





Graduate Diploma of Midwifery

✔ Build on your qualifications and experience as a Registered Nurse. Expand your knowledge in the highly respected JCU Centre for Nursing and Midwifery Research. Develop your passion to provide best practice, supportive, family-centred, and culturally appropriate care.

✔ This 1.5 year part-time course combines core subjects with practical experience unique to JCU. You will participate in continuous clinical experience, giving you first-hand experience of working in birthing suites, community midwifery services, maternity wards and special care nurseries.

✔ Students complete two compulsory five-day residential blocks at JCU Townsville. This provides valuable opportunities to network and learn in a collaborative environment. You will undertake intensive studies of Indigenous health and midwifery practice in rural, remote and tropical northern settings.

COURSE DETAILS:

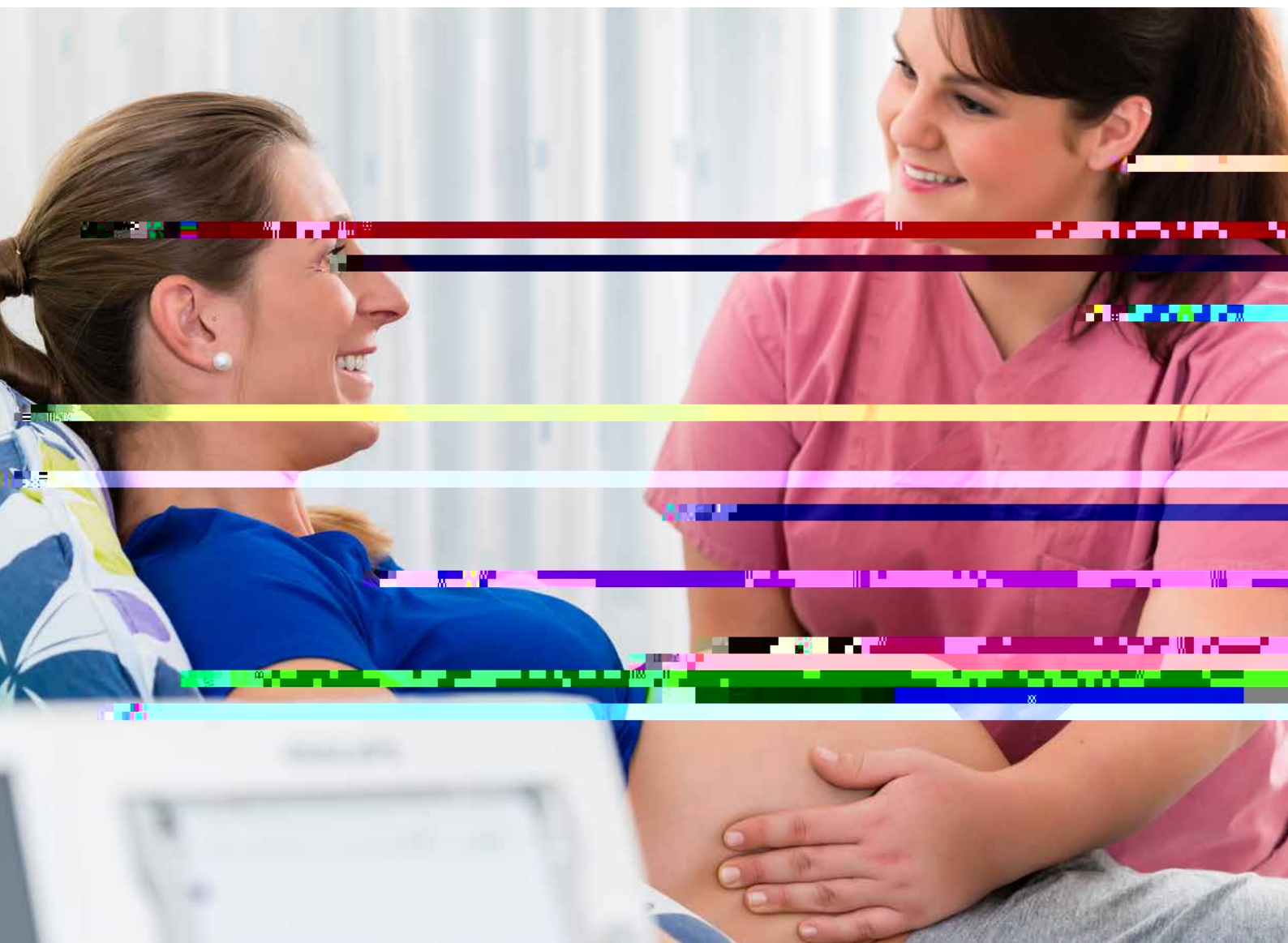
Locations:	Online, may require some on-campus attendance (Townsville)
Start Dates:	February
Duration:	1.5 years part-time
Prerequisites:	Australian nursing registration; AQF level 7 degree in a health-related field; concurrent employment in a Midwifery unit

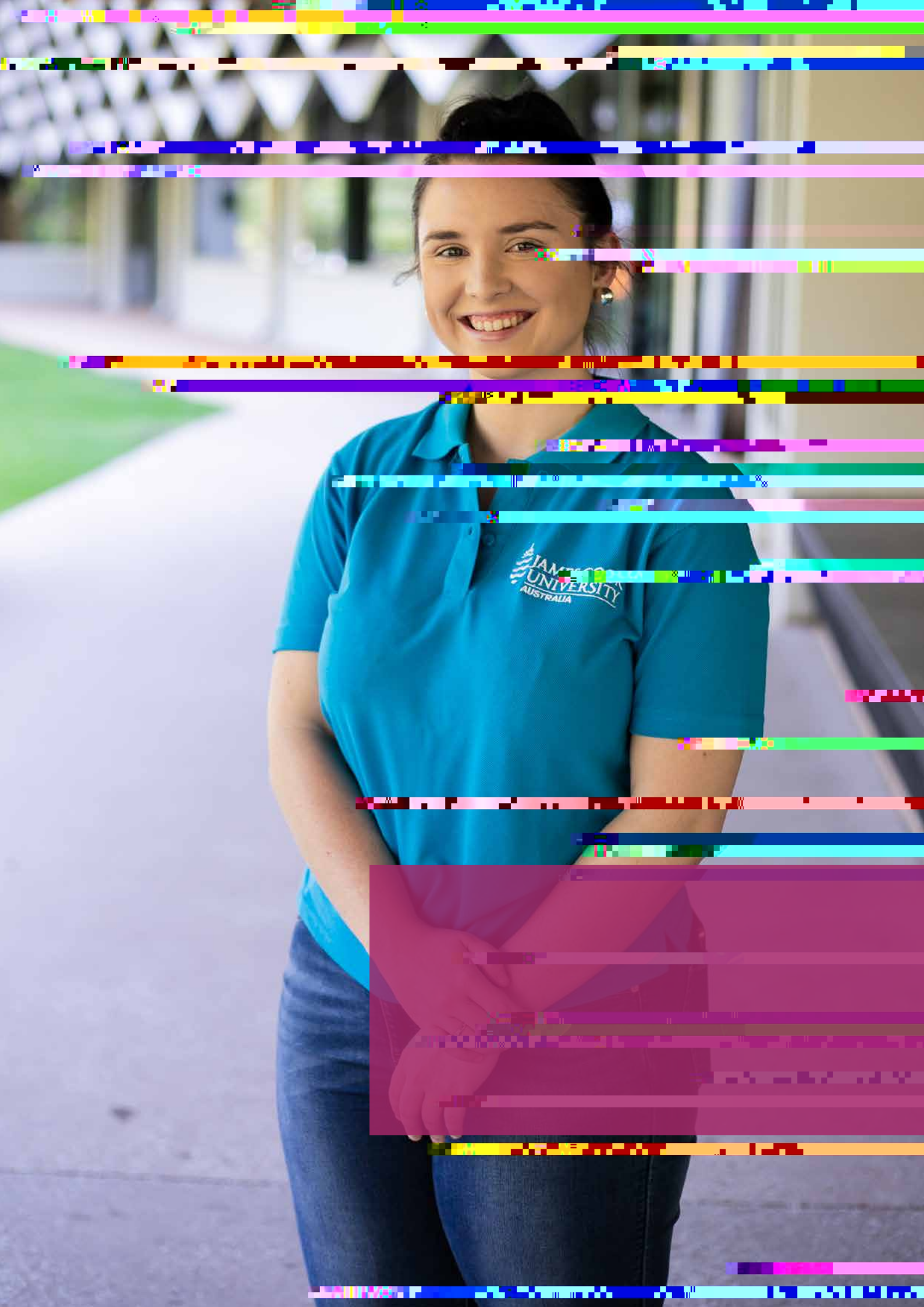
Please visit the [handbook](#) for a detailed outline of the course

Experience has no substitute

The Graduate Diploma of Midwifery is an entry to practice qualification for Registered Nurses, to apply for entry to the professional register to practise as a midwife. The Graduate Diploma entitles the successful recipient to receive the Advanced Practice allowance under Nursing and Midwifery awards. Postgraduate qualifications are beneficial for career advancement and can be credited towards a Masters degree in the future.

The Graduate Diploma of Midwifery is predominantly taught over 18 months, as a part-time online course, with two five-day compulsory residentials held at JCU Townsville. Midwifery is a clinically focused profession, with a number of clinical requirements to be met by the student throughout the course. Prospective students are required to organise their own clinical experience through a Maternity Unit, either paid or unpaid, with a minimum 32 hours per fortnight. Students are also required to provide continuity of care to





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Career Opportunities

Advance your career with JCU's ANMAC accredited Graduate Diploma of Midwifery. Earn the ability to apply for registration as a midwife.

JCU students are highly valued by employers, especially those looking for professional midwifery staff to work in Indigenous, rural or remote settings. Midwives can become autonomous practitioners, providing continuity of care to women through pregnancy, labour, birth and the postnatal period.





Postgraduate coursework applications

Complete an online application through the JCU Online Application Portal.

Applicants must be registered as a nurse in Australia, and:

- Have completed an AQF level 7 bachelor degree in a health-related field at this or another university;
- or have completed qualifications recognised as equivalent to the above;
- or submit as an exceptional case, evidence of professional attainments including professional experience in nursing.
- Have concurrent employment minimum 0.4 FTE in a Midwifery unit.

Graduate Diploma of Midwifery applicants are required to upload the following completed forms and required documentary evidence:

1. [Graduate Diploma of Midwifery Student Application Form](#)
 - a. Current NMBA RN Registration
 - b. Degree testamur or official academic transcript
 - c. Curriculum Vitae
2. [Graduate Diploma of Midwifery Student Placement Agreement](#)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE PLACEMENT

Applicants are required to read the [Graduate Diploma of Midwifery PEP Handbook](#) prior to application.

CLINICAL REQUIREMENTS

Professional experience in the form of clinical placement is sought by the student. It is a requirement of the Graduate Diploma of Midwifery that all students secure a minimum of a 0.4 FTE clinical placement (either paid or unpaid) at an approved clinical facility, for the duration of the course (18 months), prior to application.

HOW TO SECURE A CLINICAL POSITION

Clinical Facilities usually advertise clinical positions for postgraduate midwifery students. You could also approach the midwifery educator at each facility and ask if they employ or support postgraduate midwifery students with clinical placement. We currently have Midwifery students in clinical positions in Central/ Northern Queensland, Northern Territory (NT), New South Wales (NSW) and Western Australia (WA). Apply directly to JCU, either by a form you download, complete and return, or by using an online application process.

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