



# Switch to a rewarding career in **nursing**

## Bachelor of Nursing Science (Graduate Entry)

Use credit from another undergraduate degree you've completed to make a career change to become a registered nurse.

In this practical degree, you'll learn about anatomy and physiology, drug therapy, comprehensive health assessment and care of people. Learn from experienced clinicians in work placements in hospitals, aged-care facilities, health agencies and community settings.

When you graduate from this program, you may apply for registration as a nurse with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA).

On completion of your nursing program you will need to meet the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) registration standards including English Language Skills and Criminal History. Please review these standards on the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia website: NMBA registration standards

In this program you will:

- Complete 800 hours of work placements in clinical settings
- Learn about anatomy and physiology, comprehensive health assessment, and drug therapy
- Assess and care for patients
- Continue learning through an honours or Master's program to specialise in nursing

USC will pass on your details directly to the Nursing and Midwifery Board National Board for Student Registration. The National Board

will register you for the duration of your program of study or clinical training in nursing or midwifery, or until you are no longer enrolled in your approved program of study or clinical training program.

For further information about your student registration with the National Board please visit their website.

No further credit can be applied for from the undergraduate degree.

### Admission requirements

Applicants must complete an (unspecified) Australian bachelor degree (AQF Level 7), or equivalent degree from an international university.

Places in this program are limited, eligibility for an offer of admission will be based on the applicants Grade Point Average in their undergraduate degree.

Applicants from a non-English speaking background refer to English language requirements.

### Post-admission requirements

Before undertaking clinical placement, students must obtain and maintain a current first aid and CPR certificate, obtain the Mental Health First Aid online learning certificate, provide evidence of immunisations, undergo a criminal history check and obtain a Blue Card — Refer to Program requirements and notes.

### Program special requirements

Students who meet the following criteria are required to take the Clinical Connections

### LOCATIONS

Sunshine Coast  
Moreton Bay  
Caboolture

### QTAC CODE

013411  
014211  
018661

### DURATION

2.3 years full time (2 years full time plus an 8-week Nursing Internship) or equivalent part time

### COMMENCE

Semester 2; Semester 1  
commencement part-time study  
(available for domestic students only)

### MORE INFORMATION

Contact Student Central  
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module before they can enrol in a clinical placement course in any given year of study:

- Those who have passed a preparation for practice course but subsequently failed the clinical placement course.
- Those who have transferred from another university with credit for a preparation for practice course but not the clinical placement course.
- Those who have taken a break from their study for two or more consecutive semesters (including students transferring from another university with credit).

Completion of the Clinical Connections module formalises reintroduction to theory and supported practice, and ensures that students can proceed to clinical placement and meet NMBA professional standards relevant to practice at their level of study.

### Career opportunities

Nurse in acute care, armed forces, community, regional and remote, mental health, Indigenous health, aged care and industry settings.

Graduates are eligible to become members of:

- Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA)
- Australian College of Nursing

### Registration

Graduates are eligible to apply for registration as nurses in Australia with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia, which is a Board of the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA). The Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia has a number of registration standards that graduates must demonstrate in order to be eligible for registration. For example, graduates must demonstrate English language skills at IELTS level 7, with 7 in all subtests, or equivalent before being considered for professional registration. For full details of the AHPRA Registration Standards, visit the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia website.