

NURS 3044 PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE PLACEMENT (PEP) CURRENCY (UG)

Credit Points 10

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Description This subject provides undergraduate students with the opportunity to review and consolidate nursing content and complete a Professional Experience Placement (PEP) prior to being deemed eligible for registration as a nurse (Division 1) with AHPRA. This subject is only for students who have not completed a Professional Experience Placement in the twelve months prior to completion of the degree and is required in order to complete the currency of practice requirements of registration. This subject requires permission to enrol.

School Nursing & Midwifery

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 3 subject

Pre-requisite(s) NURS 3039

Restrictions

Students must be enrolled in 4691 Bachelor of Nursing or 4780 Bachelor of Nursing (WSU Online) and have completed 240 CP, or 4745 Master of Nursing Practice (Preregistration) and completed 170 CP.

Restricted to students who have met all program requirements but have not completed a clinical placement in the final 12 months of their nursing degree. Permission is required to enrol into this subject.

Learning Outcomes

After successful completion of this subject, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate leadership in initiating and managing collaborative practice in nursing.
2. Demonstrate safe and effective nursing practice.
3. Actively contribute to practice review and respond professionally to feedback.
4. Practice in accordance with relevant policies, standards regulations, and legislation.
5. Demonstrate an understanding of legal, ethical and scope of practice responsibilities of the nurse transitioning to graduate practice.

Subject Content

- Transition to graduate practice
- Working in multi-disciplinary teams
- Consolidate and review core practice skills
- Recognising and responding to variations in health status
- Risk assessment – falls, pressure injury, venous thromboembolism (VT)
- Prioritising Care - simulated patients
- PACE, MET, Clinical Review
- Complex IV Therapy
- Time management
- Clinical judgement
- Managing others/ leadership and delegation

- Accountability
- Nurse as educator
- Family focused care
- Principles of Work Health and Safety in Practice

Special Requirements

Legislative pre-requisites

To be eligible to enrol in a subject and attend a health-related placement in your program, students must meet Western Sydney University program requirements AND Special Legislative Requirements to be assessed in their first year of study against the following:

1. National Criminal History Check: Students must have a current (expiring 3 years from date of issue) check valid for their entire program. A valid National Criminal history check must be an Australia wide check, include the student's full name matching their Student ID card and date of birth and not have any offences listed. If a student has a criminal history identified on their check, they must provide a Clinical Placement Authority Card (CPAC) or conditional letter from the NSW HealthShare Employment Screening and Review Unit. https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/careers/student_clearance/Documents/appendix-10-student-application.pdf International students must additionally have a translated International Police Check or statutory declaration.
2. A NSW Working with Children Check (WWCC) clearance letter issued under the category of volunteer valid for their entire program.
3. A current approved first aid certificate valid for their entire program, approved provider courses can be found at <http://training.gov.au> (<https://training.gov.au/>)
4. A completed vaccination/immunisation card with all serology results containing expiry dates and currency must be maintained by the student to ensure compliance for their entire program.
5. NSW Undertaking/Declaration form.
6. Completed any additional health forms required (such as NSW Health Code of Conduct, Health Student Undertaking/Declaration and Tuberculosis (TB) Assessment Tool).
7. Relevant Local Health District or location specific documentation as requested.

Contact your School for further details. Resources are also available on the Placement Hub website.

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/)

Special Requirements - NSW Health Legislative Prerequisites Pre-requisites

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)

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Essential equipment

- Internet access for vUWS learning site.
- Uniform for PEP.

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
Quiz	20 minutes	S/U	Y	Individual	Y
Participatio	12 hours CPU 3 hours workshop	S/U	Y	Individual	Y
Professional Placement Performance	80 hours	S/U	Y	Individual	Y

Teaching Periods

WSU Online TRI-2 (2025)

Campbelltown

Hybrid

Subject Contact

View timetable (https://classregistration.westernsydney.edu.au/odd/timetable/?subject_code=NURS3044_25-OT2_CA_3#subjects)

Hawkesbury

Hybrid

Subject Contact

View timetable (https://classregistration.westernsydney.edu.au/odd/timetable/?subject_code=NURS3044_25-OT2_HW_3#subjects)

Parramatta - Victoria Rd

Hybrid

Subject Contact

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WSU Online TRI-3 (2025)

Campbelltown

Hybrid

Subject Contact

View timetable (https://classregistration.westernsydney.edu.au/odd/timetable/?subject_code=NURS3044_25-OT3_CA_3#subjects)

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