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PROGRAM REGULATIONS:
Graduate Diploma of Critical Care
GradDipCritCare Nurs

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2 AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these regulations will be made in accordance with the General Regulations.

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3 PURPOSE

These Program Regulations set out the approved requirements for the Graduate Diploma of Critical Care Nursing.

4 OVERVIEW

4.1 Campus Availability
The Graduate Diploma of Critical Care Nursing has been approved for delivery on the Fremantle Campus.

4.2 Student Availability
The Graduate Diploma of Critical Care Nursing is available for enrolment to domestic Students.

4.3 Australian Qualifications Framework
The Graduate Diploma of Critical Care Nursing is accredited by the University as a Level 8 AQF qualification.

4.4 Duration
The Volume of Learning for the Graduate Diploma of Critical Care Nursing is one (1) year of equivalent full-time study. An option to complete this Program Part-time is available.

An accelerated option to complete the Program is not available.

4.5 Maximum Duration
The maximum period of time within which a student is permitted to complete the Graduate Diploma absence) from the date on which they were first enrolled of Critical Care Nursing Award is 4 years (including any periods of approved leave of into the program by the University.

4.6 Study Mode
The Graduate Diploma of Critical Care Nursing is offered in External Study mode.

4.7 Professional Accreditation
There are no professional accreditation requirements applicable to this Program.

5 ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

5.1 University Admission Requirements
To be eligible for admission to The University of Notre Dame Australia, all applicants must meet the University's minimum requirements for admission. The requirements for admission are detailed in the University's Policy: Admissions.

5.2 Specific Program Requirements for Admission
To be eligible for admission to the Graduate Diploma of Critical Care Nursing applicants must also meet the following specific requirements.

5.2.1 Current licence to practice as a Registered Nurse with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia, or provisional registration, which is applicable at the time of the student's program commencement;
5.2.2 Nursing or other appropriate degree or the equivalent;
5.2.3 Minimum of one year relevant post registration nursing experience;
5.2.4 Current employment contract for the term of the program with an approved health service.
6 PRACTICUM OR INTERNSHIP REQUIREMENTS

There are no practicum or internship requirements in this Award.

7 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

7.1 Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the Graduate Diploma of Critical Care Nursing graduates will be able to:

1. Integrate advanced knowledge of human anatomy with specialised clinical nursing skills and technologies to assess and plan care for critically ill patients and their families.
2. Employ clinical reasoning and decision making strategies that enhance organisational capability and responsiveness in the critical care environment.
3. Communicate with influence, respect and empathy to support critically ill clients and their families from a culturally diverse population.
4. Marshal interdisciplinary collaboration to plan sophisticated care including the analysis of ethical and legal dilemmas, affecting the critically ill client.
5. Guide, mentor and develop healthcare staff working for the first time in the critical care environment.
6. Reflect on one’s own progress and practice, as a means of applying and building professional expertise, continually improving and establishing mechanisms for lifelong learning.
7. Research international evidence based critical care techniques to plan, implement and evaluate care for critically ill patients in the current healthcare environment.

7.2 Required Courses

To be eligible for the award of Graduate Diploma of Critical Care Nursing students must complete a minimum of 200 Units of Credit chosen from the courses listed in Appendix A comprising:

- 25 Units of Credit from one (1) Core Curriculum Courses
- 175 Units of Credit from seven (7) compulsory Courses

7.3 Elective Courses

There are no elective courses in the Graduate Diploma of Critical Care Nursing.

7.4 Course substitutions

There are no approved course substitutions permitted in this Award.

8 DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of these Regulations, the following definitions are available in the General Regulations.

- Leave of Absence
- Pre-requisite Course
- Co-requisite Course
- Major
- Minor
- Specialisation
- Units of Credit
- Elective
- General Elective
### APPENDIX A: Graduate Diploma of Critical Care Nursing

#### YEAR ONE

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