

Important Notes about the Bachelor of Nursing at Deakin University

In addition to the conditions listed on the Letter of Offer from Deakin College, international students must also meet the following conditions before being granted entry to the Bachelor of Nursing program at Deakin University in 2014.

Clinical Placements: The Bachelor of Nursing includes a number of clinical placement units. Clinical placements will be arranged for you and may be anywhere within the state of Victoria which may necessitate you relocating. Placements may occur outside of the normal trimester dates. You will be responsible for the costs of relocation and/or student visa extension. The University is not accountable for these.

Immunisations: Certain immunisations are required in order to undertake the clinical practice component of the course, it is therefore essential for you to be able to produce documentary evidence of your immunisation status.

Fees: The indicative fee for 2012 is \$25,750. Fees for each year level of the course differ and will depend on units undertaken. Note, units which include clinical placement are subject to an additional fee. It is expected that fees will increase by no more than 7% each year during a student's enrolment. Fees are usually published in June for the following year. Further information can be found at http://www.deakin.edu.au/future-students/international/fees.php#tuition_fees_1.

The indicative tuition fee above is an *estimate* only, based on a typical enrolment in a trimester of four units. Most units (or subjects) have a value of one credit point but occasionally some units may have different credit points. Please check the relevant handbook to confirm the credit point rating of each unit you choose to study. As tuition fees are charged on the discipline cluster of the units you choose to study, your actual assessed fees may either be above or lower than the indicative charge quoted. If they are lower, your enrolment account will be credited but if they are higher, you will be required to pay the balance owing. To find out your financial obligation to the university, you are required to access your invoice online via StudentConnect. You will be notified by SMS and/or email when invoices are available. Please note that Deakin University does not issue paper invoices.

More information about the online invoice can be found by visiting <http://www.deakin.edu.au/current-students/study-information/fees/online-invoices.php>. Note that fees per unit may increase annually due to rises in the cost of course delivery and services. The University's refund policy concerning fees applies.

Preparation for International Students: To help you prepare for your nursing studies, I invite you to access the following link which contains useful information on the learning environment, shift

handover, drug names, advice from current students and an address by the Head of the School:
<http://www.deakin.edu.au/itunesu/rss/nursingfeed.xml>.

Professional registration: Please note that for registration as a Registered Nurse, the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) requirement of an IELTS overall score of 7 with no individual band score less than 7 must be met. Further professional registration details can be obtained at <http://www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au>.

Professional bodies

Prior to enrolling at Deakin University, it is your responsibility to ensure that any study you intend to undertake, together with any relevant prior studies that have presented for admission and/or Credit for Prior.

Police Check: All commencing international students must provide the following information by the end of Week 2 of their first trimester of enrolment or as soon as possible:

- i. A National Police Certificate (NPC) from Australia (must be dated the year of the commencement in the Nursing course); AND
- ii. Working with Children Check; AND
- iii. A Police Record Check from their home country; OR
- iv. Two character references as outlined by the Department of Human Services, (now known as the Department of Health):

"Where Police Record Checks cannot be made, referee checks must be conducted with at least two individuals who personally knew the individual while they were residing in the other country. The applicant must be informed that referees will be asked whether they have knowledge or information concerning the applicant, which would adversely affect the applicant from performing the job, including any relevant criminal offences. The credentials of persons acting as referees must be verified and can include previous employers, government officials and family members." AND

- v. A Consent for Collection, Use and Disclosure of National Police Certificate, fully completed and signed.

International students must provide the School of Nursing and Midwifery with their Working with Children Check and a certified copy of their National Police Certificate as soon as possible.

In subsequent years of the course, international students are required to have the National Police Certificate completed at the beginning of each year.

Original Documents: You must bring your original documents (transcripts and certificates), letter of offer, and passport to present at enrolment.