



Bachelor of Nursing (International students)

Program code

1161

Commencing in

For Continuing Students Only

Available at

Nathan Campus

Duration

3 years full-time

Credit points

240

Important Notes

From 2021, commencing students are referred to the **Bachelor of Nursing (1162)**.

About this program

Nursing is the science of professional caring and offers opportunities to promote and restore health, prevent illness and alleviate suffering. In this degree, you will develop key skills for excellent nursing care.

You will develop your skills through clinical placements across the health sector and you will have opportunities to undertake rural, remote and overseas placements.

The Bachelor of Nursing includes multiple pathways. The degree requirements of each of the pathways are different and you will need to follow the requirements for your pathway to ensure your eligibility to graduate.

The **Trimester 2 intake** is only available to students with one of the following qualifications:

- Diploma of Health Care (from Griffith College)
- Diploma of Nursing from an accredited Australian Education Provider and registration as an Enrolled Nurse with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA)
- Internationally Qualified Nurses

Honours is available through an additional year of study.

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

The Bachelor of Nursing is offered full-time or part-time on-campus at the Nathan campus.

It is a program requirement that all Bachelor of Nursing students **only** enrol in courses offered at their designated home campus. Each trimester course enrolment lists are reviewed by the School and students who are enrolled in course offerings not from their program campus enrolment will be directed to withdraw from courses to meet this program enrolment requirement.

As a full-time student, you will generally attend 15-20 hours of scheduled classes per week throughout the trimester. Classes may be scheduled during the day and evening throughout the week.

Depending on your pathway into the Bachelor of Nursing, compulsory clinical courses, which have a clinical placement component, begin in trimester 1 or 2. A clinical calendar is available on the **School of Nursing and Midwifery** website. It is expected that when you enrol in these clinical courses you will be available to attend. Part-time students must be available full-time for all professional placements.

The study of clinical nursing requires that students spend considerable time undertaking hands-on experience in on-campus clinical laboratories and within hospitals and other off-campus clinical settings. To ensure students are provided with the opportunity to gain sufficient clinical experience, all NRS-coded courses that include off campus clinical practicum from Year 1/Trimester 2 of this program will extend beyond the standard 13-week teaching trimester. This may include undertaking clinical placement during the mid-trimester and between-trimester vacation periods (i.e. the break during trimesters and between Trimester 1 and Trimester 2).

Consequently, although there will be no reduction in actual vacation length, the dates of the mid-trimester and between-trimester vacation periods may vary for some students from the dates advertised in the standard academic calendar. Students are advised that the timetables for these courses will not exceed 18 teaching weeks per trimester (i.e. the academic year will not exceed 36 teaching weeks in duration). Exact dates over which these extended courses will run will be published on a trimester-by-trimester basis within the University timetable.

If you wish to study part-time throughout the program, a program structure showing a sequence of courses is provided so you can undertake 8-12 hours of scheduled classes per week. However, attendance at daytime classes may be required.

If you are an International student on a student visa, you must ensure that you enrol in a way that will allow you to complete your enrolment within the expected program duration as stated on your Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE).

Work-integrated learning

Prior to all placements, you are required to ensure you meet the clinical mandatory requirements specific to that placement. This includes immunisations and professional practice checks. These are both organisational and legislative requirements. Your clinical placement will be delayed if you are not compliant with these requirements. See the below section labelled 'Placement requirements'.

Work-integrated learning activities (professional placements) integrate theoretical learning with its application in the workplace. The inclusion of work-integrated learning activities in the degree program demonstrates Griffith's commitment to preparing its graduates for success in their working life.

In this program you will spend time in the work/professional environment undertaking placements at various locations. Placements may be outside of the Brisbane metropolitan and (by negotiation) interstate or overseas.

My career opportunities

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You will find opportunities in hospitals, in the community, and in urban and rural settings. Nursing graduates are employed in a range of occupations and industries. As well as hospitals, medical centres, community health clinics and aged care centres, you'll be prepared for work in schools, the travel industry, with drug and alcohol service providers, in sporting clubs or in research organisations.

Program accreditation

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The Bachelor of Nursing is accredited by the [Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council \(ANMAC\)](#).

Professional recognition

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Graduates of this program will be eligible to apply for registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia via the [Australian Health Practitioners Regulation Agency \(AHPRA\)](#) subject to meeting any additional requirements that may be stipulated by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia. As these requirements may change from time to time, students should contact AHPRA to confirm registration requirements.

Placement requirements

Professional Practice requirements

There are placements associated with this program and before undertaking professional experience placements, all students in this program are required to have completed the following by the end of their first trimester of study:

- Vaccinations and Health Tests
- Licenses and Certificates
- Online Training
- Health Placement Requirements

Students should refer to the **checklist of professional practice requirements for their Health discipline** on the [Health Placement Support Hub](#) for full details of the requirements regarding professional placement to ensure that they meet eligibility for placement.

Pathways to further study

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You may be eligible to apply for the [Graduate Certificate in Paediatric Nursing \(3343\)](#) if you meet the admission requirements.

What are the fees?

International students

An International student is one who is not:

- an Australian or New Zealand citizen or
- a Pacific Engagement visa holder or
- a person who has Australian permanent resident status.

Indicative annual tuition fee

The indicative annual tuition fee is calculated based on a standard full-time study load which is usually 80 credit points (two full-time trimesters).

The indicative annual tuition fee is based on current conditions and available data and should only be used as a guide. These fees are reviewed annually and are subject to change.

Tuition fees

- An International student pays tuition fees.
- Students are liable for tuition fees for the courses they are enrolled in as at the census date.
- The tuition fee for students who commence their program prior to 2014 is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student commenced the program.
- The tuition fee for students who commence their program from 2014 onwards is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student is enrolled.

Program fees for the Bachelor of Nursing (1161)

Fees for this program can be found on the Programs and Courses website in the "Overview and fees" section. Select your commencing year to view your fees.

Changing programs

If an International student changes to a different program they will be subject to the approved program fee for the trimester in which they are enrolled.

Permanent resident status

If an **undergraduate student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will be provided with a domestic fee-paying place.

The student may then apply for a Commonwealth supported place at the next admission period provided that the student satisfies the conditions for transfer from a domestic fee-paying place to a Commonwealth supported place as set out in the [Undergraduate Programs Admission Policy](#).

If a **postgraduate student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will automatically be considered for a Commonwealth supported place (subject to availability) or a domestic fee-paying place as applicable for the program.

If a **research student** obtains permanent resident status in Australia after commencing study in a program, and the student can provide evidence of permanent resident status prior to the census date (of the trimester in which they are enrolled), the student will automatically be considered for a Commonwealth Government Research Training Program (RTP) Fee Offset or a domestic fee-paying place as applicable for the program.

Further information

- [Fees and Charges Procedure](#)
 - 3.6 - Fees for International Students
 - 3.9 - Administrative and Miscellaneous Charges
 - [Fees and Charges Schedules](#)
- [Cost of studying in Australia](#)

Additional fee information

Throughout your program you may be required to pay for the following items:

first aid certificate; immunisations; uniforms; expenses associated with placements such as travel and accommodation, Blue Card, National Police Check, AHPRA Registration (3rd year).