Bachelor of Nursing
UNDA Course Code 3492 – CRICOS Course Code 083619M

Nursing at Notre Dame
The School of Nursing provides a quality educational experience by preparing graduates with high levels of knowledge and the skills to think critically and reflect across all aspects of nursing care.

The School of Nursing offers students a variety of learning experiences that assist in developing competence and confidence required of the registered nurse.

This includes 27 weeks (ranging from 3-6 weeks per year) of full time professional workplace experiences, where students are immersed in the practice of nursing and have opportunities to apply theory to practice. This is in addition to the theoretical on-campus learning where students are presented with realistic scenarios and simulated activities.

The Bachelor of Nursing is accredited by the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council (ANMAC). Upon obtaining registration with ANMAC, graduates will be able to practice as a Registered Nurse in a range of clinical settings.

Course Goals
On completion of the Bachelor of Nursing the student will:

- Be clinically competent and confident registered nurses who use their knowledge and skills in the ethical care of individuals, families and communities
- Have developed a capacity and ability to self-reflect
- Be able to think critically, reason and use judgment in all aspects of nursing practice
- Use evidence based research in all aspects of care and service delivery
- Identify their own values and beliefs and be empowered to act on these values to advocate for people in their care

Course Duration
The Bachelor of Nursing generally takes three years to complete on a full-time basis. It may also be available to applicants on a part-time basis under certain circumstances at the discretion of the Dean of Nursing (Domestic students only). Students commencing in Semester Two will begin their degree with a part-time study load.

Students who have completed a Diploma of Nursing (HLT 51612 or HLT 51607) or a Certificate IV in Nursing (HLT43407) with medication endorsement and are registered as Enrolled Nurses with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia are eligible for advanced standing and may be able to complete the program in two (2) years.

Course Structure
Year One
- Nursing Practice 1
- Primary Health Care 1
- Communication for Nurses
- Professional Practice in Nursing
- Human Body 1
- Professional Practice 1 (3 weeks)
- Nursing Practice 2
- Ethics and Law in Nursing
- Sociology for Nurses
- Human Body 2
- Logos I
- Professional Practice 2 (3 weeks)

Year Two
- Acute Care Nursing Practice 1
- Clinical Therapeutics 1
- Primary Health Care 2
- Research for Practice
- Professional Practice 3 (5 weeks)
- Acute care Nursing Practice 2
- Clinical Therapeutics 2
- Mental Health Care
- Logos II
- Professional Practice 4 (5 weeks)

Year Three
- Chronic Illness, Rehabilitation and Palliation
- Assessing and Managing the Deteriorating Patient
- Mental Health Nursing
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Health
- Professional Practice 5 (6 weeks)
- Leadership and Governance
- Transition to Practice
- Logos III
- Professional Practice 6 (5 weeks)
- ONE elective unit:
  - Advanced Mental Health Nursing Practice*
  - Critical Care Nursing
  - Maternal and Newborn Nursing
  - Paediatric and Adolescent Nursing
  - Palliative Care Nursing
  - Perioperative Nursing

*Students who select this unit are able to graduate with a minor in Mental Health.

Students also study the Logos Programme – Logos I, Logos II, and Logos III (PT101, PT102 and PT103) that aims to bring to life, for students, the substance and values of the Catholic faith and of philosophical tradition.

Mode of Study & Assessment:
This course is only offered on-campus with professional workplace experiences in a range of healthcare settings. Students attend the theoretical components of the course over 2 x 11 week semesters and will be on-campus between 17 and 19 hours each week. Assessment in the course authentically engages students in both academic and clinical practice.
Professional practice experience requirements

Students are also expected to have completed HLTAID003 Provide First Aid before commencing the course. Once students are accepted into the Bachelor of Nursing they will be expected to apply for a National criminal record check (domestic students) and Federal police check (international students) and complete all immunisation requirements as set out by the NSW Ministry of Health. Information is in the School of Nursing Clinical pack that can be found at: http://www.nd.edu.au/nursing-clinical

Students will also be registered as students with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia and as such must comply with all relevant codes.

For further information regarding the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia, please visit www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au.

Successful Study

Students are able to access a range of services to assist them with their study. This includes orientation to the School of Nursing, regular access to academic staff, academic support through the Academic Enabling and Support Centre, student counselling services and disability support. Additional support is offered for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

Exchange Opportunities

The School of Nursing, Sydney has links with regional and remote clinical settings within NSW and you may have the opportunity of clinical settings within NSW and you may have the opportunity of

Further Study

High achieving students may undertake studies towards a Master’s degree by coursework and research with mentoring from an experienced researcher.

Admission Requirements

School Leavers:

- ATAR of 70 - Indicative only. Must have been obtained within the last five years. Or
- IB of 25+ - Indicative only. Must have been obtained within the last five years.
- Band 4 or higher in HSC Standard or Advanced English
- Grade 5 or higher in Standard Level IB English or Grade 4 or higher in Higher Level IB English

Enrolled/Division 2 Nurses

- Diploma of Nursing (HLT 51512 or HLT 51607)
- Certificate IV in Nursing (HLT43407)

N.B. Enrolled nurses must be registered with the NMBA and comply with NMBA Recency of practice standards.

Post School Leaver / Mature Age Applicants:

- Notre Dame will also consider applicants who have successfully completed a minimum of four units within a Bachelor’s Degree from another University. Or
- Successful completion of an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Certificate IV level qualification or higher in a relevant field from a recognised provider such as TAFE or an RTO. Or
- Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT) – This option is only available for applicants who are over 20 years of age as at 1 March in the year of admission. A score of 150 for both the

Multiple Choice component and the Written English component is required. STAT results are valid for five years. Or
- Successful completion of the Notre Dame Tertiary Enabling Program (TEP) or Foundation Year (FY).

The School of Nursing encourages applications from people of all ages. The comprehensive entry requirements considers your academic performance as well as your personal accomplishments and your suitability for nursing.

English language requirements

Prospective students must also be able to demonstrate two years of full-time secondary, vocational or tertiary level of study in one of the following countries: Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Republic of Ireland, South Africa, United Kingdom or United States of America

Prospective students who do not meet these requirements are required to sit the Academic IELTS exam and achieve a score of at least 7.0 overall and 7.0 in each sub-section (reading, writing, listening and speaking) to qualify for entry into the Bachelor of Nursing. For more information on IELTS and to book a test if necessary, please visit www.ielts.org. These requirements extend to Permanent Residents and Australian citizens whose first language is not English and have not completed two years full-time academic study in Australia.

IELTS results will need to be verified by the Admissions Office before an offer of a place can be made into the Bachelor of Nursing.

The Admissions Office reserves the right to ask for IELTS results from any applicant as deemed necessary.

Course Specific Costs

In addition to tuition fees and living expenses, students enrolled in the Bachelor of Nursing program should also budget for the following items:

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Tuition Fees

The Commonwealth Government has allocated a number of Commonwealth Supported Places (CSP) to the Nursing course at Notre Dame. Please contact the Prospective Students Office for more detailed information on tuition fees and fee-repayment options for the Bachelor of Nursing.

Career Opportunities

Upon obtaining registration with Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia, graduates will be able to practice as a Registered Nurse in a range of clinical settings.

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 contact the Prospective Students Office on (02) 8204 4404 or at sydney@nd.edu.au

All International enquiries should be directed to the International Students Office at sydney.international@nd.edu.au

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