

**UDRH INFORMATION for STUDENT PLACEMENTS
NATIONAL RURAL HEALTH STUDENT NETWORK GUIDE 2015**

The Australian Rural Health Education Network (ARHEN), established in 2001, is the peak body for the 11 University Departments of Rural Health (UDRH) located in every State and the NT. It receives core funding from the Department of Health and is co-funded by its member UDRHs.

What are UDRHs?

Each UDRH is a leader in multidisciplinary rural health education, research and the development of innovative service models. They are the only rurally based academic facilities that are multidisciplinary, work at undergraduate and post graduate levels and also with the existing workforce. The UDRH program is funded by the Australian Government Department of Health.

Member UDRHs are well established, diverse and complementary, forming the most significant rural health academic consolidation in Australia.

UDRHs are focused on expanding and enhancing the rural and remote health workforce through multidisciplinary education and training, research, professional support and service development.

A key role of the UDRHs is to provide and coordinate rural and remote placements for health students across Australia.

The 11 UDRHs are:

1. Mount Isa Centre for Rural and Remote Health - James Cook University
2. University Centre for Rural Health, North Coast - Sydney, Southern Cross, Wollongong and Western Sydney Universities
3. University of Newcastle Department of Rural Health - University of Newcastle
4. Broken Hill University Department of Rural Health – University of Sydney
5. UDRH Rural Health Academic Centre – University of Melbourne
6. School of Rural Health - Department of Rural and Indigenous Health - Monash University
7. Greater Green Triangle UDRH - Flinders and Deakin Universities
8. Centre for Rural Health - University of Tasmania
9. University Department of Rural Health; Division of Health Sciences- University of South Australia
10. Western Australian Centre for Rural Health – The University of Western Australia, Murdoch University, The University of Notre Dame, Curtin University and Edith Cowan University.
11. Centre for Remote Health – A joint Centre of Flinders and Charles Darwin Universities

******Students are to contact individual UDRHs for information on placement sites******

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<p>1. Mount Isa Centre for Rural and Remote Health (MICRRH)</p> <p>University: James Cook</p> <p>Location of Main Office: Mount Isa</p> <p>Website: www.micrrh.jcu.edu.au Student Information and</p> <p>Applications: www.micrrh.jcu.edu.au/Placements/</p> <p>Email: micrrh-studentplacements@jcu.edu.au</p> <p>Phone: 07 4745 4538</p> <p>NRHSN club: RHINO https://rhino.nrhsn.org.au/</p>	<p>Medicine, Nursing, Midwifery, Pharmacy, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Physicians Assistants, Mental Health (Psych/Social Work), Nutrition & Dietetics, Speech Therapy, Paramedics and Dentistry students</p>	<p>Aim is to support all health related professions at undergraduate or graduate level and international students for a minimum of a 4 week placement arranged through your university (not individually).</p>	<p>Accommodation at any of the placement sites within this region of 380,000 sq. kms is at a minimal cost to students. If the student does not hold a scholarship that covers travel, the cost of travel from Mount Isa to an outlying site is covered by the UDRH.</p> <p>It is anticipated that the fee will be approximately \$80 per week in 2014 (still to be confirmed).</p>	<p>Preceptor support and preceptor training tailored to the organisation/profession, access to facilities to support Continuing Professional Development, access to Cultural Awareness sessions for staff and pastoral support if issues arise around students whilst on placement.</p> <p>Comprehensive orientation to rural and remote health, Aboriginal cultural awareness in practice, mentoring and personal support, access to IT and Internet, university library resources and local health library and librarian services. Opportunity for community involvement.</p>

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<p>2. University Centre for Rural Health - North Coast (NSW) (UCRH)</p> <p>Universities: Sydney, Southern Cross, Western Sydney and Wollongong (Collaboration)</p> <p>Location of Main Office: Lismore</p> <p>Website: www.ucrh.edu.au</p> <p>Student Information and Applications: https://www.ucrh.edu.au/placements</p> <p>Email: studentcoord@ucrh.edu.au</p> <p>Phone: 02 6620 7570</p> <p>NRHSN club: MIRAGE https://mirage.nrhsn.org.au/</p>	<p>Medicine, Occupational Therapy, Nursing, Dentistry, Physiotherapy, Speech Pathology, Dietetics, Radiography, Medical Imaging and Radiography, Pharmacy, Podiatry and Social Work</p>	<p>Undergraduates of any health discipline</p>	<p>The UCRH provides low cost accommodation for students at its sites across the region. Utilities fee of \$25 per week, applies to each student</p>	<p>A number of training opportunities are available to preceptors and health professionals.</p>

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<p>3. University of Newcastle Department of Rural Health</p> <p>University: Newcastle</p> <p>Location of Main Office: Tamworth</p> <p>Website: www.newcastle.edu.au/faculty/health-medicine/drh/</p> <p>Student Information and Applications: www.newcastle.edu.au/faculty/health-medicine/drh/for-students/placement-options.html</p> <p>Email: studentplacementstamworth@newcastle.edu.au</p> <p>Phone: (02) 6755 3500</p> <p>NRHSN club: BREAATHHE https://breaathhe.nrhn.org.au/</p>	<p>Medicine, Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Nutrition and Dietetics, Physiotherapy, Pharmacy, Speech Pathology, Diagnostic Radiography, Nuclear Medicine Science, Social Work.</p>	<p>Primary support is provided to undergraduate students, although supports JMOs based in Tamworth and provides CPD to all clinicians in this footprint who work in the listed disciplines.</p> <p>The UDRH also provides support for health professional postgraduate research higher degree or course-work students.</p>	<p>A \$70 per week licence fee charged for all UoN UDRH and RCTS students utilising student accommodation in Tamworth, Armidale and Taree. Currently there is free accommodation offered for Moree placements.</p> <p>Owned or leased are 76 beds in Tamworth, 54 in Taree, 7 in Moree and 4 in Armidale. UoN DEEWR funded students have priority. Additional accommodation is available at Health Services Nurses Quarters if primary accommodation is full.</p>	<p>Support to clinicians for the supervision of students, including UDRH and RCTS staff performing clinical duties.</p> <p>Strong CPD program is offered in all disciplines free of charge. This includes clinical supervisor/preceptor training.</p> <p>In some instances, other resources and equipment have been provided to assist the clinicians to take students.</p>

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<p>4. Broken Hill UDRH</p> <p>University: Sydney</p> <p>Location of Main Office: Broken Hill</p> <p>Website: www.sydney.edu.au/medicine/drh</p> <p>Student Information and Applications: http://sydney.edu.au/medicine/drh/placements/index.php</p> <p>Email: FWLHD-UDRHStudentProgram@health.nsw.gov.au</p> <p>Phone: (08) 8080 1241</p> <p>NRHSN club: MIRAGE https://mirage.nrhsn.org.au/</p>	<p>Medical, Nursing and Allied Health</p>	<p>Students across all health disciplines from all Australian universities.</p> <p>International - only dentistry students.</p>	<p>Placements are for a two week minimum time.</p> <p>Accommodation is free and self-contained except for towels. Push bikes are provided (for a deposit of \$120, \$100 of which is redeemable on return) to help the students get around town avoiding taxi and bus fares. There is a \$25 placement management fee per week, per student.</p>	<p>Some professions are provided with funding support for salaries and infrastructure.</p> <p>An academic title may be offered, and access to training literature in the medical library.</p> <p>Access to training facilities if required (free of charge) should there be any arranged further professional training, and inclusion in any UDRH arranged training and workshops where relevant.</p> <p>Simulation Lab available to support partners and supervisors.</p> <p>Occasional mentoring support - depending on discipline.</p>

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<p>5. Rural Health Academic Centre (RHAC)</p> <p>University: Melbourne</p> <p>Location of Main Office: Shepparton</p> <p>Web site: www.ruralhealth.unimelb.edu.au</p> <p>Student Information and Applications: www.ruralhealth.unimelb.edu.au/UDRH/studentplacements/</p> <p>Student Accommodation Information: http://www.ruralhealth.unimelb.edu.au/for%20students/accommodation/index.html</p> <p>Email: rhac-info@unimelb.edu.au</p> <p>Phone: 03 5823 4504</p> <p>NRHSN club: OUTLOOK https://outlook.nrhsn.org.au/</p>	<p>Medical, Nursing and Allied Health</p>	<p>At present most students are undergraduates however several courses such as Audiology and some Nursing qualifications are undertaken on a postgraduate basis.</p> <p>UDRH supports students across all health disciplines from all Australian Universities studying or on clinical placement within the region.</p>	<p>UOM Allied Health (Dentistry, Social Work, Physiotherapy, Audiology, Speech Therapy) are supported in accommodation costs; fees waived as a RHAC bursary. Accommodation sites include Ballarat, Shepparton and Wangaratta.</p> <p>Students external to UoM: Accommodation is subsidised or financial assistance is provided. All international students pay \$150 per week (not subsidised).</p> <p>Nursing and allied health students not using our accommodation sites on placement within our UDRH region are supported through financial assistance for travel and accommodation costs.</p> <p>At the campus sites, accommodation is self-contained, your own bedroom and shared facilities and access to computer lab or wireless internet services, <i>Continued next page</i></p>	<p>Health services are supported through interprofessional education and clinical supervision support.</p> <p>Cultural Competency in Aboriginal Health training for students on placement.</p> <p>Early 2015 Rural Online Health Training will become available to health services and students which will cover 12 modules, including IPP, different models of health care, inter-disciplinary case studies and multiple roles within a community.</p> <p>At present we are building our capacity to assist Health Services and Placement Providers.</p>

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<p>6. School of Rural Health - Department of Rural and Indigenous Health</p> <p>University: Monash University</p> <p>Location of Main Office: Moe</p> <p>Web site: http://www.med.monash.edu.au/srh/mudrih/</p> <p>Student Information and Applications: http://www.med.monash.edu.au/srh/placements.html</p> <p>Email: MUDRIH.Inquiries@monash.edu</p> <p>Phone: 03 51281000</p>	<p>All health disciplines including, Dentistry, Dietetics, Medicine, Nursing/Midwifery, Occupational Therapy, Paramedic, Pharmacy, Physiotherapy, Podiatry, Psychology, Radiotherapy, Speech, Social Work, Social Welfare and Psychology.</p>	<p>We aim to support students from all health related professions at undergraduate or post graduate levels from any university or registered educational institution by providing a range of opportunities.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Accommodation is available to students while on placement arranged by their education provider. 2. Students are able to arrange quality placements in Gippsland through MUDRIH's Placement Education and Research Unit (PERU) in partnership with Latrobe Community Health Services in Morwell. The website is http://www.lchs.com.au/student-placement.html 3. MUDRIH's Gippsland Mental Health Vacation School - annual five day residential program <p><i>Continued next page</i></p>	<p>Accommodation is available at Mildura in North West Victoria and across Gippsland including Bairnsdale, Sale, Traralgon, Warragul, Wonthaggi and Moe.</p> <p>Further links and information to can be found on http://www.med.monash.edu.au/srh/</p> <p>There is a small charge per night to cover utility costs.</p> <p>Financial support for accommodation is normally provided by the student's education provider.</p>	<p>A number of training opportunities are available to preceptors and health professionals. These include Student Supervision workshops, (Basic and Advanced) Cultural Safety Training, Interprofessional Collaboration training, Health Professional Mentorship, Newsletters, Mental Health First Aid.</p>

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<p>7. Greater Green Triangle (GGT)</p> <p>Universities: Deakin and Flinders</p> <p>Location of Main Office: Warrnambool</p> <p>Website: www.greaterhealth.org</p> <p>Student Information and Applications: http://www.greaterhealth.org/students/</p> <p>Email: studentofficer@greaterhealth.org</p> <p>Phone: 03 5551 8440</p> <p>NRHSN clubs: NOMAD -Deakin https://nomad.nrhn.org.au/</p> <p>FURHS – Flinders https://furhs.nrhn.org.au/</p>	<p>All health professions</p>	<p>Offers programs and support for undergraduate and postgraduate health professional students from any Australian University who are undertaking clinical or research placements in the GGT at any of its locations.</p>	<p>Students can access one of two student placement allowance schemes to meet the cost of undertaking their clinical placement.</p> <p>For students staying in the 14 houses/facilities we own or lease across the region, they must stay 5 days or more to be entitled to the following (alternate accommodation is provided in towns where we don't have accommodation facilities):</p> <p>5 days – 3 weeks = \$50 4 weeks – 6 weeks = \$100 7 weeks – 9 weeks = \$150 10weeks – 12 weeks = \$200 Anything over 12 weeks is capped at \$200</p> <p>Students placed for 2 weeks or more at any of our partner accommodations i.e. Hospital facilities and alternate accommodation, receive a one- off payment of \$50.</p>	<p>Maintain a CPD Program that seeks to support the continuing professional development needs of the GGT allied health workforce by delivering presentations and workshops and having CPD material available online.</p>

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<p>8. Centre for Rural Health</p> <p>University: Tasmania</p> <p>Location of Main Office: Launceston</p> <p>Website: http://www.utas.edu.au/rural-health/</p> <p>Student Information and Applications: http://www.utas.edu.au/rural-health/quick-links/student-resources</p> <p>Email: rural.health@utas.edu.au</p> <p>Phone: 03 6324 4009</p> <p>NRHSN club: Rustica https://rustica.nrhsn.org.au/</p>	<p>Nursing Pharmacy Allied health Medicine</p>	<p>Undergraduate students and (health) research students where applicable eg. Fieldwork for data collection.</p> <p>Preference is given to students studying within the region.</p>	<p>Provide Nursing, Pharmacy, Allied Health and Medicine students with free accommodation and internet access at 16 Rural Health Teaching Sites.</p> <p>Provide a Rural Placement Allowance of up to \$50 per week to students undertaking placements in rural Tasmania providing they receive no financial support from their schools.</p> <p>There is a \$200 Rural Placement Allowance for Interstate Allied Health students.</p> <p>Payments per student are capped at \$400 per semester.</p> <p>Students external to UTAS may be required to pay a fee.</p>	<p>No specific program of support is provided. Staff regularly visit teaching sites to meet with staff and students and also liaise with disciplinary units in the university if there are placement issues etc.</p>

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<p>9. University Department of Rural Health; Division of Health Sciences</p> <p>University: South Australia</p> <p>Location of Main Office: Whyalla</p> <p>Website: www.unisa.edu.au/About-UniSA/Rural-campuses/UDRH/</p> <p>Student Information and Applications: http://www.unisa.edu.au/About-UniSA/Rural-campuses/UDRH/Student-placements/</p> <p>Email: udrh@unisa.edu.au</p> <p>Phone: 08 8647 6036</p> <p>NRHSN club: ROUSTAH http://www.roustah.com/</p>	<p>Audiology, Dietetics, Human Movement, Laboratory Medicine, Medical Radiation, Midwifery, Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Oral Health, Pharmacy, Podiatry, Psychology, Social Work – if placed in a health setting, Speech Pathology, Optometry</p>	<p>Support is offered to Australian Citizens and Permanent Resident students, International students are not supported unless they are studying Pharmacy.</p>	<p>Allied Health and Nursing students from UniSA and Uni Adelaide placed at one of the learning centres for < 6 weeks are entitled to free accommodation and travel assistance from Adelaide.</p> <p>If the placement is > 6 weeks they are also entitled to the free accommodation, travel assistance and a subsistence payment of \$75 per week.</p> <p>If the student is placed at a non-learning centre for > 2 weeks they are entitled to a one-off payment of \$150 and the travel assistance from Adelaide to the placement location. Note that travel assistance is capped at \$150.</p> <p>Students from Flinders are also supported with free accommodation (if available and is dependent on discipline and if the students contact the UDRH).</p> <p><i>Continued next page</i></p>	

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<p>10. Western Australian Centre for Rural Health (WACRH)</p> <p>Universities: The University of Western Australia, Murdoch University, Curtin University, University of Notre Dame and Edith Cowan University.</p> <p>Location of Main Office: Geraldton</p> <p>Website: www.wacrh.uwa.edu.au</p> <p>Student Information and Applications: http://www.wacrh.uwa.edu.au/index.php/students</p> <p>Email: admin-wacrh@uwa.edu.au</p> <p>Phone: 08 9956 0200</p> <p>NRHSN club: WAALHIIBE https://waalhiibe.nrhsn.org.au/</p>	<p>Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, Social Work, Podiatry, Health Promotion, Speech, Pharmacy, Dietetics, Speech Pathology and Nursing.</p> <p>Other disciplines are supported by arrangement.</p>	<p>Health discipline students.</p> <p>WACRH offers a variety of placement types ranging from 2 to 18 weeks. Students are based in Geraldton & rotate through various locations in the Midwest depending on their prescribed program. Students are supported in a range of Interprofessional and discipline-specific assessed activities.</p> <p><u>Services and facilities:</u> Dedicated student desks space; wireless internet access; student support officer for pastoral care, accommodation. Students are provided with a comprehensive preparation for practice opportunities.</p> <p>Core programs are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community and Residential Aged Care (CRAC) Program • Schools – Early Intervention program • Go Rural (immersed in remote community Mt Magnet) • Student-run clinics. <p>The WA Centre for Rural Health also delivers a weekly tutorial known as Student</p>	<p>WACRH has student accommodation in the Midwest city of Geraldton (12x2 bedroom shared units) and the Murchison town of Mt Magnet (6x bedroom house) (350kms east). We offer free (where possible) or affordable accommodation in these areas.</p> <p>A 5–bedroom student accommodation facility will be available in the Pilbara town of Karratha from July 2015.</p> <p>Accommodation is of a high standard and includes internet access.</p> <p>While no direct financial support is provided for travel to the Midwest or Pilbara, regional travel between remote towns is supported by WA Centre for Remote Health through use of vehicles at the Centre.</p>	<p>Clinical supervisors, practices or partner organisations can access WACRH’s seminars/workshops and mentor training.</p> <p>WACRH offers Teaching on The Run, a professional development program aimed at improving teaching and supervision in a clinical setting.</p>

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<p>11. Centre for Remote Health</p> <p>Universities: Flinders and Charles Darwin</p> <p>Location of Main Office: Alice Springs with satellite office in Katherine.</p> <p>Website: www.crh.org.au</p> <p>Student Information and Applications: www.crh.org.au/content/view/258/92/</p> <p>Email: crh.studentadmin@flinders.edu.au</p> <p>Phone: 08 8951 4700</p> <p>NRHSN club: CARAH https://carah.nrhsn.org.au/</p>	<p>All health and community service disciplines are supported.</p>	<p>Undergraduate, post graduate, honours and PhD students.</p> <p>All students on placement may attend a one day orientation to Central Australia workshop.</p> <p>CRH offers a post graduate suite of courses in Remote Health to a Masters level.</p> <p>CRH also offers short courses on a variety of topics, covering the full spectrum of Remote Health issues.</p>	<p>One day Introduction to the Context of Central Australia introducing the concepts of cultural safety and social determinants of health.</p> <p>Up to \$500 travel and accommodation subsidy is offered on application for students studying with Flinders and CDU on placement in Central Australia. Other application will be considered on a case by case basis.</p> <p>Student accommodation is twin share or single within walking distance of the hospital. It is self-contained with Wi-Fi internet and a computer in each house.</p> <p>Accommodation is available in selected remote Aboriginal communities.</p>	<p>A free 2 day course on clinical supervision is offered, please contact Cherie.jones@flinders.edu.au for schedule. On line modules are available through the Northern Territory Department of Health.</p>