

# NURS 7043 SCHOLARSHIP FOR PRACTICE CHANGE IN HEALTH CARE

**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 401085

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**Description** The transformation of practice in healthcare is facilitated when information about creative and innovative practice change and development is documented, disseminated and critiqued through professional channels such as peer reviewed journals, conference papers, discussion papers or project reports. In this unit students will be provided with an opportunity to produce a scholarly piece of work that will disseminate information about transforming practice and improving patient care. The unit aims to enhance scholarly communication skills, provide a vehicle for demonstrating leadership by informing the health professions of innovative solutions for practice change.

**School** Nursing & Midwifery

**Discipline** Nursing

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 1 10cp

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**Level** Postgraduate Coursework Level 7 subject

**Equivalent Subjects** NURS 7044 - Transforming Nursing Practice

## Restrictions

Students must be enrolled in a postgraduate program.

## Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Identify an area for practice change in a health care setting/service
2. Analyse key aspects of an area for practice change
3. Generate recommendations/solutions for practice change
4. Demonstrate skills of critical thinking, synthesis of information and coherent, succinct scholarly writing.

## Subject Content

### Module 1

- preparation of An outline for practice change
- key aspects of Scholarly writing
- types of Scholarly outputs

### Module 2

- Searching The literature
- Analysing and synthesising The literature
- Critical reading for Critical writing

### Module 3

- Constructing A report
- Preparing A Discussion paper
- writing An abstract and Executive summaries
- Preparing A conference paper for presentation

## Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Item	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/Group Task
Outline of proposed scholarly output including search strategy	1500 words	40	N	Individual
Scholarly paper demonstrating skills of critique & synthesis of information to generate practice change	3000 words	60	N	Individual

### Prescribed Texts

- There is no essential textbook.

### Teaching Periods