



THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA

Graduate Certificate in Ophthalmic Nursing

School of Nursing, Sydney Campus

This program is designed specifically for registered nurses who want to learn more about the care and management of people with ophthalmic disorders. The University of Notre Dame Australia has collaborated with Sydney Hospital and the Sydney Eye Hospital to design this degree that will develop your knowledge and skills so that you can provide specialised care to people with ocular problems.

Why study this degree?

The human eye is a complex and fascinating organ. As an ophthalmic nurse, you will be qualified to treat people with a wide range of ocular problems. The program covers every aspect of ophthalmic nursing, including the physiology of the eye, diseases that affect the eye, clinical management and the complexities of managing people with co-morbidities such as diabetes and cardiovascular disease.

On completion of the program, you will be equipped to conduct advanced clinical assessments, interpret clinical data and make sound clinical judgements about patient care. In addition, you will also develop your capacity for leadership, learn to collaborate with a multidisciplinary team and have developed problem solving and clinical reasoning within the context of ophthalmic nursing.

By offering the program Australia in conjunction with Sydney University and the Sydney Eye Hospital, we are able to provide you with a unique opportunity to learn from clinical experts in the field.

Ophthalmic Nursing 1 and Ophthalmic Nursing 2 are facilitated by nurse educators and clinicians at the Sydney Hospital and Sydney Eye Hospital. The courses are delivered online with intensive study blocks and a compulsory clinical placement at the Sydney Hospital and Sydney Eye Hospital. Advanced Health Assessment and Professional Development are offered online with weekly webinars.

Program summary

- NURS4000 Advanced Health Assessment
- NURS4016 Ophthalmic Nursing 1
- NURS4017 Ophthalmic Nursing 2
- NURS4006 Professional Development

Full details of the program requirements are contained in the [Program Regulations](#)

(https://www.notredame.edu.au/___data/assets/pdf_file/0011/416/Certificate-in-Ophthalmic-Nursing.pdf).

Entry requirements

Applicants to the course are required to have a:

- Current registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) as a Registered Nurse (RN)
- Bachelor of Nursing (or equivalent)

Fees

In addition to tuition fees and living expenses you will also need to budget for the following items:

- Textbooks \$200 average each semester
- Immunisation \$50-\$500 (as required)
- Police check approximately \$52

More information

For more information on the Graduate Certificate in Ophthalmic Nursing, please call our Prospective Student Officers on +61 2 8204 4404 or email sydney@nd.edu.au (<mailto:sydney@nd.edu.au>).

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Duration: 1 year part-time

Campus: Sydney

Study mode: On campus intensives, online

Code: Program Code 4125