Expression of Interest

Aboriginal Nursing Cadetship Program

WA Health Aboriginal Cadetship Program offers Aboriginal tertiary nursing students the opportunity to gain paid work experience as an Assistant in Nursing (AIN) while completing their undergraduate degree. It is also an ideal way to lay the foundations for a career in WA Health.

Successful applicants will need to have successfully completed the first year of their studies to be eligible. As part of the cadetship program you will be required to complete hospital based placements of 60 days over a 12 month period (2 semesters) working as an AIN.

Aboriginal Nursing Cadets will receive:

- $500 per semester for books/equipment
- a fortnightly payment which includes your cadetship allowance and placement salary as an AIN.

Who is eligible for a cadetship?

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students enrolled in full-time study in their first undergraduate program at an Australian university and have successfully completed their first year as a student nurse.

How do I apply for a cadetship?

Two easy steps:

1. **Register with ICS** (that’s if you are not already registered)
   

2. **Send an email with:**
   - your response to the following questions:
     - why do you want a cadetship with WA Health?
     - how will this cadetship benefit you?
   - a current resume which includes someone who can provide either a work or character reference for you
   - a copy of proof of full-time enrolment and academic results of first year.

If you are successful in getting an interview you will need to provide:

- **Provide proof of Aboriginality:** with a letter, signed by an authorised representative of an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander incorporated organisation (on letterhead or under a common seal).

As part of the Aboriginal Nursing Cadetship Program, at interview you will be provided with information that will support you access professional development opportunities to successfully work within WA Health as an AIN. If you want to know more call:

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