Bachelor of Nursing
Pre-registration

COURSE OUTLINE
The Bachelor of Nursing course has a particular focus on the perspectives and needs of Indigenous people and the tropical and desert environments of the Northern Territory including remote communities, within an evidence-based, multidisciplinary, teaching and learning framework.

The underpinning principles of comprehensive primary health care, namely: cultural safety in practice, in particular to addressing the needs of Indigenous and multi-cultural Australians; recognising the value of using a population health approach for the prevention, early detection and management of chronic diseases; providing appropriate evidence-based care; and the ability to work in multi-disciplinary teams is embedded throughout the Bachelor of Nursing program in both content and assessment.

These principles combined with education in the range of core knowledge and specialist technical nursing skills ensure that graduates can retrieve and apply knowledge and information to respond appropriately and ethically to the needs of diverse populations and function professionally as a Registered Nurse in a regional and global context.

Specifically, this course will focus on Territory and regional issues, including Indigenous health, remote health practice, and innovative approaches to primary health care. The course will have a range of flexible multi-modal delivery options that will include workshops, Learnline, face-to-face delivery and external.

All students must attend and pass a one-week clinical teaching block for every year of full-time equivalent study. Students must also complete clinical placement units.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
On the completion of this Bachelor degree, graduates will be well prepared for professional employment in Nursing in hospitals and health centres in both urban and remote communities.
The course consists of 24 units. Two common units provide students with the foundation knowledge and skills necessary to complete the course successfully, prepare them for lifelong learning and promote the concept of cultural safety in practice, in particular to addressing the needs of Indigenous and multicultural Australians.

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### COURSE STRUCTURE

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The two electives may be chosen from:

- Perioperative Nursing
- Emergency Nursing
- Renal Nursing
- Mental Health and Paediatric Care
- Community Mental Health
- Mental Health Issues across the Lifespan

### POST GRADUATE OPTIONS

The Bachelor of Science (Honours) is available for entry to suitable candidates with a Bachelor of Nursing.

### YET FEEDER INFO

Students commencing a Bachelor degree through ACIKE are eligible for credit transfer arrangements if they have completed Certificate IV, Diploma, Advanced Diploma or Associate Degree qualifications in the same field or discipline.

Enrolled nurses with a current practising certificate will receive credit for some units.

This course is also suitable for hospital-trained registered nurses with a current practising certificate and those holding a Bachelor of Nursing degree but who have let their nursing registration lapse and who have not been part of the nursing workforce in the last five years. Applicants in either of these categories will also receive credit for some units.

### POLICE CHECK

Students will be required to submit an annual National Criminal Record Check before commencing placement.

Students must provide proof that they have met all CDU and state/territory pre-clinical requirements before they can undertake those units that include clinical placements. These requirements include, but are not limited to immunisation requirements, Senior First Aid qualification, annual criminal record checks and/or working with children clearances and/or fitness to practise requirements.

For more information and details on how to apply:

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