# Master of Nursing (MNRS) - MN

This program is offered only to continuing students. No new admissions will be accepted. Students who are interested in this study area should consider the Master of Nursing .

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| Start:             | No new admissions   |
| Campus:            | Toowoomba   |
| Fees:              | Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place |
| Standard duration: | 1 year full-time, 4 years part-time   |

#### Contact us

#### **Current students**

Ask a question

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## **Program aims**

The program aims to enhance the practice of experienced nurses in the areas of clinical practice, management or education.

### Program objectives

On completion of the program graduates will be able to:

- function in leadership roles in their chosen area of nursing or health care
- lead scholarly enquiry into, and be prepared to publicly comment on, issues that affect nursing and health care
- monitor, evaluate and provide leadership in the development of State, National and International trends in nursing and health care
- act as mentors for, and give support to, fellow nurses or other health care workers in their quests to increase their knowledge and leadership skills
- critically analyse and contribute to the ongoing development of the roles of the registered nurse, nurse educator or nurse manager.

#### **Admission requirements**

To be eligible for admission, applicants must satisfy the following requirements:

Applicants must be Registered Nurses (You will need to provide a certified copy of your Current Annual Licence Certificate) holding a three-year Bachelor of Nursing from an Australian University or equivalent. While not mandatory, it would be beneficial to have clinical experience as a Registered Nurse. Some courses require students to be practising during enrolment. This recommendation exists because 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 Faculty of Health, Engineering and Sciences 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 NUR2300 Research Methods for Nursing before being admitted to the program. This course is available by external studies through Continuing Professional Education at UniSQ- telephone +61 7 4631 2720 or email conted@usq.edu.au.

All students are required to satisfy the applicable English language requirements.

If students do not meet the English language requirements they may apply to study a University-approved English language program. On successful completion of the English language program, students may be admitted to an award program.

## Requirements for professional experience placements

There are no clinical requirements in this program unless candidates select electives that contain a clinical requirement. These courses with a clinical requirement are not av

- NUR8060 Health Policy Analysis and Review
- HSC8050 Research Methodology for the Human Sciences
- NUR8340 The Law and Health Care Practice
- ANP8003 Management in Health Care Practice Note: If you have already completed NUR8510 The
  Reflective Practitioner and Theorist, there is no change to your enrolment pattern. If you are yet to
  complete NUR8510, you are to enrol in ANP8003 as a core course instead. If you have not completed
  NUR8510 and have already completed ANP8003 as an elective, you are to choose another elective
  (total two (2), excluding ANP8003).
- NUR8550 Professional Studies 1
- HEA8302 Culture as a Determinant of Health
- (3) two units shall be for postgraduate (Level 5 or 8) courses, approved by the Faculty of Health, Engineering and Sciences or selected from the list below.

## Required time limits

Students have a maximum of 4 years to complete this program.

## **Electives/Approved courses**

| Students may select <b>two (2)</b> electives from the following courses, or from the courses in the Graduate Certificate of Health, without requiring the approval of the Faculty of Health, Engineering and Sciences. Any other choice of elective(s) must be approved by the Faculty of Health, Engineering and Sciences. |  |  |  |
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## Credit

Candidates must complete at least six units of courses offered by UniSQ whilst enrolled in this program so at most four units of exemptions may be granted on the basis of *appropriate* study undertaken at UniSQ, other universities or the Australian College of Nursing. Students who are granted more than two (2) exemptions are required to take additional Elective courses at UniSQ to meet the requirement of six (6) units offered at UniSQ.

| Recommended enrolment pattern |  |  |  |
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