Graduate Diploma in Perioperative Nursing
UNDA Course Code 4091
Not available for international students
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INTRODUCTION
The School of Nursing, Fremantle Health Service and affiliates conjointly provides the opportunity for the registered nurse to study the Graduate Diploma in Perioperative Nursing.

The duration of the program is one year and students will be an employee of the Fremantle Health Service, or an affiliate health service.

The program is aimed at enabling the registered nurse to develop knowledge and consolidate skills to function as a specialist within the perioperative field. It is also aimed at providing currently practising perioperative nurses with opportunities to advance their current practice. Upon completion of the Graduate Diploma course participants will be able to contribute to perioperative nursing as a specialty.

COURSE OUTLINE
There are five units of study:
Pathophysiological Processes Related to Therapeutic Action
Clinical Practice
Professional Development
Reflective Practice
Management

All students will be required to complete one additional University core unit. Please note the course sequence and unit titles may be subject to change.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
To be eligible for entry into the Graduate Diploma in Perioperative Nursing, students must have an undergraduate nursing degree or equivalent and be a full-time employee of the Fremantle Health Service or an affiliate health service. Students must hold a current license to practice as a registered nurse in Western Australia and have at least one year postgraduate experience, or as acceptable by the course co-ordinator and affiliate health service.

Applications should be received at least one month prior to commencement. Please contact the Postgraduate Coordinator, School of Nursing on 9433 0183 for information related to the course.

MODE OF STUDY & ASSESSMENT
This is a full time program. Most classes will be held off campus at Fremantle Hospital. Students should discuss their study program with the course co-ordinator before commencing. The assessment of each unit is variable and may consist of tutorial presentations, case study, written assignments, projects and journals.