

Course Title: **Methods of Research and Enquiry**

Course Code: **HEAL610**

Descriptor Start Date: **01/01/2026**

POINTS: **15.00**

LEVEL: **6**

PREREQUISITE/S: **HEAL506**

COREQUISITE/S:

RESTRICTION/S:

## LEARNING HOURS

Hours may include lectures, tutorials, online forums, laboratories. Refer to your timetable and course information in Canvas for detailed information.

**Total learning hours: 150**

## PRESCRIPTOR

Develops knowledge of the enquiry process and an applied understanding of qualitative and quantitative research design.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Critically engage with research literature.
2. Demonstrate understanding of the relationship between the research question, research design and frames of enquiry for qualitative and quantitative research approaches..
3. Demonstrate understanding of the design process for data collection and the analysis appropriate to the specific research question for qualitative and quantitative research approaches..
4. Presents work at the appropriate academic standard.

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## CONTENT

- Stages of the evidence-based practice process
- Qualitative and quantitative research paradigms
- Qualitative study design
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- Qualitative and quantitative data collection and analysis
- Trustworthiness in qualitative research
- Validity and reliability in quantitative research
- Ethics and cultural appropriateness in research
- Strengths and limitations of specific study methodologies/designs

## LEARNING & TEACHING STRATEGIES

Learning and teaching occurs online. This is supported by tutorials and/or online discussions. Students will be supported in becoming critical consumers of research.

## ASSESSMENT PLAN

Assessment Event	Weighting %	Learning Outcomes
Qualitative Portfolio	50.00	LO1,LO2, LO3, LO4
Quantitative Portfolio	50.00	LO1,LO2, LO3, LO4

### Grade Map

#### MAP1

A+ A A- Pass with Distinction

B+ B B- Pass with Merit

C+ C C- Pass

D Fail

### Overall requirement/s to pass the course:

Students must achieve an overall passing grade of at least C- (49.5%) in order to pass this course.

## LEARNING RESOURCES

Please refer to additional information on Canvas for a list of recommended readings or resources.

**For further information, contact:** Te Ara Hauora A Putaiao - Faculty of Health & Environmental Science

**Principal Programme:** AK3680, Bachelor of Health Science

**Related Programme/s:** AK1035 Bachelor of Health Science (Midwifery)  
AK3113 Bachelor of Health Science (Oral Health)  
AK3324 Bachelor of Health Science (Nursing)  
AK3410 Bachelor of Health Science (Occupational Therapy)  
AK3432 Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science  
AK3680 Bachelor of Health Science  
AK3713 Bachelor of Health Science (Podiatry)

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