

## Certificate in Nursing

(Competency Assessment Programme)

<b>Wintec code:</b>	HS1703	<b>MoE:</b>	WK2697
<b>Level:</b>	7	<b>Credits:</b>	45
<b>Owner:</b>	Centre for Health and Social Practice	<b>Effective Date:</b>	January 2017

These regulations should be read in conjunction with the Institute's Academic Regulations **and** the Nursing Council of New Zealand requirements.

### 1. Admission and Entry

#### 1.1 General Academic Admission

- a) Candidates who hold an international nursing qualification/registration and are required by the Nursing Council of New Zealand (NCNZ) to complete the competency programme to acquire New Zealand registration may be admitted to the programme if they hold:
  - i) Current registration in the country where they qualified and entitlement to practise as a registered nurse without limit or restriction, and
  - ii) Letter of approval from Nursing Council of New Zealand
- b) Candidates with New Zealand nursing qualifications who are required by Nursing Council of New Zealand to complete the competency programme to apply for a current practising certificate may be admitted to the programme.

#### 1.2 Selection Criteria

- a) In order to comply with the provisions of the Vulnerable Children's Act, 2014 and Child Protection Policies for all 'specified organisations' providing a 'regulated service', all candidates/students may be subjected to safety checks. These may include but are not limited to;
  - i) A Formal Interview
  - ii) Referee Checks
  - iii) A Police Vet Check
  - iv) A Risk AssessmentAny unsatisfactory result arising from the full safety checking process may result in the candidate/student being precluded/declined entry or withdrawn from the programme of study. Furthermore, students must declare any pending or new convictions arising during any stage throughout the entire enrolment period. A conviction or failure to declare a conviction may also result in the student being immediately withdrawn from the programme. Persons who are convicted of 'specified offences' will not be accepted onto any programme that requires that Person to work in an organisation providing a regulated service.
- b) Candidates are required in their application to indicate whether they have been convicted of, or are being prosecuted for, a criminal offence. Candidates should be aware that, under the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act 2003 (HPCA Act (2003)) some types of criminal conviction may result in the Nursing Council of New Zealand refusing to allow a person to register as a Nurse.
- c) Candidates are required in their application to indicate whether they have had a mental or physical condition that may prevent them entering this nursing programme. Candidates should be aware that, under the HPCA Act (2003) some types of physical or mental

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conditions may result in the Nursing Council of New Zealand refusing to allow a person to register as a Nurse.

- d) Candidates will be required to make a declaration of their health status and provide evidence of required health screening results prior to commencing the programme.
- e) All candidates are required to:
  - i) complete the standard Wintec application form;
  - ii) provide details of two referees;
  - iii) complete a declaration of criminal convictions;
  - iv) complete a declaration of mental or physical condition; and
  - v) provide a Curriculum Vitae;

## 1.3 English Language Requirements

- a) Applicants from a country where English is not the first or native language will need to provide evidence, obtained within two years from the date of assessment for registration, of their ability to speak and write in English. The Nursing Council of New Zealand approved language tests for this programme are:
  - i) Academic International English language Testing System (IELTS) with a score of at least 7.0 in reading, writing, listening and speaking respectively
  - ii) Occupational English test (OET) with minimum B band in each section.

## 2. Transfer of Credit

- 2.1. Transfer of credit is not available for this programme.

## 3. Programme Requirement

- 3.1. Every candidate for the Certificate in Nursing (Competency Assessment Programme) (Level 7) shall to the satisfaction of the Academic Board follow a programme of study for a period of normally not less than 6 weeks of full time study. Study time may be extended to 12 weeks.
- 3.2. Each candidate's programme of study for the Certificate in Nursing (Competency Assessment Programme) (Level 7) shall be made up of the compulsory modules in section 6.

## 4. Completion of the Programme

- 4.1. A candidate may take up to 12 weeks to complete this programme. No extensions are permitted by the NCNZ.

## 5. Award of the Qualification

- 5.1. Candidates who successfully complete the requirements in section 3 of these regulations will receive the award of the Certificate in Nursing (Competency Assessment Programme) (Level 7)

## 6. Schedule of Modules

*Note: no value in the pre/co-requisite columns means there are no pre/co-requisites for that module.*

Module Code	Module Name	Level	Credits	Pre-Requisites	Co-Requisites	Assessment Standard
NURS701	Concepts Related to Nursing in the New Zealand Context	7	15			N/A
NURS702	Competence Assessment in Clinical Practice	7	30		NURS701	N/A