

Postgraduate Nursing and Social Practice

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A guide for registered nurses 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

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

NURS806

NURS81

NURS801

Integrated Science and Assessment

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Hamilton City Campus

Semester 1: 31 January, 1 February, 8–9 March, 19–20 April, 17–18 May

This module, for registered nurses, prepares you to develop an advanced understanding of pathophysiology in complex health states. Topics covered include 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.

NURS802

Reasoning in Practice

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Online and Hamilton City Campus

Semester 1: 31 January, 1 February, 8–9 March, 27–28 April 1–12 June
Semester 2: 6–7 July, 10–11 August, 28–29 September, 2–3 November

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. Thus, cultivating inquiring and thoughtful nurses as practitioners who collaborate with clients, communities, and other health professionals within the interprofessional contexts of practice.

NURS806

Registered Nurse Prescribing Practicum

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

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Hamilton City Campus

Semester 2: 4–5 July, 8 August, 27–28 September

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.

NURS807

Advanced Diabetes Nursing Practice

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Hamilton City Campus

Semester 2: 17- 18 July, 21- 22 August, 9- 10 October

This module will enable Registered Nurses to advance their knowledge and skills in diabetes nursing practice. Fostering an approach to learning that supports critical inquiry and clinical reasoning in the specialty practice of diabetes nursing in partnership with people and their whānau, families and communities. Students will explore issues in the clinical management of diabetes using theoretical and evidence-based perspectives and develop specialty nursing care strategies to meet the challenges within the New Zealand healthcare environment.

NURS809

Advanced Nursing Practice in Breast Care

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Hamilton City Campus

Semester 1: 13 February online start, workshops 5-6 April

This module is designed to enable registered nurses to advance their knowledge and skills for nursing practice to meet the health care 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.

NURS812

Advanced Practice in Longterm Conditions

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Fully online

Semester 2: 10 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.

HSIP805

Evidence and Inquiry in Practice

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Fully online

Semester 1: 31 January

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 1

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Hamilton City Campus

Semester 1: 13-14 February, 20-21 March, 1-2 May

The purpose of this module is to develop knowledge and skills in supervision. You will define the scope of supervision in various fields of practice and critically evaluate its practice in professional, organisational, cultural, ethical, and legal contexts.

HSIP811

Professional Supervision 2

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Hamilton City Campus

Semester 2: 24-25 July, 4-5 September, 9-10 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.

HSIP815

Supervised Critical Enquiry

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Hamilton City Campus

Semester 1: 7 February, 19 April

Semester 2: 25 July, 12 September

Pre-requisite

NURS802 Reasoning in Practice or HSIP807 Professional Practice in Context, and one other 30-credit module.

This module offers you the opportunity to study an area of interest related to your particular area of practice. You will submit a proposal outlining the intended project's focus and scope and negotiate the supervision process with the lecturer(s).

Master of Nursing

HL0502

Duration

One year starting February or July

Study

Full-time or part-time equivalent

Location

Hamilton City Campus

Applications

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

Course structure

There are three options for completing the Masters as shown below.

Core modules are compulsory.

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

Nurse Practitioner

HSIP805

HSIP902

NURS901

NURS902

Advanced Practice

HSIP808/HSIP805

HSIP902

HSIP904

Practice module

Rangahau Research Dissertation

HSIP808

NURS903

HSIP805

Evidence and Inquiry in Practice

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Fully online

Semester 1: 31 January

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.

HSIP902

Evidence Based Practice Project

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 9

Location: Hamilton City Campus

Semester 1: 2–3 February, 16 March, 3 May

Semester 2: 4–5 July, 17 August, 11 October

This module focuses on developing a supervised evidence-based project in which you will choose a specific issue related to your area of practice. You will critically explore, analyse and articulate the findings that result from this enquiry.

HSIP904

Advanced Practice Development

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 9

Location: Hamilton City Campus

Semester 2: 12–13 July, 21 September, 12 October

This module enables practitioners to consolidate an advanced practice area and engage in focused career development within health or social services. Practitioners will focus on creative and reflexive learning strategies to develop a more innovative, resilient, and collaborative practice with a specific community or population.

NURS901

Advanced Nursing Practice

Duration: Full year

Credits: 30

Level: 9

Location: Hamilton City Campus

Dates: 9–10 February, 22 March, 20–21 April, 20–21 July, 14 September, 19 October

Designed to consolidate and articulate a broad base of empirical, experiential, professional, and contextual knowledge for the comprehensive and advanced clinical management of health consumers with long-term and common or acute conditions. Present evidence towards meeting the nurse's Nursing Council of New Zealand competencies practitioner scope of practice.

NURS902

Nurse Practitioner Practicum

Duration: Full year

Credits: 30

Level: 9

Location: Hamilton City Campus

Dates: 9–10 February, 22 March, 20–21 April, 20–21 July, 14 September, 19 October

Pre-requisite

Undertake NURS902 Nurse Practitioner Practicum. Candidates must be employed in a relevant area of practice for a minimum of 24-hours-per-week.

Undertake 300 supervised clinical hours for the nurse practitioner practicum and provide evidence of your developing practice through supervision and case review towards meeting the Nursing Council of New Zealand Competencies for the nurse practitioner scope of practice.

NURS903

Dissertation

Duration: 18 months (3 semesters)

Credits: 90

Level: 9

Location: Hamilton City Campus

Semester 1: 2–3 February, 3 May (and two days in Semester 2 as negotiated with supervisor)

Semester 2: 4–5 July, 11 October (and two days in Semester 1 the following year as negotiated with supervisor)

This module focuses on developing a supervised research dissertation. You will complete a study that will contribute to advancing nursing knowledge in your area of specialisation.

Postgraduate Health and Social Practice

Duration

One year starting February or July

Study

Full-time or part-time equivalent

Location

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 Certificate and Diploma in Health and Social Practice

Certificate

HSIP807

Elective

Diploma

HSIP807

Elective

Elective

Elective

Postgraduate Certificate and Diploma in Health and Social Practice (Professional Supervision)

Certificate

HSIP810

HSIP811

Diploma

HSIP807

HSIP810

HSIP811

Elective

Postgraduate Certificate in Mental Health and Addiction (Level 8)

Certificate

HSIP818

HSIP819

Diploma

HSIP807

HSIP817

HSIP818

HSIP819

HSIP805

Evidence and Inquiry in Practice

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Fully online

Semester 1: 31 January

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.

HSIP807

Professional Practice in Context

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Hamilton City Campus

Semester 1: 31 January, 1 February, 8–9 March, 27–28 April, 1–2 June

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.

HSIP810

Professional Supervision 1

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Hamilton City Campus

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HSIP811

Professional Supervision 2

Duration: One semester Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Hamilton City Campus

Semester 2: 24–25 July, 4–5 September, 9–10 October

Pre-requisite

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HSIP815

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Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

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Semester 2: 25 July, 12 September

Pre-requisite

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HSIP817

Advance Practice Skills in Mental Health and Addiction

Duration: One semester Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Online and Hamilton City Campus

Semester 2: Induction 18 July, workshops 12–13 August, 16–17 September

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.

HSIP818

Applied Theoretical Approaches for Mental Health and Addiction

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Hamilton City Campus

Semester 1: 14 February, 18–19 March, 13–14 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.

HSIP819

Comprehensive Assessment and Treatment Planning for Mental Health

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Hamilton City Campus and online

Semester 2: Induction 18 July, workshops 26–27 August, 28–29 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.

Master of Professional Practice

HS1701

Duration

One year starting February or July

Study

Full-time or part-time equivalent

Location

Hamilton City Campus

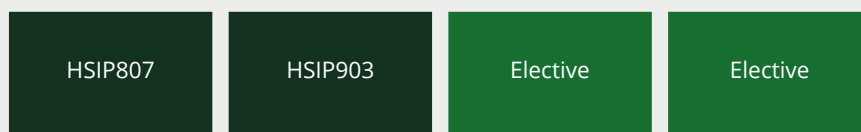
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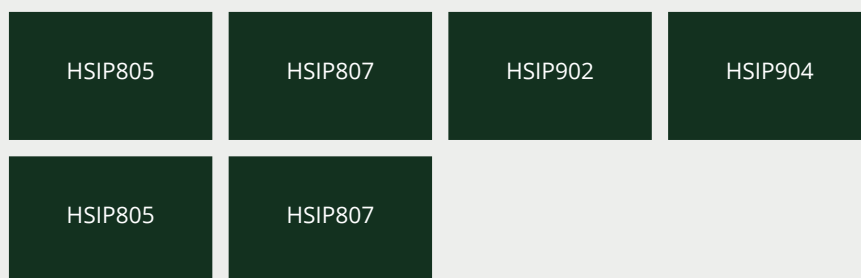
Course structure

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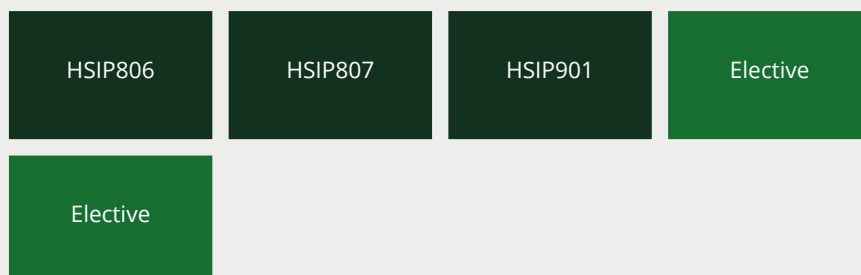
Research in Practice option structure



Practice Development option structure



Industry-based Project option structure



HSIP805

Evidence and Inquiry in Practice

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Fully online

Semester 1: 31 January

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.

HSIP806

Designing Practice

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Hamilton City Campus
Semester 1: 9–10 February, 24 February (and one further date to be negotiated)

This module prepares students to respond innovatively to complex practice problems. Students will work through a real world practice problem, learning skills for working collaboratively in inter-professional teams to design creative responses to problems. The emphasis will be on service design.

HSIP807

Professional Practice in Context

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 8

Location: Hamilton City Campus
Semester 1: 31 January, 1 February, 8–9 March, 27–28 April, 1–2 June

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.

HSIP901

Industry based project

Duration: One year

Credits: 60

Level: 8

Location: Hamilton City Campus
Semester 2: , 20–21 July, 4 August, and two further dates to be negotiated.

This module enables experienced health and social practice practitioners to engage in industry-based activities to explore relevant and meaningful solutions for practice related challenges in their workplace. The industry-based project aims to support practitioners in building resilience and increased capacity within organisations and communities of practice.

HSIP902

Evidence Based Practice Project

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 9

Location: Hamilton City Campus
Semester 1: 2–3 February, 16 March, 3 May
Semester 2: 4–5 July, 17 August, 11 October

This module focuses on developing a supervised evidence-based project in which you will choose a specific issue related to your area of practice. You will critically explore, analyse and articulate the findings that result from this enquiry.

HSIP903

Dissertation

Location: Hamilton City Campus
Semester 1: 2–3 February, 3 May (and two days in Semester 2 as negotiated)
Semester 2: 4–5 July, 11 October (and two days in Semester 1 the following year as negotiated)

This module aims to guide students through the identification of a research topic, the construction of a research proposal, gaining ethical approval and conducting a major written project relevant to their field of practice. Students draw on learning and skills acquired in the taught components of the Master of Professional Practice programme to develop a scholarly piece of work that demonstrates skills in data collection, critical analysis and proficient written communication of ideas.

HSIP904

Advanced Practice Development

Duration: One semester

Credits: 30

Level: 9

Location: Hamilton City Campus
Semester 2: 12–13 July, 21 September, 12 October

This module enables practitioners to consolidate an advanced practice area and engage in focused career development within health or social services. Practitioners will focus on creative and reflexive learning strategies to develop a more innovative, resilient, and collaborative practice with a specific community or population.