Description: Master of Nursing/Midwifery/Health Project A

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HECS Band: 1  
ASCED Code: 060399

STAFFING
Examiner: Kris Martin-McDonald  
Moderator: Jackie Doolan

RATIONALE
This course, and NUR8062 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 this course and course NUR8062 will have developed skills as a beginning researcher.

SYNOPSIS
This course, with the course NUR8062, provides the student with an opportunity to undertake a research activity in a selected area of nursing or allied health of interest to the student, under the supervision of a staff member. 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 have:

- identified their research topic and their proposed research activity;
- demonstrated their ability to proceed with the research activity;
- undertaken specific research activity approved by course examiner;
- demonstrated their ability to think analytically, critically and creatively about their chosen research topic and related issues; and
- presented a seminar to the Department of Nursing Residential School, describing the project and its progress.
TOPICS

Description | Weighting (%) |  
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1. Project   | 100.00       |

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.

Texts or reading materials may be recommended by the examiner and/or supervisors when the project topic has been finalised.

This will vary according to the research activity.

STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIREMENTS

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ASSESSMENT DETAILS

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NOTES:

. Please refer to the course examiner for further information about this assessment item.

IMPORTANT ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

1 Attendance requirements:
   It is the students' responsibility to attend and participate appropriately in all activities, including the Residential School 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 Requirements for students to complete each assessment item satisfactorily:
   To complete each of the assignments satisfactorily, students must obtain at least 50% of the marks available for each assignment.
3 Penalties for late submission of required work:
   If students submit assignments after the due date without prior approval then a penalty of 5% of the total marks available for the assignment will apply for each working day late.

4 Requirements for student to be awarded a passing grade in the course:
   To be assured of a passing grade, students must demonstrate, via the summative assessment items, that they have achieved the required minimum standards in relation to the objectives of the course by satisfactorily completing all summative assessment items (the examination and assignments). Students who do not qualify for a Passing grade may, at the discretion of the Examiner, be assigned additional work to demonstrate to the Examiner that they have achieved the required standard. It is expected that such students will have gained at least 45% of the total marks available for all summative assessment items.

5 Method used to combine assessment results to attain final grade:
   As P is the only passing grade available for this course, all students who are qualified for a passing grade will be given a grade of P. Other students will be given either a Failing grade or an Incomplete grade.

6 Examination information:
   There is no examination in this course.

7 Examination period when Deferred/Supplementary examinations will be held:
   There will be no Deferred or Supplementary examinations in this course.

8 University Regulations:
   Students should read USQ Regulations 5.1 Definitions, 5.6. Assessment, and 5.10 Academic Misconduct for further information and to avoid actions which might contravene University Regulations. These regulations can be found at the URL http://www.usq.edu.au/SECARIAT/calendar/Part5/ or in the printed version of the current USQ Handbook.

**ASSESSMENT NOTES**

9 The due date for an assignment is the date by which a student must despatch the assignment to the USQ. The onus is on the student to provide proof of the despatch date, if requested by the Examiner.

10 Students must retain a copy of each item submitted for assessment. This must be produced within five days if required by the Examiner.

11 The examiner may grant an extension of the due date of an assignment in extenuating circumstances.

12 The Faculty will NOT accept submission of assignments by facsimile.