As a QUT nursing graduate you will be skilled in delivering safe and competent practice across diverse populations, responding to the challenges of health care with agility and resilience, and engaging consumers as informed partners in their health care.

Why choose this course?
QUT was the first provider of tertiary nurse education in Queensland. Our course content reflects emerging developments in healthcare and nursing practice that have been identified through consultation with industry partners, discipline experts and research literature.

Foundation studies build your knowledge in key areas of anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology, and will introduce you to professional nursing practice and contemporary healthcare service. You will also develop an understanding of pharmacology with an emphasis on quality use of medicines. These studies are complemented with opportunities to apply nursing theory to clinical practice in our on campus facilities and in clinical placements off campus.

Graduates of this degree are prepared to excel in a profession where the scope of practice is expanding and there are greater responsibilities for delivery of more complex interventions in a range of healthcare settings and across diverse populations. Our course recognises the increased demand for graduates who understand the importance of person-centred care and have the capacity to engage people as informed partners in their health care.

Real-world learning
Our campuses offer operational hospital rooms where you will practise with real equipment and the latest technology in a simulated environment. Your experience in real industry settings begins with an observation activity during first semester of first year and continues with clinical placement experience every semester thereafter.

You will complete 840 hours of placement, with extensive support that includes continual feedback on your performance from clinical facilitators, and mentoring relationships with registered nurse mentors. You may also have the opportunity to apply to travel overseas and provide health services to communities in developed and developing countries.

Melissa Toh
Make a real difference

‘One thing I loved about QUT was the practical placements. I’ve always learnt better in context, when I could see the relevance of my textbooks in real life. I am now a screening nurse living on Mercy Ships. I am one of the nurses who is responsible for finding appropriate surgical patients for the world’s largest civilian hospital ship.’
Assumed knowledge
Before you start this course we assume you have sound knowledge in these areas

- English

We assume that you have knowledge equivalent to four semesters at high school level (Years 11 and 12) with sound achievement (4, SA).

Career outcomes
Nursing is one of the most diverse health professions and provides employment opportunities in Australia and overseas.

Employment can be in general and specialist areas such as emergency, paediatrics or mental health, and in areas of health care beyond the traditional hospital ward including community health, in-home care, school health, pathology laboratories, alcohol and drug dependence, and the armed services.

Many nurses complete further study and become specialists in acute care nursing, cancer nursing, emergency nursing, intensive care nursing, mental health nursing, or paediatric, child and youth health nursing.

Double degrees
You can widen your career possibilities even further by pairing this degree with one in a complementary area such as public health, psychology, or paramedic science.

Professional recognition
This course has professional accreditation from the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council. Our graduates are eligible to apply for registered nurse status with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia. Both students and graduates may apply for membership of the Australian College of Nursing.

Fees
HECS-HELP
You may be eligible for HECS-HELP, a loan scheme to help you pay your student services and amenities fee, if you are an Australian citizen or hold an Australian permanent humanitarian visa. For other conditions read the HECS-HELP information.

Advanced standing
Applicants who have completed a Diploma of Nursing (enrolled nurse) within 10 years of admission to the Bachelor of Nursing will be awarded one year of advanced standing. This allows you to complete the course in two years instead of three. If you complete your Diploma prior to receiving a QTAC offer, QUT will automatically grant you this advanced standing. If you complete your Diploma after gaining admission to QUT, you will need to lodge an Advanced Standing application.

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.

Additional Costs
There are requirements that you will need to meet as a student in this course. Some of these requirements have associated costs. Information is available from the Additional course requirements and costs website.

Scholarships
You can apply for scholarships to help you with study and living costs.

- QUT Excellence Scholarship (Academic)
- QUT Sport Scholarship (Elite Athlete)
- Equity scholarships scheme

Course requirements
There are requirements that you will need to meet as a student in this course. You will need to identify these requirements and ensure you allow sufficient time to meet them. Some of these requirements have associated costs.

This course has a number of compulsory clinical practice units. One of these units will require students to undertake a four week clinical placement experience scheduled during the November - February summer break prior to the commencement of the final year of studies.

Information is available from the Additional course requirements and costs website.