



THE UNIVERSITY OF  
**NOTRE DAME**  
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# **PROGRAM REGULATIONS**

## **SCHOOL OF NURSING**

**GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN OPHTHALMIC NURSING**  
GradCertOphthalmicNurs

**PROGRAM CODE: 4135**

THESE PROGRAM REGULATIONS ARE EFFECTIVE FROM 1.1.2018

## SCHOOL OF NURSING

1. These Program Regulations apply to all students who are enrolled in this Award on the Sydney Campus.
2. The Dean is the responsible Executive of these Program Regulations.
3. The contact officer for this document is the Senior Administrative Officer, School of Nursing, Sydney Campus.

## MODIFICATION HISTORY

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# 1 INTRODUCTION AND INTERPRETATION

## 1.1 Introduction

These Program Regulations apply to all students enrolled in the Graduate Certificate in Ophthalmic 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 Graduate Certificate in Ophthalmic Nursing Award, the amendments will automatically apply in accordance with General Regulation Section 1.7.

## 1.4 Applicability to Campuses of the University

The Graduate Certificate in Ophthalmic Nursing Award is available on the Sydney Campus only.

## 1.5 The Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF)

The Graduate Certificate in Ophthalmic Nursing Award is a Level 8 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:

- Current license to practice as a Registered Nurse(Div 1) with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia – Nursing and Midwifery or provisional registration, whichever is applicable at the time of the student's program commencement; and
- Pre registration degree in Nursing or equivalent

### **2.3 External Accreditation Requirements**

External accreditation requirements are not applicable to this Award.

### 3 AWARD REQUIREMENTS

#### 3.1 Structure

For the Graduate Certificate in Ophthalmic Nursing Award Structure, refer to Appendix A.

##### 3.1.1 Compulsory Courses

The Graduate Certificate in Ophthalmic Nursing comprises of four (4) courses and are identified in Appendix A.

##### 3.1.2 Elective Courses

There are no Electives within this Award.

##### 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 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 Graduate Certificate in Ophthalmic Nursing.

#### 3.3 Practicum or Internship requirements

Students are to complete 40 days of clinical practice; 20 days in Ophthalmic Nursing 1 NURS4010 and 20 days of Ophthalmic Nursing 2 NURS4011.

Successful applicants are required to provide evidence of the following,

- (a) National Police Check or a Australian Federal Police Check
- (b) Immunisation

As a legal requirement from both the University and the Facilities in which students will undertake clinical placements, documentation to confirm vaccination and immunity in accordance with the current Student Placements Agreement for Entry into a Health Occupation (2011) or its substitute in place at the time.

#### 3.4 Approved course substitutions

There are no approved course substitutions permitted in this Award.

#### 3.5 Alternative Pathways

There are no Alternative Pathways in this Award.

#### 3.6 Volume of Learning

##### 3.6.1 Standard Duration

- (a) The standard duration for the Graduate Certificate in Ophthalmic Nursing Award is 0.5 years of equivalent full-time study.
- (b) A student is not able to enrol in this Award on a full-time basis.

### **3.6.2 Accelerated Duration**

An accelerated mode is not available for the Graduate Certificate in Ophthalmic Nursing Award.

### **3.6.3 Maximum Duration**

The maximum period of time within which a student is permitted to complete the Graduate Certificate in Ophthalmic Nursing Award is 2.5 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**

Where a student has satisfied all the requirements of the Graduate Certificate in Ophthalmic Nursing Award as detailed in these Program Regulations and the General Regulations, the University may grant the student graduation status.

### **3.8 Exit Awards**

An Exit Award pathway is not available for this Award.

### **3.9 Honours**

The Graduate Certificate in Ophthalmic Nursing Award is not offered with Honours.

## **END OF REGULATIONS**



**APPENDIX A:**

YEAR ONE						
Semester One			Semester Two			
Course	Course Title	Units of Credit	Course	Course Title	Units of Credit	
NURS4000	Advanced Health Assessment	25	NURS4006	Professional Development	25	
NURS4010	Ophthalmic Nursing 1	25	NURS4011	Ophthalmic Nursing 2	25	
<b>Units of Credit for Y1 S1</b>		<b>50</b>	<b>Units of Credit for Y1 S2</b>		<b>50</b>	
					<b>Units of Credit Year One</b>	<b>100</b>