

2009 Course Summary Sheet

■ Bachelor of Nursing/Bachelor of Health Science (Paramedic) HL49

This document will assist you with the selection of your study program and completion of your enrolment. Other useful information can be found on the Student Services home page studentservices.qut.com which can also be accessed via the On-line Enrolment portlet. Detailed information about this course, including the Handbook, unit synopses and class timetables, is available from the Course Information page which can be accessed via the web site www.qut.edu.au/courses/courseinfo/unitfind.jsp

Location: Kelvin Grove campus (some units are located at Gardens Point campus)

Course Duration: 4 years full-time

Total Credit Points: Students are required to complete 408 credit points within the integrated course.

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Nursing Clinical Requirements

The nursing clinical practice units require students to undertake block practicum of two or more weeks. Students will be required to wear a uniform while on clinical practice, the cost of which is approximately \$150. Students are required to provide evidence of a current first aid and cardio-pulmonary resuscitation accreditation. All nursing students are required to have a Blue Card prior to commencing off-campus clinical placement. Further information and application forms are available from QUT Student Services: http://www.studentservices.qut.edu.au/enrol/course/spec_req/bluecard.jsp

Paramedic Clinical Requirements: The paramedic clinical practice units require students to undertake block practicum of six to twelve weeks. Students will be required to wear a uniform while on clinical practice which will be provided by Queensland Ambulance Service. Students will be required to have a Police Records Check undertaken with the associated costs being the responsibility of the applicant. Students will be required to hold a current manual driver's licence (provisional is acceptable) before commencing the emergency driver education course associated with the first clinical placement unit. Students will also need to undergo a Health related fitness assessment.

Clinical Requirements for both degrees: It is also a requirement of Queensland Health that *all students* undertaking a clinical placement in a QHealth facility complete the Essentials component of the [student orientation package](#) which is available on the Queensland Health web site. Failure to do so may result in denied or delayed access to the placement.

Students required to undergo Hepatitis B vaccination prior to undertaking any clinical placement. Hepatitis B vaccinations (3 inoculations) are done over a period of six months. This means that you need to prepare for your clinical placements well in advance.

Professional Recognition (Nursing): Graduates are eligible for Nursing registration within Australia, and have been successful in obtaining registration in Britain, New Zealand and North America. This course is recognised by the Royal College of Nursing, Australia, as satisfying the academic requirements for admission as a professional member. Graduates are eligible for registration as an Exercise Scientist with the Australian Association for Exercise and Sports Scientists (AAESS). A further year is required for accreditation as an Exercise Physiologist with AAESS.

Professional Recognition (Paramedic): Students who complete this course will be eligible for membership of the Australian College of Ambulance Professionals at the appropriate level.

Designated units: These are units which are deemed to be critical in a student's progress in the course. At the end of each year students who have failed to achieve a satisfactory level of performance in a designated unit will be eligible for exclusion. A Faculty Academic Board may exclude the student or place them on probationary enrolment. Designated units within the B Nursing are Clinical Practice units 2 to 5. A satisfactory level of performance in a Nursing designated unit is a grade of S - Satisfactory. Designated units within the B Health Science (Paramedic) are Paramedic Clinical Practice units 1-4.

Student Responsibility: You are responsible for ensuring that your enrolment is completed correctly and that your enrolment status is accurate at all times. Students should attempt to follow the standard course progression as outlined in the course summary sheet. You are expected to abide by the University's due dates when submitting enrolment or credit applications and should ensure that your address details are up to date. Failure to do any of the above may result in financial and academic penalties, and difficulties in unit selection.

Commencing Students: You are required to enrol as specified in the University's letter of offer in regards to your course, major, attendance mode and type, location and class codes.

Enrolment: You are expected to enrol as per the standard course structure as contained in this Course Summary Sheet.

Overloads: It is not expected that you should overload, i.e. undertake more credit points than the standard semester load (48 credit points or 4 units). Overloads are not permitted in the first semester of study without Course Coordinator approval. If your circumstances require you to overload you should be aware of the possible course progression and timetable problems.

Underloads: It is not expected that you should underload, i.e. undertake less credit points than the standard semester load as outlined in this Course Summary Sheet. If, however, your circumstances require you to undertake fewer units, you are permitted to underload by 12 credit points (1 unit). For students who receive Austudy, underloading may affect your entitlements. Note that taking an underload may lead to course progression and timetable problems.

Attendance Mode and Class Code: You are required to enrol in the attendance mode and type as specified in the University's letter of offer. It is your responsibility to ensure correct location and class codes are entered on your enrolment form as incorrect or missing information may lead to enrolment difficulties.

Class Codes

INT Classes are held at Kelvin Grove, Gardens Point or Carseldine campus

EXT The unit is offered externally via Teaching and Learning Support Services (TALSS)

Location Codes

KG Unit is taught on the Kelvin Grove campus

GP Unit is taught on the Gardens Point campus

CA Unit is taught on the Carseldine campus

Timetabling of Units: A clash-free timetable is guaranteed for the standard programs of study only.. Students following a non-standard enrolment program may need to substitute units or take an underload as a result of timetabling clashes. **Note that part-time mode is a reference to credit points load and does not indicate attendance type (e.g. evening classes). You should note that units may be timetabled between 8am and 10pm Monday to Friday. Specific units may require attendance outside these times (eg weekends).**

Assumed Knowledge: QUT specifies assumed knowledge, rather than subject prerequisites for applicants for entry to QUT. The curricula for some units are based on this assumed knowledge and if you do not have it, you may find these units difficult. If you feel that you do not have the assumed knowledge and you have not taken the suggested course prior to enrolment, then you should contact the Course Coordinator or the Academic Affairs Officer.

Prerequisite Units: You are expected to complete prerequisite units as outlined in the Course Summary Sheet before proceeding to subsequent units. You must fulfil all prerequisite requirements before you are able to enrol in professional practice/placement/practicum units.

Change of Course and Transfer Policy: You must complete at least one semester of study in your course of offer before applying for an intra-faculty transfer to another Health Faculty course. You will be allowed to transfer to another Faculty of Health course only if you (a) meet the minimum entry requirements which applied for that course/major in the most recent admission period **and** (b) there is a quota place available.

Undergraduate students wishing to upgrade their ranking score at the completion of one year's study should be aware that, for some courses/majors, you may be required to maintain a full-time year load (e.g. 96 credit points). You should seek admission advice if considering this option. (Note that units with incomplete results and any units for which a student has received an exemption or academic credit do not count toward the full-time year load).

Advanced Standing Applications: You should apply for advanced standing by the due date as delays may cause enrolment difficulties. You should enrol in the standard program until the success of any advanced standing application is known. You should seek advice from your Course Coordinator before altering your enrolment program after receiving advanced standing or exemptions.

Important Note: please ensure you select the correct teaching period, class code and location code for all units you are enrolled in.

Full-time Course Structure		Location Code	Class Code	Credit Points	Contact Hrs/Wk	Pre-requisites Co-requisites
Year 1, Semester 1						
LSB182	Bioscience 1	KG	INT	12	5	NIL
NSB225	Health, Human Development and Aging	KG	INT	12	3	NIL
PUB180	Foundations of Paramedic Practice 1	KG	INT	12	3	NIL
PYB074	Communication for Nursing Practice	KG	INT	12	3	NIL
Year 1, Semester 2						
LSB282	Bioscience 2	KG	INT	12	5	LSB182
NSB113	Diversity & Health: Intro to Indigenous & Multicultural Perspectives	KG	INT	12	3	NIL
PUB280	Foundations of Paramedic Practice 2	KG	INT	12	3	PUB180
PUB251	Contemporary Public Health	KG	INT	12	3	NIL
Year 1, Summer (Sum 1)						
PUB270	Paramedic Clinical Practice 1 [<i>designated unit</i>]	KG	INT	12		LSB282, PUB280, Emergency driver education (QAS), Health related fitness assessment
Year 2, Semester 1						
LSB382	Bioscience 3	KG	INT	12	5	LSB182
LSB384	Pharmacology for Health Professionals	KG	INT	12	3	NIL
PUB390	Paramedic Management of Medical & Surgical Emergencies A	KG	INT	12	3	PUB280, LSB282
PUB391	Paramedic Management of Medical & Surgical Emergencies B	KG	INT	12	3	PUB280, LSB282
Year 2, Semester 2						
NSB118	Foundations of Nursing Practice	KG	INT	12	4	NIL
PUB450	Paramedic Management of Trauma Emergencies	KG	INT	12	3	NIL
PUB486	Ethics and the Law in Health Service Delivery	KG	INT	12	3	PUB180
NSB122	Clinical Practice 1 (including 2 wks off-campus)	KG	INT	12	3	NIL
Year 3, Semester 1						
NSB324	Health Alterations and Nursing 1	KG	INT	12	5	NSB118
NSB212	Clinical Practice 2 (including 2 wks off-campus)	KG	INT	12	4	NSB122
PUB555	Paramedic Management of Infectious Diseases, Toxicological & Environmental Emergencies	KG	INT	12	4	NIL
PUB470	Paramedic Clinical Practice 2	KG	INT	12	4	PUB270, PUB390, PUB391
Year 3, Semester 2						
NSB223	Mental Health Nursing	KG	INT	12	3	NSB118
NSB423	Health Alterations and Nursing 2	KG	INT	12	3	NSB118
NSB222	Clinical Practice 3 (including 4 wks off-campus)	KG	INT	12	3	NSB212
Year 3, Summer (Sum)						
PUB570	Paramedic Clinical Practice 3	KG	INT	12		PUB470
Year 4, Semester 1						
NSB500	Health Alterations and High Dependency Nursing	KG	INT	12	3	NSB324, NSB423
NSB322	Clinical Practice 4 (including 4 wks off-campus)	KG	INT	12	3	NSB222, NSB223, NSB324 & NSB423
PUB550	Paramedic Management of Obstetric, Paediatric & Behavioural Emergencies	KG	INT	12	4	NIL
HLB400	Transition to Professional Practice	KG	INT	12	3	NIL

Full-time Course Structure

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Year 4, Semester 2						
PUB670	Paramedic Clinical Practice 4	KG	INT	36	3	PUB570
NSB333	Clinical Practice 5 (including 8 wks off-campus)	KG	INT	24	3	NSB322