

NURS 2028 PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE EXPERIENCE 3

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 401008

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Description Professional Practice Experience 3 focuses on the development of the role and clinical skills of the registered nurse when assessing and caring for people across the lifespan who are experiencing acute but usually resolvable conditions. A simulated professional task will assist with the development of essential clinical communications and a professional experience placement to evaluate clinical skills development. The subject includes 160 hours of Professional Experience Placement.

School Nursing & Midwifery

Discipline General Nursing

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 1 10cp

Check your fees via the Fees (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/fees/) page.

Level Undergraduate Level 2 subject

Pre-requisite(s) NURS 1021

Co-requisite(s) NURS 2037 and NURS 2040

Restrictions

Students must be enrolled in 4691 or 4780 Bachelor of Nursing - WSU Online or 4693 Bachelor of Nursing (Advanced) or 4692 Bachelor of Nursing (Graduate Entry)

Assumed Knowledge

Foundational knowledge of primary health care, professional communication, roles and responsibilities of registered nurse and human biological and behavioural sciences.

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Apply the principles of safe medication administration in clinical scenarios in a simulated and clinical learning environment
2. Maintain accurate, comprehensive, and timely documentation of assessments and nursing care plans
3. Communicate effectively within interprofessional teams in a clinical scenario
4. Use a range of assessment techniques to systematically collect relevant and accurate information and data to inform practice
5. Perform safe medication administration, with a focus of non-parenteral and parenteral medications, for people who are experiencing acute but usually resolvable conditions in a simulated and clinical learning environment
6. Practise in accordance with legislation, regulations, policies, guidelines and other relevant standards or requirements in nursing

Subject Content

1. Principles of nursing frameworks
2. The experience of pain and pain management during the perioperative period
3. Assessment, admission procedures and the Nursing History
4. Accesses and analyses the best available evidence, for safe, quality practice
5. Recognising and Responding to Variations in Health Status Bowel Cancer, Fractures, Crohn's disease
6. Ulcerative colitis, Breast cancer
7. Perioperative and post-operative care
8. Fluid Balance & Fluid replacement
9. Numeracy – medication calculations
10. Working in multi-disciplinary teams
11. Health informatics and health technology – electronic charting
12. Application of legal-ethical principles
13. Family focused care
14. Clinical Practicum

Special Requirements

Legislative pre-requisites

Special Requirements - NSW Health Legislative Prerequisites

Student Compliance Information for all Health-Related Placements

Prior to enrolling in this subject, students must have submitted a Student Undertaking Form and undertake to apply for a National Police Check, which is required to be submitted before placement, and a Working with Children Check Student Declaration. Use the link to the Special Requirements webpage below for more information.

To be eligible to enrol in this subject and complete any required health-related placements or experiences, students must meet Western Sydney University program requirements as well as any special, legislated, or policy-mandated requirements.

Western Program Requirements

Visit the Special Requirements webpage for details about your program.

Special Requirements (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/enrolment/special_requirements/)

Mandatory NSW Health student placement policy requirements

To be able to undertake placement in any NSW Health facility you must be assessed as compliant with NSW Health student placement policy in the first year of your program, regardless of when you expect to go on your first placement. Access and read the NSW Student Compliance Information Booklet.

NSW Student Compliance Information Booklet (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/placements_hub/placements_hub/student_compliance/)

Please ensure that you

1. Find your existing National Police Check or apply for one
2. Gather documentary evidence of your vaccination history
3. Print and complete all relevant NSW Health forms relevant to the campus you are enrolled at or online enrolment requirements
4. Follow booklet instructions on how to have your compliance documents assessed by NSW health staff.

International students have additional requirements; the link to the booklet will inform you of these requirements.

School Requirements

Contact your School for further details regarding your School's requirements, if any, such as

- If you live outside of NSW or Australia and need to meet your state, territory or country's compliance requirements
- If you need to meet different state, territory or country compliance requirements.
- NSW Working with Children Check (WWCC) or other state equivalent, valid for your entire program.
- Current approved first aid certificate valid for your entire program - approved program providers can be found at the Government Training website
- <http://training.gov.au> (<http://training.gov.au/>)
- Other non-health related requirements.

Student Compliance Resources are also available on the Placements Hub web page (NSW students only)

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/learning_futures/home/placements_hub/placements_hub/student_compliance (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/learning_futures/home/placements_hub/placements_hub/student_compliance/)

Essential equipment

Access to an internet enabled device is essential in order to be able to: access course materials; to participate in discussion groups; and to access additional resources provided by the lecturer during the session. See http://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/services_and_facilities/uwsonline_student_support for further information.

Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group Task	Mandatory
Professional Task	80 minutes	S/U	Y	Individual	Y
Professional Task	10 minutes	S/U	Y	Individual	Y
Practical Exam	25 minutes	S/U	Y	Individual	Y
Participation	All teaching weeks	S/U	Y	Individual	Y
Professional Placement Performance	60 hours	S/U	Y	Individual	Y

Teaching Periods

WSU Online TRI-1 (2025)

Wsu Online

Hybrid

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View timetable (https://classregistration.westernsydney.edu.au/odd/timetable/?subject_code=NURS2028_25-OT1_OW_3#subjects)

Autumn (2025)

Campbelltown

On-site

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Hawkesbury

On-site

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Liverpool

On-site

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Parramatta - Victoria Rd

On-site

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WSU Online TRI-2 (2025)

Wsu Online

Hybrid

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WSU Online TRI-3 (2025)

Wsu Online

Hybrid

Subject Contact Laura Mellish (<https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/name/Laura.Mellish/>)

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