# VISIT TRIP TO SCHOOL OF NURSING AND MIDWIFERY UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE

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#### **OBJECTIVE OF THE TRIP**

• To learn about the University of Newcastle postgraduate specialty nursing course programme



### **UNIVERSITY RANKING 2016-2017**

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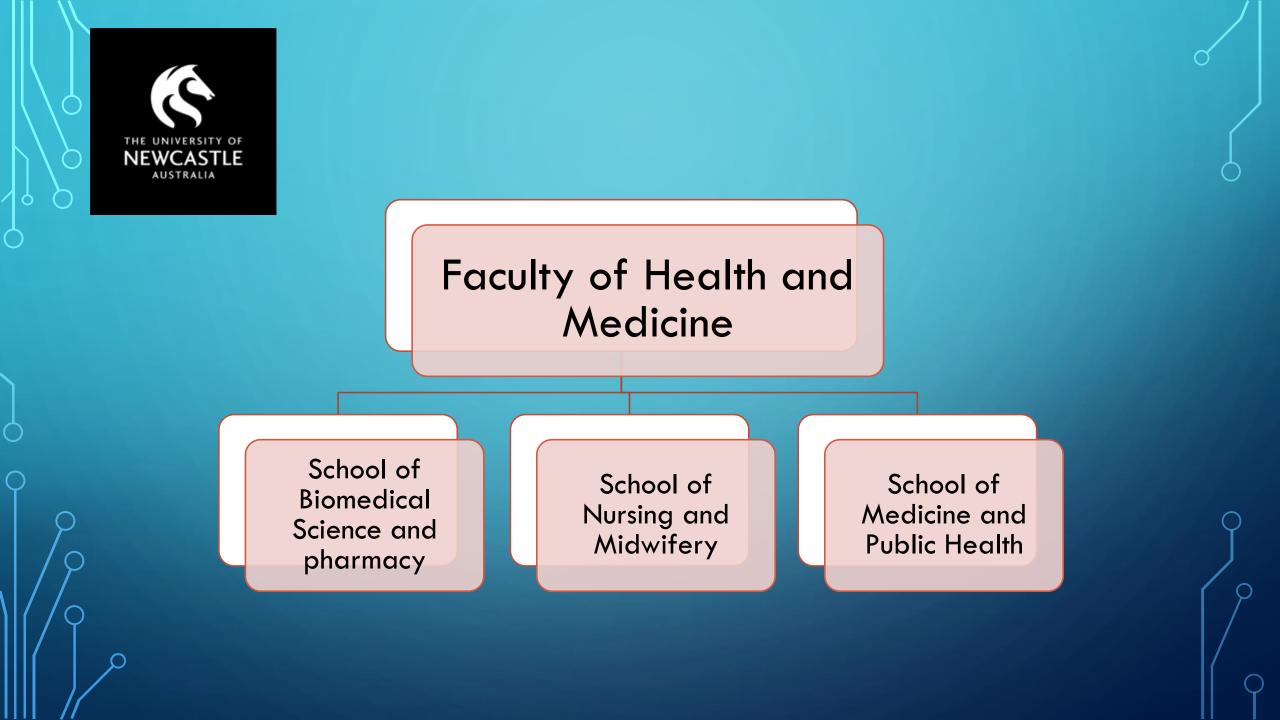
Rank	Name	No of students	Student: Staff ratio	International students	Female: Male ratio
43	University of HK	20,095	24.9	17%	51:49
76	Chinese University of HK	18433	10.5	27%	
192	HK Poly U	21907	25.6	25%	54:46
201- 250	University of Newcastle	23838	22.7	18%	56:44

https://www.timeshighereducation.com/world-university-rankings

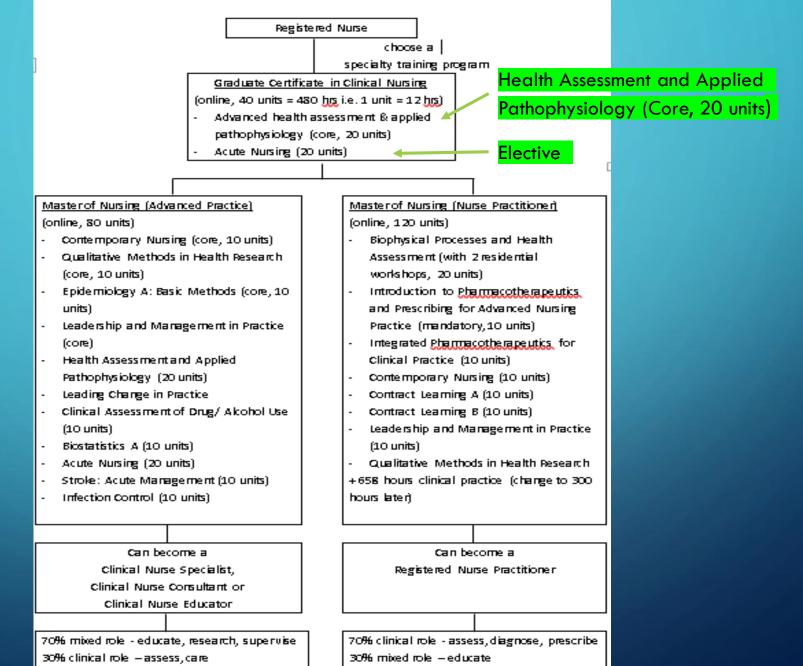
#### **AUSTRALIAN UNIVERSITY RANKINGS IN** 2017

Rank 🔺	University	\$ World ranking 💧	Grad satisfaction   🍦	Adj grad salary 💧 🍦	Score 🔶
1	University of Melbourne	50	83%	\$58,853	255
2	Australian National University	63	82%	\$53,015	207
3	University of Wollongong	306	85%	\$52,120	202
4	University of Western Australia	128	78%	\$58,809	201
5	University of Adelaide	138	81%	\$54,634	197
6	University of Queensland	60	82%	\$49,752	194
7	Deakin University	341	84%	\$49,265	172
8	Griffith University	353	85%	\$48,531	169
9	University of Newcastle	341	83%	\$49,629	168
10	Monash University	114	81%	\$48,041	165

https://universityreviews.com.au/australian-rankings/



#### Advanced Nursing Practice Level Academic Education in Australia



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#### ADVANCED NURSING PRACTICE LEVEL ACADEMIC EDUCATION IN UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE

Registered Nurse

Graduate Certificate in Clinical Nursing i.e. specialty training program [on-line 40 units] Master of Nursing (Advanced Practice) [on-line 80 units]

Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner) [on-line 120 units]

#### **MASTER OF NURSING (ADVANCED PRACTICE)**

#### Core courses

Contemporary Nursing

- Critical analysis of the social, political, organizational, legal and professional factors that influence contemporary nursing practice

- Qualitative Methods in Health Research
- Epidemiology 1 Basic Methods

https://gradschool.edu.au/programs/overview/master-nursing-advanced-practice-11682

#### **MASTER OF NURSING (NURSE PRACTITIONER)**

Includes 658 hours of embedded clinical practice in chosen specialty areas

#### Core courses

- Contemprorary Nursing
- Biophysical processes and health assessment
- Contract Learning A
  - Develop scope of practice as an essential part of the clinical governance framework
- Contract Learning B
  - Further develop expert knowledge, clinical skills and competencies under supervision
- Leadership and management in practice
  - Build knowledge of leadership/management, and to apply to workplace
- Introduction to pharmacotherapeutics and prescribing for advanced nursing practice
- Integrated Pharmacotherapeutics for Clinical Practice

https://gradschool.edu.au/programs/overview/master-nursing-nurse-practitioner-11383

#### ADVANCED NURSING PRACTICE LEVEL ACADEMIC EDUCATION IN UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE

Master of Nursing (Advanced Practice) - Clinical Nurse Specialist

- Nurse Unit Manager

- Nurse Consultant (3 levels)

70% mixed role (educate, research, supervise)

30% clinical role (assess, care)

Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner)

Registered Nurse
Practitioner

30% mixed role (educate)

70% clinical role (assess, diagnose, prescribe)

#### **NURSE PRACTITIONERS (NP)**

- Registration has been endorsed by the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Board as a nurse practitioner under section 95 of the National Law
- Educated and endorsed to function autonomously and collaboratively in an advanced and extended clinical role



## **NURSE PRACTITIONERS (NP)**

- Role may include, not is limited to, direct referral of patients to other healthcare professionals as part of a multidisciplinary team, prescribing medications (agreed formulary) and ordering diagnostic investigations
- When an endorsed NP cannot be recruited to a position, services may choose to appoint an advanced practice nurse in a *Transitional* Nurse Practitioners (TNP) for a predetermined period of time.
- The development, implementation and evaluation, and clinical governance framework of the NP/TNP model of care is supported by the Multidisciplinary Support Committee (MDSC)



#### COLLABORATION WITH UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE

- ON-LINE COURSES
- PHAR6701

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#### INTRODUCTION TO PHARMACOTHERAPEUTICS AND PRESCRIBING FOR ADVANCED NURSING PRACTICE

- 10 units (120-140 hours)
- Assessments
  - Online tests x 2
  - Blackboard discussion forum
  - Final exam (on line)

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

- Nurse prescribing in Australia-legal and policy framework
- The Poisons and Therapeutics Goods Act and Regulations
- The Pharmaceuics Benefits Scheme
- Quality use of medications for advanced practice nursing
- Principles of prescribing including rural and remote prescribing
- Clinical Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacodynamics and their application to advanced practice nursing
- A revised of basic principles of pharmacology including the pharmacology of the autonomic nervous system
- Non-prescription medications, including analgesic and anti-inflammatory medicine and complementary and alternate medicines

# **BIOPHYSICAL PROCESSES AND HEALTH ASSESSMENT**

- 20 units
- Online activity
  - Self -directed learning
  - Email discussion group
- Attendance at 5 day Residential school
- Assessment
  - Case study
  - Written assessment
  - Clinical assessment tool and learning portfolio

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

- Review of pathophysiology
- Advanced health assessment (physical and mental)
- Clinical reasoning and diagnostic skills
- Pathology tests, medical imaging and health assessment
- Incorporating current evidence and clinical guidelines in assessment and care planning
- Holistic nursing practice
- Collaborative practice in an interdisciplinary team
- Case presentation

#### **ENDORSEMENT OF HKAN**

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