Description: Master of Nursing/Midwifery/Health Project B

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HECS Band: 1
ASCED Code: 060399

STAFFING
Examiner: Kristine Martin-McDonald
Moderator: Jackie Doolan

PRE-REQUISITES
Pre-requisite: NUR 8061

RATIONALE
This course, and the course NUR8061 are offered to develop the research skills and knowledge of students enrolled in Masters courses in Nursing, Midwifery and Allied Health. It is envisaged that students who complete these two courses will have developed skills as a beginning researcher. The emphasis of the course is on developing the appropriate knowledge and skills to undertake independent research and professional practice.

SYNOPSIS
This course, in conjunction with NUR8061, provides the student with an opportunity to undertake a minor research project in a selected area of nursing or allied health of interest to the student under the supervision of a staff member. In this course the student will complete data collection and data analysis for the project. They will write a dissertation and submit the dissertation for internal examination. The dissertation will contain between 15,000 and 20,000 words on the project. This course has a compulsory four-day residential school. All students will require the approval of the Postgraduate Coordinator of the Department of Nursing to enrol in this course.

OBJECTIVES
On successful completion of this course students will be able to:

- collect data relating to their research topic;
- analyse the data;
- prepare a 15,000 to 20,000 word dissertation which demonstrates competence in each component of the research process, by identification and analysis of the research problem, understanding and selection of an appropriate methodology, formulation of research question(s), collected data, used appropriate methods, analysed and interpreted results and drawn appropriate conclusions; and
- competently present a seminar to the Department of Nursing Residential School, describing the project and its progress.

## TOPICS

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## TEXT and MATERIALS required to be PURCHASED or ACCESSED:

Books can be ordered by fax or telephone. For costs and further details use the 'Book Search' facility at http://bookshop.usq.edu.au by entering the author or title of the text.

Nil

## REFERENCE MATERIALS

Reference materials are materials that, if accessed by students, may improve their knowledge and understanding of the material in the course and enrich their learning experience.

Other texts or reading materials may be recommended by the examiner and/or supervisors when the project topic has been determined.


## STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIREMENTS

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**ASSESSMENT DETAILS**

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**NOTES:**
1. The Examiner will provide information about the due date for this assessment item.
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**OTHER REQUIREMENTS**

1. Attendance Requirements: It is the students' responsibility to participate actively in all activities scheduled for them, and to study all material provided to them or required to be accessed by them to maximise their chance of meeting the objectives of the course and to be informed of course-related activities and administration.
2. Procedures associated with the assessment of the dissertation will be distributed to students in the Course Introductory Book.
3. To be awarded a Pass grade for this course, students must: (i) present a seminar at the Residential School; and (ii) must be assessed as having done so satisfactorily by their supervisor and the examiner of the course. (If these are the same person, the Department of Nursing's Postgraduate Coordinator will nominate another person to assess the student's presentation); and (iii) obtain a pass for their dissertation.
4. In accordance with the University's Assignment Extension Policy, the examiner of a course may grant an extension of the due date of an assignment in extenuating circumstances.
5. Students who commence their project in Semester 2 will be expected to satisfy the objectives and complete the assessment items of course NUR8061 whilst enrolled in this course. Students will be given the appropriate course specification for their enrolment pattern. In this circumstance, this course will be graded as SP (Satisfactory Progress) or F (Fail). A grade of SP is required to allow progress to the course NUR8061.