

Postgraduate Nursing and Social Practice

2025

A guide for registered nurses and health professionals considering postgraduate study.

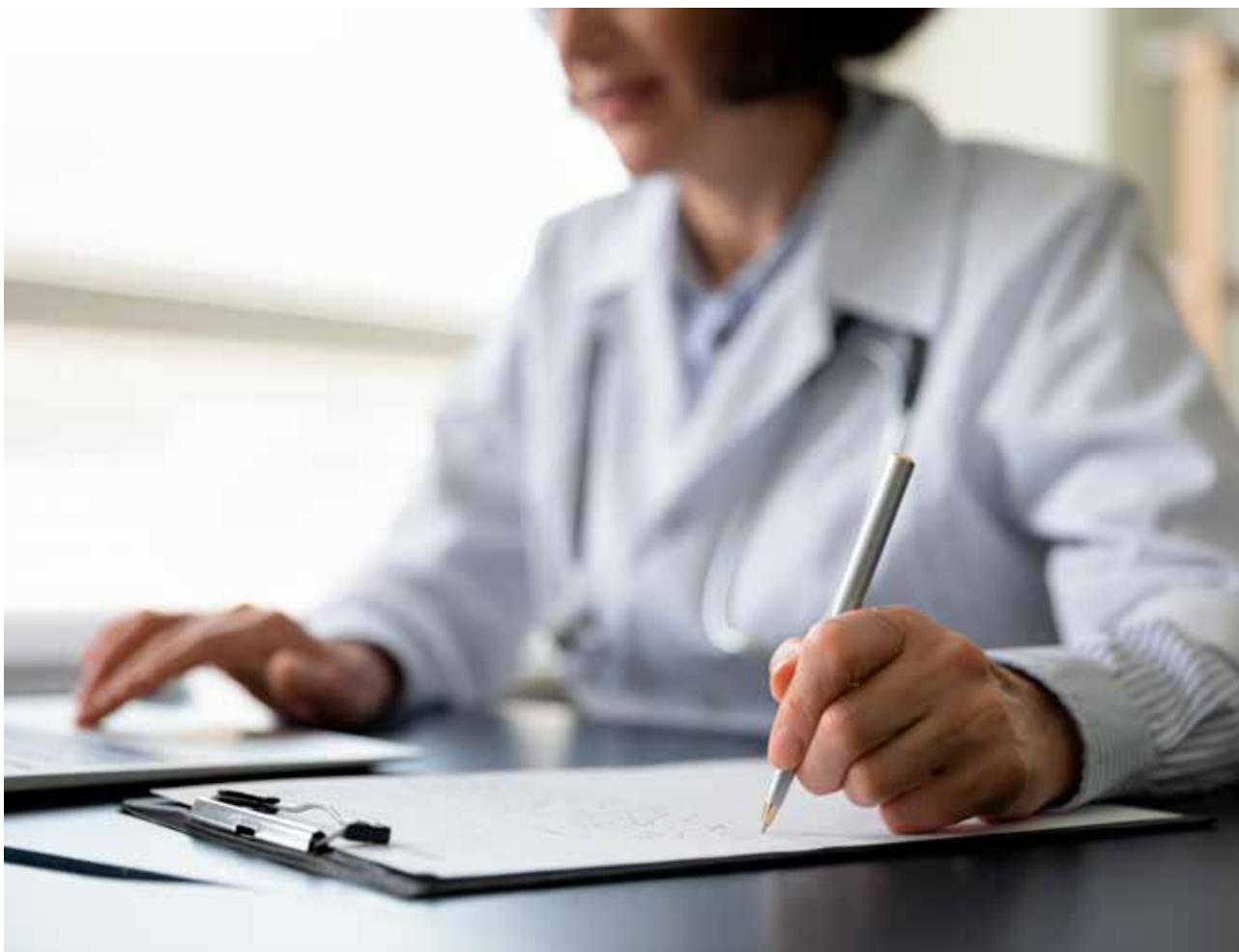
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At the heart of the Wintec Centre for Health and Social Practice is a team of experienced and respected practitioners, researchers, and educators, delivering postgraduate programmes designed in response to the learning needs of regional and national health and social service professionals. The centre takes a collaborative approach to learning that leads the way, creating a positive interface

between education and the nursing and social service practice sectors. These programmes allow registered nurses and health professionals to extend their clinical knowledge and skills in a specific area of practice.



Postgraduate Diploma in Nursing

NU0010

Duration: One year starting February or July

Study: Full-time or part-time equivalent

Location: Online and Hamilton City Campus






Applications: Close in December or June (late applications may be considered)

Course structure

Students can select their preferred practice elective modules from any of the modules below.

Postgraduate Diploma in Nursing	
NURS801	NURS802
Practice module	Practice module

Postgraduate Diploma in Nursing - Registered Nurse Prescribing pathway	
NURS801	NURS804
NURS812	NURS806

Registered Nurse Prescribing Practicum	
	Online and Hamilton City Campus
	One semester
	Level: 8
	Credits: 30
	<p>Semester 1: From 10 February - workshop dates to be advised.</p> <p>Semester 2: From 7 July - workshop dates to be advised.</p>

Only available to students eligible for the Registered Nurse Prescribing pathway.

Pre-requisite


Attain a B pass or better in NURS801 Integrated Science and Assessment, NURS804 Pharmacology for Nursing Practice and NURS812 Advanced Practice in Long-term Conditions.

Have completed three years' equivalent full-time practice in an area of common and long-term conditions nursing.

NURS806

Integrated Science and Assessment

 Online and Hamilton City Campus

 One semester

 Level: 8

 Credits: 30

Semester 1

Campus: 12 February, 12 March, 9 April, 14 May

Online: 13 February, 13 March, 10 April, 15 May



Semester 2

Campus: 16 July, 20 August, 17 September, 15 October

Online: 17 July, 21 August, 18 September, 16 October

For registered nurses, this module prepares you to develop an advanced understanding of pathophysiology in complex health states

Topics covered include the integration of bioscience at a cellular level, scientific evidence, empirical knowledge, comprehensive health assessments, and clinical reasoning, which facilitates identifying actual and potential health needs in specific communities and populations.

NURS801

Reasoning in Practice

 Online

 One semester

 Level: 8

 Credits: 30

Semester 1: 19-20 February, 19-20 March, 30 April - 1 May, 4-5 June

Semester 2: 23-24 July, 27-28 August, 24-25 September, 29-30 October

This module fosters the development of reflexive registered nurses who critically evaluate clinical knowledge, research evidence, professional values, and regulatory frameworks for reasoning in practice. Cultivating inquiring and thoughtful nurses as practitioners who collaborate with clients, communities, and other health professionals within the interprofessional contexts of practice.

NURS802

Pharmacology for Nursing Practice



Online



One semester



Level: 8



Credits: 30



Semester 1: 13 February

Semester 2: 10 July

This module enables registered nurses to integrate and apply principles of clinical pharmacology to specific healthcare contexts. You will develop an in-depth understanding of pharmacotherapeutic principles, including pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics, regulatory/legislative frameworks, interdisciplinary relationships, and evidence bases that facilitate clinical preparation for prescribing in advanced nursing roles.

NURS804

Advanced Nursing Practice in Breast Care



Online and Hamilton City Campus



One semester



Level: 8



Credits: 30



Semester 2: 14 July online start, online workshops 11-12 September

This module is designed to enable registered nurses to advance their knowledge and skills for nursing practice to meet the healthcare needs of clients using breast care services. Participants will explore nursing roles and relationships within interprofessional breast care services and develop strategies to advance nursing knowledge and therapeutic skills for a holistic approach to women's health.

NURS809

Advanced Practice in Longterm Conditions



Online



One semester



Level: 8



Credits: 30



Semester 1: 10 February

Semester 2: 7 July

This module enables registered nurses to develop advanced knowledge, skills, and capability to work with people, families, and whānau who are affected by one or more long-term conditions. You will gain an in-depth understanding of the complexity of living with a long-term condition. In addition, you will develop a deeper understanding of the relationships between people, systems, and the socio-political and cultural contexts that may influence the improvement and maintenance of health, wellbeing, and quality of life.

NURS812

Leadership and Management



Online



One semester



Level: 8



Credits: 30



Semester 1: from 17 February*

This module prepares students to critically analyse leadership and management practices in a dynamic and culturally diverse interprofessional care environment.

Students will be able to develop leadership opportunities and examine management skills and concepts in their practice environments.

*workshop dates to be advised

HSIP801

Evidence and Inquiry in Practice

📍 Online

🕒 One semester

📊 Level: 8

📄 Credits: 30

📅 **Semester 1:** 3 February
Semester 2: 9 July

This module focuses on locating and critically analysing the research evidence that guides reasoning and professional judgement within specific client situations and organisational contexts. Develop your ability to utilise concepts of evidence-based practice and critical inquiry that underpin advanced practice.

HSIP805

Professional Supervision 1

📍 Hamilton City Campus

🕒 One semester

📊 Level: 8

📄 Credits: 30

📅 **Semester 1:** 10-11 February, 17-18 March, 28-29 April

This module focuses on locating and critically analysing the research evidence that guides reasoning and professional judgement within specific client situations and organisational contexts. Develop your ability to utilise concepts of evidence-based practice and critical inquiry that underpin advanced practice.

HSIP810



Professional Supervision 2

📍 Hamilton City Campus

🕒 One semester

📊 Level: 8

📄 Credits: 30

📅 **Semester 2:** 21-22 July, 1-2 September, 6-7 October

Pre-requisite

HSIP810 Professional Supervision 1 (or HSHS802)

Designed to develop practitioners to a more advanced level of professional supervision practice, you will critically examine a range of supervision, theories and approaches and develop a well-integrated supervision framework to inform their supervision practice. In addition, this module develops intentional supervisors who will facilitate critically reflective, restorative, and accountable practice in practitioners. You will have the opportunity to consolidate the role and further develop your identity as a supervisor, working within a complexity of organisational and professional contexts.

HSIP811

Supervised Critical Enquiry

📍 Online

🕒 One semester

📊 Level: 8

📄 Credits: 30

📅 **Semester 1:** 3 February
Semester 2: 21 July

Pre-requisite

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HSIP815

Postgraduate Health and Social Practice

Course structure

Students can select their preferred practice elective modules from any of the modules below.

Postgraduate Certificate in Health and Social Practice	
HSIP807	Elective

Postgraduate Diploma in Health and Social Practice (standard pathway)	
HSIP807	Elective
Elective	Elective

Postgraduate Certificate in Professional Supervision	
HSIP810	HSIP811


Postgraduate Diploma in Health and Social Practice (Professional Supervision)	
HSIP807	HSIP810
HSIP811	Elective


Postgraduate Certificate in Mental Health and Addiction (Level 8)	
HSIP818	HSIP819

Postgraduate Diploma in Mental Health and Addiction (Level 8)	
HSIP807	HSIP817
HSIP818	HSIP819


Leadership and Management

 Online

 One semester

 Level: 8

 Credits: 30

 **Semester 1:** from 17 February*

This module prepares students to critically analyse leadership and management practices in a dynamic and culturally diverse interprofessional care environment.


Students will be able to develop leadership opportunities and examine management skills and concepts in their practice environments.

*workshop dates to be advised

HSIP801


Evidence and Inquiry in Practice

 Online

 One semester

 Level: 8

 Credits: 30


 **Semester 1:** 3 February
Semester 2: 9 July

This module focuses on locating and critically analysing the research evidence that guides reasoning and professional judgement within specific client situations and organisational contexts. Develop your ability to utilise concepts of evidence-based practice and critical inquiry that underpin advanced practice.

HSIP805

Professional Practice in Context

 Online

 One semester

 Level: 8

 Credits: 30

 **Semester 1:** 19-20 February, 19-20 March, 30 April-1 May, 4-5 June
Semester 2: 23-24 July, 27-28 August, 24-25 September, 29-30 October


This module aims to foster the development of a reflexive practitioner who critically evaluates the practice knowledge, research evidence, and normative values and regulatory frameworks that guide skilled professional practice in health and/or social services. It aims to cultivate inquiring and thoughtful practitioners who collaborate with clients, communities and other health and social service professionals within the interprofessional contexts of practice.

HSIP807

Research for Practice

 Online

 One semester

 Level: 8

 Credits: 30

 **Semester 2:** 21 July*


This module explores the knowledge, procedures, resources, issues and possibilities associated with research within health and/or social practice areas. It is designed to give an overview of the range of research approaches for practice inquiry, and provide the skills required for planning, conducting, writing and disseminating research.

*and further days to be negotiated with students

HSIP808


Professional Supervision 1

 Online and Hamilton City Campus

 One semester

 Level: 8

 Credits: 30

 **Semester 1:** 10-11 February, 17-18 March, 28-29 April

This module focuses on locating and critically analysing the research evidence that guides reasoning and professional judgement within specific client situations and organisational contexts. Develop your ability to utilise concepts of evidence-based practice and critical inquiry that underpin advanced practice.

HSIP810

Professional Supervision 2

 Hamilton City Campus

 One semester

 Level: 8

 Credits: 30

 **Semester 2:** 21-22 July, 1-2 September, 6-7 October

Pre-requisite

HSIP810 Professional Supervision 1 (or HSHS802)

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HSIP811

Supervised Critical Enquiry



Online



One semester



Level: 8



Credits: 30



Semester 1: 3 February
Semester 2: 24 July

Pre-requisite

HSIP810 Professional Supervision 1 (or HSHS802)

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HSIP815

Advance Practice Skills in Mental Health and Addiction



Online and Hamilton City Campus



One semester



Level: 8



Credits: 30



Online: Induction 15 July
Hamilton City Campus: wānanga workshops, 9-10 August, 13-14 September

Pre-requisite

HSIP818 Applied Theoretical Approaches for Mental Health and Addiction

This module aims to develop a thoughtful and enquiring practitioner ready to work alongside tangata whaiora experiencing mental health and addiction issues through evidence-based practice skills. You will demonstrate advanced culturally responsive skills in relational practice in meeting tangata whaiora needs, and enhancing wellbeing in the context of mental health and addiction in New Zealand.

HSIP817

Applied Theoretical Approaches for Mental Health and Addiction



Online and Hamilton City Campus



One semester



Level: 8



Credits: 30



Online: Induction 11 February
Hamilton City Campus: wānanga workshops 15-16 March, 10-11 May

This module integrates best practice approaches and engages participants in learning around tangata whaiora centred case formulation, treatment and intervention practice skills relevant to mental health and addiction in New Zealand. You will develop culturally responsive knowledge, enabling you to work across and simultaneously with tangata whaiora experiencing co-existing mental health and addiction diagnoses and presentations.

HSIP818

Comprehensive Assessment and Treatment Planning for Mental Health



Online and Hamilton City Campus



One semester



Level: 8



Credits: 30



Online: Induction 15 July
Hamilton City Campus: wānanga workshops, 23-24 August, 11-12 October

Develop knowledge and skills in screening and assessment to support the use of effective treatment(s) and intervention(s) when working with tangata whaiora experiencing mental health and addiction in New Zealand.

HSIP819



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