

## DIPLOMA OF NURSING – COURSE HLT54115

PLEASE NOTE THE LENGTH OF THIS COURSE IS NOW 14-18 MONTHS

THERE MAY BE AN OPPORTUNITY IN THE LAST 6 MONTHS OF THE COURSE TO WORK AS AN ASSISTANT IN NURSING IF YOU HAVE A CERTIFICATE III HSA QUALIFICATION. IF NOT YOU WILL NEED TO PAY A SEPARATE ENROLMENT FEE.

### COURSE AIM

This course is open to Australian Citizens or Permanent Residents who want to train and work as an Enrolled Nurse. You will be required to undertake clinical work placement in a variety of approved clinical facilities as an associate to a registered nurse.

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

#### PLEASE TAKE NOTE

- This is a very competitive course
- Evidence of the entry requirements **MUST** be submitted with your application.
- Preference will be given to those applicants with a Health related qualification.
- Applicants within close geographical proximity to the clinical work placement will be considered first.

#### Academic Requirements

NSW Higher School Certificate or equivalent **OR** Certificate III or Higher Qualification

#### **PLUS**

#### English Language Requirements

- Written evidence of completion of four (4) years education in English at secondary, vocational or tertiary level in Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Republic of Ireland, South Africa, United Kingdom or United States of America

### ONE OF THE FOLLOWING MUST BE ATTACHED

- A letter from your high school saying that you attended for at least 4 years
- School reports for at least 4 years
- A statutory declaration that you attended secondary school for 4 years
- Vocational or Tertiary study that adds up to 4 years

**OR**

- Achievement of a minimum of 7 on each band (reading, writing, speaking and listening) in the International **English Language Testing System (IELTS) academic modules.**

**OR**

- Achievement of a pass at A or B level in each of the four components (reading, writing, listening and speaking) of the **Occupational English Test (OET) for Nurses** OR
- **PTE ACADEMIC** –Minimum overall score of 65 and a minimum score of 65 in each of the four communicative skills OR
- **TOEFL iBT** – Minimum total score of 94 and the following minimum score in each section of the test: 24 for listening, 24 for reading, 27 for writing, 23 for speaking

## COURSE STRUCTURE

- The course will be a mix of full time and part time studies in both theoretical and clinical components. These are organised in Blocks of Theory and Clinical.
- Attendance is usually three (3) days a week at TAFE and three (3) when on clinical work placement.
- Clinical placements will cover basic, acute and specialties according to the course requirements
- You will be required to complete a log book over the 14-18 months that will record your competency in skills and the hours spent in each clinical area.
- If successful in gaining a place a certificate of immunization status and a clear criminal record check will be required.

## TIME LINE OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Applications are checked to make sure the required documents are attached
2. After the closing date, all applications that are complete are assessed and a list of applicants suitable for interview is compiled
3. These applicants will be interviewed and complete a literacy and numeracy test
4. Successful applicants will be informed within 3 days. Those that are unsuccessful will be informed by mail.

## COST

\$ 4,800 VET Student loan available

If you want to apply for a VET student loan you must have an HSC or achieve a score of 3 working towards a 4 or above in both areas of the Literacy and Numeracy Test.

- \$52 for Application for National Criminal History Record Check: Standard disclosure (Form P799) from <http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/>
- Variable for immunisation (could be up to \$300)
- \$ 300 for textbooks and resources

## APPLICATIONS AND FURTHER INFORMATION

This course is regulated by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) who have strict guidelines for registration.

Application forms can be obtained from:

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