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“Path to Service and Care for Health”

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**Bachelor of Nursing
(Bridging)**

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Programme

Programme Description

The Bachelor of Nursing (Bridging) Nursing Programme is an academic pathway offered to assist registered nurses to fully achieve their BNSc within one year. After completion of this programme, graduates are expected to continue their employment in Fiji and the Pacific region.

The BNSc is a pre-requisite for higher education training including; post-graduate Certificate in Nursing, post-graduate Diploma in Nursing and Masters of Nursing studies.

It is anticipated that this course will enhance the graduate's research skills in preparation for advanced nursing education that can be recognized locally (Fiji), regionally and internationally.

The programme aims to upgrade the current qualifications of all practicing nurses in Fiji and the Pacific from a Diploma qualification to Degree level. This matches the training offered by other Nursing Institutions in Fiji.

The programme is designed to meet the current healthcare needs of the Pacific in addressing the two main focus areas of non-communicable diseases (NCDs) and Mental Health.

The Bachelor Bridging programme also prepares mid-level nurses to have sound knowledge, attitudes and skills that would allow them to contribute effectively within a diverse and complex health care setting.

Entry Requirement

To enter the Bachelor of Nursing (Bridging) programme an applicant must fulfil the following:

1. Certificate/Diploma in General & Obstetric Nursing
2. At least one year of Nursing Practice and a should be a Registered Nurse

3. Able to pay fees through either FNPF or cash instalments; or qualify for TELS.

Fees Package: \$7,000.00

Mode of Teaching

- Flexible by Distance
- Trimester – 12 weeks

Trimester based with a mixed mode of Distance & Flexible Learning

- Full Time with two Courses per Trimester (1 Year Programme)
- Pat Time with one Course per Trimester (2 years Programme)

Residential – Part-time at Saweni and Suva Campus. Other teaching venues depending on student numbers.

Programme Structure

The Bachelor of Nursing Bridging Post Registration Programme has a total of 90 Credit Points. The Programme duration is one year and consists of three Trimesters. There are six compulsory courses of 15 credit points per course. Students must complete all the courses as listed.

Courses:

BNUR 311	Advanced Nursing Theories, Ethics and Perspectives.
BNUR 312	Evidence Based Nursing Practices (EPI & Research)
BNUR 313	Teaching and Learning Health Promotions (NCDs)
BNUR 314	Health Services Provisions (Health Systems & Unit Management)
BNUR 315	Palliative & Chronic Care Nursing
BNUR 316	Integrated Nursing Practice