HLT54121 Diploma of Nursing

DESCRIPTION

This qualification reflects the role of an enrolled nurse working under the direct or indirect supervision of a registered nurse.

Enrolled nurses provide nursing care for people across the health care continuum and at all stages of life.

To be eligible to apply for registration as an enrolled nurse and to practice in Australia, individuals must complete a Diploma of Nursing program accredited by the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council (ANMAC) and approved as 'an approved program of study' by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) in accordance with the Enrolled Nurse Accreditation Standards. To confirm the education provider holds the necessary accreditation check the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) at www.ahpra.gov.au.

The scope of practice for enrolled nurses is determined by legislative requirements and the policies and procedures of the employing organisation.

This qualification may contribute to the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia's (NMBA) registration requirements to practice as an enrolled nurse.

ELIGIBILITY/ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To gain entry into HLT54121 Diploma in Nursing candidates must meet the following requirements.

- Must hold a complete and up to date First Aid certificate to at least (HLTAID011) prior to entry.

And demonstrate one of the following:

- Successful completion of the Northern Territory Certificate of Education and Training (or equivalent) or the awarding of an Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR) of at least 60*.
- Successful completion of a national qualification at Certificate III level or higher.
- Successful completion of at least 0.5 years of full-time study (or equivalent) of a higher education degree/diploma.
- Overseas secondary or tertiary qualifications considered equivalent to the above Australian qualifications.

Nursing students must meet a specific level of English language proficiency before they start in a course.

You can show English language proficiency by:

- completing a declaration that English is your primary language, or
- sitting an English language proficiency test.

All applicants are required to meet the English Language Skills Registration Standard as outlined by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) at www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au/.

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Applicants will be required to submit the following via their CDU application to demonstrate they meet the above standard prior to being included in offer rounds in one of the following ways:

1. Primary Language Pathway:
A signed English Language Declaration indicating the following:

1. English is their primary language; and
2. They have attended and satisfactorily completed at least six years of primary and secondary education taught and assessed solely in English in a recognised country*, including at least two years between years 7 and 12.

*Recognised countries: Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Republic of Ireland, South Africa, United Kingdom, and USA.

OR

2. English Language Test Pathway
Applicants have achieved and can supply evidence of the required minimum scores in an approved English language tests.

English tests - approved tests and minimum scores
English language proficiency tests are valid for 12 months from the date of the test to the date of commencement of the course.

There is a minimum IELTS 7.0 overall scoring required to receive entry into the course.

Information about test validity, accepted combined test results, IELTS One Skill Retake and evidence requirements is available on the English language proficiency requirements page.

DELIVERY DETAILS

Location(s)	Casuarina
Duration*	18 months full-time
Study mode ^^	Blended
Start Date/s ^	3 February 2027

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Attendance	This is an 18 month course whereby students will attend face-to-face classes 3 days per week. This will consist of 2 days for theory-based knowledge construction and non-clinical skills practice. The 3rd day will be for clinical simulation and skills lab work. The typical routine will be Monday and Tuesday as self-directed learning, and Wednesday and Thursday will be face-to-face classes and Friday as simulations. Each day will run from 8:30am to 4:30pm with 30 minutes for a lunch break.

** Duration may vary depending on how long a student takes to reach the required competency level.*
^ Course timetable will be provided on application for the course.
^^Information relating to study modes can be found in the 2027 TAFE Student Guide

FEES

Fee Type	2027 Course Fees
NT Government Supported*	$6,932.25 (Limited number of places available)
Full Fee	$25,272.00

*This course is supported by the NT Government for domestic eligible students who are NT residents. A limited number of NT Government supported places are available, so secure your place now.

Fees shown are indicative and subject to change annually. Actual course fees may vary depending on the units chosen. For International non-student visa-holders; study eligibility needs to be verified before enrolment. Fees may vary depending on the visa type. The course fee rates will vary for commercial contract arrangements.

For further clarification and information on fees, fee exemptions, payment options, instalment plans, and refunds, contact CDU on 1800 061 963 or refer to TAFE Fees and Payments

VET STUDENT LOANS

Eligible students may access a VET Student Loan to pay for their Diploma course fees (up to capped the amount). Determine your eligibility using the VET Student Loan Eligibility Tool on the Your Career website.

For more information visit VET Students Loans (VSL)

ASSESSMENT

Skills and knowledge assessments are an essential step in progressing through your course. You may be assessed in a number of ways including written assessment, questioning , portfolios, work samples, direct observation, practical assessments and third-party feedback.

Throughout your course you will receive information about assessments including how, when and where assessments will be conducted.

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RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL)

RPL is a process that determines whether the skills, knowledge and experience you've gained through your previous study, work or life experience can count towards a vocational training qualification at CDU. For more information, VET RPL.

CREDIT TRANSFER (CT)

Charles Darwin University as a Registered Training Organisation recognises the Australian Qualifications Framework qualifications and Statement of Attainments issued by any other Australian Registered Training Organisation (RTO).

Students are encouraged to submit any requests for credit from previous studies at the time of enrolment, to ensure they are not enrolling in units they may not need to undertake.

RESOURCES

Students will have 24/7 access to assessments and learning resources on Learnline, CDU's online learning platform. Before you can start using Learnline, you'll need to make sure that your computer has the correct setup. For more details: https://www.cdu.edu.au/current-students/services/learnline

Required

Textbooks Approx $779.75
Nurse Kit Approx $69.00 (CDU Bookstore)
Nursing Scrub Tops with Logo $49.95 (CDU Bookstore)
Provide own black enclosed shoes with non-slip soles (NO ballet flats)
Nursing Scrub pants with logo $43.95 (CDU Bookstore) OR purchase navy or black work pants
Undertake, Provide First Aid (It is desired that you undertake a First Aid course including CPR prior to commencement of the course)

Optional purchases

Suggested textbooks Approx $360.75
Placement Badge $8.95 (CDU Bookstore)
Complete nurse pack card set $23.95 (CDU Bookstore)

STUDY AND CAREER PATHWAYS

On completion of HLT54121 Diploma of Nursing, you will be eligible to apply for registration as an Enrolled Nurse with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia.

Enrolled Nurses work in Hospitals in a range of clinical areas, Community Health settings, Residential Aged Care, General Practice Clinics, Day Surgery, Point of Care Testing centres, Educators for students studying Certificate III Health related courses, with women and babies, mental health rural and remote health care settings to name just a few.

QUALIFICATION CONTENT

To achieve HLT54121 Diploma of Nursing, a total of twenty five (25) units of competency must be completed comprising twenty (20) core and five (5) elective units as detailed in the packaging rules and listed below. The electives offered may vary between campuses.

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CORE UNITS

CHCDIV001	Work with diverse people
CHCDIV002	Promote Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cultural safety
CHCPRP003	Reflect on and improve own professional practice
HLTAAP002	Confirm physical health status
HLTAAP003	Analyse and respond to client health information
HLTENN035	Practice nursing within the Australian health care system
HLTENN036	Apply communication skills in nursing practice
HLTENN037	Perform clinical assessment and contribute to planning nursing care
HLTENN038	Implement, monitor and evaluate nursing care
HLTENN039	Apply principles of wound management
HLTENN040	Administer and monitor medicines and intravenous therapy
HLTENN041	Apply legal and ethical parameters to nursing practice
HLTENN042	Implement and monitor care for a person with mental health conditions
HLTENN043	Implement and monitor care for a person with acute health conditions
HLTENN044	Implement and monitor care for a person with chronic health conditions
HLTENN045	Implement and monitor care of the older person
HLTENN047	Apply nursing practice in the primary health care setting
HLTENN068	Provide end of life care and a palliative approach in nursing practice
HLTINF006	Apply basic principles and practices of infection prevention and control
HLTWHS002	Follow safe work practices for direct client care

ELECTIVE UNITS

CHCLLN001	Respond to client language, literacy and numeracy
HLTENN057	Contribute to the nursing care of a person with diabetes
HLTWHS006	Manage personal stressors in the work environment
CHCPOL003	Research and apply evidence to practice
HLTAID011	Provide First Aid (credit transfer only)

WITHDRAWING FROM A QUALIFICATION

You may withdraw from this qualification and receive, where relevant, a Statement of Attainment for all units of competency you have successfully completed.

SUPPORT SERVICES

The University provides support for students in many areas, including Accommodation, Careers and Employability, Counselling, Disability Services, Financial Support Services, Student Advocacy, Indigenous Tutorial Support Services, International Student Support Services, Library Services, and VET Learner Support Services.

More information is available at Student Support - Life, Health and Wellbeing

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For further information regarding student life at CDU, please refer to https://www.cdu.edu.au/study/student-life.

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