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Masters of Nursing Mercy Health Pathway Information Session

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Background

- Chief Operating Officer, Mercy Health and Head of School, La Trobe University met to discuss opportunities to advance the educational prospective for Mercy Health nursing and midwifery staff.
- Dr Les Fitzgerald from LTU met with some of the Mercy Health Executive team to discuss the Postgraduate Masters model – management stream.
- A proposal was developed and presented to members of the Mercy Health Executive team, Education Managers and Prof Sue McDonald from LTU/MH. The proposal was accepted.
- Dr Les Fitzgerald, Julie Hammett and Janice Martin met on a regular basis to develop the program and the applications for industry credits.

Division of Nursing and Midwifery

- Origins as a provider of high level nursing education extend back to 1948.
- Australia's oldest tertiary Division of Nursing.
- This extensive history has enabled the School to enjoy a wide range of international links and to establish a tradition of innovation, excellence and dynamism in nursing research and nursing education.
- Committed to the development of nursing knowledge and nursing practice.

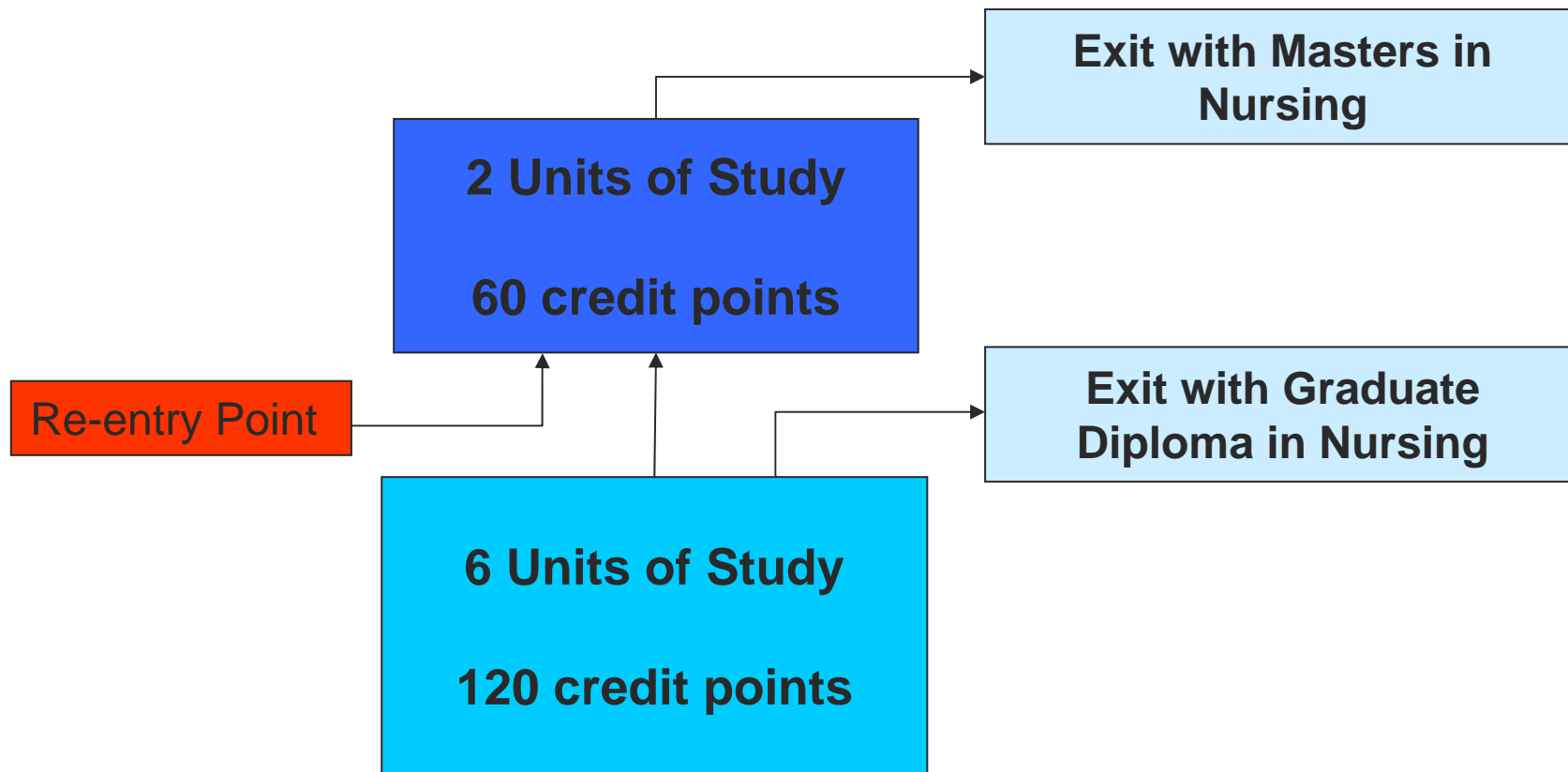
Mercy Health Training Institute

- Accredited as a Registered Training Organisation in 2008.
- Delivers Nationally Recognised Training from CII to Diploma level.
- Highly regarded in the Community Services and Health VET sector for its commitment to quality training outcomes.
- Representative on State VET steering committee in the development of Vocational Graduate Certificate and Diploma in Health qualifications.

Masters of Nursing Program

- The aim of this Master of Nursing course is to provide students with the knowledge and skills that assists their professional development in their area of practice.
- Management Stream
- 180 credit points

Program Structure



Program Structure

6 Units of Study

120 credit points

Semester	Unit of Study	
1 - LTU	Healthy Organisations	15 CP
	Speciality Extension Unit 5	5 CP
1 or 2 LTU	Clinical Audit (Management)	20 CP
1 or 2 LTU	Independent Study Unit (Management)	20 CP

Program Structure

6 Units of Study		120 credit points
Semester	Unit of Study	
2 - MHTI	Health Care Quality	20 CP
2 - MHTI	Facilitate Learning in a Clinical Setting	20 CP
2 - LTU	Health Services Resource Management	20 CP
	Speciality Extension Unit 5	5 CP

Program Structure

2 Units of Study**60 credit points**

Semester	Unit of Study	
2 - MHTI	Clinical Leadership in Health Care	20 CP
1 and 2 LTU	Clinical Project (Management)	40 CP

Program Duration

- The Postgraduate Diploma program may be taken over one year full-time or the part-time equivalent.
- The Masters program may be taken over one and half years full-time or the part-time equivalent.

Study Load

Full Time – 1.5 years

- 3 study units (60 CP) per semester

Part Time – 2 to 3 years

- 1-2 study units (20 – 40 CP) per semester

Flexible Study Options

- This program is offered via:
 - On-line
 - The LTU study units
 - Class-room based tutorials with self-paced learning
 - MHTI facilitated units

Entry Requirements

- Hold current Division 1 Registration with NBV or equivalent
- Have at least one year of recent relevant nursing experience
- Hold a degree or diploma from a college or university



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Tuition Fees

La Trobe University Fees:
\$2240 per 20 credit point unit

Payment Options:

- Full Fee-paying places
- Limited number of Commonwealth Supported Places (CSP)
 - Australian citizens are eligible
- Defer tuition fees by using the HECS Help or FEE-Help loan schemes.

Tuition Fees

MHTI Fees:

\$1270 per 20 credit point unit

\$585 per unit – supplementary learning and additional assessment:

- Upgrade from CIV in TAA
 - Facilitating learning in a clinical setting
- Upgrade from Diploma of Management
 - Health Care Quality
 - Clinical Leadership in Health Care



Tuition Fees

MHTI Payment Options:

- Full Fee-paying
- Salary Packaging - fortnightly payments
- Payroll deductions – fortnightly payments

Mercy Foundation Scholarships

- Scholarships to provide some financial assistance to employees undertaking the Masters program
- Available to those who are Full Fee Paying only
- Applications available via the Mercy Foundation website

www.mercyhealthfoundation.com.au



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