HECS-HELP, a loan scheme to help you pay your course fees, if you are an Australian citizen or hold an Australian permanent humanitarian visa. For other conditions read the HECS-HELP information.

Student Services and Amenities Fee
You’ll need to pay the student services and amenities fee as part of your course costs. You may be eligible for SA-HELP, a loan scheme to help you pay your student services
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Scholarships
You can apply for scholarships to help you with study and living costs.

- Equity scholarships scheme