About this course

Do you want a challenging, rewarding career helping others?

A Diploma of Nursing from Central Regional TAFE will see you work as an enrolled nurse in a range of health care settings including hospitals, health clinics, community organisations or residential care. It is a diverse, challenging and rewarding career, as nurses make a real difference to the comfort and care of patients every day.

By working in our simulated hospital wards and outreach clinic, you will gain knowledge and skills that will enable you to assess and provide nursing care to clients, including how to observe and measure vital signs, and assist patients with everyday activities. You will develop essential effective communication skills and learn to work with and care for people from different backgrounds.

With our nursing qualification you'll gain skills that are relevant to current industry trends and practices. By the end of the course you will be able to:

- Assist in the provision of preventative, curative and rehabilitative nursing
- Understand anatomy and physiology
- Understand and implement infection control
- Provide nursing care for the client
- Understand legal and ethical parameters
- Promote positive health
- Understand health issues of Indigenous Australians
Contribute to the nutritional and mental health care of the clients

On completion of the Diploma of Nursing graduates can gain employment in the health industry. Employment prospects are high in this industry and you'll also gain satisfaction from helping people and possibly even saving lives.

Is this course right for me?

In order to make an informed choice about the suitability of this course, you must take into account the essential skills and knowledge in addition to the critical aspects of assessment of this course or qualification. You can use our Informed Choices document to help you decide if Nursing is the right career for you.

Overview

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Students that are required by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) to provide a formal English language skills test when applying for registration, must provide a formal English language test result demonstrating they have achieved the NMBA specified level of English language skills, prior to commencement of the program.

Students are required to provide evidence of having sufficient language, literacy and numeracy skills to successfully undertake the program's academic and workplace experience requirements, prior to commencing the program.

As part of the application for this course you will be required to sit and pass a government approved test of literacy and numeracy using the LLN Robot program to ensure you have an appropriate literacy and numeracy level.

Detailed information regarding the English Language admission criteria can be found in our Pre Enrolment Information.

A National Police Clearance, Working with Children Card, WA Health Criminal Screening, Senior First Aid Certificate and a medical screening with specific immunisations are required prior to undertaking the practical components of this course.


Study pathway
Further study opportunities

Central Regional TAFE has many further study opportunities available. Check out our Course Guide for all your future study options.

Job opportunities

Your guide to a career as an enrolled nurse

Upon successful completion students will be able to work in hospitals, aged care facilities, and other health care settings as a qualified enrolled nurse.

Important information

Additional Requirements

Students completing this qualification are eligible to apply for registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA). The Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) has specific requirements for registration relating to English Language Skills, Criminal history, Recency of practice, Continuing professional development and Professional indemnity insurance arrangements. Registration standards define the requirements that applicants, registrants or students need to meet to be registered. Detailed information is published on the NMBA website.

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Check our Geraldton Campus Pre Enrolment Information Pack for specific details about studying Nursing in Geraldton.

Licensing Outcomes

Successful completion of this qualification will make you eligible for registration as an Enrolled Nurse with AHPRA.

VET Student Loans

This qualification is eligible for the Commonwealth Government's VET Student Loan scheme. Eligible students can opt to defer the payment of all or part of their tuition fees by applying for a VET Student Loan. VET Student Loans will not be approved for students who do not meet eligibility requirements. Approved loans become a personal debt with the
Commonwealth (HELP debt) until it is repaid.

For more information on VET Student Loans at Central Regional TAFE click here.

For other VET Student Loan eligible courses please visit: www.education.gov.au/vet-student-loans

**First Aid - HLTAID003**

Central Regional TAFE has a partnership arrangement with The Royal Life Saving Society Western Australia Inc (RLSSWA) RTO # 0854 to deliver and assess this unit on their behalf. RLSSWA are the Registered Training Organisation (RTO) therefore Central Regional TAFE follows all of RLSSWA’s organisational policies and procedures when delivering and assessing all units of competence. All correspondence related to the policies and procedures should be directed to the office (08) 9383 8200. RLSSWA’s policies and procedures can be found here https://www.royallifesavingwa.com.au/programs/vocational-training/rto-policies

A fee of $19.80 will be paid to RLSSWA for issuance of Certificates/statements of attainments.

**Disclaimer**

Courses at Central Regional TAFE are delivered subject to resources and demand. For the latest information, check with the appropriate campus, as course availability may be subject to review and change.

**Fees and charges**

Find our Indicative Price List here.

At Central Regional TAFE, three types of fees may be charged.

**Course Fees**

The course fee is determined by multiplying the tuition fee rate by the nominal hours, which is the number of hours in which an average student could be expected to complete each unit.

**Resource Fees**

Resource fees are charges for materials that are considered essential to a course or unit of study and which do not form part of the course fee. The resource fee covers materials purchased by the College to be consumed or transformed by students in the course of instruction, such as workshop materials, workbooks and essential uniforms.

**Other Fees**

Other fees may be charged for goods or services that are not essential to the course such as parking, membership to student organisations and security passes.

In addition to these fees students may need to purchase textbooks, uniforms and other course specific equipment. Your Pre Enrolment Information package will provide additional information if these are required.

**Please note, fees are subject to change.**