

Scholarships & Study Leave

Postgraduate studies can seem expensive; however there are many ways to assist with payment of your fees.

Fees are set by the university and details are specific to the course. Please see relevant university links for fee structure

A Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP) may be available and also Fee Help. Your university will provide the information on enrolment.

Department of Health and Human Services Postgraduate Scholarship

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) in conjunction with Northern Health invite all nurse/midwife who are undertaking postgraduate study in a Masters level Nurse Practitioner or Graduate Certificate or Diploma level in specialty studies to apply for the DHHS scholarship. These highly sought after scholarships are awarded on recommendation of the selection committee which will be based on meeting the DHHS eligibility criteria and completion of the application form.

Details of this scholarship opportunity for 2021 applicants will be provided once available

Aboriginal Postgraduate Nursing and Midwifery Scholarship

The key purpose of the Aboriginal Postgraduate Nursing and Midwifery Program is to provide opportunity for Aboriginal nurses and midwives to gain specialty skills whilst employed within a Victorian public health service. For the individual applicant, the scholarship will contribute to achieving career development, while reducing some of the financial burden of undertaking postgraduate studies.

At the organisational/regional level, the scholarship will contribute to a stronger Aboriginal health workforce and to improved service delivery outcomes for the community, by supporting Aboriginal nurses and midwives to gain further skills and formal knowledge.

In seeking to improve representation of Aboriginal people within Victorian health workforces, the benefits of the program include:

- increased opportunity for Aboriginal nurses and midwives interested in developing their knowledge and skills in specialty nursing and midwifery practice
- increased opportunity for Aboriginal nurses and midwives to integrate theoretical knowledge into clinical practice
- financial recognition available for nurses and midwives seeking to complete relevant postgraduate qualifications
- supported best practice in the care of patients in Victorian health services.

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Postgraduate Study Leave

If you are enrolled in post graduate study you may be eligible to apply for postgraduate study leave granted by Northern Health as part of your EBA.

A formal application is required along with evidence of enrolment and submitted as per instructions on the form

Applications will be assessed by the Postgraduate Program Coordinator and formal notification provided to the NUM

Leave is managed through your NUM using the usual leave request forms. Please discuss the days required with the CNE coordinating the postgraduate program you are undertaking as to the specific university requirements for study day attendance.

Any other study leave requests need to be negotiated with your NUM/Manager. Once leave has been approved you must show proof of enrolment each semester of study, so that appropriate EBA leave entitlements can be supported.

Postgraduate Study Leave Entitlement

- Full time nurses will be allocated 104 hours post graduate study leave across calendar year.
- Part time nurses are entitled on a pro-rata basis across the calendar year.
- All postgraduate students regardless of employment status are entitled to 5 days examination / major assessment leave
- Annual allocation of leave for postgraduate study will be taken, once approved, in 2 semesters, 6 month allotments. This means that if you are commencing study with a mid-year enrolment then you will be entitled to half the total annual entitlements. Please refer to the staff leave policy for more information
- The employee must provide evidence of enrolment into second semester to their NUM before the second allotment of study leave will be entitled
- It is expected that the employee will notify their direct line manager if post graduate study is discontinued, and the employee is no longer eligible for this award

Guide for allocation of hours:

EFT	PG study leave	Examination/Major assessment leave	Professional Development Leave
Full time 1 EFT	104 hours	5 days	5 days
0.8 EFT	83 hours	5 days	Pro rata per EBA
0.6 EFT	62 hours	5 days	Pro rata as per EBA

Please click to complete [Post Graduate study leave form application form](#)

Submit via email to: Education Enquiries (EducationEnquiries@nh.org.au)

EBA Victoria: [EBA Entitlement Victorian Nurses and Midwives 2016-2020](#)

Further information: Postgraduatenurses@nh.org.au

