PROGRAM RULES



Bachelor of Midwifery

1 Definitions

In these rules—

Continuity of Care means the practical experience a student gains through—

- (a) an ongoing midwifery relationship with a woman from initial contact early in the pregnancy through to the weeks immediately after the woman has given birth; and
- (b) the interface between community and hospital settings.

Requisite courses refers to the following 4 digit alpha codes—MIDW, NUMW, NURS and BIOM.

2 Program requirements

To complete the program, a student must complete 48 units from the BMid course list.

3 Special rules

3.1 Medical fitness

Subject to the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991 (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 student's enrolment.

3.2 Continuous enrolment

- (1) Unless approved by the executive dean, a student must undertake the program without interruption.
- (2) The executive dean may require a student who has failed a course, or taken a period of interruption, to demonstrate competencies required for undertaking further study in the program by satisfying clinical assessment.
- (3) For the purpose of rule 3.2(2), a student who fails to demonstrate clinical competence may be required to—
 - (a) undertake further clinical placement courses and other requirements; and/or
 - (b) undertake other academic remediation activities set by the executive dean.

3.3 Progression through program

A student may enrol for a subsequent semester of the program only after gaining credit for all requisite courses in preceding semesters.

3.4 Clinical requirements

- (1) The head of school must determine the number of continuity of care experiences students must participate in and document during the program.
- (2) A student must participate in and document the required number of continuity of care experiences during the program with reference to national minimum guidelines.

3.5 Mode of study

A student must enrol in the program full-time unless—

(a) the student is required to complete specific courses to comply with rule 3.3; or

(b) the enrolment is approved by the executive dean.

3.6 Credit cancellation period

The credit cancellation period for the Bachelor of Midwifery is five years after the most recent clinical practice course the student has undertaken as part of the program.

3.7 Blood-borne transmissible viruses

- (1) A carrier of a blood-borne transmissible 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 transmissible viruses.

3.8 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 transmissible virus or other disease, the student must complete a schedule of immunisations approved by the executive dean.
- (2) The requirement under rule 3.8(1) may be waived only if—
 - (a) the student provides evidence of his or her status with respect to immunity against blood-borne transmissible viruses or other diseases prescribed in the schedule; or
 - (b) approved by the executive dean.

3.9 Blue card

At the start of the program, a student must obtain a blue card and thereafter hold a current blue card for the duration of the program.

3.10 First aid certificate

At the start of the program, a student must obtain a first aid certificate and thereafter hold a first aid certificate for the duration of year 1 of the program.

3.11 Criminal history check

At the commencement of the program, a student must provide an official criminal history certificate as required by the executive dean. Students are required to immediately notify the executive dean in writing of any subsequent changes to their criminal history.