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**BACHELOR OF NURSING**

**BNurs**

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## SCHOOL OF NURSING

1. These Program Regulations apply to all students who are enrolled in this Award on the Sydney Campus.
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# 1 INTRODUCTION AND INTERPRETATION

## 1.1 Introduction

These Program Regulations apply to all students enrolled in the Bachelor of Nursing 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 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 Regulations.

## 1.3 Amendments made to Program Regulations

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

## 1.4 Applicability to Campuses of the University

The Bachelor of Nursing Award is available on the Sydney Campus only.

## 1.5 The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF)

The Bachelor of Nursing Award is a Level 7 AQF 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 Regulations.

### 2.2 Additional Entry Requirements / Pre-Requisites

The following entry requirements apply to this Award:

- Enrolled Nurses who have completed either the Diploma of Nursing or Certificate IV in Nursing in the previous 5 years and are registered with AHPRA will be eligible for advanced standing.
- English Language Requirements  
The International English Language testing System (IELTS) requirements for international students seeking admission to the Bachelor of Nursing offered on the Sydney campus is an overall score of 7.0 with a minimum score of 7.0 in all categories. These requirements also extend to permanent residents and new Australian citizens who did not complete their secondary education to the requisite level required for entry into the nursing program.
- Evidence of compliance with NSW Health Policy Directive: Clinical Placements in NSW PD2016\_057

### 2.3 External Accreditation Requirements

The Bachelor of Nursing is externally accredited by Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council.

### 3 AWARD REQUIREMENTS

#### 3.1 Structure

For the Bachelor of Nursing Award Structure, refer to Appendix A.

##### 3.1.1 Compulsory Courses

The compulsory courses of this award are listed In Appendix A.

The foundation (core) courses common to all academic programs at The University of Notre Dame are:

PT101	Logos I	25 CP
PT102	Logos II	25 CP
PT103	Logos III	25 CP

##### 3.1.2 Elective Courses

There are Elective unit(s) within this Award. In the third year of the program, a student can choose between one non-clinical elective course:

NS3004	Clinical Research Methods
NS3005	Therapeutic Communications in Nursing

And one clinical elective course:

NS3010	Critical Care
NS3011	Advanced Mental Health Nursing
NS3012	Pediatrics and Midwifery
NS3013	Rural and Remote Area Nursing
NS3014	Trends in Health Ageing

Of the above clinical electives, students enrolled in the Bachelor of Nursing (Mental Health Major) must complete NS3011.

Clinical practicum 6 in year three of the degree is associated with the clinical elective course.

##### 3.1.3 Majors and Double Majors

A Major in Mental Health Nursing is available in this Award: Students undertaking a Mental Health major must complete the following courses;

NB1000	Sociology of Health and Illness
NS2004	Mental Health Nursing 1
NSCP2003	Clinical Practicum 4
NS3006	Mental Health Nursing 2
NSCP3002	Clinical Practicum 5
NS3011	Advanced Mental Health Nursing
NSCP3003	Clinical Practicum 6
NPD3003	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health and Culture

##### 3.1.4 Minors

There are no Minors available in this Award.

##### 3.1.5 Specialisations

There are no Specialisations permitted in this Award.

### 3.1.6 Special Interest Courses

There are no Special Interest Courses in this Award.

### 3.2 Special Award Requirements

There are no special award requirements in the Bachelor of Nursing.

### 3.3 Practicum or Internship requirements

Students are to complete 1174 hours of clinical practice.

### 3.4 Approved course substitutions

There are no approved unit substitutions permitted in this Award.

### 3.5 Alternative Pathways

Enrolled Nurses who have completed either a Diploma of Nursing or Certificate IV in Nursing within the last five (5) years are eligible for advanced standing in the following courses:

NS1005	Essential Skills for Adult Care	25 CP
NPD1000	Communication for Professional Practice	25 CP
PS100.2	Developmental Psychology	25 CP
NS1006	Health Across the Lifespan	25 CP
NSCP1002	Clinical Practicum 1	25 CP

### 3.6 Volume of Learning

#### 3.6.1 Standard Duration

- (a) The standard duration for the Bachelor of Nursing Award is 3 years of equivalent full time study.
- (b) A student is able to enroll in this Award on a part-time basis.

#### 3.6.2 Accelerated Duration

An accelerated mode is not available for the Bachelor of Nursing Award.

#### 3.6.3 Maximum Duration

The maximum period of time within which a student is permitted to complete the Bachelor of Nursing Award is 8 years (including any periods of approved leave of absence) from the date on which they were first enrolled into the program by the University.

### 3.7 Graduation

A minimum of 750 units of credit drawn from the approved program structure is required in order for a student to graduate with the degree Bachelor of Nursing.

### 3.8 Exit Awards

An Exit Award pathway is not available for this Award.

### 3.9 Honours

The Bachelor of Nursing Award is not offered with Honours.

**END OF REGULATIONS**

## APPENDIX A: BN Program planner

The courses shown in Appendix A are no longer available for enrolment. Students continuing in the Bachelor of Nursing (3276S) must apply the course substitutions indicated in Appendix B below to complete their award requirements.

YEAR ONE					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course	Courses	Units	Course	Course Title	Units
NS1005	Essential Skills for Adult Care	25	NSCP1002	Clinical Practicum 1	20
NPD1000	Communication for Professional Practice	25	NS1007	Primary Health and Community Care	20
NH1000	Introduction to the Human Body 1	25	NH1001	Introduction to the Human Body 2	20
PS100.2	Developmental Psychology	25	NB1000	Sociology of Health and Illness	20
NS1006	Health Across the Lifespan	25	NH1002	Introduction to Public Health Principles	20
			NSCP1003	Clinical Practicum 2	25
YEAR TWO					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course	Course	Credit Points	Course	Course Title	Credit Points
NH2004	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology 1	35	NSCP2002	Clinical Practicum 3	20
NPD2002	Research in Professional Practice	25	NH2005	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology 2	20
NS2002	Acute Care Nursing	40	NPD2000	Ethical and Legal Issues in Nursing	20
PT101	Logos 1	25	NS2004	Mental Health Nursing 1	20
			NS2003	Perioperative Nursing	20
			NSCP2003	Clinical Practicum 4	25
YEAR THREE					
Semester One			Semester Two		
Course	Course	Credit Points	Course	Course Title	Credit Points
NS3006	Mental Health Nursing 2	25	NSCP3002	Clinical Practicum 5	25
NS3008	Advanced Acute Care Nursing	25	NPD3004	Leadership and Professionalism	20
PT102	Logos 2	25	NS3009	Chronic Illness and Palliation	20
PT103	Logos 3	25	NS3004	Non clinical elective: Clinical Research Methods	20
NPD3003	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health and Culture	10	NS3005	Non clinical elective: Therapeutic Communications in Nursing	20
NS3007	Cultural Awareness and Competence	10	NS3010	Clinical elective: Critical Care	25
			NS3011	Clinical elective: Advanced Mental Health Nursing	25
			NS3012	Clinical elective: Paediatrics and Midwifery	25
			NS3013	Clinical elective: Rural and Remote Nursing	25
			NS3014	Clinical elective: Trends in Health Ageing	25
			NSCP3003	Clinical Practicum 6	20



**APPENDIX B: Transition arrangements for students who are continuing in the Bachelor of Nursing (3276S).**

Bachelor of Nursing (3276S)		Credit Points	Bachelor Of Nursing (3492)		Units of credit
NURS1007	Essentials skills for adult care	25	NURS1002	Nursing Practice 1	15
NPD1000	Communication for Professional Practice	25	NURS1004	Communication for Nurses	15
NPD1000	Communication for Professional Practice <b>plus</b>	25	NURS1001	Professional Practice in Nursing	15
NS 3007	Cultural Awareness and Competence	10			
NH1000	Introduction to the Human Body	25	NURS1000	Human Body 1	15
NSCP1002	Clinical Practicum 1	25	NURS1005	Professional Practice 1	20
NS1007	Primary Health and Community Care	20	NURS1009	Nursing Practice 2	15
NPD2000	Ethical and Legal Issues in Nursing	20	NURS1008	Ethics and Law in Nursing	15
NB1000	Sociology of Health and Illness	20	NURS1006	Sociology for Nurses	15
NH1002	Introduction to the Human Body 2	20	NURS1007	Human Body 2	15
NSCP1003	Clinical Practicum 2	20	NURS1010	Professional Practice 2	20
NS2002	Acute Care Nursing	40	NURS2002	Acute Care Nursing Practice 1	20
NH2004	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology 1	35	NURS2000	Clinical Therapeutics 1	20
NS1006	Health across the Lifespan	25	No equivalent		
NS1006	Health across the Lifespan <b>Plus</b>	25	NURS2003	Primary Healthcare 2	20
BESC1000	Developmental Psychology	25			
NPD2002	Research in Professional Practice	25	NURS2001	Research for Practice	15
NSCP2002	Clinical Practicum 3	20	NURS2004	Professional Practice 3	20
NS2004	Perioperative Nursing	20	NURS2006	Acute Care Nursing Practice 2	20
NH2005	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology 2	20	NURS2005	Clinical Therapeutics 2	20
NS2003	Mental Health Nursing 1	20	NURS2007	Mental Health Care	20
NSCP 2003	Clinical Practicum 4	25	NURS2008	Professional Practice 4	20
NS3009	Chronic Illness and Palliation	20	NURS3001	Chronic Illness, Rehabilitation and Palliation	20
NS3008	Advanced Acute Care Nursing	25	NURS3002	Assessing and Managing the Deteriorating Patient	20
NS3006	Mental Health Nursing 2	25	NURS3003	Mental Health Nursing	20
NPD3003	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health and Culture	10	NURS3000	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Health	15

Bachelor of Nursing (3276S)		Credit Points	Bachelor Of Nursing (3492)		Units of credit
NSCP 3002	Clinical Practicum 5	25	NURS3004	Professional Practice 5	20
NPD3004	Leadership and Professionalism	20	NURS3005	Leadership and Governance	20
NS3005	Therapeutic Communication in Nursing	20	NURS3006	Transition to Nursing Practice	20
NS3012	Paediatrics and Midwifery	25	NURS3008	Maternal and Newborn Nursing	20
NS3010	Critical Care	25	NURS3012	Critical Care Nursing	20
NS3011	Advanced Mental Health Nursing	25	NURS3011	Advanced Mental Health Nursing Practice	20
NSCP3003	Clinical Practicum 6	20	NURS3013	Professional Practice 6	20
NS3007	Cultural Awareness and Competence	10	NURS1001	Professional Practice in Nursing	20
NPS100.2	Developmental Psychology	25	No equivalent		
NS3004	Clinical Research Methods	20	No equivalent		
PT101	Logos 1	25	CORE1001	Logos 1	25
PT102	Logos 2	25	CORE1002	Logos 2	25
PT103	Logos 3	25	CORE1003	Logos 3	25