



Credit Business Process

SCOPE

This process applies to all undergraduate and postgraduate coursework courses and units offered in the Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences (MNHS) as well as units in which the Faculty has a majority teaching responsibility.

PURPOSE

To outline the credit awarded to courses and units in the Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences based on the [University Credit Procedure](#).

GENERAL RULES

The Faculty's principles regarding assessments of credit are that:

1. the credit awarded does not undermine the students' chance at academic success
2. the studies are relevant to the curriculum and academic standards of the Faculty and University
3. It is at the discretion of the Course Director or the Chief Examiner whether credit for previous study be granted based on the syllabus and transcripts provided.
4. Under section 2.4 of the [Credit Procedure](#), the Deputy Dean (Education) has determined that a research unit will be any that has a significant research project, such as a thesis, minor thesis, or research paper/project as one of the assessment tasks. Units that are preparatory in nature, such as research methodology units are not considered to be research units and may be eligible for credit.

The Deputy Dean (Education) delegates the power to make credit decisions under the [Credit Procedure](#) to the Course Director or nominee.

RELEVANCY AND RECENCY

- a) In accordance with the [Credit Policy](#) and taking into account the rate of change in discipline knowledge and practices in the healthcare sector and any external accreditation requirements, the credit for recency of previous learning is set at 7 years.
- b) Courses may choose to have lesser or greater recency requirements. In such cases, the recency requirements must have Faculty Education Committee (FEC) approval and be noted in the recency register.
- c) Where applicants do not meet the recency requirements, in exceptional circumstances, a case may be made to FEC to determine if the recency requirement can be waived. Applicants must be able to demonstrate their ability and achievement of learning outcomes equivalent to credit being sought.
- d) Recency of admission requirements may differ from credit recency requirements. Eligibility of credit towards a course does not guarantee admission to that course.
- e) FEC approval for alternative recency requirement will be recorded in a recency of previous learning register outlined below.

COURSES WITH APPROVED ALTERNATE RECENCY REQUIREMENTS

School or Department	Program Titles	Recency Requirement (years)	Reason for Recency Requirement difference
Monash Nursing and Midwifery	Bachelor of Nursing	Units at first year level which contain a clinical component must be completed within 5 years of application	Requirement of the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Board. Policy at http://www.anmac.org.au/
	Bachelor of Nursing/Bachelor of Midwifery		
	Master of Advanced Clinical Nursing		
	Master of Nursing Practice		
Monash Nursing and Midwifery	Master of Advanced Nursing	Specified or unspecified credit 7 years	Specialist knowledge in nursing field changes rapidly. Discretion may be used where an applicant demonstrates continuous employment and continuing education in the specialist field.
	Master of Advanced Midwifery Practice		
Department of Medical Imaging and Radiation Sciences	Bachelor of Radiography and Medical Imaging (Honours)	5 Years	Technology, techniques and knowledge is rapidly changing in this field of medical imaging.
	Master of Medical Ultrasound		
	Master of Radiation Therapy		

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