

Online Learning Policy

The Australian Government introduced legislation on the 1st of July 2009 that requires health funds to satisfy certain standards regarding distance and on-line education in order to register practitioners as health service providers.

These rules permit for certain course units to be delivered via online and distance education, whilst others should be completed on campus.

ANPA has adopted these general rules for membership purposes. New graduates having completed naturopathic training via a recognised Australian institution and who have meet these general rules, are eligible to join the ANPA.

GUIDELINES:

1. Up to 50% of the naturopathy program excluding clinical training, can be completed via on-line or distance education.
2. Course units that may be completed via on-line or distance education are generic in nature and non-modality specific. For example, anatomy, physiology, chemistry, professional issues, establishing a practice, etc.).
3. Course units that must be completed on campus via face-to-face are modality specific. For example, subjects relating to nutrition, diet, lifestyle, naturopathic philosophy, herbal medicine, homeopathy, etc.).
4. Clinical practicum must be completed on campus under supervision.
5. 200 or more on-campus supervised clinic hours are required for acceptance as an ANPA member.