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Plastic Surgery nurses are specialised nurses who work closely with patients and their families, providing complex clinical and holistic care, from pre-operative to post-operative management, to preparing patients and their families for discharge and beyond. Working within a wider multidisciplinary team, it is important that Plastic Surgery nurses have the knowledge and confidence to interact in a collaborative and professional manner in order to care and advocate for healthcare consumers. As plastic surgery evolves and clinical needs become more complex, it is important for plastics nurses to develop specialist nursing knowledge and advance their clinical skills if they are to deliver the best, evidence-based and person-centred care.

Working in a fast paced, ever changing environment, Plastics and Reconstruction nursing is a very exciting and rewarding career choice, with many opportunities for career advancement, from Clinical Nurse Specialist to Nurse Practitioner.

The Graduate Certificate in Clinical Nursing: Plastics and Reconstruction runs in partnership with Australian Catholic University and St. Vincent's Private

Program Overview

2 x 2 model comprising 2 units online with ACU & 2 units onsite at St. Vincent's Private & Northern Health

Students will continue working within their surgical specialty unit of employment at Northern Health

2 St Vincent's units are delivered on site by specialist clinicians and supported by experienced surgical nursing staff

Must be available to work day, evening & weekend shifts

Assessments include: essays, exams, oral presentations & clinical hurdles

Optional Northern Health study days:

- 1 x Theatre
- 1 x Clinic / Shadow shift (CNC/NPC)

Support

- Support provided by a team of experienced Clinical Nurse Educators & Clinical Support Nurses
- All students are eligible for postgraduate study on application

Further Information

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