Master of Nursing (Coursework and Thesis)
UNDA Course Code 5108
Not available for international students
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INTRODUCTION
This program will allow students to research a topic or subject of personal interest. The course relies on independent study and substantial research. It also relies on the initiative of the student in conjunction with the supervisor to choose and define the area of research. The essence of this program is that the student engages with independent research and meets with the supervisor regularly. Standard University semester and census dates apply.

Students who embark on the Masters of Nursing by Coursework and Thesis will gain a thorough understanding of research planning and process, specifically in relation to literature review, research methodology, analysis, verification and report writing. Students will be well equipped to take on further studies upon completion of the Masters by Coursework and Thesis. The Master of Nursing (Coursework and Thesis) will accentuate the importance of providing evidence, as a means to supporting the students own sphere of professional practice.

COURSE OUTLINE
The Master of Nursing (Coursework and Thesis) comprises supervised research, a core unit and three elective units. A research methods unit is also recommended for students who are unfamiliar with research process. There are study pathways for participants who have completed a Graduate Diploma or Graduate Certificate, which recognises prior learning on production of documented evidence. All participants are required to complete a UNDA core unit such as Ethics in Professional Life (ET502).

Elective units can also be undertaken from other Schools within the University, subject to approval of the Postgraduate Coordinator (Nursing) and the appropriate School Dean of the other area.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
The program will be available to students who have a previous nursing degree or equivalent and who have accumulated appropriate experience in a relevant discipline area.

A minimum of two years relevant post registration nursing experience is required, or as acceptable by the course coordinator.

Applicants should also submit a brief initial outline of their proposed research area with their application.

Applications should be received at least one month prior to commencement. Please contact the Postgraduate Coordinator, School of Nursing on 9433 0249 for further information.

FURTHER INFORMATION
The information contained in this publication is designed as a basic course description. If you would like further information regarding the course, or information pertaining to admissions, fees or the University itself, please consult the University prospectus.

If you would like to view the University facilities please contact the Prospective Students Office on (08) 9433 0533 or at future@nd.edu.au.

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