



NURS11161 Clinical Nursing Practice 1

Term 3 - 2017

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General Information

Overview

This unit introduces you to the principles of patient safety and quality including physical/psychosocial assessment, asepsis and medication safety. You will have the opportunity to apply these principles in clinical environments. You will be expected to function within the scope of practice of a nursing student in accordance with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) registered nurse standards for practice during the compulsory three (3) day residential school or timetabled internal nursing laboratories as well as 120 hour clinical placement.

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: NURS11160 Fundamentals of Clinical Nursing Practice or NURS11149 Foundations of Nursing Practice 1
NURS11157 Lifespan Approach to Health and Well-Being or NURS11153 Health and Behaviour NURS11158 Evidence Informed Nursing Practice or NHLT12001 NURS11159 Introduction to Nursing or NURS11146 Professional Nursing Identity
Co-requisite: BIOH11005 Introductory Anatomy and Physiology

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 - 2017

- Distance

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).

Residential Schools

This unit has a Compulsory Residential School for distance mode students and the details are:

Click here to see your [Residential School Timetable](#).

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. **Practical and Written Assessment**

Weighting: Pass/Fail

2. **Professional Practice Placement**

Weighting: Pass/Fail

3. **Examination**

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 Teaching team

Feedback

Teaching team were happy with the preparation and resources provided prior to teaching into the Unit

Recommendation

Continue with this practice

Feedback from Per phone and email from Industry partners

Feedback

Feedback received from Industry partners was positive. Students were well prepared, well presented and eager to learn

Recommendation

Continue

Feedback from Have your say Student email

Feedback

On reflection, the Unit ran smoothly. Students were given information about the exam but evaluation comments revealed that some students were not prepared

Recommendation

In future offerings, the information will be more explicit and rationale for having an exam will be expanded upon

Feedback from Student email face to face comments

Feedback

Clinical placements. Some students initially felt that having placement in an Aged Care Facility would not enhance learning. Student reflections demonstrated that this was not the case as most students found the placement to be a valuable learning experience

Recommendation

Continue to source placements wherever the learning outcomes for the Unit will be met

Unit Learning Outcomes

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

1. Employ evidence based practice principles to guide the physical and psychosocial assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation of individuals and families at beginning practice level.
2. Use legal and ethical frameworks and cultural awareness principles appropriate to scope of practice when communicating and working in partnership with members of the multidisciplinary team, individuals and families.
3. Provide safe and effective person centred nursing care to individuals undergoing diagnostic and therapeutic interventions/procedures related to a range of acute alterations in health at a beginning nurse level.
4. Function within scope of practice of a beginning nursing student in accordance with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) registered nurse standards for practice.

The learning outcomes are linked to the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council (ANMAC) Standards for registered nurses and the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia registered nurse standards for practice.

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
1 - Practical and Written Assessment - 0%	•	•	•	•
2 - Professional Practice Placement - 0%	•	•	•	•

Alignment of Graduate Attributes to Learning Outcomes

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

Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Graduate Attributes

Assessment Tasks	Graduate Attributes									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1 - Practical and Written Assessment - 0%	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		
2 - Professional Practice Placement - 0%	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		
3 - Examination - 0%	•	•	•	•	•		•	•		

Textbooks and Resources

Textbooks

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Prescribed

Clinical and Fieldwork Placement in the Health Professions

Edition: 2nd ed. (2013)

Authors: stagnitti, K., Schoo, A. and Welch, D.

Oxford

South melbourne , Vic , Australia

ISBN: 978-0-19-551960-0

Binding: Hardcover

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Prescribed

Kozier and Erb's Fundamentals of Nursing (Australian Edition)

Edition: 3rd ed. (2015)

Authors: Berman, A, Snyder, S, Kozier, B, Erb, G, Levett-Jones, G, Dwyer, T Hales, M, Harvey, N, Luxford, Y, Moxham, L, Park, T, Parker, B, Reid-Searl, K, & Stanley, D

Pearson Australia

Frenchs Forest , NSW , Australia

ISBN: 978-1-4860-2002-7

Binding: Paperback

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Prescribed

Portfolios for Health Professionals

Edition: 3rd (2017)

Authors: Andre, K., Heartfield, M. and Cusack, L.

Elsevier

Chatswood , NSW , Australia

ISBN: 978-0-7295-4202-9

Binding: Paperback

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Prescribed

Skills in Clinical Nursing

Edition: 1st (2017)

Authors: Berman, Snyder, Levett-Jones, Burton and Harvey

Pearson

Melbourne , VIC , Australia

ISBN: 13:987-1-4860-1197-1

Binding: Paperback

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Supplementary

Legal Issues for Nursing Students Applied Principles

Edition: 3rd (2015)

Authors: Savage. P.

Pearson

Sydney , NSW , Australia

ISBN: 978-1-4886-1118-6

Binding: Paperback

[View textbooks at the CQUniversity Bookshop](#)

IT Resources

You will need access to the following IT resources:

- CQUniversity Student Email
- Internet
- Unit Website (Moodle)

Referencing Style

All submissions for this unit must use the referencing style: [American Psychological Association 6th Edition \(APA 6th edition\)](#)

For further information, see the Assessment Tasks.

Teaching Contacts

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Schedule

Week 1 - 06 Nov 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Introduction to unit, preparing for clinical placement, professionalism, clinical reasoning, critical thinking and review of patient interview. Preparing a professional portfolio	Prescribed texts and articles	

Week 2 - 13 Nov 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Legal and ethical considerations	Prescribed texts and articles	

Week 3 - 20 Nov 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Prevention of falls and pressure injuries	Prescribed text and articles	

Week 4 - 27 Nov 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Introduction to physical assessment	Prescribed texts and articles	

Vacation Week - 04 Dec 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Break week		

Week 5 - 11 Dec 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Respiratory assessment	Prescribed texts and articles	

Week 6 - 18 Dec 2017

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Cardiac assessment	Prescribed texts and articles	

Week 7 - 01 Jan 2018

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Neurological assessment	Prescribed texts and articles	

Week 8 - 08 Jan 2018

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Abdominal assessment	Prescribed texts and articles	

Week 9 - 15 Jan 2018

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Musculoskeletal assessment Prescribed texts and articles

Week 10 - 22 Jan 2018

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Pain assessment and management	Prescribed texts and articles	

Week 11 - 29 Jan 2018

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Management of dying and deceased patient, their family, self care and care of peers	Prescribed texts and articles	

Week 12 - 05 Feb 2018

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Dealing with unwanted patient behaviours	Prescribed texts and articles	

Review/Exam Week - 12 Feb 2018

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
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Assessment Tasks

1 Practical and Written Assessment

Assessment Type

Practical and Written Assessment

Task Description

Assessment 1 has two (2) parts:

Part 1: You will be required to demonstrate your ability in a number of clinical skills in the last clinical on campus learning session for NURS11161 Clinical Nursing Practice 1. The assessment will require you to play the role of the nurse in a simulated environment and the assessment criteria will be the skills audit tool from your Clinical Skills text book. You will be required to document your clinical findings and to perform a clinical handover to your lecturer.

If you do not meet requirements, negotiations will occur to determine the further support and actions required.

Part 2: You will be required to achieve 100% in an online medication administration quiz using the Med+Safe software program in a computer laboratory in the last session of your residential school . If you score less than 100% in your first attempt, you will be provided with an additional two (2) opportunities to achieve a Pass. The second attempt will be before completing your residential school . The third attempt will be required to be completed by the Thursday before your scheduled clinical placement. If you are one of these students, you will need to contact the unit coordinator for guidance. If you are not successful on this third attempt, you will not be able to proceed to clinical placement and will be a Fail for the unit.

Assessment Due Date

Completed during on campus clinical learning sessions

Return Date to Students

You will be advised immediately following the practical assessment if remediation is required.

Weighting

Pass/Fail

Minimum mark or grade

Pass

Assessment Criteria

Skills that may be assessed include: hand hygiene, collection and documentation of vital signs (blood pressure, pulse, respirations, temperature, oxygen saturation and auscultating breath sounds), aseptic technique and removal of sutures or staples.

Assessment criteria will be the skills audit tool from your Clinical Skills text book. You will be required to document your clinical findings and to perform a clinical handover to your lecturer.

If you do not meet requirements, negotiations will occur to determine the further support and actions required.

Referencing Style

- [American Psychological Association 6th Edition \(APA 6th edition\)](#)

Submission

Offline

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Employ evidence based practice principles to guide the physical and psychosocial assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation of individuals and families at beginning practice level.
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Graduate Attributes

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Information Literacy
- Team Work
- Information Technology Competence
- Cross Cultural Competence
- Ethical practice

2 Placement

Assessment Type

Professional Practice Placement

Task Description

If you receive an unsatisfactory result for your clinical placement assessment you will not be eligible for supplementary assessment and will receive a fail grade for NURS11161

NURS11161 Clinical Nursing Practice 1 involves 120 hours clinical placement. The clinical placement portfolio and time sheet must be completed during placement and the document is to be uploaded to Moodle within 7 days of completing placement.

Please note: You will receive ongoing feedback during your clinical placement as part of your formative assessment. This is to provide you with an opportunity for further development prior to your summative assessment at the end of your clinical placement. If you are not meeting satisfactory practice standards at any point of the placement, a support plan will be implemented in an effort to assist you to satisfactorily meet requirements. Unsatisfactory behaviours which jeopardise the safety of people in your care or that do not adhere with the NMBA Registered Nurse Standards for Practice, Code of Professional Conduct, Code of Ethics, Professional Boundaries and/or Social Media Policy criteria may result in you being removed from placement. If you do not meet each standard at a satisfactory level you will be a fail for the unit.

A reflection on a learning opportunity that you completed during clinical placement should be uploaded with the clinical portfolio no later than 7 days post completion of placement. You may write in first person and referencing is not required as it is your thoughts and feelings that are being discussed. If you use a direct quote a reference will be required. Word count is 1500 +/- 10% for your reflection. Marking criteria is below:

Pass

De-identified facility and patient or staff involved in the learning activity

Fail

Does not de-identify facility and patient or staff involved in the learning activity

Describes a learning opportunity that was completed on placement

Describes knowledge and skills utilised while completing the learning activity

States what worked well and where any deficits lie

Discusses what actions were taken to remedy any deficits recognised

Is within the 1500 +/- 10% word count

Does not describe a learning opportunity that was completed on placement

Does not describe knowledge and skills utilised while completing the learning activity

Does not state what worked well and where any deficits lie

Does not discuss what actions were taken to remedy any deficits recognised

Is not within the 1500 +/- 10% word count

Assessment Due Date

Portfolio and reflection must be uploaded within 7 days of completion of clinical placement

Return Date to Students

Week 12 Friday (9 Feb 2018)

Weighting

Pass/Fail

Minimum mark or grade

Pass

Assessment Criteria

No Assessment Criteria

Referencing Style

- [American Psychological Association 6th Edition \(APA 6th edition\)](#)

Submission

Online

Submission Instructions

submit via the assessment block on Moodle

Learning Outcomes Assessed

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Examination

Outline

Complete an invigilated examination.

Date

During the examination period at a CQUniversity examination centre.

Weighting

0%

Length

120 minutes

Minimum mark or grade

60%

Exam Conditions

Closed Book.

Materials

Calculator - non-programmable, no text retrieval, silent only

Dictionary - non-electronic, concise, direct translation only (dictionary must not contain any notes or comments).

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