



Postgraduate Critical Care Nursing Program 2019

Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital (SCGH) has a philosophy of empowerment through education and has offered a postgraduate program in Critical Care Nursing since 1987. This program has evolved to provide industry with a nursing workforce that can provide complex nursing management and critical thinking required for contemporary Critical Care nurses.

Overview:

- The Critical Care Nursing Program is run collaboratively with Edith Cowan University
- The program runs for 53-weeks; a minimum of 64 hours per fortnight contract is required
- The program commences in February each year
- The course is divided into two semesters
- There are 3 units during the program.
- You are entitled to recognition of prior learning for the Nursing Science One unit offered at SCGH
- You are required to pass both clinical and academic components in order to successfully complete the program
- You will have access to an online Learning Management System that contains resources to assist you with your studies.
- During the program you will have the opportunity to rotate to a partnersite.

Who can apply?

- ✓ Any RN, regardless of the hospital they are currently employed with – must have a minimum of two years recent nursing experience.
- ✓ A minimum of six months recent experience in a Critical Care Area (ICU/GHCU/CCU)
- ✓ Nurses who have a quest for knowledge, who are intellectually curious and are committed to lifelong learning
- ✓ Must be currently registered with NMWBA
- ✓ Must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident to be eligible for the ECU partnership scholarship

What does the program offer?

- ✓ Offers an opportunity to prepare nurses to function competently and professionally in a specialist role, empowering nurses to become critical thinkers, leaders of the profession and lifelong learners.
- ✓ Enrolled in the Masters of Nursing program at ECU with exit points at Graduate Certificate as well as Graduate Diploma level.



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- ✓ On successful completion you are presented with a Graduate Certificate of Clinical Nursing – Intensive Care.
- ✓ You will continue to be paid at your current level as per ANF agreement.
- ✓ Part-time available by negotiation
- ✓ Peer support, clinical and professional development and continuous performance management
- ✓ Clinical support from PG CCC Staff Development Nurses and Dept Staff Development team
- ✓ Orientation and supernumerary clinical practice is provided when you rotate to a new area
- ✓ Comprehensive range of study days to support your learning
- ✓ 4 weeks annual leave, dates negotiated.
- ✓ Students usually work 8 hrs shifts.

Support:

- By Course Coordinator (SDE CNE) for all aspects of the course
- Course SDN's in each area.
- This team assesses, facilitates, coaches, interacts and collaborates to help you acquire skills and experience

Assessment:

- All course work demonstrates the ability to integrate theory to practice and clinical competence.
- For clinical practice we utilise a clinical learning portfolio (CLP) where course SDN's, mentors and preceptors document your achievements.
- Theoretical assessment is at an academic level and incorporates case studies, essays, critiques, worksheets, study guides, tutorials, and presentations

What happens after graduation?

- Many nurses have obtained promotional positions such as CN, CNS, AM, NM, SRN, SDN, PG SDN, SDE.
- Continue with further studies:
 - ECU: do an additional 3 units = PG Dip, 3 further units Masters
 - RPL is available at both Curtin and Notre Dame University

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