

Nursing

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Bachelor of Nursing graduates,
sisters Jerykah Toimata-Holtham and
Javaanah Toimata-Holtham.


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Andrew

 Nursing

 Registered ED Nurse

Andrew's favourite subject at school was biology, and he had a passion for sports and being healthy. He wasn't sure what he wanted to study, but after his careers advisor suggested he might like a career in nursing, he went for it.

After hearing nursing students at Whitireia did a lot of practical work and placements, he enrolled in the Bachelor of Nursing.

"Over half my time at Whitireia was spent in placements, it's one of the reasons I chose to study there. I have dyslexia, and I'm much better at learning something in a practical environment than in a classroom."

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Andrew's placements provided him with a range of experience. He was able to put the theory into practice, but also get an idea of what work he wanted to pursue after graduating. He had placements in ABI (Acute Brain Injury), community mental health, the EDOU (Emergency Department Observation Unit), the cardiothoracic ward, and ICU.

"I really enjoyed my placements. I learnt a lot from them, especially acute brain injury (ABI). You see how someone's life can change in an instant, from something that's not their fault at all. It could be the smallest thing, and they've lost their whole world."

Andrew knew he wanted to work somewhere where every day was different. Not long after graduating, Andrew was working in the Emergency Department (ED) at Wellington Hospital.

"I love coming to work every day not knowing what I'll be doing. I'm the type of person who always has to be moving, ED is definitely the right place for me. The team there is also great, they're always looking out for each other - it's like a family."

For now, Andrew's loving ED. Next, he wants to pursue postgraduate study, and eventually, take advantage of the work opportunities for nurses in places like Antarctica or Africa.

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Competency Assessment Programme for Nurses

📖 Level 7

🕒 7-8 weeks

💰 \$3,238 (indicative for 2024 intake)

🌐 \$12,000* (indicative for 2024 intake)

This programme is for people who are looking to return to clinical practice, or overseas registered nurses looking to work in Aotearoa. With integrated theory and practical learning, students get the opportunity to demonstrate their abilities in a professional setting.

Programme outline

This programme integrates theory and practice and gives the overseas registered nurse, or the registered nurse who has been away from clinical practice, the opportunity to demonstrate their ability to meet the New Zealand Nursing Council Competencies for the Registered Nurse Scope of Practice and thereby apply for an annual practicing certificate.

Health screening

Prior to starting the programme, you will be required to complete health screening to provide evidence of your current immunisation status, as required by our placement providers.

Entry requirements

New Zealand Qualified Nurse (NZQN)

Evidence of suitability based on: relevant clinical practice (a minimum of two years post-registration), health screening, safety check and referee reports.

Internationally Qualified Nurse (IQN)

In addition to completing the application form:

Internationally Qualified Nurses will also need to provide the following documents:

- Completed and signed Application to Enrol (international students) form
- Completed and signed the Application for

Competency Assessment Programme for Nurses form

- A copy of letter from Nursing Council New Zealand stating eligibility to apply for a Competency Assessment programme (please check Nursing Council of New Zealand website for details)
- A copy of current updated C.V signed and dated (for Internationally trained nurses) relevant clinical practice (a minimum of two-year hospital nursing) within the last four years
- A copy of current visa (if you are currently residing in New Zealand)
- A verified copy of your passport or birth certificate confirming your legal name and residency status
- Academic IELTS 7.0 overall with 7.0 in Listening, Reading, Speaking and 6.5 in Writing (achieved in one sitting); or OET B in Listening, Reading, Speaking and C+ in Writing (achieved in one sitting)
- Police clearance certificates (applicants who have lived in countries other than New Zealand need to provide a Police Clearance from each country)

All documentation must be verified as true copy. The verification can be done by any of the authorised people below who can verify your documents:

- Justice of the Peace (JP), Public Notary, Court Registrar, Deputy Registrar, Public Trust Officer
- Barrister or Solicitor of the High Court
- Local or Central Government employee designated for the purpose of taking oaths and declarations

**For fee exclusions, please see our [terms and conditions](#).*

Supplementary application form



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