



Trauma Nursing

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The Professional Development Unit (PDU) at Deakin University offers high quality educational learning packages. These learning packages provide nurses with the opportunity to update their professional skills, support their current practice, take another career direction or seek an alternative entry pathway into higher education.

Learning packages are available in either full (with assessment) or audit (without assessment) form. Each full learning package is equivalent to 0.5 credit point, and multiples of 1 point may attract advanced standing into a Graduate Diploma/Masters degree. Audit learning packages will suit those who wish to gain knowledge but not undertake assessments. Audit learning packages do not attract credit for advanced standing. Students are able to work at their own pace within this timeframe. Learning packages are delivered via distance education over a 12-week period and are offered in Trimester 1, Trimester 2 and Summer Trimester (numbers permitting). Participants are encouraged to reflect on their experiences, incorporating theoretical concepts while developing skills and strategies for application in their practice.

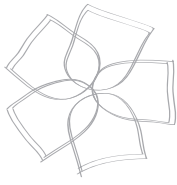
PDU121: Trauma Nursing

The trauma patient creates unique challenges for nurses. Care of these patients requires specialized personnel who are able to provide comprehensive patient assessments, recognise life threatening conditions, and provide appropriate interventions and evaluation of care.

The aim of this learning package is to provide nurses with the fundamental principles and knowledge in providing safe and effective care of the patient with multiple injuries. The principles discussed in this learning package will be valuable to nurses in a metropolitan hospital working within a trauma team or as sole practitioners in a rural setting.

The content of this learning package includes:

- management of trauma
- mechanism of injury
- trauma assessment : primary survey
- trauma assessment : secondary survey
- specific trauma – burns, electrical injuries, submersion injuries
- special populations – paediatrics, the elderly, pregnancy
- post trauma considerations



Assessment: A written assignment (2500 words) = 100%

Admission requirements

- Registered and enrolled nurses with hospital certificate or undergraduate diploma or degree
- Other health professionals will be assessed on an individual basis

Fees and Refund Policies

PLEASE NOTE: Deakin University's ABN is listed on the enrolment form to act as a tax invoice. Employer sponsored payment of fees MUST accompany the enrolment form to guarantee enrolment in the desired trimester. No exceptions.

Please refer to the PDU website for information on current fees and refund policies

Enquiries and applications

Applications close four weeks prior to the start of each trimester. Contact the PDU for dates.

For information and an application form, please contact:

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