Master of Nursing (Research) 2 years

Course aims
This course aims to provide supervised research training for registered nurses to enable them to contribute to evidence based nursing practice through actively completing research. The course provides an opportunity for nurses to identify and develop an area of research to advance nursing and health care practice and outcomes. Completion of this degree will not only further develop individual participants research ability but will also improve the knowledge base of the nursing profession. The development of research skills and knowledge will assist nurses to provide leadership at local, national and international levels, and demonstrate accountability to society for both the provision and quality of care.

Mode
The Master of Nursing by Research is a two year full-time (or part-time equivalent) research degree. This degree allows students to undertake independent, supervised research on a topic of their choice (subject to availability of supervisors and resources and confined to the broad field of nursing). The coursework component can be completed through online units, however students will need to meet frequently with their academic supervisor for the thesis component.

Course Structure

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<th>Core Units</th>
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<td>NRSG610 (10 cp) Interpreting Health Research</td>
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<td>NRST616 (10 cp) Qualitative Research Methods</td>
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| or | NRST617 (10 cp) Quantitative Research Methods |

Course cost
Domestic applicants are eligible to apply for a fee exempt commonwealth funded Research Training Scheme place and are eligible to apply for FEE-HELP for the two coursework units undertaken as part of the degree (www.goingtouni.gov.au).

Core structure and completion requirements
To qualify for this degree, a student must complete 160 credit points consisting of:

a) 20 credit points from Core Units (see course structure)

b) 140 credit points for the development of a thesis.

Admission requirements
Bachelor of Nursing degree or equivalent, with honours; or postgraduate certificate or diploma in an appropriate field of study.

Special entry
Applicants who do not meet the entry requirements may seek approval for ‘Special Entry’.

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