# Graduate Certificate in Critical Care Nursing (GC-CLINNU)

## Industry partnership

The Graduate Certificate in Critical Care Nursing is designed to develop specialist nursing practice in accordance with professional, academic and industry standards. It involves theoretical and work integrated learning delivered via an industry partnership model. Partnership agreements may exist at the health service level. Contact the Course Coordinator for further information.

- Theory (science units) delivered by Curtin, online
- Work integrated learning (practice units) delivered by industry, in the workplace

## Work integrated learning (WIL)

Students are provided an online clinical portfolio to guide and demonstrate their progression of specialist knowledge, skills, and attributes, as overseen by a nominated Clinical Facilitator/s.

To support completion of practice requirements, students must have:

- at least 12-months experience in the speciality area;
- concurrent employment in the speciality area 18-24 hours per week (24 hours/week whilst undertaking practice units);
- a nominated Clinical Facilitator/s (multiple are recommended).

### **Course completion options**

Consider the student's experience/progression, departmental activity and clinical support available. The student must be exposed to a variety of clinical experiences, relevant to specialty practice, and should progress to leadership roles before course completion (e.g. Resus Team Leader, Pod Leader, other senior roles except Shift Coordination).

	1 Year Completion	1.5 Year Completion	2 Year Completion
Year 1 Semester 1	Advanced Clinical Nursing Science 1 (online)	Advanced Clinical Nursing Science 1 (online)	Advanced Clinical Nursing Science 1 (online)
	Advanced Clinical	Advanced Clinical	
	Practice 1 (WIL)	Practice 1 (WIL)	
Year 1	Advance Clinical Nursing	Advance Clinical Nursing	Advance Clinical Nursing
Semester 2	Science 2 (online)	Science 2 (online)	Science 2 (online)
	Advanced Clinical		
	Practice 2 (WIL)		
Year 2		Advanced Clinical	Advanced Clinical
Semester 1		Practice 2 (WIL)	Practice 1 (WIL)
Year 2			Advanced Clinical
Semester 2			Practice 2 (WIL)

## Letter of Support from Employer (to be submitted with course application)

This letter of support is an agreement that the employer (Nurse Manager or equivalent) will support the nurse applicant to meet the practical requirements of the course.

### **Applicant information**

Name of applicant	
Site of employment (unit, hospital)	
Length of employment in specialty	
Hours worked per fortnight	

#### **Nurse Manager Agreement**

I, the Nurse Manager (or equivalent), support the above applicant to complete the course over:

- 1 year
- □ 1.5 years
- 2 years

Nurse Manager signature	
Nurse Manager name	
Nurse Manager email	
Nurse Manager phone number	
Date	

## **Clinical Facilitator Nomination**

The industry partner must nominate a Clinical Facilitator to oversee the student's completion of their clinical portfolio whilst undertaking the <u>practice units</u>. The role involves clinical teaching, assessment of practice, documenting development and providing feedback. The recommended minimum time to fulfil this role is 3 hours per week.

The Clinical Facilitator must:

- Be a senior member of staff in the specialty area/department (Level 2 or above)
- Hold a postgraduate qualification in critical care nursing, or equivalent

Nominated Clinical Facilitator name	
Nominated Clinical Facilitator email	