Bachelor of Nursing (BNurs)

Program Code
BNURS

Program Minimum Units
72

Standard Duration
3 Years

Program Faculty
Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences

AQF Level
07

Academic Year
2020

These Program Rules should be read in conjunction with the University's policies (http://www.adelaide.edu.au/policies).

Overview
The Bachelor of Nursing program prepares graduates for employment as registered nurses, eligible for registration through AHPRA to the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia. Graduates acquire contemporary nursing skills and knowledge to enable beginning level practice in a wide variety of health care settings. The program blends extensive and varied clinical placement opportunities with a high degree of academic rigour. Clinical placements facilitating this experience may not be restricted to the University teaching semesters.

The program is designed to provide professional knowledge, skills and attitudes that underpin the role of the Registered Nurse and develop competencies for practice as determined by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia.

Graduates of the Bachelor of Nursing program will need to satisfy the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia's English Language Skills Registration Standards (IELTS 7 or equivalent) to apply for registration with AHPRA.

The Bachelor of Nursing is an AQF Level 7 qualification with a standard full-time duration of 3 years.

Conditions

Clinical Deed Poll: The University of Adelaide and the Minister for Health have a clinical placement agreement in place which allows the University to request clinical placements in SA Health facilities. As part of this agreement students are required to complete a deed poll (pdf file). A deed poll is an agreement between the student and SA Health to ensure patient information is treated with confidentiality and that the student has met the required clearances. By signing a deed poll students understand their obligations and agree to comply with the relevant state legislation. http://health.adelaide.edu.au/study-with-us/student-support/clinical-placements.

Condition of Admission

Tuberculosis Clearance: Students who undertake clinical placements, internships or research projects involving children or people who are ill, elderly or vulnerable are required to demonstrate
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tuberculosis (TB) clearance through obtaining a TB Screening Notification from SA Tuberculosis Services.

*Criminal History Clearance:* Students who undertake clinical placements, internships or research projects involving children or people who are ill, elderly or vulnerable are required to demonstrate clearance by producing a criminal history check, obtained through a Department of Human Services (DHS) check. International students may be required to obtain a certificate from their home country.

*Immunisation:* Prior to clinical placement, students will need to provide evidence of immunisation status. Students are required to comply with the *Immunisation for Health Care Workers in South Australia Policy Directive.*

*Student and Professional Registration:* Students are required to be registered with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia. The University registers students accepted into the program.

*Interruption of program:* Students must apply for permission from the Program Coordinator before taking a Leave of Absence. Any extension of the leave without approval will result in the loss of place in the program but an application may be made to be re-admitted to the program subject to the admission procedure in place at the time.

*Uniform:* During clinical placements students are required to comply with professional dress standards.

*Inherent requirements:* Students are required to acknowledge their understanding of the University of Adelaide nursing programs inherent requirements (see [https://health.adelaide.edu.au/nursing/future-students/requirements/](https://health.adelaide.edu.au/nursing/future-students/requirements/))


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**Academic Program Rules for Bachelor of Nursing (BNurs)**

There shall be a Bachelor of Nursing (BNurs).

**Qualification Requirements**

**Academic Program**

To qualify for the degree of Bachelor of Nursing, the student must complete satisfactorily a program of study consisting of the following requirements with a combined total of not less than 72 units:

1. Core courses to the value of 72 units.

**Work based training / extra mural studies**

Students must complete the allocated clinical placements provided of approximately 1250 hours.

**Core Courses**

To satisfy the requirements for Core Courses students must complete courses to the value of 72 units.

**Level I**

Courses to the value of up to 24 units may be taken from the following:

- NURSING 1004 [Communication and Professional Nursing](#) (3 units)
- NURSING 1005 [Biology for Nursing Practice](#) (3 units)
- NURSING 1006 [Microbiology and Infection Control](#) (3 units)
- NURSING 1007 [Health Assessment and Clinical Nursing I](#) (3 units)
- NURSING 1008 [Professional & Ethical Nursing Practice Considerations](#) (3 units)
- NURSING 1009 [Pharmacology for Nursing I](#) (3 units)
- NURSING 1011 [Health Assessment and Clinical Nursing II](#) (3 units)
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NURSING 1012 Aboriginal Healthcare (3 units)

**Level II**

Courses to the value of up to 24 units may be taken from the following:
- NURSING 2004 Nursing Older People (3 units)
- NURSING 2005 Biology of Human Disease I (3 units)
- NURSING 2006 Chronic Disease and Disability (3 units)
- NURSING 2007 Health Assessment and Clinical Nursing III (3 units)
- NURSING 2008 Biology of Human Disease II (3 units)
- NURSING 2009 Community and Primary Health Care (3 units)
- NURSING 2010 Pharmacology in Nursing II (3 units)
- NURSING 2011 Health Assessment and Clinical Nursing IV (3 units)

**Level III**

Courses to the value of up to 24 units may be taken from the following:
- NURSING 3004 Mental Health Nursing (3 units)
- NURSING 3005 Nursing in Complex Settings (Perioperative) (3 units)
- NURSING 3006 Nursing in Complex Settings (Maternity and Paediatrics) (3 units)
- NURSING 3007 Nursing in an International Context (3 units)
- NURSING 3009 Leadership and Transition to Practice (3 units)
- NURSING 3010 Nursing in Complex Settings (Critical Care) (3 units)
- NURSING 3011OL Cancer Care and Palliative Care Nursing (3 units)
- NURSING 3014 Safety & Quality Care in an Evidence Based Framework (3 units)

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