Avondale
COLLEGE OF HIGHER EDUCATION

FAQ 2012 NURSING

1. What information can I have on becoming a nurse or midwife?
NSW Health Department has information on their website -
http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/nursing/careers/index.asp

The Royal College of Nursing website gives information for those interested in nursing as well as existing nurses. Go to: www.NurseInfo.com.au

This website aims to promote nursing and midwifery as career options for future nurses and midwives, and professional development opportunities for individuals with nursing and/or midwifery qualifications. The website provides access to information on obtaining initial qualifications as a registered nurse, registered midwife or enrolled nurse for individuals seeking new or future career options.

2. How many campuses does Avondale College of Higher Education have and where are they?
There are two campuses, both in New South Wales, Australia.

- The Lake Macquarie Campus, in Cooranbong, is the largest;
- The Sydney Campus, used by nursing students, is adjacent to the Sydney Adventist Hospital in Wahroonga.

3. Where is the Bachelor of Nursing studied?
The first year (Level 1 and Level 2) of the course may be studied at either the Lake Macquarie Campus in Cooranbong, NSW, or at the Sydney Campus in Wahroonga. Level 2 commences on both campuses on 23 July 2012 for Registration and classes. Subsequent semesters are based at the Sydney Campus, which is co-located with the Sydney Adventist Hospital at 185 Fox Valley Road, Wahroonga, NSW 2076, Australia.

4. What topics are studied in nursing?
Students study a wide range of topics, including behavioural, biological and life sciences, nursing care for medical, surgical, maternal and child health, mental health, the community, and aged as well as health promotion and well being.

5. Can I study the Bachelor of Nursing (BN) by Distance Education?
No.

The BN is not available by distance although some subjects require less face-to-face classroom time than others.

6. My first language is not English. Can I still study the Bachelor of Nursing?
The Avondale College of Higher Education policy states: "Applicants for the Bachelor of Nursing whose first language is not English will normally be required to provide documentary evidence, at the time the application is lodged, of a satisfactory pass in the standardised Academic IELTS test with a score of 6.5 or better, with no individual band score less than 6.5 and dated within 2 years of the expected commencement of the degree. Subject to consideration by the Dean, Faculty of Nursing and Health, exemptions to this requirement may be granted to applicants who can provide suitable evidence of secondary schooling taught and assessed in English or have been awarded the Higher School Certificate or equivalent with a pass in English in Australia. In some circumstances, a satisfactory interview and assessment by the Dean of Faculty or Course Convenor of English language capability may be required."

The IELTS result is valid for only 2 years therefore another test may be required prior to applying for nurse registration in Australia.

The IELTS level for nurse registration is a minimum of 7.0 across all bands and will be required to enter New Graduate Nursing Programs operated by NSW Health.

Where an applicant provides evidence that all secondary schooling has been completed in English, and it was undertaken in a country where English is the first language, an IELTS will not be required for entry into the course see table below). However, such applicants need to understand the NSW Nurses and Midwives Board may require them to submit an IELTS score before they can gain employment as a registered nurse in NSW Health facilities—and that the requirement across Australia may be subject to change in the near future.

7. What countries do not have to sit the IELTS test?

COUNTRY	REQUIRE IELTS?	AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT EDUCATION INTERNATIONAL
Argentina	YES	Spanish with command of English becoming increasingly important
Armenia	YES	Russian
Australia	NO	English
Austria	YES	German is the medium of instruction at all levels
Azerbaijan	YES	Russian
Bangladesh	YES	Bangla. Private schools at all levels may use English for all subjects
Belarus	YES	Russian
Belgium	YES	Dutch, French or German depending on where the institution is located
Bolivia	YES	Spanish. English introduced in Grade 7
Bosnia and Herzegovina	YES	Bosnian, Croatian or Serbian depending on the region
Botswana	YES	No language criteria noted
Brazil	YES	Portuguese. English
Brunei Darussalam	YES	Both Malay and English are compulsory school subjects, but the primacy of the Malay language is emphasised.
Bulgaria	YES	Bulgarian. Some foreign language secondary schools for English, French, German, Russian, Spanish or Italian
Cambodia	YES	Khmer
Canada	NO	French and English
Chile	YES	Spanish
China	YES	Mandarin
Columbia	YES	Spanish
Cook Islands	NO	The medium of instruction in secondary schools is English
Costa Rica	YES	Spanish
Croatia	YES	Croatian
Cuba	YES	Spanish. English compulsory in secondary schools
Czech Republic	YES	Czech
Darussalam Brunei	YES	Both Malay and English are compulsory school subjects, but the primacy of the Malay language is emphasised.
Denmark	YES	The language of instruction is Danish but English is compulsory from Grades 5–10 in the Folkeskole. English is provided or required by upper secondary schools for 1–3 years
Egypt	YES	Arabic
El Salvador	YES	Spanish
England	NO	English
Estonia	YES	Russian
Ethiopia	YES	Amharic, English studied for secondary school education
Fiji	NO	English
Finland	YES	Finnish or Swedish
France	YES	French. In primary school up to 6 hrs per week on the most popular foreign language - English
Georgia	YES	Russian
Germany	YES	German. Some areas with Danish and Fresian
Ghana	YES	English
Greece	YES	Greek (specifically Demotike, the common language of the people)
Guatemala	YES	Castilian Spanish
Herzegovina and Bosnia	YES	Bosnian, Croatian or Serbian depending on the region
Honduras	YES	Spanish, some English
Hong Kong	YES	Mainly Cantonese, Mandarin, English as 2nd language from Kindergarten
Hungary	YES	Hungarian and other linguistic minorities
India	YES	English and Hindi are the official languages. English introduced in upper primary
Indonesia	YES	Bahasa Indonesia, then English is taught from junior secondary school, but many private institutions teach English as early as preschool
Iran	YES	Farsi. English studies begin in Grades 6 - 8
Iraq	YES	Arabic with Kurdish in Kurdish areas
Ireland	NO	Irish with English as a 2nd official language
Ireland, Northern	NO	English
Israel	YES	Hebrew or Arabic. Must study either English or French as a 2nd or 3rd language 4 hrs per week
Italy	YES	Italian. English compulsory in primary and lower secondary school
Japan	YES	No language criteria noted
Jordan	YES	Arabic. English/French introduced in Grade 5 (public schools) Grade 1 in private schools
Kazakhstan	YES	Russian

Kenya	YES	Kiswahili and English. Classes in English since 1970
Kiribati		English is taught in schools from the first year and is the medium of instruction in most first and second year classes
Korea, Republic of	YES	Taught in Korea. English is compulsory subject from Grade 3 and improving English skills is a government priority
Kosovo	YES	Albanian and Serbian
Kyrgyzstan	YES	Russian
Kuwait	YES	Arabic main language. English is compulsory at all levels of school
Latvia	YES	Russian
Lebanon	YES	Arabic, English and French are the main languages used
Liberia	YES	Not listed on Government website. Cannot make an independent assessment of the language used in schooling, therefore need IELTS as per Paul Race email 22/6/11
Libya	YES	Arabic
Lithuania	YES	Russian
Macau	YES	No language criteria noted
Macedonia FYR	YES	Macedonia, Turkish and Albanian
Malawi	YES	No language criteria noted
Malaysia	YES	Bahasa Melayu with English as a 2nd language in both primary and secondary schools.
Malta	YES	Maltese and English are the two official languages of instruction
Mauritius	YES	English is the main language of instruction
Mexico	YES	Spanish
Moldova	YES	Russian
Mongolia	YES	Children are taught in Mongolian. Before 1990, Russian was a second language. Now the foreign language studied can be Russian or English. University teaching was initially in Russian but now is in Mongolian.
Montenegro	YES	Serbian (Montenegrin, Croatian and Bosniak)
Myanmar/Burma	YES	Burmese. In the last decade there has been an increasing need for both the formal and informal study of foreign languages, especially English
Nepal	YES	Nepali, Some private schools teach only in English. Higher education mostly in English
Netherlands	YES	Dutch. High proportion of Master Degree in English
New Zealand	NO	Teaching is in English in nearly all New Zealand education institutions, Maori used in some childhood centres and a Pacific Island language may be used in early childhood centres
Nigeria	YES	During the first 3 years of primary school students are usually taught in the language of their immediate community. During the remainder of primary school and at secondary school the language of instruction is English.Main languages are Hausa, Ibo and Yoruba
Norway	YES	Norwegian - Bokmal and Nynorsk
Oman	YES	Arabic with English as 2nd language throughout primary school
Pakistan	YES	Urdu. English compulsory in subject in secondary school
Palestinian National Authority	YES	Arabic, some English from Grade 5 or 6
Papua New Guinea	YES	The main language of instruction is English from Grade 5 onwards. Before this, classes are in regional languages and English
Peru	YES	Spanish
Philippines	YES	The 1935 Constitution required teaching to be in English, and it was the official language of the country until 1987. The new Constitution included Filipino (Tagalog) along with English. In practice, English continues to be widely used at the upper primary, secondary and tertiary levels
Poland	YES	Polish is the language of instruction for all levels of education
Portugal	YES	Portuguese
Romania	YES	Romanian with some Hungarian and German
Samoa	NO	The official medium of instruction is English, although Samoan may be used where appropriate, particularly in junior levels, to clarify difficult concepts. The aim is to enable students to become fluent in both languages, and Samoan language and culture have been integrated into the curriculum at all levels, to assist in preserving national cultural identity.
Saudi Arabia	YES	Arabic with exception of private schools. English is a significant component of most post-secondary programs
Serbia	YES	Serbian
Sierra Leone	No if English Ed English	However in some schools teaching may be conducted in 1 or other of the tribal languages of the particular community, eg Mende, Temne or Krio No IELTS if schooling verified as in English
Singapore	NO	English is the medium of instruction in all the educational institutions in Singapore – from pre-school to university

Slovak Republic	YES	No language criteria noted
Slovenia	YES	Slovenian with Hungarian and Italian. Grade 4 English usually started
Solomon Islands	YES	The official language is English but the most effective communication is carried out in Pidgin
South Africa	YES	11 official languages. Most universities in English or Afrikaans
Spain	YES	Spanish, Basque, Galician and Catalan
Sri Lanka	YES	Sinhala and Tamil. English is taught from Year 1 to the General Certificate of Education "A" level.
Sudan	YES	Arabic
Sweden	YES	Swedish. Some higher education courses in English
Switzerland	YES	German, French and Italian. In 2008 English stipulated as a taught foreign language
Syria	YES	Arabic. English starts Grade 1 and French in Grade 7
Taiwan	YES	Classes are taught in Mandarin Chinese, however: Primary schools sometimes teach in Taiwanese, Children study English from year 5 in primary school and it is compulsory in primary, secondary and higher education
Tajikistan	YES	Russian
Tanzania	YES	Kiswahili and English introduced in Grade 3. English the language for secondary schools and further education
Thailand	YES	No language criteria noted
Tonga	YES	At primary school instruction is in Tongan, in accordance with Tonga's national language policy, with some flexibility at upper primary levels allowing for a bilingual approach together with English at the discretion of the teacher. The medium of instruction at secondary level is English.
Turkey	YES	Turkish. Some universities teach in English
Turkmenistan	YES	Russian
Uganda	YES	English
Ukraine	YES	Ukrainian, some Russian, Hungarian, Rumanian, Crimean, Tartar and Polish
United Arab Emirates	YES	Arabic with English for some science and technical subjects
United Kingdom	NO	England, Northern Ireland and Scotland is English. In Wales most education in English, some bilingual schools
Uruguay	YES	Spanish with many languages as a 2nd language
U S A	NO	English
Uzbekistan	YES	Russian
Venezuela	YES	Spanish
Vietnam	YES	Teaching at all levels is in Vietnamese
Wales	NO	Mainly English with some bilingual schools in Welsh especially at primary level
Zambia	YES	No language criteria noted
Zimbabwe	YES	English

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8. Where do I find information on IELTS?
There are many institutions and sites that offer IELTS preparation and testing. Go to: http://www.ielts.org/ and find the most convenient place for you. You are required to sit the whole IELTS with reading, writing, listening and speaking tested, each having a score. There is also an overall score given.

9. Will I gain Advanced Standing or Credit for having completed a Certificate IV in Nursing or a Diploma in Enrolled Nursing?
A completed Certificate IV in Enrolled Nursing (with medication endorsement) and the Diploma in Enrolled Nursing, in most cases, will gain Advanced Standing in a Bachelor of Nursing. A Certificate IV in Enrolled Nursing without medication endorsement is assessed on an individual basis depending upon the age of the qualification.

To gain Advanced Standing, an original of the completed transcript is to be presented to our office, along with a full/complete copy of each unit outline.

10. Will a Certificate III or IV in Aged Care or Community Work give me Advanced Standing or Credit?
No Advanced Standing (credit) is given with these certificates, however, a Certificate IV qualification does meet the academic requirement for entry to the Bachelor of Nursing.

11. Do I need a First Aid certificate?
Yes, a Senior First Aid certificate from a recognized body is required of students studying the Bachelor of Nursing by the commencement of Semester Two, which is when hands-on clinical work begins.

For information re a course close to you, go to:
- www.stjohnnsw.com.au or,
- ring 1300 360 455

12. When do I need to complete the vaccinations for Nursing?
A vaccination card is sent to you with your Letter of Offer. This must be completed by your General Practitioner. (Please request a stamp that identifies the medical practice on the card in addition to the GPs signature). This card MUST be completed before clinical placements can be scheduled and to enable enrolment in the Clinical Practice unit in second semester. It is important to start your vaccinations as soon as you accept your offer in the Bachelor of Nursing so you are eligible to being your clinical experience. Without vaccinations, you will not be able to complete clinical experience and some vaccinations require a series of treatment over several months.

Please bring your Vaccination Record Card on enrolment day to be checked.

13. When will I be registered with the State/Australian Nursing Board?
All students are registered with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) by Avondale College of Higher Education once you commence your course.

Once you have your final grades at the end of your course, Avondale College of Higher Education provides documentation to take to the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency for registration/authority to practice as a Registered Nurse. Details about AHPRA are available at http://www.ahpra.gov.au/.

14. Are any HSC subjects a prerequisite to entering the Bachelor of Nursing?
No, there are no prerequisite subjects. Having Chemistry or Biology will be helpful.

15. What are the entry requirements for the Bachelor of Nursing?
At least one of the following are required for entry into the Bachelor of Nursing:
- A UAI of 59.55+, an ATAR of 63.00+, an OP of 17 or less, or
- Completed Diploma of Enrolled Nursing, or
- Endorsed Enrolled Nurse, or
- Completed Certificate IV in Nursing, or
- Completed Certificate IV in Aged Care, or
- Special Tertiary Admissions Testing (STAT) with multiple choice 146+ and written English 150+.

16. On successfully completing the Diploma of General Studies for Semester One, how long will it take to complete a Bachelor of Nursing and how does it work?
Typically, you could do up to three (3) units at Lake Macquarie or Sydney campus in Semester Two. It will however, take you a further three (3) years to complete your degree with fewer units taken during the second year (a total of 3½ years for the Bachelor of Nursing)

17. What Nursing units are available in Semester Two if I am just commencing the Bachelor of Nursing course?
Both campuses offer three (3) units in Semester Two that have no prerequisites:
- HESC14900 – Health Science III
- NURS10300 – Primary Health Care
- CSTD10400 – Spiritual Care in Health

HESC14700 Health Science I will be available for Enrolled Nurses (ENs) as well as those who may need to repeat this subject. This unit includes Chemistry if you have not done Chemistry to Year 12 level.

18. As I will be working with people, do I need a Police check and is there a cost involved?
Yes, you will need a National Police check completed at designated police stations. This requires 100 points of ID (excluding a student ID card) as when applying for bank accounts, passports etc. The cost for this set by the NSW Government could be up to $60 payable to the police department. See: http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/about_us/structure/specialist_operations/forensic_services/criminal_records_section/frequently_asked_questions#4

The Handbook states:
"A criminal records/national police check will be undertaken at the commencement of the course as per NSW legislation. A charge, payable by the student, is levied by the government department for this check. An unsatisfactory criminal clearance may result in the student being unable to complete clinical requirements and hence may be unable to continue in the BN program."

This is to be noted for new students and all returning after absence students as well.

19. If I sit a STAT (Special Tertiary Admissions Test), am I eligible to be considered for a Commonwealth Supported Place?
Yes, you will be considered for a Commonwealth Supported Place which is granted on the basis of academic merit. Education and Nursing are the only courses that have Commonwealth Supported Place eligibility.

20. Can I start the Bachelor of Nursing in Semester Two?
Yes, but unless you meet the prerequisites for the nursing unit, you would only be able to enroll in three (3) units and would still require a further three (3) years to complete the degree. However, if you wish to study part-time (2 units), this is possible. If you have credit from previous studies in nursing or a Certificate IV, Diploma in Endorsed/Enrolled Nursing, you then may be able to commence more easily in Semester Two, providing your credit is sufficient to cover Semester One (see Question 17 for further information).

21. What courses are available for Postgraduate studies in Nursing?
- Graduate Certificate in Nursing (by course work)
- Master of Nursing (by course work)

22. What specialties are available for Nursing Postgraduate studies?
- Clinical Nursing
- Clinical Teaching
- Leadership and Management
- No specialisation

23. What is the mode of delivery for Postgraduate studies in Nursing?
- Units are offered by Distance education.

24. How much does it cost per unit for Master of Nursing?
The details are regularly updated on the website under financial information and units on offer. Check our website DEEWR list at: http://www.avondale.edu.au/Main::Students::financial::deewr::2011::2011_DEEWR_LIST_POSTGRAD.pdf

25. Who is the Course Convenor for the Postgraduate course?
The Graduate Studies Course Convenor is Dr Malcolm Anderson.

26. Where can I do midwifery?
There are many educational institutions that offer midwifery both as a postgraduate program or a degree program. A search on Google now reveals there are many universities who have this course available.

27. Is there any advantage of being on the Lake Macquarie Campus for Semester One and Two?
The Sydney campus is conveniently located if you live in Sydney however, you may wish to study Level One and Two on the Lake Macquarie campus before going to Sydney for the rest of your course. Students often say the 'Avondale experience' is the reason why they choose to do this. Both campuses will give you an opportunity to make a wider range of friends and to be involved in a range of on-campus activities.

28. As a Registered Nurse, what further study may I do to enhance my education in my career?
Registered Nurses who have opportunity in their workplace to further develop their skills can undertake courses at Avondale College of Higher Education with a career focus in:
- Clinical Nursing and Clinical Teaching work
- Leadership and management in health services
- Education and Information technology
- Health promotion and community based work

29. I am an RN and wish to do a refresher course. Who do I contact?
San College 02 9487 9211
and ask about the Nurse refresher courses

30. What do the Sydney Adventist Hospital teaching spaces consist of?
- 2 large lecture rooms, and access to many other rooms as required
- Seminar/tutorial rooms
- Access to lecture theatre
- 2 clinical labs with simulated nursing clinical environments
- All are well equipped with models, manikins and nursing equipment
- computer lab for students
- library resources and study rooms
- student common room

31. Do we have access to other hospitals in Sydney?
Groups of students will undertake clinical experience within a variety of areas within the SAH and many other hospitals or health care facilities for learning experiences across Sydney. Clinical arrangements also allow students to access major teaching hospitals in Sydney and other rural or remote locations across Australia.

32. How many rooms are there at the SAH residences?
- 235 rooms
- Accommodation is available for both males and females in single rooms with shared recreation rooms, hygiene, toilet and laundry facilities.
- Separate areas are available for entertaining visitors.
- There is no married accommodation available on site. See the local real estates.

33. What facilities does the SAH offer?
- Swimming pool
- Tennis courts
- Basketball courts
- Cricket practice net
- Access to gym at the South Pacific Division Office
- Recreational room for activities and worship
- Common room
- Buses as required
- Social trips and weekends away

34. When do I commence clinical work?
Early in Semester Two you will undertake clinical practice in hospitals and other health care facilities. In Semester One you undertake simulated (laboratory) nursing skills.

35. How many hours of clinical work are done in the three (3) year Bachelor of Nursing?
You will complete 1040 hours of clinical practice – approx 28 weeks spread over various clinical days and blocks.

Level 5 and 6 students (third year) are able to take the option of a specialty clinical elective.

Third year of the course also includes a service project option. There is a one (1) week project and Avondale College of Higher Education will credit 40 hours for service for such activities as a Volunteer Mission Trip, Rural Fire Service, St Johns Ambulance, or international aid projects or in lieu of this a clinical placement can be completed

Clinical placements are done in a variety of places:
- Private health facilities
- Public health facilities
- Clinics/medical centres assisting a Practice Nurse
- Mental Health facilities
- Community Services

36. Can I study the Bachelor of Nursing on a part-time basis?
Yes and this is typically by choosing two (2) units per semester over the course depending on when the unit choices are offered. There are also pre-requisites for some units. Most students wishing to do part-time will take six (6) years.

37. How much do I have to bring to Registration for uniform, text books, etc?
Sydney Campus students will need to bring enough money for a uniform pack which includes two shirts, one pair of trousers, one pair of protective eye toggles and a name badge – approximately $150 (cheque, cash or credit card—no EFTPOS available).

Allow up to $500 for text books.

38. How long do I have to complete my course?
There is an eight (8) year time limit to complete the Bachelor of Nursing course.

39. What happens after completing my course?
You would normally enter a New Graduate Program. This involves a year of work in a designated new graduate program at a health facility/hospital/aged care centre. This is helpful to consolidate your skills further. You will need to apply directly for a New Grad position so you should check individual health care facilities information regarding their entry requirements.

International graduates will need to have an IELTS of 7 to be eligible. These graduates have help available on campus from an ESL/TESOL tutor.

40. Can I work at the Sydney Adventist Hospital while studying?
Students are able to apply for work from the end of September onwards in the first year of study. The shifts are usually for four (4) hours at any time. To apply see Human Resources Department at the Sydney Adventist Hospital as there is a checklist of criteria to complete re finalised clinical assessments.

On completion of first year, students are eligible to apply for work in an aged care facility for weekend work.

41. What work-value benefits are available for clinical placements?
- Hands on laboratory practice
- Ward simulation set up allowing supervised practice
- More clinicals than most courses elsewhere in a range of facilities (both public and private)
- Clinical specialty elective for final semester (Level 6)

42. Why should I choose Avondale College of Higher Education for the Bachelor of Nursing course?
- Good support and clinical facilitators provided
- More clinicals in a greater variety of areas
- Reputation of graduates who are work-ready
- Staff have a Masters degree or Doctorate
- Christian ethos – throughout the course the concept of "holism" is taught. This meets current health care demands
- Each student treated as an individual

43. What is the spiritual life like at the Sydney Adventist Hospital?
- Multi-denominational and multi-cultural
- Spiritual teaching is included in the unit "Spiritual Care in Health" CSTD10400 studied in Level One (1)
- Sense of community
- Some Friday night vesper programs
- Festival of Faith
- Overseas projects organised by local churches involve the students, eg
  - Cambodia
  - One Mission
  - Africa
  - Philippines
- School of Nursing students are involved and participate in spiritual activities that are designed to aid their personal and professional journey (once a week worship)
- On campus residence halls students are encouraged to initiate, organise and participate in faith building programmes

44. How do I know what date I begin classes each semester?
Online go to: http://www.avondale.edu.au/information::Calendar/ and choose Sydney Campus.

45. How do I obtain meals at the Sydney Adventist Hospital?
- San Café
- San Canteen with food provided on a pay-as-you-go basis.

- Student common room has facilities to make your own food
  - Refrigerator
  - Sink
  - Microwave
  - Hot and cold drink making facilities

- Residence Halls have facilities to make your own food in
  - Shared kitchen

46. What ID cards will I need while on campus?
- Avondale College of Higher Education Student ID card for identification and copying credits
  - City Rail concession travel sticker is granted by completing an application form (not available to international students)
- Sydney Adventist Hospital security card
- Health Care Cards are to be applied for at Centrelink on 131 021. This is means tested
- Apply for your own Medicare card independent of your parents PRIOR to arriving on campus (including NZ).
  - Note that Ambulance is not covered by Medicare

47. Is there internet access?
Computer resources and internet access are located
- Faculty of Nursing and Health
- Library
- Nurses Residence

48. Does Avondale College of Higher Education have insurance to cover my personal belongings?
Avondale College of Higher Education does not hold insurance cover for student personal belongings, nor is there cover for items left in cars, buildings or on campus. Damage or loss is student responsibility.

49. How do I get a tax file number so as to begin work?
Attend
Shop 42 Lemon Grove Shopping Centre
441 Victoria Avenue
CHATSWOOD NSW 2067
Taking

- passport
- birth certificate
- bank details
- any other documentation the Tax Office requires

Or go to

- www.ato.gov.au/individuals

50. How do I contact the SAN for accommodation and meals?
Mrs Chris Gray
Nurses' Residence
185 Fox Valley Road
WAHROONGA NSW 2076
Phone: 02 9487 9330
Email: chris.gray@sah.org.au

51. Who looks after the vaccination records?
The Clinical Office at the Sydney Campus keeps these records

52. How is Advanced Standing processed?

- The Bachelor of Nursing Course Convenor/Assistant Course Convenor assesses each unit from the original transcript and the complete unit/subject outlines that are presented
- The Faculty Learning and Teaching Committee reviews the assessment
- The student is advised of the Advanced Standing which is subject to Nursing Board approval
- Once the student has graduated the Nursing Board has the right to refuse the Advanced Standing whether due to the assessment or matching of the content of the unit/s

53. Do you offer a course for Medication Endorsement?
The Sydney Adventist Hospital College of Education does run a course for this:
Contact: Fiona Blades
Phone: 02 9487 9211
Email: fiona.blades@sah.org.au

54. Does an "Assistant In Nursing" (AIN) course give me entry to the Bachelor of Nursing?
This equates to a Certificate III from TAFE and is therefore not sufficient for academic entry.

55. What scholarships are available?
For a scholarship that will suit your needs, you can print an application form from one of the following websites:
www.rcna.org.au or
http://www.rcna.org.au/scholarships/agedcarenursingschols or
http://www.rcna.org.au/scholarships/government_scholarships or
http://www.rcna.org.au/scholarships/nahsssug

Don't be late sending in your application!

56. I have not done Chemistry at school. Is there a bridging course?
Each year prior to Registration Day there has been a Chemistry Bridging course on both the Lake Macquarie and the Sydney campus for a week. Check for dates closer to the beginning of the year.

57. How is the Dalcross Hospital associated with the Sydney Adventist Hospital?
The SAH has taken over the running of the Dalcross Hospital in Turramurra, NSW, in 2010

58. Where do I find a map of the Sydney Campus?
On our website www.avondale.edu.au click on
Library top right of screen (next to the Facebook sign)
Click on the navy tab “About Us”
Choose the long navy button “Contact Us” under About the Library
Scroll down to the Sydney Campus Map
Click on the Sydney Campus Map and this will give you a pdf to print
This takes you to an address of http://www.avondale.edu.au/library::About_us::Contact_the_Library/ where you may click on Sydney Campus Map