## School of Nursing, Midwifery and Social Sciences

**CQ23 Bachelor of Nursing**  
Full Time Study Plan – Term 1 2019 onwards

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**Available over Term 3**  
* Compulsory Residential School  
# Clinical Placement  
✓ Completed  
CP = Credit Points

For information on the terminology used in the above study plan, please refer to the Glossary on the last page of this document.

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MORE DETAILS:

To satisfy the requirements for the award of CQ23 Bachelor of Nursing, students must complete 20 units (144 credit points).

Recommended Study Schedule

Students should complete units in an order that is as close as possible to the recommended structure set out in this study plan. Students should concentrate on completing all first year units before moving on to second year units, and all second year units before moving on to third year units.

To enable students to be more adequately prepared for study in the course, it is highly recommended that students start their course by enrolling concurrently in:

NURS11157 - Lifespan Approach to Health and Well-Being
NURS11158 - Evidence Informed Nursing Practice

Course Structure Requirements

In the CQ23 Bachelor of Nursing, students are required to complete the following course structure:

- 19 Core Units
- 1 Elective Unit

Course Duration Requirements

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Please also note that if you fail units or take a Leave of Absence, your course duration and completion timeframe may be extended.

Interim Awards

Interim Awards do not exist for this course

Exit Awards

- CL48 Associate Degree of Health Care
- CL49 Diploma of Health Care

Professional Accreditation

This course has professional accreditation with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia.

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**Deferment/Leave of Absence**

Due to accreditation requirements, the Bachelor of Nursing does not currently permit offers of admission to be deferred.

Domestic students may take an approved Leave of Absence (LOA) once they have commenced their course of study however only a maximum of 12 months can be granted without requesting further approval from the Head of Course.

You can apply for an LOA [here](#).

International students are not permitted to defer their initial offer or take a Leave of Absence unless otherwise discussed with their Home Campus.

**Credit Transfer**

If you have undertaken study in the last ten years, or have relevant in-formal or non-formal learning, you may be eligible for credit towards your course. Please note that some courses have reduced timeframes within which prior study remains eligible for credit. Please refer to the [CQUni Handbook](#) for specific credit time limits relating to your course.

To submit an application for credit, please refer to the [Credit Calculator](#) or contact the Academic Pathways Team via their email credit@cqu.edu.au. Further information about the credit process can also be found on the [Credit for Prior Learning](#) webpage.

Credit applications should be submitted at least four (4) weeks before the relevant term commences. Applications must be complete with all supporting documentation to be assessed by CQUniversity. CQUniversity cannot obtain documents from other institutions, organisations or individuals.

**Residential Schools**

Students studying via Distance education may be required to attend compulsory on-campus residential schools and have been marked with an asterisk (*) in the above study plan.

The units that require a compulsory residential school must be enrolled in as “Mixed Mode” under the unit availabilities in MyCentre.

For more information on the various units containing residential schools, please refer to the following link in the CQUni Handbook: [https://handbook.cqu.edu.au/resschools/index](https://handbook.cqu.edu.au/resschools/index) or contact the Unit Coordinator directly.

Unit Coordinator contact information can be found via the Unit Profiles in the following link: [https://my-courses.cqu.edu.au/pub/profiles/search](https://my-courses.cqu.edu.au/pub/profiles/search)
Clinical Placement Information

On accepting your offer into the Bachelor of Nursing course it is strongly recommended that you immediately commence gathering evidence to complete the Mandatory Checks required to attend clinical placement.

There are also mandatory checks submission deadlines for each term in order to ensure that student’s mandatory checks are in order before they go on clinical placement. Please ensure that all evidence is submitted into Sonia (the University’s online placement system) by the due date.

A total of 800 hours clinical placement in an off-campus health care setting is an integral component of the nursing course, with clinical placements are organised as block placements. Clinical Placements are arranged by the University and may occur in health care organisations throughout Australia where a service agreement is in place.

Clinical Placements occur in the following units:

- NURS11161 Clinical Nursing Practice 1
  - 3 weeks x 8 hour shifts
  - 120 hours
- NURS12156 Clinical Nursing Practice 2
  - 3 weeks x 8 hour shifts
  - 120 hours
- NURS12158 Clinical Nursing Practice 3
  - 20 x 8 hour shifts
  - 160 hours
- NURS13133 Clinical Nursing Practice 4
  - 20 x 8 hour shifts
  - 160 hours
  (may include 10 or 12 hour shifts in some instances)
- NURS13136 Clinical Nursing Practice 5
  - 30 x 8 hour shifts
  - 240 hours
  (may include 10 or 12 hour shifts in some instances)

Before undertaking Clinical placements, students are required to meet mandatory Preclinical Requirements. Please familiarise yourself with these requirements by following this link:


Electives

Students are required to complete a maximum of one elective in the CQ23 Bachelor of Nursing course.

- NURS13137 Outward Bound Nursing Studies (available Term 1, Term 2 and Term 3)
- NURS13128 Nursing Care for Children and their Families (available Term 1 only)
- NURS13132 Maternal and Neonatal Nursing (available Term 1 only)
- NURS13127 Wound-care Principles and Practice (available Term 1 only)
- NURS13125 The Nurse as Educator (available Term 1 only)
- NURS13130 Current Trends in Mental Health Nursing (available Term 1 only)

All Term 1 Electives have a 96 credit point prerequisite requirement, excluding: NURS13137 Outward Bound Nursing Studies which has no prerequisites.

If you have any questions about your course, please contact the Course Advice Team: spc@cqu.edu.au or by visiting http://handbook.cqu.edu.au/eforms/index and filling out the ‘Ask a Course Advisor’ e-form.

PLEASE CHECK THE CQUNI HANDBOOK FOR ALL TERM AVAILABILITIES AND PRE-REQUISITES AS THEY MAY CHANGE FROM YEAR TO YEAR http://handbook.cqu.edu.au
GLOSSARY

- **Course**: A course is the combination of units that contribute towards either a CQUniversity award qualification or non-award study.

- **Course Code**: A course code identifies the specific course a student may be studying at CQUniversity.

- **Unit**: A unit is the individual subject students must complete in order to graduate from their course.

- **Unit Code**: A unit code identifies a specific unit that a student is enrolled in under their course.

- **Pre-Requisite (Pre-Req) Unit**: A pre-req unit is a unit which students must pass before being allowed to enrol in the subsequent unit.

- **Co-Requisite (Co-Req) Unit**: A co-req unit is a unit that must be studied at the same time as another unit.

- **Anti-Requisite (Anti-Req) Unit**: An anti-req unit is an old unit that has been replaced by a new unit and students are not permitted to study the old unit.

- **Credit Points (CP)**: Credit Points are the numerical value of a unit which contributes to the total Credit Points for a course.

- **Core Unit**: A core unit is a compulsory unit that a student must study to meet the requirements of their course.

- **Elective Unit**: An elective unit is a unit within a course that is not compulsory and students may have a choice in what unit they study, provided it meets the elective requirements of their course.

- **Major**: A major is a specific area within a course where a student specialises in and is normally made up of 8 units for undergraduate courses, and 4 units for postgraduate courses. Not all courses have majors.

- **Double Major**: A double major is where students specialise in 2 areas of study and is normally made up of 16 units. Double majors are normally only available in undergraduate courses.

- **Minor**: Like a major, a minor is a specific area within a course where a student specialises and is normally made up of 4 units.

- **Term**: A specified period of time for higher education units in which teaching, learning and assessment occurs. CQUniversity offers 3 Academic Terms per year: Term 1, Term 2 and Term 3.