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registered nurses should have consolidated their practice, and understand the context of that practice, prior to engaging in advanced education. A process of Accreditation of Prior Learning (APL) will be used to assess Registered Nurses, without Bachelor degrees, who wish to gain entry to the program on the basis of equivalent experience or qualifications. Applicants should contact the Program Coordinator if they wish to be assessed for admission on this basis.

Registered Nurses who wish to gain entry to the program on the basis of equivalent experience or qualifications or who have not studied an appropriate research methods course may be required to complete the course NUR3060 Nursing Research before being admitted to the program. This course is available by external studies through Continuing Professional Education at USQ - telephone +61 7 4631 2720 or email conted@usq.edu.au or www.usq.edu.au/conted.

## **International Applicants**

International applicants must have met the University's English language requirements or have completed the University's ELICOS/EAP programs .

## How to apply

### **Domestic students**

Application for postgraduate programs may be made directly to USQ.

## International students

This program is offered to international students. An international student is a person who is not an Australian or New Zealand citizen and not an Australian permanent resident. Please refer to USQ International for information about entry requirements, visa arrangements and how to apply.

## **Program fees**

#### Commonwealth supported place

A Commonwealth supported place is where the Australian Government makes a contribution towards the cost of your higher education and you as a student pay a student contribution amount, which varies depending on the courses undertaken. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the Course Fee Finder. Commonwealth Supported students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called HECS-HELP.

#### Domestic full fee paying place

Domestic full fee paying places are funded entirely through the full fees paid by the student. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the Course Fee Finder.

Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who reside outside Australia pay full tuition fees.

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called FEE-HELP.

## International full fee paying place

International students pay full fees. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken and whether they are studied on-campus, via distance education/online. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the Course Fee Finder.

## **Program structure**

The program contains eight units. There are six compulsory courses of one unit each and two units of electives.

## **Program completion requirements**

To qualify for the award of Master of Nursing, a candidate must complete or be exempted from courses with a total value of eight units within four years of first admission to the program, subject to the following.

Of the units counted to qualify for the award:

- (1) at least six units shall be for courses completed at USQ
- (2) six units shall be for the courses:
  - NUR8060 Health Polic

# **Exemptions**

Candidates must complete at least four units of courses offered by USQ whilst enrolled in this program so at most four units of exemptions may be granted on the basis of appropriate study undertaken at USQ, other universities or the New South Wales College of Nursing.

## Recommended enrolment pattern

