Start your nursing career with confidence! This popular course will equip you with the knowledge and practical skills you need to register as an enrolled nurse or create a pathway to university. Our professional team of trainers share their experience and expertise to ensure you gain the latest industry knowledge.

Our partnerships with Barwon Health, St John of God Hospital, and other healthcare providers also provide excellent work placement and employment opportunities. The course covers anatomy and physiology, communication skills, medical terminology, infection control, legal and ethical issues associated with nursing, nursing patients with complex needs, administering medications, and nursing patients with mental health needs.

This is a FREE TAFE COURSE in 2019*.

*The Free TAFE for Priority Courses initiative is open to Australian citizens, permanent residents and New Zealand citizens only.

**Work placement/industry experience**

Work placement may be arranged during semester or semester breaks. All students must be available during these periods. This course includes 400 hours (11 weeks) of placement including morning/afternoon shifts. Placement is organised by The Gordon and completed Monday to Friday in week-long blocks. You may be required to travel to your work placement, please consider this before applying. While on placement, you will be required to wear your Gordon shirt, blue or black pants, and comfortable and enclosed shoes.

You will be required to obtain both a current and approved Working with Children Check and Police Check to meet workplace regulatory requirements for workplaces.

**How often do I attend?**

Classes are scheduled between 8.00am - 8.00pm

Students can expect to be on campus 18-20 hours per week. Semester breaks will be scheduled into the timetable.

**Possible Career Outcomes**

- Enrolled nurse in a variety of settings
- Pathways to higher education
# Entrance Requirements

## Entrance Requirements / Pre-requisites

- Working with Children Check & Police Check required for industry work placement
- Basic computer skills
- Up to date immunisation/vaccination record
- Attain level 3 in both reading and numeracy in an ACER Test conducted onsite at The Gordon
- All students must demonstrate they have achieved the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) specified level of English language skills, prior to commencing the program
- Interview

## Selection mode

- Acer Test - following your online application you will receive an email prompting you to book in for an Acer test at The Gordon. Applicants who meet the required level of literacy and numeracy will be offered an interview. See details in the course description for dates relevant to your intake.
- Interview

## Pre-training review

The Gordon is committed to ensuring all students have access to the educational and support services they may need while studying. We do this by carrying out a pretraining review that is integrated with the application and enrolment process. For most courses, this review also includes a short literacy and numeracy assessment relevant to the course. The outcomes of the pretraining review assist our teachers and trainers to better understand each student’s capabilities prior to training and enable all students to be matched to the right program for them.

## Important Dates

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### INFORMATION SESSIONS

- No information sessions.

### INTERVIEW DATES

- No interview dates.

## Units & Assessment

### Core Units

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<th>Unit Description</th>
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<td>Administer and monitor medicines and intravenous therapy</td>
<td>HLTENN007</td>
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<td>Analyse and respond to client health information</td>
<td>HLTAAP003</td>
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<td>Apply communication skills in nursing practice</td>
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<td>Apply nursing practice in the primary health care setting</td>
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Government funding for eligible students and employers.
Apply principles of wound management in the clinical environment  
Comply with infection prevention and control policies and procedures  
Confirm physical health status  
Contribute to nursing care of a person with complex needs  
Follow safe work practices for direct client care  
Implement and monitor care for a person with acute health problems  
Implement and monitor care for a person with chronic health problems  
Implement and monitor care for a person with mental health conditions  
Implement and monitor care of the older person  
Implement, monitor and evaluate nursing care plans  
Perform clinical assessment and contribute to planning nursing care  
Practise nursing within the Australian health care system  
Promote Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cultural safety  
Reflect on and improve own professional practice  
Work with diverse people  
Electives  
Apply a palliative approach in nursing practice  
Implement and monitor care for a person with diabetes  
Manage personal stressors in the work environment  
Provide advanced first aid  
Research and apply evidence to practice

Type Of Assessment
- Individual and group presentations
- Written tasks
- Exams
- Demonstration of Practical Laboratory
- Professional workplace

Further Study Options
Pathways exist between various levels of study, enabling students to move between courses within The Gordon and in some cases, to other higher education institutions. You may also be eligible for credit points which can reduce your further study time. For more information on our pathways to Deakin University see our Pathways Guide, or contact Customer Service on 1300 730 601 to discuss your options.
- Bachelor of Nursing
- Bachelor of Health Science
- Bachelor of Arts (Psychology)
- Bachelor of Public Health and Promotion

Fees

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Add the costs below to your relevant tuition fee

| Item                      | Rate  | Unit
|----------------------------|-------|-------------------|
| materials                 | AUD $380.00 | per course
| Police check              | AUD $50.00 | required for work placement
| Working with children check | AUD $120.00 | required for work placement
| Shirt                     | AUD $80.00 | each (required for work placement)
Which fee will I pay?

Course fees are made up of two components; tuition and materials fees. Due to the different level of Government subsidy available to students there are three possible fee levels for tuition fees; concession, standard and full fee; only one will be applicable to you. Indicative Government Subsidy indicates the amount the Government is contributing to the cost of this course.


How Do I Apply

Information about how to apply for this course can be found by visiting The Gordon website http://www.thegordon.edu.au/courses/all-courses/HLT54115-Diploma-of-Nursing#HowToApply.

Recognition Of Prior Learning

Information about Recognition of prior learning (RPL) can be found by visiting The Gordon website. http://www.thegordon.edu.au/Courses/RPL.

Student Support