

NURS 4005 MIDWIFERY RESEARCH

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 401438

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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 various research methods and to extend their ability to discuss, appraise and critique the work of others. An awareness of available methodologies will prepare students to participate in their own research.

School Nursing & Midwifery

Discipline 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 4 subject

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. Undertake advanced and complex electronic searches of databases
2. Critically appraise research articles, reports and grey literature
3. Analyse and synthesise the literature relevant to a chosen area of research
4. Apply critical reflection, reasoning and judgement to the literature in the field
5. Effectively communicate, with confidence and knowledge, literature on a chosen area/topic

Subject Content

Overview of the research process and the scholarly review of literature

Articulation of the relationship between research, the midwifery profession, clinical practice and evidence-based care and/or interventions

Critical appraisal, analysis and synthesis of research reports and the literature

Application of critical judgement, reasoning and independent thought in writing/presenting a scholarly review of pertinent literature associated with a defined topic

Effective communication of research

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
Report	1,500 words	25	N	Individual	Y
Presentatio	10 minutes	30	N	Individual	Y
Literature Review	3,000 words	45	N	Individual	Y
Teaching Periods					
Autumn (2025)					
Parramatta - Victoria Rd					
Hybrid					
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View timetable (https://classregistration.westernsydney.edu.au/odd/timetable/?subject_code=NURS4005_25-AUT_PS_3#subjects)					