ACN’s Graduate Certificate in Dermatology Nursing is designed to meet the educational needs of nurses whom are working in or would like to work in the diverse dermatological environment. The course aims to provide nurses with an advanced knowledge of all aspects of dermatological nursing within a legal, moral and ethical framework that reflects current best practice.

Nurses working within the dermatology specialties require an advanced dermatological and pharmacological knowledge, and an appreciation of the psychological and emotional needs of the people they are treating. By encouraging a professional and ethical understanding of clinical practice development, patient outcomes are improved.

Career opportunities may include:
- Specialist nursing roles
- Clinical education roles
- Management roles.
Course overview
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Students are provided with the opportunity to reflect on and critique their experiences encountered in clinical practice in light of current literature and research. The course also aims to develop knowledge, skills and attitudes relevant to clinical leadership.

This course enables students to:
• Apply specialist knowledge of anatomy and physiology used, to the nursing assessment and management of clients undergoing dermatological treatments
• Analyse the principles of pharmacology and other treatments to apply to the delivery of holistic person centred care
• Develop advanced communication skills in order to establish therapeutic relationships with patients and stakeholders
• Critically reflect upon current practice and learning experiences to promote leadership, knowledge sharing and development of a philosophy of lifelong learning
• Explore the legal, ethical and cultural issues in relation to the nursing care of patients undergoing dermatological procedures
• Reflect on the importance of evidence based practice in the delivery of quality health care.

Participants will be required to successfully complete the following online module provided in partnership with Bravura Education:
• Laser & Intense Pulsed Light Safety Officer training course (Cosmetic Practice)

This is available for no additional fee. Recognition of prior learning will be considered for applicants who have already completed this module or a recognised equivalent course within the last three years.

Why study with ACN?
ACN is a leading provider of postgraduate and vocational education for registered and enrolled nurses. When you study with ACN you can be confident that you have chosen a college that is recognised for providing courses with a strong clinical focus and evidence based practice.

Our comprehensive courses are designed and developed by nurse educators to ensure that they build your clinical skills and advance your knowledge in your specialty area of practice.

With leadership and management skills embedded in our courses at all levels, when you enrol in a course with ACN, you can be sure you are investing in the progression of your career.

Further information, including the units offered and key dates can be found at www.acn.edu.au
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