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# **COURSE REGULATIONS**

## **SCHOOL OF NURSING AND MIDWIFERY**

**GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF MENTAL HEALTH  
NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH**

**GradDip MHNursAH**

**COURSE CODE: 4131**

**SCHOOL OF NURSING AND MIDWIFERY**

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# 1 INTRODUCTION AND INTERPRETATION

## 1.1 Introduction

These Course Regulations apply to all students enrolled in the Graduate Diploma of Mental Health Nursing and Allied Health Award at The University of Notre Dame Australia.

These Regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's General Regulations and the School of Nursing and Midwifery Regulations.

## 1.2 Interpretation

The terms included in these Regulations have the meanings as defined in the University's General Regulations and the School of Nursing and Midwifery Regulations.

## 1.3 Amendments made to Course Regulations

Unless otherwise specified, when amendments are made to the structure, content or academic requirements of the Graduate Diploma of Mental Health Nursing and Allied Health Award, the amendments will automatically apply in accordance with General Regulation Section 1.7.

## 1.4 Applicability to Campuses of the University

The Graduate Diploma of Mental Health Nursing and Allied Health Award is available on the Fremantle Campus only.

## 1.5 The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF)

The Graduate Diploma of Mental Health Nursing and Allied Health Award is an AQF level 8 qualification.

## **2 ENTRY CRITERIA**

### **2.1 General Criteria**

The standard entry requirements for admission are detailed in the University's General Regulations and the School of Nursing and Midwifery Regulations.

### **2.2 Additional Entry Requirements / Pre-Requisites**

The following pre-requisites apply to this Award:

- Current license to practice as a registered nurse, with an Australian regulatory authority, or full membership of an appropriate Australian or Professional organization.

### **2.3 External Accreditation Requirements**

External accreditation requirements are not applicable to this Award.

## **3 AWARD REQUIREMENTS**

### **3.1 Structure (Appendix A)**

Refer to Award structure in Appendix A.

#### **3.1.1 Elective Units**

There are no Electives within this Award.

#### **3.1.2 Majors and Double Majors**

There are no Majors or Double Majors available in this Award.

#### **3.1.3 Minors**

There are no Minors available in this Award.

#### **3.1.4 Specialisations**

There are no Specialisations permitted in this Award.

#### **3.1.5 Special Interest Units**

There are not Special interest units available in this Award.

### **3.2 Special Award Requirements**

There are no special award requirements in the Graduate Diploma of Mental Health Nursing and Allied Health

### **3.3 Practicum or Internship requirements**

There are no Practicum or Internship requirements in this Award.

### **3.4 Approved unit substitutions**

There are no approved unit substitutions permitted in this Award.

### **3.5 Alternative Pathways**

Alternative pathways are not applicable to this Award.

### **3.6 Volume of Learning**

#### **3.6.1 Standard Duration**

- (a) The standard duration for the Graduate Diploma of Mental Health Nursing and Allied Health Award is 1 year of equivalent full-time study.
- (b) A student is able to enrol in this Award on a part-time basis.

#### **3.6.2 Accelerated Duration**

An accelerated mode is not available for the Graduate Diploma of Mental Health Nursing and Allied Health Award.

#### **3.6.3 Maximum Duration**

The maximum period of time within which a student is permitted to complete the Graduate Diploma of Mental Health Nursing and Allied Health Award is 4 years (including any periods of approved leave of absence) from the date on which they were first enrolled into the course by the University.

### **3.7 Graduation**

Where a student has satisfied all the requirements of the Graduate Diploma of Mental Health Nursing and Allied Health Award as detailed in these Course Regulations and the General Regulations, the University may grant the student graduation status.

**3.8 Exit Awards**

An Exit Award pathway is available for this Award.

**3.9 Honours**

The Graduate Diploma of Mental Health Nursing and Allied Award is not offered with Honours.

**END OF REGULATIONS**



**APPENDIX A:**

| YEAR ONE                            |                                     |               |                                     |  |               |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|--|---------------|
| Semester One                        |                                     |               | Semester Two                        |  |               |
| Unit Number                         | Unit Title                          | Credit Points | Unit Number                         | Unit Title   | Credit Points |
| NMH401                              | Contemporary Mental Health Practice | 25            | NUR506                              | Professional Role Development                              | 25            |
| NMH402                              | Interpersonal Communication         | 25            | NMH404                              | Role of the Mental Health Practitioner in Acute Psychiatry | 25            |
|                                     |                                     |               |                                     |  |               |
| <b>Credit Point Total for Y1 S1</b> |                                     | 50            | <b>Credit Point Total for Y1 S2</b> |  | 50            |
| <b>Total Credit Points Year One</b> |                                     |               |                                     |  | 100           |

| YEAR TWO                            |  |               |                                     |                                     |               |
|-------------------------------------|--|---------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Semester One                        |  |               | Semester Two                        |                                     |               |
| Unit Number                         | Unit Title                                     | Credit Points | Unit Number                         | Unit Title                          | Credit Points |
|                                     |  |               | ET502                               | Ethical Issues in Professional Life | 25            |
| NMH500                              | Advanced Contemporary Mental Health Practice 1 | 25            |                                     | Postgraduate Research Elective      | 25            |
| NMH501                              | Advanced Contemporary Mental Health Practice 2 | 25            |                                     |                                     |               |
| <b>Credit Point Total for Y2 S1</b> |  | 50            | <b>Credit Point Total for Y2 S2</b> |                                     | 50            |
| <b>Total Credit Points Year Two</b> |  |               |                                     |                                     | 100           |
| <b>TOTAL COURSE CREDIT POINTS:</b>  |  |               |                                     |                                     | <b>200</b>    |