

PURPOSE	The Masters Degree (Coursework) qualifies individuals who apply an advanced body of knowledge in a range of contexts for professional practice or scholarship and as a pathway for further learning.	
AQF LEVEL KNOWLEDGE	AQF LEVEL 9 CRITERIA – MASTERS DEGREE (COURSEWORK) Graduates of a Masters Degree (Coursework) will have: a body of knowledge that includes the understanding of recent developments in a discipline and/or area of professional practice knowledge of research principles and methods applicable to a field of work and or learning	Graduates of the Master of Advanced Nursing Practice, will demonstrate specialist knowledge of: • The role of the nurse in advanced practice in various professional and political contexts, taking into consideration the legal, social, and ethical factors that underpin professional role development • The scientific and theoretical basis for the health assessment of, and health management and health promotion with, patients and their families within a specific practice context • The principles of transformational leadership and effective communication to participate in systems that support safe care, partnership and professional growth of themselves and others • Research processes and methods including study design, data collection and analysis as well as scholarly writing for application to practice • Contemporary concepts of health leadership and management relevant to health services including standards, policies and legislation associated with specific practice contexts to promote safety and quality in healthcare.
SKILLS	Graduates of a Masters Degree (Coursework) will have: cognitive skills to demonstrate mastery of theoretical knowledge and to reflect critically on theory and professional practice or scholarship cognitive, technical and creative skills	Advanced skills to retrieve, critique, synthesise and effectively communicate research findings to deliver high quality, safe, evidence-based nursing care to clients from diverse cultural backgrounds for advanced nursing practice Advanced problem solving, critical thinking and effective communication skills to provide effective clinical management of patients with complex conditions and in complex situations



to investigate, analyse and synthesise
complex information, problems,
concepts and theories and to apply
established theories to different
bodies of knowledge or practice

- cognitive, technical and creative skills to generate and evaluate complex ideas and concepts at an abstract level
- communication and technical research skills to justify and interpret theoretical propositions, methodologies, conclusions and professional decisions to specialist and non-specialist audiences
- technical and communication skills to design, evaluate, implement, analyse and theorise about developments that contribute to professional practice or scholarship

- Mastery of technical/clinical and communication skills to design, evaluate, implement, analyse and theorise about developments that contribute to professional practice or scholarship of nursing practice
- An ability to conduct research to justify and interpret theoretical propositions, methodologies, conclusions and professional decisions in the practice context.

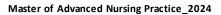
APPLICATION OF KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS

Graduates of a Masters Degree (Coursework) will demonstrate the application of knowledge & skills:

- with creativity and initiative to new situations in professional practice and/or for further learning
- with high level personal autonomy and accountability
- to plan and execute a substantial research-based project, capstone

Graduates of the **Master of Advanced Nursing Practice**, will demonstrate the application of specialist knowledge and skills by:

- The ability to gather, integrate and evaluate clinical information to initiate, plan, and
 evaluate effective care within their practice context to promote best health outcomes and
 service delivery that meets the needs of patients and families from diverse cultural
 backgrounds
- The ability to conduct an advanced comprehensive, relevant and holistic health assessment and accurately synthesise and interpret assessment information including prior treatment





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