



# NURS11170 Professional Experience Placement 1

## Term 3 - 2024

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## General Information

### Overview

In this unit, you will have the opportunity to practice fundamental nursing care in the aged care environment. You will apply the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) registered nurse standards for practice (2016). You will continue to explore the importance of the National Safety and Quality Health Service (NSQHS) Standards (2017) to all nursing practice in Australia and use the Patient Safety Competency Framework (PSCF) (Levett-Jones et al., 2017) in your practice as a nursing student. You will be expected to identify risk and recognise and respond appropriately to the deteriorating patient in the simulated and clinical environment. You will review the concept of scope of practice using the decision-making framework (DMF) (NMBA, 2020). You are required to participate in a compulsory three (3) day residential school or alternatively, an on-campus workshop prior to attending professional experience placement for this unit. This unit includes a 120 hour block professional experience placement in an aged care environment. You must meet specific mandatory health, safety and security requirements to be eligible to attend each professional experience placement. Professional experience placements may be limited in your community and you may be placed in other locations. Please be prepared financially and personally to cover the costs to relocate for placements. Due to the limited availability of placements, some block placements have start and/or end dates that fall outside standard term dates.

### Details

Career Level: *Undergraduate*

Unit Level: *Level 1*

Credit Points: 6

Student Contribution Band: 7

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: 0.125

### Pre-requisites or Co-requisites

Prerequisites: NURS11164 Effective Communication in the Health Care Environment or NURS11163 Recovery Approach to Mental Health NURS11165 The Profession of Nursing or NURS11159 Introduction to Nursing NURS11166 Health and Assessment in Nursing or NURS11160 Fundamentals of Clinical Nursing Practice. Co-requisites: BIOH11005 Introductory Anatomy and Physiology or BMSC11010 Human Anatomy and Physiology 1 NURS11169 Health Across Life Stages or NURS11157 Lifespan Approach to Health and Wellness for Nursing

Important note: Students enrolled in a subsequent unit who failed their pre-requisite unit, should drop the subsequent unit before the census date or within 10 working days of Fail grade notification. Students who do not drop the unit in this timeframe cannot later drop the unit without academic and financial liability. See details in the [Assessment Policy and Procedure \(Higher Education Coursework\)](#).

### Offerings For Term 3 - 2024

- Mixed Mode

### Attendance Requirements

All on-campus students are expected to attend scheduled classes – in some units, these classes are identified as a mandatory (pass/fail) component and attendance is compulsory. International students, on a student visa, must maintain a full time study load and meet both attendance and academic progress requirements in each study period (satisfactory attendance for International students is defined as maintaining at least an 80% attendance record).

### Website

[This unit has a website, within the Moodle system, which is available two weeks before the start of term. It is important that you visit your Moodle site throughout the term. Please visit Moodle for more information.](#)

## Class and Assessment Overview

### Recommended Student Time Commitment

Each 6-credit Undergraduate unit at CQUniversity requires an overall time commitment of an average of 12.5 hours of study per week, making a total of 150 hours for the unit.

### Class Timetable

#### [Regional Campuses](#)

Bundaberg, Cairns, Emerald, Gladstone, Mackay, Rockhampton, Townsville

#### [Metropolitan Campuses](#)

Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney

### Assessment Overview

#### 1. **In-class Test(s)**

Weighting: Pass/Fail

#### 2. **Professional Practice Placement**

Weighting: Pass/Fail

### Assessment Grading

This is a pass/fail (non-graded) unit. To pass the unit, you must pass all of the individual assessment tasks shown in the table above.

## CQUniversity Policies

**All University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).**

You may wish to view these policies:

- Grades and Results Policy
- Assessment Policy and Procedure (Higher Education Coursework)
- Review of Grade Procedure
- Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – Domestic Students
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – International Students
- Student Refund and Credit Balance Policy and Procedure
- Student Feedback – Compliments and Complaints Policy and Procedure
- Information and Communications Technology Acceptable Use Policy and Procedure

This list is not an exhaustive list of all University policies. The full list of University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

## Previous Student Feedback

### Feedback, Recommendations and Responses

Every unit is reviewed for enhancement each year. At the most recent review, the following staff and student feedback items were identified and recommendations were made.

#### Feedback from Student evaluation

##### **Feedback**

My clinical placement was an incredible experience, providing me with invaluable hands-on learning and support from a fantastic team. It helped build my confidence and deepen my understanding of patient care in a real-world setting.

##### **Recommendation**

Continue to ensure students' readiness for clinical placement experience by providing rigorous residential school curricula.

#### Feedback from Student evaluation

##### **Feedback**

Some of the questions on the maths quiz during res school weren't good. I also felt like a lot of them were guesses because we weren't prepared well enough for it.

##### **Recommendation**

To review and refine questions in the medication and maths quiz. Ensure students are adequately informed and prepared for the quiz before undertaking the task.

## Unit Learning Outcomes

### **On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:**

1. Apply the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) Registered nurse standards for practice in the physical and psychosocial assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation of people in aged care, including those with cognitive impairment in the simulated and clinical environment
2. Identify potential risks in the aged care environment and determine strategies to minimise the risk
3. Recognise and respond appropriately to the deteriorating patient in the aged care context
4. Develop strategies for self-care when managing decline in cognition in the older person with delirium and/or dementia.
5. Demonstrate knowledge and application of safe supply and administration of non-parenteral medication.

### **Content in this unit incorporates a number of professional nursing requirements**

#### **Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia decision-making framework (DMF) - nursing**

#### **Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia Registered Nurse Standards for Practice**

Thinks critically and analyses nursing practice

Engages in therapeutic and professional relationships

Maintains the capability for practice

Comprehensively conducts assessments

Develops a plan for nursing practice

Provides safe, appropriate and responsive quality nursing practice

Evaluates outcomes to inform nursing practice

#### **Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia Nursing Code of Conduct**

Legal compliance

Person-centred practice

Cultural practice and respectful relationships

Professional behaviour

Research in health

Health and wellbeing

#### **International Council of Nursing Code of Ethics for Nursing**

Nurses and People

Nurses and Practice

Nurses and the Profession

Nurses and co-workers

#### **National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards**

Clinical governance  
Partnering with consumers  
Preventing and Controlling healthcare-associated infection  
Medication safety  
Comprehensive care  
Communicating for safety  
Recognising and responding to acute deterioration

**Patient Safety Competency Framework**

Person-centred care  
Therapeutic communication  
Cultural competence  
Teamwork and collaborative practice  
Clinical reasoning  
Evidence-based practice  
Preventing, minimising and responding to adverse events  
Infection prevention and control  
Medication safety

**Aged Care Quality Standards**

Consumer dignity and choice  
Ongoing assessment and planning with consumers  
Personal care and clinical care  
Services and supports for daily living  
Organisation's service environment  
Feedback and complaints  
Human resources  
Organisation governance

## Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes

 N/A Level	 Introductory Level	 Intermediate Level	 Graduate Level	 Professional Level	 Advanced Level
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### Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Learning Outcomes

Assessment Tasks	Learning Outcomes				
	1	2	3	4	5
<b>1 - In-class Test(s) - 0%</b>	•				•
<b>2 - Professional Practice Placement - 0%</b>	•	•	•	•	•

### Alignment of Graduate Attributes to Learning Outcomes

Graduate Attributes	Learning Outcomes				
	1	2	3	4	5
<b>1 - Communication</b>	•	•	•	•	•
<b>2 - Problem Solving</b>	•			•	
<b>3 - Critical Thinking</b>	•	•	•		
<b>4 - Information Literacy</b>					•
<b>5 - Team Work</b>	•				
<b>6 - Information Technology Competence</b>	•				
<b>7 - Cross Cultural Competence</b>	•				
<b>8 - Ethical practice</b>			•	•	•
<b>9 - Social Innovation</b>					
<b>10 - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultures</b>					

## Textbooks and Resources

### Textbooks

NURS11170

#### Prescribed

#### Skills in Clinical Nursing

Edition: 2nd (2021)

Authors: Berman, A., Snyder, S., Levett-Jones, T., Burton, T., Harvey, N.

Pearson

ISBN: 9781488620690

This text will also be relevant for all other clinical units.

### IT Resources

#### You will need access to the following IT resources:

- CQUniversity Student Email
- Internet
- Unit Website (Moodle)
- Laptop/Computer
- Sonia Online

## Referencing Style

No referencing style set.

## Teaching Contacts

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## Schedule

### Week 1 - 04 Nov 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Introduction to the unit. Preparation for Residential School.	<u>Moodle site:</u> 1. Modules 1-5 and complete all activities. 2. Preparation for residential School. 3. Professional Experience Placement.	Check SONIA and register for the upcoming residential school.

### Week 2 - 11 Nov 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Preparation for Residential School.	<u>Moodle site:</u> 1. 1-5 and complete all activities. 2. Preparation for residential School. 3. Professional Experience Placement.	Check SONIA and register for the upcoming residential school.

### Week 3 - 18 Nov 2024

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Preparation for Residential School.

Moodle site:

1. 1-5 and complete all activities.
2. Preparation for residential School.
3. Professional Experience Placement.

#### **Week 4 - 25 Nov 2024**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Professional experience placement for students.	<u>Moodle site:</u> Professional Experience Placement.	

#### **Week 5 - 02 Dec 2024**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Professional experience placement for students.	<u>Moodle site:</u> Professional Experience Placement.	

#### **Week 6 - 09 Dec 2024**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Professional experience placement for students.	<u>Moodle site:</u> Professional Experience Placement.	

#### **Week 7 - 16 Dec 2024**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Professional experience placement for students.	<u>Moodle site:</u> Professional Experience Placement.	

#### **Vacation Week - 23 Dec 2024**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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#### **Vacation Week - 30 Dec 2024**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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#### **Week 8 - 06 Jan 2025**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Professional experience placement for students.	<u>Moodle site:</u> Professional Experience Placement.	

#### **Week 9 - 13 Jan 2025**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Professional experience placement for students.	<u>Moodle site:</u> Professional Experience Placement.	

#### **Week 10 - 20 Jan 2025**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Professional experience placement for students.	<u>Moodle site:</u> Professional Experience Placement.	

#### **Week 11 - 27 Jan 2025**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Professional experience placement for students.	<u>Moodle site:</u> Professional Experience Placement.	

#### **Week 12 - 03 Feb 2025**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Professional experience placement for students.	<u>Moodle site:</u> Professional Experience Placement.	

#### **Exam Week - 10 Feb 2025**

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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## Assessment Tasks

### 1 MATHS AND MEDICATION SAFETY QUIZ

**Assessment Type**

In-class Test(s)

**Task Description**

This assessment will be conducted online in Moodle. Please test that your CQU Moodle login and password are working before attending the residential school.

Please follow the steps on the NURS11170 Moodle site to access preparatory resources for this quiz. The invigilated online quiz will occur on Day 1 of your PEP1 residential school.

**Assessment Due Date**

This assessment will take place on Day One of the residential school.

**Return Date to Students**

Students will be notified of their result at the completion of the in-class quiz.

**Weighting**

Pass/Fail

**Minimum mark or grade**

A result of 100% is required to pass this assessment.

**Assessment Criteria**

This assessment will require the students to complete an in-class quiz comprising 20 questions. A result of 100% is required to pass this assessment.

You will have a maximum of three (3) attempts to obtain 100%. Please refer to the Coaching process for medication calculations and safety quiz should you require a 2nd or 3rd re-attempt. Failure to achieve 100% after three attempts may result in a Fail grade and you may be unable to progress to clinical placement.

**Submission**

Online

**Learning Outcomes Assessed**

- Apply the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) Registered nurse standards for practice in the physical and psychosocial assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation of people in aged care, including those with cognitive impairment in the simulated and clinical environment
- Demonstrate knowledge and application of safe supply and administration of non-parenteral medication.

### 2 PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE PLACEMENT

**Assessment Type**

Professional Practice Placement

**Task Description**

You are required:

1. Complete the Facilitator/preceptor notification form and submit on SONIA on day 1 of placement.
2. Maintain an accurate Record of Attendance timesheet with each shift co-signed by an RN, preceptor or clinical facilitator.
3. Complete a formative ANSAT midway through your placement. This requires you to undertake the following steps:
  - a. Complete the Student formative self-assessment form in SONIA and submit to your assessor when nearing the midway point of placement.
  - b. Engage in discussion with your assessor after they have completed their feedback in the Formative Assessment in SONIA.
  - c. The Unit Coordinator will review your ANSAT assessment, add comments and sign it. If you have a score below 3, a learning support plan may be implemented to provide you with clear performance expectations and goals.
  - d. Review the Unit Coordinator's comments and complete the Student Declaration and signature section at the end of your formative ANSAT. You will receive an email notification when this is available. (Completing these steps will trigger the release of the summative ANSAT.)
4. Complete a summative ANSAT near the end of your placement:
  - a. Complete the Student summative self-assessment form in SONIA and submit to your assessor near the completion of your placement.



- b. Your assessor will complete your Summative Assessment in SONIA discuss your assessment and feedback with you.
- c. You will be notified by email to complete the Student declaration and signature section on your summative ANSAT.
- d. A score of 3 or higher for each ANSAT criterion on the summative ANSAT assessment is required to pass the summative assessment. If you do not meet each ANSAT criteria at a 3 or above on your Summative assessment, you may receive a fail grade for the Unit.

5. The Unit Coordinator will review your summative assessment, check the hours recorded on your Record of Attendance, and assign a grade.

### **Assessment Due Date**

To complete an ANSAT assessment with your assessor at both Formative and Summative stages. Formative assessment is due after 60 hours or midway through your placement. Summative Assessment is due on the final day of placement.

### **Return Date to Students**

ANSAT assessments will be graded when students upload the ANSAT and completed timesheet.

### **Weighting**

Pass/Fail

### **Minimum mark or grade**

The required hours of clinical practice (120hrs) must be completed in entirety and with a satisfactory ANSAT summative to be eligible for a Pass grade for this unit of study.

### **Assessment Criteria**

Attendance of clinical placement is mandatory for this unit.

To be eligible for a Pass grade for this unit, you must complete 120 hours of PEP and achieve scores of 3 or higher on the summative ANSAT assessment.

If you are not meeting satisfactory practice standards at any point of the placement, a meeting will be scheduled with you, the facilitator and the Unit Coordinator to discuss your progress. A support plan may be implemented to assist you to meet the ANSAT criteria satisfactorily. If you do not meet each ANSAT criteria at a satisfactory level at the Summative assessment, you may receive a Fail grade for this assessment.

Any unsatisfactory performance that jeopardises the safety of people in your care or which does not adhere to the NMBA Registered Nurse Standards for Practice, Code of Professional Conduct, Code of Ethics, and/or Social Media Policy criteria may result in you being removed from placement. Please refer to The Work-integrated Learning-Student Placement Policy and Procedure that can be found on the WIL Moodle site.

As a nursing student representing CQUniversity, you are required to comply with CQU student nurse uniform requirements and the CQU student Charter during your professional experience placement. Please refer to Work-integrated Learning-Student Placement Policy and Procedure that can be found on the WIL (Work Integrated Learning) Moodle site.

### **Submission**

Online

### **Submission Instructions**

Submit your log of hours (timesheet) to the NURS 11170 Moodle site at the completion of the last day of placement.

### **Learning Outcomes Assessed**

- Apply the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) Registered nurse standards for practice in the physical and psychosocial assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation of people in aged care, including those with cognitive impairment in the simulated and clinical environment
- Identify potential risks in the aged care environment and determine strategies to minimise the risk
- Recognise and respond appropriately to the deteriorating patient in the aged care context
- Develop strategies for self-care when managing decline in cognition in the older person with delirium and/or dementia.
- Demonstrate knowledge and application of safe supply and administration of non-parenteral medication.

## Academic Integrity Statement

As a CQUniversity student you are expected to act honestly in all aspects of your academic work.

Any assessable work undertaken or submitted for review or assessment must be your own work. Assessable work is any type of work you do to meet the assessment requirements in the unit, including draft work submitted for review and feedback and final work to be assessed.

When you use the ideas, words or data of others in your assessment, you must thoroughly and clearly acknowledge the source of this information by using the correct referencing style for your unit. Using others' work without proper acknowledgement may be considered a form of intellectual dishonesty.

Participating honestly, respectfully, responsibly, and fairly in your university study ensures the CQUniversity qualification you earn will be valued as a true indication of your individual academic achievement and will continue to receive the respect and recognition it deserves.

As a student, you are responsible for reading and following CQUniversity's policies, including the [Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure](#). This policy sets out CQUniversity's expectations of you to act with integrity, examples of academic integrity breaches to avoid, the processes used to address alleged breaches of academic integrity, and potential penalties.

### What is a breach of academic integrity?

A breach of academic integrity includes but is not limited to plagiarism, self-plagiarism, collusion, cheating, contract cheating, and academic misconduct. The Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure defines what these terms mean and gives examples.

### Why is academic integrity important?

A breach of academic integrity may result in one or more penalties, including suspension or even expulsion from the University. It can also have negative implications for student visas and future enrolment at CQUniversity or elsewhere. Students who engage in contract cheating also risk being blackmailed by contract cheating services.

### Where can I get assistance?

For academic advice and guidance, the [Academic Learning Centre \(ALC\)](#) can support you in becoming confident in completing assessments with integrity and of high standard.

### What can you do to act with integrity?



#### Be Honest

If your assessment task is done by someone else, it would be dishonest of you to claim it as your own



#### Seek Help

If you are not sure about how to cite or reference in essays, reports etc, then seek help from your lecturer, the library or the Academic Learning Centre (ALC)



#### Produce Original Work

Originality comes from your ability to read widely, think critically, and apply your gained knowledge to address a question or problem