

Course Title: **Occupational Ergonomics**

Course Code: **RHAB801**

Descriptor Start Date: **02/01/2026**

POINTS: **30.00**

LEVEL: **8**

PREREQUISITE/S:

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: 300**

## PRESCRIPTOR

Promotes critical synthesis and the application of current evidence and theory to healthcare and industrial settings and utilises a systematic approach to evaluate and reduce workplace risks associated with health, safety and wellbeing.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Analyse core principles of ergonomics applied to health care and industrial settings.
2. Critically evaluate effective ergonomic workplace design within current government policy.
3. Critique a range of approaches used to evaluate occupational tasks from an ergonomics perspective.
4. Critically analyse appropriate ergonomic interventions.

## CONTENT

- Legal context of health and safety issues relevant to occupational ergonomics
- Ergonomic approaches to work and workplace assessment
- Work practices and workplace design
- The evaluation and management of complex occupational health and safety scenarios
- A systems approach to designing interventions to reduce risk associated with work practices

## LEARNING & TEACHING STRATEGIES

**Disclaimer: Course descriptors may be amended between teaching periods/semesters**

A variety of methods will be used to deliver the content of the course. The seminars, lectures, and tutorials will be delivered on-site in block modules. Students will complete selected readings relating to the content of block modules. Online learning tasks will be used to facilitate discussion, knowledge and understanding.

## ASSESSMENT PLAN

Assessment Event	Weighting %	Learning Outcomes
Written Assessment (3000 words)	30.00	LO1, LO2, LO3, LO4
Presentation (10 mins)	10.00	LO1, LO2, LO3, LO4
Written Assessment (5000 words)	60.00	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 average grade of at least C- across all summative assessments to pass this course.

## LEARNING RESOURCES

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

**Principal Programme:** AK3733, Master of Health Practice

**Related Programme/s:** AK3484 Postgraduate Certificate in Health Science  
AK3485 Master of Health Science  
AK3487 Postgraduate Diploma in Health Science  
AK3733 Master of Health Practice

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