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Rehabilitation Nursing

Graduate Certificate in Nursing/
Graduate Diploma of Nursing



FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCE





REHABILITATION NURSING

INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Rehabilitation Nursing stream in the Graduate Certificate in Nursing and the Graduate Diploma of Nursing. You may enrol in this stream at either level.

The stream is designed to enhance and develop beginning specialty knowledge, assessment and clinical decision-making skills in students. You should be employed in an appropriate setting so that you are able to meet the assessment requirements.

COURSE AIMS

The aims of this course are to:

- provide students with specialist knowledge and skills pertaining to practice in rehabilitation nursing
- develop students' understanding of the physiological and psycho-social needs of patients requiring rehabilitation
- describe and analyse evidence-based interventions applied to complex care situations
- develop students' ability to communicate effectively with people from culturally diverse backgrounds.

COURSE DELIVERY

The rehabilitation nursing stream in the Graduate Certificate in Nursing is delivered over one year of part-time study. Students undertake two units per semester. All units are offered in flexible mode and are delivered fully online.

Semester One

*CNA502 Rehabilitation Nursing 1 (12.5%)

*CNA503 Rehabilitation Nursing 2 (12.5%)

Semester Two

Any two 12.5% postgraduate nursing units available in semester 2.

*Unit code to be confirmed

CNA502 Rehabilitation Nursing 1

This unit introduces theories underpinning the complex needs of the person requiring rehabilitation nursing. Through exploration of evidence-based literature, students will explore rehabilitation theories incorporating epidemiology and rehabilitation principles to guide development of the rehabilitation nurse.

CNA503 Rehabilitation Nursing 2

This unit is designed to be experiential and practice-focused. It will focus on the complex health care needs of patients requiring specialised rehabilitation interventions in the community and acute care setting. The practice skills required to address complex nursing situations including patient-centred care, case management and team leadership will be covered in this unit. Students will have the opportunity to tailor their studies through contracted learning.