

**Confirmation of work-based
clinical placement support**
Master of Nurse Practitioner

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The Master of Nurse Practitioner program at La Trobe University prepares advanced practice nurses for endorsement as Nurse Practitioners by the Australian Health Practitioner Regulatory Agency (AHPRA).

It is a requirement of admission into the program that the student is supported through a collaborative arrangement with the university and their employing agency to complete 300 hours of work-based clinical placement to support professional development toward competency of the Nurse Practitioner Standards for Practice.

The Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council have prepared an explanatory note to help students and clinical placement providers understand clinical placement requirements in the context of nurse practitioner education. Please see the link below for further information.

www.anmac.org.au/sites/default/files/documents/explanatorynote_supernumerarydefinition_20180417.pdf

The role of the nurse practitioner is an advanced practice role. It extends beyond the traditional scope of the registered nurse to include comprehensive health assessment, developing and initiating therapeutic plans of care, including prescribing pharmacological interventions, ordering and interpreting diagnostic tests and initiating and receiving referrals.

In Australia, nurse practitioners must meet regulatory and professional practice requirements by maintaining endorsement with AHPRA and adhering to the Nurse Practitioner Standards for Practice. The educational requirement for nurse practitioners in Australia is a Master's degree. La Trobe University's Master of Nurse Practitioner is an Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council accredited course designed to prepare graduates for pathway 1 endorsement with AHPRA.

The student's clinical placement hours are attached to clinical internship subjects in the second year of study. They should be carried out with appropriate supervision in an environment that supports the student's professional development. Through online coursework, mentorship and clinical placement, students will develop expert judgement, evidence-based knowledge, and clinical competence in extended practice in their specialty area. La Trobe University will maintain regular contact with students throughout the clinical placement.

This document confirms support for the applicant from the clinical agency and the supervising team.

If the applicant successfully gains a place in the course, a formal agreement between the agency and the university must be completed to fulfil indemnity requirements and clinical governance.

Questions regarding clinical placement should be directed to:

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PLACEMENT DETAILS

Organisation name	
Organisation address	
Organisation ABN	
Term of Schedule	<i>(please insert the two years of intended study duration)</i>
Course title	Master of Nurse Practitioner
Organisation contact (DoN or equivalent)	Contact: Title: Phone: Email: Address: Suburb: Postcode:
Student Nurse Practitioner applicant details	Name: Current Employer: Current title & EFT: Clinical area: Email: Phone:
University contact	Contact: Corinne Dunningham Title: Course Coordinator Email: npcoordination@latrobe.edu.au Address: La Trobe University Suburb: Bundoora, VIC Postcode: 3086
Special Conditions (if any)	<p>By signing this agreement, you verify the organisation employs the applicant and has met the appropriate employment requirements. The organisation commits to providing support and governance for 300 hours of supernumerary, supervised clinical placement in the student's specialty area of practice in line with the ANMAC Explanatory Note for "Interpretation and explanation of supernumerary integrated professional practice for nurse practitioner students". The student does not need to be in a nurse practitioner candidate role during the program. The university understands the organisation is not obliged to make a Nurse Practitioner position available for this applicant at any point.</p> <p><u>Please note that this confirmation of support must be approved by the Director of Nursing or Divisional Director of Nursing (or equivalent).</u></p>

DETAILS OF PLACEMENT

Subject	Number of hours
Clinical Internship for Nurse Practitioner A – NSM5CIA	150 hours
Clinical Internship for Nurse Practitioner B – NSM5CIB	150 hours

SUPERVISING TEAM

Primary Supervisor
Name and title
Qualifications

Please attach the supervisor's curriculum vitae

Supervisor's signature, agreeing to supervision support

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Dated

Secondary Supervisor
Name and title
Qualifications

Please attach the supervisor's curriculum vitae

Supervisor's signature, agreeing to supervision support

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Dated

Director of Nursing/Chief Nurse or equivalent
Name and title
Host organisation

Signature, for and on behalf of the Host Clinical Agency

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Dated

Applicant
Name
Signature

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Dated