**Voluntary Course Transfer from THINK Education to Torrens University of Australia (TUA) Updated Course Structure**

**Frequently Asked Questions**

**Why have the course updates been made?**

The course updates have been made upon consultation with TUA Academic Executive, Course Advisory Committee that consists of professional association members, industry representatives, professional practitioners and alumni. Student feedback has also been taken into consideration in developing the course updates.

The BHS course updates are designed to:

- strengthen connection to industry via work experience opportunities
- scaffold the clinical learning experiences throughout the course
- improve clinic management skills and knowledge
- build student confidence and capability via an immersive clinical experience
- strengthen graduate employability by allowing students to choose elective subjects to encourage a desired career outcome
- recognise prior learning via inclusion of an unspecified elective credit

**How will I learn in the new course?**

The subjects have been developed with a flipped and active learning approach. Junior students learn health science in our dedicated health science laboratories. Practical and clinical skills are taught via task training. The core specialist subjects are designed to enhance student comprehension and retention of information by providing realistic learning experiences and assessments that reflect real world tasks.

Senior subjects incorporate a problem-based learning style to accelerate the development of critical thinking and problem solving skills. This style of delivery also enhances student ability to work in a team and encourages the development of communication skills and ethical practice. Senior students apply learning in simulated case scenarios to sharpen their clinical skill development.

The updated BHS courses prepare students for contemporary practice by:

- encouraging student competence in managing a digital learning environment
- exploring professional identify, entrepreneurship and public health responsibilities
- providing a modern practice environment including the use of body composition analysis technology
- promoting evidence-based safe and effective practice
- scaffolding communication and clinical skill development throughout the course Updated Course

**THINK Education to Torrens Courses Codes:**
When will my THINK Course finish?

If you have not completed the course by the last trimester of delivery then you will be able to transition to the equivalent Torrens course.

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Subject offerings each trimester will be as per the THINK Education teach out plan for your course and campus location—see the Student Hub for details.

Will I get credit if I transfer to the Torrens courses?

THINK Education and Torrens course structures are different and not all THINK Education subjects gain direct credit with the relevant Torrens courses. If you anticipate that you will need to transfer to Torrens you need to plan your course progressions so you receive maximum credit into the Torrens program.

To ensure best credit transfer:
- review the subject mapping documents (available on the Student Hub)
- note the subjects with no credit transfer option
- plan your Torrens elective subjects in advance

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• note you can apply for an unspecified elective credit for subjects completed at THINK that are not currently in the TUA course structure.

I have completed part of a subject – what options do I have?

Students who have completed either the theory or practical clinical component for a subject may be eligible to apply for partial academic exemption. This means that students do not need to repeat the component of the subject they have already completed. Students will only need to complete the component that has not yet been achieved.

Partial academic exemption will not be displayed on your offer letter or transcript as a full credit. The grade will be updated when the outstanding component is completed.

Students who have completed the theory component for a work integrated learning subject but not the clinical management or observation component, may be eligible to apply for conditional credit. In this case, you will be given an opportunity to complete the outstanding work integrated learning component and, once completed, full credit for the subject will be applied.

I tried to enrol in my preferred subjects at THINK but there was a pre or co-requisite block?

Students can request to waive a pre or co-requisite subject by emailing student services. In your email provide context for why you would like the subject pre/co-requisite waived.

The Program Director or delegate can approve your subject selection and escalate for manual enrolment into the subject.

Will I be able to study on campus at Torrens?

Most theory subjects will be available in both the online and on campus study mode. However, some theory subjects may only be available in the online mode. Online and on campus study options are available for the DHS subjects.

The BHS subjects study mode and attendance requirements are noted on the Course Structure available on the Student Hub. Please refer to this document to understand the work integrated learning and clinical practicum requirements of your course. Your success coach will be able to assist you with course progression planning.

I am an international student - can I study on campus?

International students have requirements for on campus attendance, so please reach out to your Success Coach to gain advice.
I would like to speak with someone about course progression planning?
Success Coaches are able to assist you with course progression planning. Program Success Coach contacts are listed on the Student Hub. Student Services can also assist with simple queries regarding subject selection.

We encourage you to use the dedicated email: healthsciencechanges@laureate.edu.au

How can I find out about Course Fees?
If you are required to transition from THINK to Torrens at the teach-out date you will not be disadvantaged.

Students who wish to transfer to Torrens are advised to review the Torrens course fee schedule available on the Torrens website: torrens.edu.au/apply-online/fees#opt-course-tuition
Use the subject fee breakdown information to gain further information on your individual subject cost. Information is on the Torrens website: torrens.edu.au/apply-online/fees#opt-course-tuition

Torrens University course fees are exempt from a 25% loading that is applied to fee-help loans for non-university RTO providers such as THINK Education.

Your Torrens offer letter will have course fees information. Please review this important information.

For more information contact the Finance Team on: mailto:student.finance@tua.edu.au

Are scholarships available?
Torrens University & THINK Education regularly awards scholarships which may be based on merit. At times, other scholarships may be applied more broadly to a student group or cohort. THINK Education graduates are eligible for an Alumni Scholarship at Torrens University.

If you are currently on scholarship in a THINK Education course the scholarship will be honoured at the Torrens equivalent course.

I am interested in voluntary transfer, so what should I do?

- Review the information on the Student Hub
- Speak with a Success Coach to assess your eligibility to transfer.
- Complete a course transfer form: think.edu.au/studying-at-think/policies-and-procedures
- Submit form to
  - Student Services front counter at your campus
  - For THINK Education (ACNT) Pyrmont, Brisbane and Online groups: studentservices@think.edu.au or studentservices@torrens.edu.au
  - For THINK Education (SSNT) Melbourne: sservices@laureate.net.au
- It may take up to 10 days to process your request.
- You will receive a new offer letter which you need to sign and return.
- As this is an internal transfer, there are no transfer fees required.
- Conditional credits may be applied to subjects that have not yet been resulted. Credits will be updated once your grades have been ratified at the end of Trimester.
- You can submit your form any time prior to the start of the trimester.

We recommend you submit requests as early as possible to avoid delays.

**Who can help me if I have further questions?**

As always, we are here to support you every step of the way.

Any questions can be forwarded to: healthsciencechanges@laureate.edu.au