





Surgical Nursing

Surgical 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 multi-disciplinary team, it is important that surgical nurses have the knowledge and confidence to interact in a collaborative and professional manner in order to care and advocate for healthcare consumers. As clinical care and patient needs become more complex, it is important for 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, surgical nursing can be 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: Surgical runs in partnership with Australian Catholic University

Program Overview

Program is a 2 x 2 model with 2 units online with ACU & 2 units run onsite at Northern Health

Students will continue working within their area of employment whilst completing the program

2 Northern Health units are supported with teaching from surgical program specialists and experienced surgical nursing staff

Must be available to work day, evening & weekend shifts

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

2 Northern Health units comprise set study days, including 1 x Theatre & 1 x Outpatient Services

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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University Component

https://courses.acu.edu.au/postgraduate/graduate_cert
ificate in clinical nursing

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Applications Open

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https://erecruit1.mercury.com.au/Northern Health/Default.aspx

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