



Return to Practice and Initial Registration (Overseas Registered Nurses) Course

The Faculty of Health offers this non-award 14 week Return to Practice and Initial Registration (Overseas Nurses) course which is specifically designed to fulfill registration requirements for Division 1 of the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) for nurses who:

- i have previously been registered in Australia, but have not had sufficient nursing practice in the preceding five years: or
- ii are from overseas wishing to obtain initial registration in Victoria.

Learning Outcomes

Completion of the course will enable the student to:

- provide comprehensive nursing care in contemporary health care settings in Australia;
- foster the development of critical reasoning and reflection, conceptualization, innovative thinking and the ability to transfer skills and knowledge to new and novel situations;
- develop attitudes and skills achieving Australian Nursing and Midwifery Council (ANMC) competencies in nurse practice;
- facilitate a broad understanding of the professional and ethical responsibilities aligned with being a registered nurse;
- use a range of information technologies including word processing and retrieving of information;
- increase the knowledge of the Australian social, cultural, political and economic context in which health services operate and where graduates are employed;
- develop the skills for independent study and a commitment to life-long learning; and
- encourage graduates to take responsibility for the development of nursing as a discipline and profession.

Course Structure

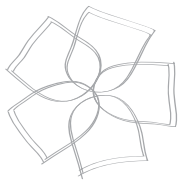
The course is divided into two components, a six week academic component and an eight week clinical component.

Academic Learning Program: Six (6) weeks

The academic program comprises six (6) weeks of full-time study, based on the Melbourne Burwood Campus, providing a broad overview of nursing practice in the contemporary Australian society and health care system. The program is offered in three different modules of study, including nursing laboratory skills.

Units Offered

- HNN021 Nursing in Australia
- HNN022 Legal and Ethical Aspects of Australian Nursing Practice
- HNN023 Political, Social and Cultural Aspects of Nursing in Australia
- HNN024 Clinical Learning Program



Clinical Learning Program: Eight (8) weeks

Each student on completion of the course will demonstrate the minimum standards of competence as per the Australian Nursing Council's National Competency Standards prior to being recommended for registration.

The clinical learning program aims to provide an opportunity for the student to consolidate their experience in the Australian clinical environment under the supervision and guidance of expert clinicians and clinical facilitators at a ratio of 1:8. Students are supernumerary during the eight (8) weeks.

Admission Requirements

Applicants must:

- be permanent Australian residents or have a current visa (for advice contact your nearest Australian Diplomatic Mission);
- be overseas qualified nurses; and
- have obtained approval from the AHPRA or Nurses Board of Victoria (GPO Box 9958 Melbourne 3001 Australia) to participate in the course.

Completed application forms must be accompanied by the following:

- a letter from AHPRA or the Nurses Board of Victoria (NBV), confirming your application for re-registration as a division 1 nurse (dated within the previous one or two years respectively);
- proof of achievement of an overall 'B' pass or above in all four sections in the Occupational English Test (OET), **achieved in one sitting**, or an International English Language Testing System (IELTS) with a minimum of 7 in all four components (Reading; Listening; Writing and Speaking **obtained in one sitting** for the test);
- evidence of Australian permanent residency where applicable.

Applications received without the relevant documentation requested on the application form will not be processed. Successful candidates will be notified by mail as soon as is reasonably possible.

Course Cost

This is a full fee paying program. International students should contact Deakin International directly for details of course fees. Australian residents should access tuition fees at www.deakin.edu.au/fees. Students may be eligible for FEE-HELP (www.goingtouni.gov.au). Students may pay their tuition as follows;

- Pay the tuition fee up front
- Receive a FEE-HELP loan for the full tuition fee
- Pay some of the tuition fee up front and receive a FEE-HELP loan for the remainder of the tuition fee.
- Department of Human Services scholarship.

Note that payment alone does not guarantee recommendation for registration with the AHPRA within Division 1 of the register: this requires successful completion of the course.

Course Location

The course is currently offered on the Melbourne Burwood Campus. This course will only be offered subject to minimum enrolments and the availability of suitable clinical venues.

Further Information and an application form

Australian Permanent Residents only

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CRICOS Provider Code: 001138

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