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# **COURSE REGULATIONS**

## **SCHOOL OF NURSING AND MIDWIFERY**

**MASTER OF NURSING (COURSEWORK)**

**MNurs**

**COURSE CODE: 5114**

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## SCHOOL OF NURSING AND MIDWIFERY

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

## 1.1 Introduction

These Course Regulations apply to all students enrolled in the Master of Nursing (Coursework) 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 Master of Nursing (Coursework) Award, the amendments will automatically apply in accordance with General Regulation Section 1.7.

## 1.4 Applicability to Campuses of the University

The Master of Nursing (Coursework) Award is available on the Fremantle Campus only.

## 1.5 The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF)

The Master of Nursing (Coursework) Award is a Level 9 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 and Midwifery Regulations.

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

The following entry requirements apply to this Award:

- Current license to practice as a Registered Nurse within Australia or provisional registration, whichever is applicable at the time of the students course commencement;
- Nursing or other appropriate degree or the equivalent;
- Minimum of one-year relevant post registration nursing experience.

### **2.3 External Accreditation Requirements**

External accreditation requirements are not applicable to this Award.

### 3 AWARD REQUIREMENTS

#### 3.1 Structure

For the Master of Nursing (Coursework) Award Structure, refer to Appendix A.

##### 3.1.1 Compulsory Units

The Master of Nursing (Coursework) Award consists of 4 compulsory units.

Students must complete ET502, SD6306 (x2) and a research unit from the postgraduate nursing research unit list published annually on the School of Nursing and Midwifery website.

Students who have undertaken a Graduate Diploma in Nursing (or nursing specialty) at the University will need to undertake SD6306 (x2) only.

##### 3.1.2 Elective Units

There are Elective unit(s) within this Award.

Students must select four postgraduate nursing units selected from the list of Postgraduate unit offerings published annually on the School of Nursing and Midwifery's website and must be approved by the School of Nursing and Midwifery Postgraduate Coordinator and Course Coordinator.

There are two postgraduate elective units that may be selected from the list of Postgraduate unit offerings published annually on the School of Nursing & Midwifery's website and must be approved by the School of Nursing and Midwifery Postgraduate Coordinator and Course Coordinator.

##### 3.1.3 Majors and Double Majors

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

##### 3.1.4 Minors

There are no Minors available in this Award.

##### 3.1.5 Specialisations

There is an option of a Specialisation in Mental Health, Critical Care, Forensic Nursing, Perioperative Nursing, Leadership and Management or Clinical Nursing, refer to Appendix B. Students must complete all of the specialist units listed to achieve Specialisation

Students who have undertaken a Graduate Diploma in Critical Care Nursing, Forensic Nursing, Clinical Nursing or Perioperative Nursing at the University will need to undertake SD6306 (x2) only.

##### 3.1.6 Special Interest Units

There are no Special Interest Units available in this Award.

#### 3.2 Special Award Requirements

There are no special award requirements in the Master of Nursing (Coursework) Award.

#### 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 Master of Nursing (Coursework) Award is 1.5 years of equivalent full-time study.
- (b) A student is able to enrol in this Award on a part-time basis.
- (c) A student is unable to enrol in this Award on a full time basis

#### **3.6.2 Accelerated Duration**

An accelerated mode is not available for the Master of Nursing (Coursework) Award.

#### **3.6.3 Maximum Duration**

The maximum period of time within which a student is permitted to complete the Master of Nursing (Coursework) Award is 6 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 Master of Nursing (Coursework) 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. Students can apply to exit with the Graduate Diploma of Nursing or the Graduate Certificate in Nursing.

### **3.9 Honours**

The Master of Nursing (Coursework) 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	
	Postgraduate elective	25		Postgraduate elective	25	
	Postgraduate Nursing Unit	25		Postgraduate Nursing Unit	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	
	Postgraduate elective	25		Postgraduate Research Elective	25	
	Postgraduate Nursing Unit	25	ET502	ET502 Ethical Issues in Professional Life	ET502	
<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

YEAR THREE						
Semester One			Semester Two			
Unit Number	Unit Title	Credit Points	Unit Number	Unit Title	Credit Points	
SD6306	Supervised Dissertation Nursing	50	SD6306	Supervised Dissertation Nursing	50	
<b>Credit Point Total for Y3 S1</b>		50	<b>Credit Point Total for Y3 S2</b>		50	
					<b>Total Credit Points Year Three</b>	100
					<b>TOTAL COURSE CREDIT POINTS:</b>	<b>300</b>

Postgraduate Nursing Units and Elective Units for the Master of Nursing (Coursework) may be selected from the list of postgraduate unit offerings published annually on the School of Nursing and Midwifery's website and must be approved by the Course Coordinator.





## **APPENDIX B:**

### **Specialisation: Mental Health**

- NMH401 Contemporary mental health practice
- NMH402 Interpersonal communication
- NMH404 Expanded Role of Mental Health Practitioner in Acute Psychiatry
- NUR506 Professional role Development

In addition, students enrolled in the Specialisation of Mental Health complete two postgraduate nursing units (total 50 cpts) a postgraduate research elective, ET502 and SD6306 (x2).

Postgraduate Nursing Units for the Master of Nursing (Coursework Specialisation) may be selected from the list of postgraduate unit offerings published annually on the School of Nursing and Midwifery's website and must be approved by the Course Coordinator.

### **Specialisation: Leadership and Management**

- NLM400 Nursing Leadership Development Strategies
- NLM401 Applied Nursing Management Strategies
- NLM402 Organisational Culture & Change Management in Nursing
- NLM403 Patient Care, Quality & Best Practice in Nursing

In addition, students enrolled in the Specialisation of Leadership and Management complete two postgraduate nursing units (total 50 cpts), a postgraduate research elective, ET502 and SD6306 (x2).

Postgraduate Nursing Units for the Master of Nursing (Coursework Specialisation) may be selected from the list of postgraduate unit offerings published annually on the School of Nursing and Midwifery's website and must be approved by the Course Coordinator.

### **Specialisation: Clinical Nursing**

- NUR409 Advanced Health Assessment
- NUR410 Clinical Nursing Practice 1
- NUR411 Clinical Nursing Practice 2
- NUR413 Nursing Governance

In addition, students enrolled in the Specialisation of Clinical Nursing complete two postgraduate nursing units (total 50 cpts), a postgraduate research elective, ET502 and SD6306 (x2).

Postgraduate Nursing Units for the Master of Nursing (Coursework Specialisation) may be selected from the list of postgraduate unit offerings published annually on the School of Nursing and Midwifery's website and must be approved by the Course Coordinator.

**Specialisation: Critical Care**

- NCC400 Nursing Practice 1 Critical Care
- NCC401 Clinical Governance Critical Care
- NCC402 Leadership & Management Critical Care
- NCC403 Advanced Health Assessment Critical Care
- NCC500 Reflective Practice Critical Care
- NCC501 Nursing Practice 2 Critical Care
- ET502 Ethical Issues in Professional Life

In addition, students enrolled in the Master of Nursing (coursework specialization) Critical Care at the University complete SD6306 (x2)

**Specialisation: Forensic Nursing**

- NFN501 Introduction to forensic nursing
- NUR509 Forensic nursing populations
- NUR510 Linking forensic nursing principles to practice, care of the forensic patient
- NUR511 Medico-legal issues for the forensic nurse
- NUR517 Advanced medico-legal responsibilities for the forensic nurse
- NUR518 Advanced contemporary forensic nursing issues
- ET502 Ethical Issues in Professional Life
- NUR506 Professional Role Development

In addition, students enrolled in a Master of Nursing (coursework specialization) Forensic Nursing at the University complete SD6306 (x2)

**Specialisation: Perioperative Nursing**

- NUR512 Pathophysiological Processes related to Therapeutic Action
- NUR513 Clinical Practice
- NUR514 Professional Development
- NUR515 Reflective Practice
- NUR516 Management
- ET502 Ethical Issues in Professional Life

In addition, students enrolled in a Master of Nursing (Coursework specialization) Perioperative Nursing at the University complete SD6306 (x2)