

## Confirmation of work-based clinical placement support

Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner)

### ENQUIRIES

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The Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner) program at La Trobe University prepares advanced practice nurses for endorsement as a Nurse Practitioner with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulatory Agency (AHPRA). It is a requirement of admission into the program that the student is supported through a collaborative arrangement with the university and their employing agency to complete 500 hours of work-based clinical placement to support professional development toward competency of the Nurse Practitioner Standards for Practice.

The Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council have prepared an explanatory note to help students and clinical placement providers understand clinical placement requirements in the context of nurse practitioner education. Please see the link below for further information.

[www.anmac.org.au/sites/default/files/documents/explanatorynote\\_supernumerarydefinition\\_20180417.pdf](http://www.anmac.org.au/sites/default/files/documents/explanatorynote_supernumerarydefinition_20180417.pdf)

The role of the nurse practitioner is an advanced practice role and extends beyond the traditional scope of the registered nurse to include comprehensive health assessment, developing and initiating therapeutic plans of care including prescribing pharmacological interventions, ordering and interpreting diagnostic tests and initiating and receiving referrals. In Australia nurse practitioners must meet regulatory and professional practice requirements by maintaining endorsement with AHPRA and adhering to the Nurse Practitioner Standards for Practice. The educational requirement for nurse practitioners in Australia is a Master degree. La Trobe University's Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner) is an Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council accredited course designed to prepare graduates for pathway 1 endorsement with AHPRA.

The student's clinical placement hours will take place during clinical internship subjects in the second year of study and should be carried out with appropriate supervision in an environment that supports the student's professional development. Through online coursework, mentorship and clinical placement students will develop expert judgement, knowledge based on evidence and clinical competence in extended practice in their specialty area. La Trobe University will maintain regular contact with students throughout the duration of clinical placement.

Questions regarding clinical placement should be directed to:

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**PLACEMENT DETAILS**

<b>Organisation name</b>	
<b>Organisation address</b>	
<b>Organisation ABN</b>	
<b>Term of Schedule</b> <i>(please insert the 2 years of intended study duration)</i>	
<b>Course title</b>	Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner)
<b>Organisation contact</b> <i>(DoN, D.Ed or equivalent)</i>	<b>Contact:</b> <b>Title:</b> <b>Phone:</b> <b>Email:</b> <b>Address:</b> <b>Suburb:</b> <b>Postcode:</b>
<b>Student Nurse Practitioner applicant details</b>	<b>Name:</b> <b>Current Employer:</b> <b>Current title &amp; EFT:</b> <b>Clinical area:</b> <b>Email:</b> <b>Phone:</b>
<b>Nurse Practitioner Supervisor 1 details</b>	<b>Name:</b> <b>Current Employer:</b> <b>Current title &amp; EFT:</b> <b>Clinical area:</b> <b>Email:</b> <b>Phone:</b>
<b>Nurse Practitioner Supervisor 2 details</b>	<b>Name:</b> <b>Current Employer:</b> <b>Current title &amp; EFT:</b> <b>Clinical area:</b> <b>Email:</b> <b>Phone:</b>
<b>University contact</b>	<b>Contact:</b> Bronwyn Coulton <b>Title:</b> Course Coordinator <b>Phone:</b> (03) 9479 5942 <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:b.coulton@latrobe.edu.au">b.coulton@latrobe.edu.au</a> <b>Address:</b> La Trobe University <b>Suburb:</b> Bundoora, VIC <b>Postcode:</b> 3086

<b>Special Conditions (if any)</b>	<p>By signing this agreement, you verify the applicant is employed by the organisation and has met the appropriate employment requirements. The organisation commits to provide support and governance for 500 hours of supernumerary, supervised clinical placement in the student's specialty area of practice in line with the ANMAC Explanatory Note for "Interpretation and explanation of supernumerary integrated professional practiced for nurse practitioner students". The student does not need to be in a nurse practitioner candidate role during the program and the university understands the organisation is not obliged to make a Nurse Practitioner position available for this applicant at any point.</p> <p><u>Please note, this confirmation of support must be approved by the Director of Nursing or Divisional Director of Nursing (or equivalent).</u></p>
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## DETAILS FOR PLACEMENT

Subject	Number of days / hours
Clinical Internship for Nurse Practitioner A – NSM5CIA	250 hours
Clinical Internship for Nurse Practitioner B – NSM5CIB	250 hours

## EXECUTED BY THE PARTIES AS AN AGREEMENT

**SIGNED** for and on behalf of the University by an authorised signatory

**Signature:**

**Name:** Bronwyn Coulton

**Position:** Course Coordinator, Master of Nursing (Nurse Practitioner), La Trobe University

**Date:**

**SIGNED** for and on behalf of the Host Health Agency

**Signature:**

**Name:**

**Position:**

**Host Organisation / Agency:**

*(please note the signatory should be a Director of Nursing / Chief Nurse or equivalent)*

**Date:**

**SIGNED** by the student applicant

**Signature:**

**Name:**

**Date:**