

# NURS 4004 MIDWIFERY HONOURS THESIS B (FULL- TIME)

**Credit Points** 40

**Legacy Code** 401442

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**Description** Research is a necessary undertaking toward the continued development of midwifery science and practice. The aim of this subject is to both broaden and deepen Bachelor of Midwifery (Honours) students' understanding of research methods and the application of knowledge and skills to conceptualise, design and conduct a research project. The subject provides an opportunity for students, under the guidance of their supervisors to plan and implement a research project related to midwifery which results in the production of a written thesis of between 15,000 to 20,000 words in length, which demonstrates proficiency in the execution of the study and ability to effectively communicate results and conclusions.

**School** Nursing & Midwifery

**Discipline** Midwifery

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 1 40cp

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**Level** Undergraduate Level 4 subject

**Pre-requisite(s)** NURS 4003

**Restrictions** Students must be enrolled in Bachelor of Midwifery (Honours).

**Assumed Knowledge**

A basic knowledge of research methods at undergraduate level.

## Learning Outcomes

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

1. Investigate a midwifery related issue or problem in depth through a review of the literature
2. Identify a researchable question related to a midwifery issue or problem
3. Develop a research proposal
4. Obtain formal approvals for research, e.g. ethical approval, where required
5. Perform data collection and data analysis relevant to the research proposal
6. Contribute to discussions about the research process with professional colleagues
7. Produce a thesis of the prescribed length and format which demonstrates proficiency in the execution of the study and ability to effectively communicate results and conclusions

## Subject Content

Students are required to engage in scholarly work consistent with the expectation of an Honours program.

## 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/<br>Group Task | Mandatory |
|--------|-----------------------------|---------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| Thesis | 15,000-<br>20,000<br>words. | 100     | N         | Individual                | N         |