

Bachelor of Nursing mandatory requirements:

- 1. Basic Life Support (BLS)**
- 2. Hazardous Materials Task Handling (Manual Handling)**
- 3. Mental Health: First Response**

The University of Tasmania is required to comply with all relevant Commonwealth and State legislation and regulations to ensure the safety of students and healthcare consumers. In line with both healthcare industry and accreditation requirements, all Bachelor of Nursing students must be deemed competent on an annual basis in Hazardous Materials Task Handling (Manual Handling), Basic Life Support (BLS) and Mental Health: First Response. Initial training must occur prior to a student's first Professional Experience Placement (PEP).

Students can obtain these mandatory requirements via two options:

1. On campus training at UTAS:

The School of Nursing has partnered with [Intellilearn](#) as its preferred provider to deliver a suite of on-campus combined practical BLS/Manual Handling training; and a separate Mental Health: First Response course each year in conjunction with tailored online learning modules.

The on-campus practical training is delivered by specially trained, experienced registered nurses and is of approximately 5.5 hours duration total (Manual Handling/BLS = 3 hours & Mental Health First Response = 2.5 hours).

Bookings are open now on the Intellilearn website for 2023.

Failure to register for the appropriate sessions may result in your placement being cancelled therefore please ensure you register early as ad hoc sessions are generally not available.

Bookings

To book your sessions, go to the IntelliLearn Student+Safe online booking website via: - <https://www.studentsafe.com.au/> -> and select, 'Book your training here' and then 'UTAS'– (select your campus) Launceston Campus / Hobart campus/ Cradle Coast Campus/ Rozelle Campus' this will direct you to the screen where you may select the sessions you wish to attend.

Once you have made your booking, you will receive your login details to the online theoretical components of the courses which you are required to complete **prior** to your booked practical session. You are required to bring your certificates of the online theory with you to the practical sessions so that they may be signed and dated upon successful completion of the practical assessments.

Please note: The School of Nursing cannot advise on bookings, attendance or program content. Such enquiries, including the need to attend only BLS or Manual Handling, should be submitted directly to Intellilearn via the details below :

office@intellilearn.com Tel: - 08 82315212

2. Off campus training:

Students who opt to complete their mandatory requirements through an alternative provider or have obtained them via their workplace will need to ensure that the programs they have undertaken meets the requirements as set out below.

Please note:

- Any training undertaken that is fully online (no practical components) cannot be accepted.
- Staff are not able to advise students on alternative providers as these differ between regions.

For BLS/Manual Handling, the following will need to be uploaded into InPlace:

- BLS Competency Certificate which includes the code HLTAID002 or HLTAID010 or
- BLS Workplace Certification including course content and/or assessment criteria for practical component of the course (this can be a checklist or letter on employer letterhead practical assessment for competency)
- Manual Handling Training Certification including course content and assessment criteria for practical component of the course (course content needs to include use of slide sheets, hoists and safe transfer of patients). Certificates must also include the name of the training organisation and the training officers name and signature.

Certificates will need to be uploaded into InPlace against the respective compliance item for verification by the PEP Team. The School of Nursing makes the final decision as to whether off-campus obtained certifications meet the required industry/university/regulatory standards as per the above.

Note:

- The NSW Health 'Hazardous Manual Tasks' delivered online through My Health Learning does not include a practical component and therefore cannot be accepted
- While providers may issue a certificate with a long-term expiry date, this is not in line with most health industry practices, and therefore University of Tasmania requirements. Students will still be required to update their competency every 12 months.

For Mental Health: First Response training, the following requirements need to be met:

The Intellilearn offering of Mental Health First Response whilst drawn from the Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) program delivered by Mental Health First Aid Australia, has been developed in partnership with Intellilearn and UTAS mental health academics specifically for nursing students to align to healthcare expectations. Students who have undertaken Mental Health First Aid training through their workplace can submit their certificates to InPlace for assessment and verification providing the following criteria are met.

- Training has been delivered by an approved Mental Health First Aid instructor (as per Mental Health First Aid website).
- The training undertaken is either face-to-face or blended online and face-to-face.

Off campus training:

For students who wish to organise their own training or are not able to attend Intellilearn sessions:

1. The recommendation is to undertake the 'Standard Mental Health First Aid Course' -This covers off the 'general' adult population and mental health across the lifespan.
<https://mhfa.com.au/courses/public/types/standardedition4>
2. Once the correct course is selected, students can then click on '**find a course**' to search their local region for the next available training sessions.
3. Students can undertake either the 'face-to-face' OR 'blended face-to-face' option. It is important that students select training with a face-to-face option as the online only course is not accepted.
4. Sessions are run by either corporate workplaces or members of the community. Therefore, availability and cost will vary and some sessions may be subject to meeting specific enrolment quotas before they are confirmed.
5. Students can book online directly through the MHFA website.

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