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Health care is one of the most important priorities for populations worldwide, and nurses and midwives play pivotal roles in delivering safe, effective care.



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WHY DEAKIN?

Leading the way

Deakin's School of Nursing and Midwifery is one of the largest in Australia. It offers a number of undergraduate and postgraduate courses that have been developed in consultation with our health care partners. These courses are evidence-based and reflect current trends in the nursing and midwifery professions.

Teaching and learning excellence

At Deakin our students really do learn from the best, with all of our postgraduate course directors holding national and university awards for teaching excellence. This translates into top quality learning experiences that are engaging, effective and well regarded in the health sector.

Innovative programs

The school adheres strongly to the benefits of an experiential approach to nursing and midwifery education. We teach a range of postgraduate courses using a variety of learning modalities, including team-based learning and new and emerging technologies to give you a media-rich, interactive learning experience. Our courses are built upon collaborative work-based arrangements with hospitals, continuing our experiential approach to practice.

Relevant to your career

Deakin's authentic clinical and theoretical assessments relate directly to your nursing and midwifery role, preparing you for advanced practice to improve the quality and safety of your patient/client care.

Strong research culture

A feature of the school's engagement with the health care setting is its extensive partnership arrangements with major health care providers. These formal partnerships support both research activity and student clinical learning opportunities. Exciting developments over recent years have seen the establishment of partnership arrangements and the appointment of clinical chairs with major health care providers. The establishment of clinical chair positions has facilitated and strengthened the school's Strategic Research Centre, the Centre for Quality and Patient Safety Research (QPS), which focuses on quality and risk management in clinical and aged care settings.

In addition, our nurse researchers leading and supervising higher degree research students are key leaders nationally and internationally in their chosen field.

International partnerships

The school also has a number of international relationships or formal partnerships in Asia and Europe and a number of international research activities are conducted with our offshore partners, including collaborative research projects and jointly sponsored international nursing conferences. The school attracts international students from a variety of countries, ensuring cultural diversity within the student cohort and the opportunity for students to learn about the challenges in health care globally.

Based on contemporary, evidence-based practice, all of Deakin's postgraduate nursing courses equip you with advanced critical thinking and problem-solving skills for professional specialty practice. Graduates develop essential teamwork, communication and collaborative decision-making skills, enhancing the safety and quality of nursing care to optimise patient outcomes.

WHY DEAKIN?

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'The School of Nursing and Midwifery is dedicated to providing undergraduate and postgraduate courses that reflect the current practice imperatives of contemporary nursing and midwifery practice. Courses offered by the school aim to produce graduates who are well prepared to meet the challenges of a dynamic health care system. The courses have as their focus a commitment to quality and safety in health care and are aligned with the recommendations of the Australian Council for Safety and Quality in Health Care (ACSQHC). Courses are evidence-based and underpinned by best practice guidelines and promote a person-centred approach to care to ensure optimal health outcomes for patients, their families, carers and the community.'

Professor Maxine DukeHead of School
School of Nursing and Midwifery



CLINICAL SPECIALIST LEARNING

Studying a specialty master's course enhances your learning and clinical experiences, with programs developed, delivered and evaluated in partnership with industry educators and managers.





'In the past two years, Deakin has leapt

Symonds (QS) last year listed Deakin

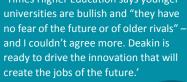
at number 50 on its Top 50 under 50.

Vice-Chancellor Professor Jane den

communities and partners.

Hollander says at only 40 years young,

Deakin owes its continuing success to a strong vision for the future and its wonderful staff, researchers, students,







WHAT CAN I STUDY?

NURSING AT DEAKIN

Nursing at Deakin has a strong focus on leadership, quality and risk management, with several pathway options providing the opportunity to tailor your studies to meet your career aspirations. You may be interested in postgraduate studies in nursing if you are a registered nurse wishing to gain expertise in leadership and management, advanced clinical or specialty practice, or if you have preliminary skills and knowledge of the area but wish to increase your knowledge and skills to plan a career in an area of specialty nursing practice.

Deakin offers a Bachelor of
Nursing (Honours) at its campuses
in Melbourne Burwood, Geelong
Waterfront and Warrnambool.
Honours is a specialised year of study
taken after the completion of an
undergraduate degree, providing an
excellent opportunity to learn new
research skills and obtain an in-depth
understanding of a particular topic of
interest. Please visit deakin.edu.au/

Nursing practice

The Master of Nursing Practice was redesigned in response to industry and professional demand to increase the number of master's qualified registered nurses in the workforce and to meet the need for a sustainable Australian health care system. The course aims to broaden the theoretical knowledge of registered nurses who work in a variety of specialty health care settings and recognises that graduate nurses should be able to practise in ways that extend beyond the technical and practical concerns of nursing to include research-based practice.

It is designed to allow you to choose from a range of study pathways that support your career aspirations in nursing management and leadership, advanced clinical practice and the specialty practice areas of intensive care, cardiac care, emergency care, critical care and perioperative nursing.

The course also offers multiple exit points at graduate certificate and graduate diploma level to meet the current needs of registered nurses and industry.

Master of Nursing Practice

Deakin offers courses and units both fully and partly online, allowing you to balance life's other priorities. Cloud (online) learning offers a convenient, personalised and engaging learning experience, using the latest digital tools. Make the most of a great learning experience from wherever you are and study when it suits you without sacrificing quality.

SPECIALISATIONS

Cardiac care

Cardiac care nurses care for patients with acute coronary syndrome and numerous other acute and chronic cardiac conditions. Cardiac nurses require advanced cardiovascular assessment skills, cardiac rhythm analysis and proficiency in treatment modalities to allow early interventions aimed at reducing ischaemic damage to the heart. A priority while treating patients is the commencement of cardiac rehabilitation and delivering education programs to assist patients to resume a healthy lifestyle. Cardiac care nurses work in a variety of hospital settings including acute cardiac units, cardiac catheter laboratories, coronary care units, cardiac rehabilitation and community care. This course is suited to students wishing to specialise in interventional cardiology.

Critical care

Critical care nurses provide care for seriously ill patients who may be dependent on life support for their recovery. Critical care nurses are skilled at anticipating, detecting and responding to episodes of clinical deterioration to prevent further adverse events. Critical care nurses work in a variety of urban, regional and rural settings including combined cardiac and intensive care units, emergency departments and high dependency nursing areas.

Emergency care

Emergency nurses work in the accident and emergency department of hospitals. Nurses work at the frontline of health care in hospitals, having the primary role of triaging patients. Emergency nurses care for people who have been involved in major or minor trauma, injury or illness. An emergency nurse's work environment has specific challenges due to patients presenting with all forms of medical and surgical conditions. Due to the nature of their work, emergency nurses require advanced skills in patient assessment.

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For more information about these courses, including fees, duration and prerequisites, please see page 14 or visit deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/find-a-course/nursing-and-midwifery.

WHAT CAN I STUDY?

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SPECIALISATIONS continued

Intensive care

Intensive care nurses care for patients with life-threatening conditions, complex health care problems and comorbidities. To ensure such critically ill patients and their families receive optimal care, intensive care nurses typically care for only one or two patients and their families at any one time. Anticipating and rapidly responding to changes in the patient's condition, ensuring the safe operation of life support equipment, maintaining the patient's functional status and delivering essential nursing care are critical to the patient's recovery from critical illness. Intensive care nurses often work in general intensive care units (ICUs), combined cardiac and intensive care units, medical and surgical intensive care units, cardiac care units, high dependency units and recovery rooms.

Perioperative nursing

Perioperative nurses work in operating rooms and post anaesthesia care units. Perioperative nursing requires skills and abilities in managing patients in the preoperative, intraoperative and postoperative environment. In the post anaesthesia care units, nurses recover patients following general or regional anaesthesia. Perioperative nurses are skilled communicators, problem-solvers and patient advocates.

In their daily work, perioperative nurses assist in preparing an individual for surgery, offering comfort and support, using sound nursing skills and problem-solving techniques together with specialised skills to ensure a safe experience. The work of a perioperative nurse includes assisting with minor surgery using local anaesthetics through to major surgery under general anaesthesia as a result of injury or disease.

Applicants wishing to undertake the intensive care, critical care, cardiac care, emergency care or perioperative care specialty courses must also independently apply for and seek employment with a collaborating hospital within their specialty area. Written confirmation of this support by a collaborating hospital must be received before Deakin can offer a place in the course.

RELATED POSTGRADUATE COURSES

For information on all of the Faculty of Health's postgraduate courses, please see also:

- 2016 Postgraduate Health booklet
- 2016 Postgraduate Medicine booklet
- 2016 Postgraduate Nutrition and Dietetics booklet
- 2016 Postgraduate Psychology booklet.

Nursing practice (Nurse practitioner)

The Master of Nursing Practice (Nurse Practitioner) extends the scope of practice of registered nurses, as well as broadening and deepening their theoretical knowledge as it relates to their specialty practice setting. This course enables you to select from a range of units to plan a course of study that supports your chosen career path in the clinical domain of nursing or midwifery. The Master of Nursing Practice (Nurse Practitioner) also contains core units of study to support your application for endorsement as a nurse practitioner by the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) through the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia.

Master of Nursing Practice (Nurse Practitioner)

Our postgraduate suite of courses have unique features designed to enhance your learning and knowledge, for example, Team Based Learning, a teaching and learning strategy used in the suite of critical care units. This teaching method develops essential communication and teamwork skills, attributes highly valued in the workplace and known to improve safe patient outcomes.



The Graduate Certificate of Diabetes Education offers students significant opportunities to gain authentic learning experiences, including a five-day on-campus workshop and 40 hours clinical placement. The workshop involves specialist researchers in the field of diabetes and specialist speakers, recognised at both local and national levels, presenting innovative and clinical applicable practices.

Associate Professor Bodil Rasmussen

Midwifery

The Graduate Diploma of Midwifery produces graduates with the knowledge, values, attitudes and competencies that reflect the philosophy, nature and scope of midwifery practice in accordance with the requirements of the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA). Following successful completion of the theoretical and clinical components of the course, you may apply to the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) through the NMBA for registration as a midwife.

This program of study is designed for registered nurses seeking registration as a midwife, current midwifery practitioners who wish to upgrade their qualifications and those seeking to obtain re-recognition of their qualification as a midwife following a lapse in practice.

The course is available through campus-based classes and via cloud (online) learning or videoconferencing, allowing you to meet and study with colleagues from around Australia to benefit your networking and career opportunities.

Diabetes education

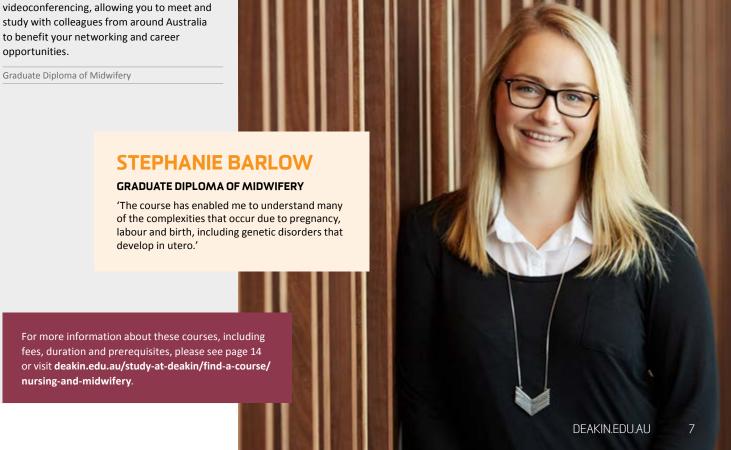
The Graduate Certificate of Diabetes Education is the first and longest running course in Australia and has a unique teaching partnership with Diabetes Australia, Victoria branch. It is considered a benchmark course in the health sector, preparing health professionals for specialty practice in diabetes education.

The course is accredited by the Australian Diabetes Educators Association (ADEA). In addition, by completing the clinical practicum and workshop components of the course, you may be eligible to seek registration as a Credentialled Diabetes Educator (CDE) with ADEA. As a CDE you may register with Medicare and the Department of Veterans' Affairs, enabling patients/clients to seek higher rebates for the services you provide.

Supervised clinical placements introduce you to a range of professional skills in diabetes education and assist you to develop an awareness of professional issues.

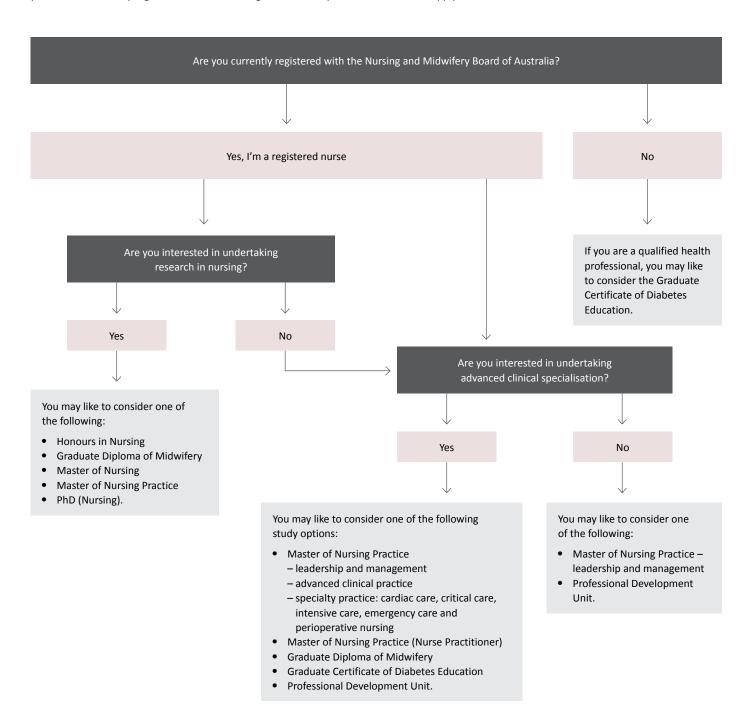
Our academic staff are accredited diabetes educators, as well as being active researchers, covering a broad range of illness and healthrelated areas, including diabetes, obesity and mental illness. Our research approach addresses both disease prevention and disease management, as well as being solution focused with a goal to transfer the knowledge gained from our research findings to inform policy, practice and teaching.

Graduate Certificate of Diabetes Education



PATHWAYS TO POSTGRADUATE STUDY

Please note, for all Deakin's postgraduate nursing and midwifery courses except the Graduate Certificate of Diabetes Education, you must be currently registered with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia to apply.



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Faculty of Health and the School of Nursing and Midwifery are committed to lifelong learning and offer a variety of flexible, cloud (online) learning career development learning packages for registered and enrolled nurses and allied health professionals.

High-quality learning packages offered through the professional development unit (PDU) provide you with the opportunity to:

- update your skills and knowledge
- support your current practice
- explore another career direction
- seek an alternative entry into higher education.

The PDU learning packages are currently under review with an exciting new format to come in 2016. Please visit the School of Nursing and Midwifery website home page for further details: deakin.edu.au/nursing-midwifery.

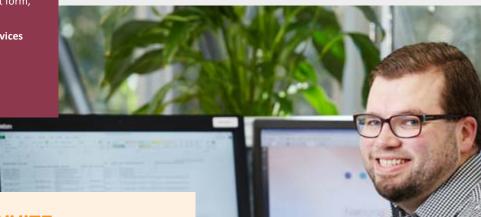
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MORE INFORMATION

deakin.edu.au/health/pdu

For information about professional development units, the learning packages available, costs, duration, entry requirements and enrolment, support for students and to access an enrolment form, please contact:

Health – Student and Academic Services Faculty of Health Phone: +61 3 9251 7777 health-enquire@deakin.edu.au



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KEVIN WHITE

MASTER OF NURSING PRACTICE/CLINICAL NURSE EDUCATOR, MONASH HEART, CARDIAC CATHETER LABORATORIES AND CARDIAC CT MONASH HEALTH

'Our department has supported numerous registered nurses undertaking their postgraduate studies through Deakin and this has really influenced education, nursing practice and patient care in our lab in such a positive way.'

RESEARCH IN NURSING AND MIDWIFERY

Deakin's School of Nursing and Midwifery is one of Australia's most research active schools of nursing. It hosts the Centre for Quality and Patient Safety Research (QPS), which also includes researchers from Deakin's School of Medicine and School of Exercise and Nutrition Sciences.

The primary aim of QPS is to ensure that relevant and responsive research is undertaken in the areas of quality care, risk management, and improving patient/client outcomes across hospital, aged care and community care settings. Research findings are also influential in policy development at local, state, national and international levels.

Through its research activities QPS also aims to contribute to the government's health reform agenda, which is aimed at addressing the escalating pressures in the health system. These pressures relate to population ageing, population growth and diversity, and associated increasing consumer demand for high-quality health services that are safe, appropriately distributed and flexible to meet population needs.

The goals of QPS research are to improve the safety, quality and equity of health care; minimise clinical risks; improve symptom management; promote workforce development; and advance evidence-based policy and practice. To this end, programmatic research has been progressed in four strategic research priority areas:

- clinical risk and symptom management
- workforce development and health care service delivery models
- consumer involvement in health and social care decision-making
- health care ethics and policy development.





Research partners

Research expertise is drawn from the School of Nursing and Midwifery's seven health care partners: The Alfred Health, Barwon Health, Western Health, Eastern Health, Epworth HealthCare, Northern Health and Monash Health, as well as a collaborative agreement with Curtin University of Technology (WA).

The goal of these partnerships is to facilitate clinical multidisciplinary research that is strategically focused in areas of clinical importance to the health care field. These alliances facilitate major multi-site clinical trials to be undertaken and provide a base for national and international involvement.

Each partner health care organisation has a joint appointment with the School of Nursing and Midwifery in the form of either a professor of clinical nursing or a senior research fellow. This model facilitates research and relates the school's education offerings to specific health care needs of the community.



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SCHOLARSHIPS

At Deakin, we believe everyone should have the option of going to university. There is an array of scholarships available to students through Deakin and other parties, including the Australian Government.

For a full list of scholarship opportunities and information on how to apply, please visit deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/scholarships-and-awards.



STUDY OPTIONS AND APPLICATIONS

Study options

We provide a range of options and choices to allow your postgraduate study to suit your needs:

- If you're studying via cloud (online) learning, you really can study anywhere or any time.
 Our use of the cloud means you don't have to attend a campus to have a rich, interactive, personal and empowering learning experience.
- If you do choose campus learning, our four campuses in Melbourne, Geelong (Waterfront and Waurn Ponds) and Warrnambool, give you plenty of options.
- Life can change very quickly and what suits you one year, might not the next. That's why many courses give you the option to switch between full-time and part-time study, as your needs shift.
- With more than 150 postgraduate courses, there's plenty to choose from at Deakin.
 Many courses also give you the flexibility to tailor your studies to your interests and aspirations through your choice of elective subjects.
- We can help you fast-track your degree through our trimester system. Deakin has three trimesters, with an optional trimester over the summer, which means that for some courses you can study year-round and complete your degree sooner.

deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/study-optionsand-pathways/flexible-study-options

Applications

Coursework applications

To apply for a postgraduate coursework degree you will usually need to have completed an undergraduate degree; however, there are other pathways. If you have considerable work or life experience, in some instances you may be able to use this to obtain admission into a graduate certificate or graduate diploma course. You may then progress to a master's degree subject to University approval.

Research applications

Deakin offers three types of research degrees: Master's by Research, Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) and Doctor of Psychology. A research degree requires the candidate to complete an approved program of research under the guidance of one or more supervisors within a time period. Supervisors are experienced and active researchers with expertise in the field of study.

Application dates

Applications for coursework degrees commencing in Trimester 3, 2015 and Trimester 1, 2016 open in August 2015.
Applications for Trimester 2, 2016 open in April 2016. Some postgraduate courses have alternative application processes and closing dates. Applications for research candidature without scholarship may be made at any time.

STUDENT COMPUTING REQUIREMENTS

There are certain computing requirements students must meet in order to successfully study at Deakin For more information, please visit deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/apply/computer-requirements.

WHAT IS CREDIT TRANSFER AND RECOGNITION?

Credit transfer and recognition is credit granted towards your Deakin course for relevant approved study or work experience. There are two aspects to credit transfer and recognition:

- credit may be transferred to your Deakin course from completed or partially completed studies you have undertaken at other accredited institutions
- credit may be granted on the basis of knowledge and skills acquired through uncredentialled learning.

deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/apply/credit-for-prior-learning





COURSES AT DEAKIN

Melbourne Burwood Campus
Geelong Waterfront Campus
Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus
Warrnambool Campus
Cloud (online)
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T1 = Trimester 1 T2 = Trimester 2 T3 = Trimester 3 FT = Full time PT = Part time

	CODE	YEARS FULL TIME#	CAMPUS	TRIMESTER INTAKE OPTIONS^	2016 FULL FEE-PAYING COST*	2015 INDICATIVE CSP COST*
Coursework						
Master of Nursing Practice Admission requirements: A Bachelor of Nursing, registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia and 12 months clinical experience. In this course, you can choose from a range of study pathways that support your career aspirations in nursing management and leadership, advanced clinical practice and the specialty practice areas* of cardiac care, critical care, emergency care, intensive care and perioperative nursing. Course is under review in 2015 and may be subject to change. Specialty practice area programs are early exits with reduced costs.	H771	1.5 FT or up to 4 PT	X	T1, T2	\$20 760	\$6152
Master of Nursing Practice (Nurse Practitioner) Admission requirements: Bachelor of Nursing and/or combined undergraduate degree leading to registration as a nurse within Australia, five years full-time equivalent experience as a registered nurse in a specialty area, and one year at an advanced practice level in the relevant specialty area of practice. Course is under review in 2015 and may be subject to change.	Н773	2 FT or up to 4 PT	X	T1, T2	\$20 760	\$6152
Graduate Diploma of Midwifery Admission requirements: A Bachelor of Nursing or equivalent and a registered nurse with the Australian Health Practitioners Registration Authority. Course is under review in 2015 and may be subject to change.	H676	1.5 FT [†]	В	T1	\$22 000	\$6152
Graduate Certificate of Diabetes Education Admission requirements: Health care professionals within Australia with a Bachelor of Nursing or Bachelor of Applied Science or an equivalent tertiary qualification.* Yesychology, exercise physiology, pharmacy, podiatry or accredited dietetics and deemed appropriate by the selection committee, current registered nurses, accredited psychologists, exercise physiologists, pharmacists, podiatrists or accredited dieticians who have a current practising certificate and registered with Australian Health Practitioners Registration Agency (AHPRA), or equivalent, and preferably are currently in clinical practice and relevant work experience.	Н520	1 PT	X	T1	\$14 000	-
Research						
Bachelor of Nursing (Honours)	H421	1	B WF WB		_	\$6908
Master of Applied Science	H822	1–2	B WF X		_	_
Master of Nursing	H821	1–2	B WF WB X		_	_
Doctor of Philosophy	H920	3–4	B WF WB X		_	_

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- * Fees quoted are for Australian domestic students and are based on a typical enrolment in one year of full-time study. They should be used as a guide only and are subject to change. Fee-Paying Place (FPP): 2016 annual course fees for FPPs are set, as shown in the FPP column. These are based on an annual full-time study load, regardless of your unit selection. Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP): The CSP rates shown in the CSP column are indicative 2015 annual course fees. CSP fees are indicative because they are calculated based on your unit selection. 2016 indicative CSP course fees will be available in late 2015 pending the outcome of the Commonwealth Government's proposed fee deregulation and reforms please visit deakin.edu.au/fees for the most up-to-date information.
- ^ Most courses start in Trimester 1 (March to June). This column indicates whether you have the option of commencing your studies in Trimester 2 (July to October) or Trimester 3 (November to February). Not all units are offered in every trimester.
- # Course lengths may vary in response to requirements within the Australian Qualifications Framework. Applicants should refer to the handbook for the latest information, deakin.edu.au/handbook.
- † This course includes a combination of part-time and full-time study.



POSTGRADUATE INFORMATION SESSION FOR NURSES AND MIDWIVES

To register your attendance at the information session, please email nursinfo@deakin.edu.au and indicate which course interests you. This will assist us in planning an event that meets your needs.

08.09.15 5.00-6.30 PM MELBOURNE BURWOOD CAMPUS

Building BC, Level 2 221 Burwood Highway Burwood Victoria

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For information on upcoming events and activities please visit deakin.edu.au/deakin-events

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