Graduate Certificate in Nursing

1. Definitions
   In these rules –
   GCN list means the course list for the program.
   program means the Graduate Certificate in Nursing program.

2. Enrolment requirements:
   A student must —
   (a) hold —
      (i) an approved degree in nursing; or
      (ii) an equivalent qualification approved by the executive dean; and
   (b) be eligible for an unrestricted licence to practice as —
      (i) a registered nurse for students undertaking the program in a field other than
          Children and Young People’s Health; or
      (ii) a midwife or registered nurse in Australia for students undertaking the program in
          the Children and Young People’s Health field; and
   (c) satisfy the executive dean and head of school that the student has recent and relevant
       nursing or midwifery practice.

3. Field of study:
   A student must undertake the program in a field approved by the executive dean.

4. Program requirements:
   To complete the program, a student must complete 8 units from the GCN list, in the field
   chosen by the student.

5. Special rules:
   5.1 Medical fitness: Subject to the Anti-Discrimination Act 1992 (Qld) —
      (a) before starting the program a student must complete a medical questionnaire set
          by the executive dean; and
      (b) if required, a student must attend a consultation with a medical practitioner
          acceptable to the executive dean; and
      (c) if, after considering the answers to the questionnaire and the report of the medical
          practitioner (if any), the executive dean decides that the student is unable to fulfil
          the genuine educational requirements of the program, the executive dean may
          cancel the enrolment.
   5.2 Continuous enrolment: A student must undertake the program without interruption
      unless the head of school gives the student approval to do otherwise.
   5.3 Blood-borne viruses:
      (1) A carrier of a blood-borne virus must not undertake invasive procedures.
(2) Before commencing a course that may involve invasive procedures, a student must provide evidence of his or her status with respect to blood-borne viruses.

5.4 **Immunisation schedule:**

(1) Before commencing a course in which, in the opinion of the executive dean, the student may be at risk of contracting or passing on a blood-borne virus or other disease, the student must complete a schedule of immunisations approved by the executive dean.

(2) The requirement under subrule (1) may be waived only if —

(a) the student provides evidence of his or her status with respect to immunity against blood-borne viruses or other diseases prescribed in the schedule; or

(b) approved by the executive dean.