Bachelor of Nursing (NS40)

Year offered: 2011
Admissions: Yes
CRICOS code: 003501K
Course duration (full-time): 3 Years
Course duration (part-time): 6 years (Kelvin Grove campus only; evening classes are not available)
Domestic Fees (indicative): 2011: CSP $2,721 per semester (indicative)
International Fees (indicative): 2011: $10,625 (indicative) per semester
Domestic Entry: February and July* (*full-time Kelvin Grove only)
International Entry: February and July Kelvin Grove Campus Only
QTAC code: Kelvin Grove campus: 425231. Caboolture campus: 465232 full-time only.
Past rank cut-off: Kelvin Grove: 79, Caboolture: 74
Past OP cut-off: Kelvin Grove: 11, Caboolture: 13
OP Guarantee: Yes
Assumed knowledge: English (4, SA)
Preparatory studies: For information on acquiring assumed knowledge visit http://www.qut.edu.au/assumed-knowledge
Total credit points: 288
Standard credit points per full-time semester: 48
Standard credit points per part-time semester: 24
Course coordinator: Enquiries to email: nursing.enquiries@qut.edu.au or telephone: 07 3138 3824
Campus: Kelvin Grove and Caboolture

Why choose this course?
The School of Nursing is Queensland’s oldest provider of nursing education. The school offers a range of clinical facilities and equipment to support learning, and the opportunity to work in both local and rural settings through practical placements.

As one of the most diverse of all the health professions, a degree in nursing provides opportunities for employment in many different areas of health care including and beyond the traditional hospital ward.

As a nurse you also have the opportunity to specialise after graduation in mental health, aged care, paediatrics, midwifery, emergency, oncology and many other areas with further study.

Professional Recognition
The course meets the requirements for accreditation by the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Council. Graduates meet the requirements for registration by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia and are also eligible for membership of the Royal College of Nursing, Australia (RCNA).

The Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) requires that graduates demonstrate English language skills at IELTS level 7 or equivalent before being considered for professional registration. For further information visit the AHPRA website: http://www.ahpra.gov.au/Registration/Registration-Process/Registration-Requirements.aspx

Please refer to the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia website for additional information on the Board’s Registration Standards.

Student registration
QUT automatically registers students enrolled in this course with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia in accordance with the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law Act 2009. Details about student registration are available from the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency at www.ahpra.gov.au

Diploma entry
Students with a completed Diploma of Nursing (Pre-enrolment), Diploma of Nursing (Post-enrolment), or Diploma of Nursing Care (Pre-enrolment) from TAFE or Shafston Institute of Technology will receive one year of advanced standing towards their studies. This advanced standing will be automatically awarded by QUT Admissions after the QTAC offer and prior to the start of classes.

If you have one the above diplomas and receive an offer, you will be able to undertake the diploma entry enrolment program which allows you to complete the Bachelor of Nursing in two years.

Other course requirements
It is a requirement of Queensland Health that all students undertaking a clinical placement in a Q health facility complete The Essentials component of the student orientation package which is available on the Queensland Health website.

blue card As required by the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act (2000) students must undergo a criminal history check and be issued with a Suitability Card (Blue Card) before commencing field experience/practicum in an organisation where they may work with children or young people. This is a mandatory
requirement that must be met prior to undertaking any field experience/practicum program throughout your course. For more information, visit http://student.qut.edu.au/studying/jobs-and-work-experience/work-experience-and-placements/blue-cards.

additional costs The clinical practice units require students to undertake block practicums of two or more weeks duration. Block practicums may be scheduled during semester breaks. Students will be required to wear a uniform including suitable footwear while on clinical practice, the cost of which is approximately $150. Students enrolling in this program are required to complete a course of vaccinations for Hepatitis B before commencing their clinical practice units. They are also required to have a current Senior First Aid Certificate or the equivalent prior to commencement of Clinical Practice 1.

Caboolture campus
International student places are not currently offered at Caboolture campus.

Graduate entry currently is not offered at the Caboolture campus.

Deferment
Domestic students can defer their offer in this course for one year. In exceptional circumstances up to 12 months of additional deferment may be granted.

Find out more on deferment.

International students
Please refer to the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia website http://www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards.aspx for information on the Board's English Language Skills Registration Standard.

Limits on grades of 3
A new policy concerning grades of 3 came into effect from 1 January 2009 (QUT MOPP C/5.2). With effect from this date grades of 3 are no longer considered a conceded or low pass but are classified as a fail grade. Any grades of 3 awarded prior to 1 January 2009 retain the conceded pass status and will be counted for graduation purposes up to the maximum number of grades of 3 permitted for your course. Grades of 3 incurred in units that commence after 1 January 2009 will not count towards your degree. Further information is available on the Student Services website.

Further Information

For information about this course, please call the School of Nursing and Midwifery on +617 3138 3824 or email nursing.enquiries@qut.edu.au