# Commonwealth Prac Payment Diploma of Nursing

The Commonwealth Prac Payment (CPP) in Vocational Education and Training (VET) is a grant from the Australian Government to help eligible Diploma of Nursing students manage the costs associated with undertaking a mandatory prac placements as part of their qualification.

# The eligibility criteria for CPP (VET) includes:



being a domestic student



doing at least 30 hours per week at a full-time mandatory **prac placement** 



meeting a **need to** work test

# **Domestic student**

For CPP (VET) being a domestic student means you are either:

- an Australian citizen
- a foreign national with permanent residency, or
- a New Zealand Passport holder with at least six months residence in Australia.

### **Prac placement**

CPP (VET) is only available to Diploma of Nursing students undertaking a full-time mandatory prac placement.

A placement is considered full-time if it averages at least 30 hours per week throughout your placement.

#### **Need to work**

To meet the CPP (VET) need to work test, a student must either:

 be receiving an eligible income support payment (such as Austudy, ABSTUDY, the Disability Support Pension or certain Department of Veterans' Affairs payments),

#### or

 have worked an average of more than 60 hours over a continuous 4-week period during the most recent study period before applying, and has not earned more than \$1,500 per week (before tax) during that time.

## **Evidence**

As part of the application process, you will need to provide evidence that you meet the eligibility criteria. **This will include evidence of:** 



citizenship or permanent residency status



enrolment in a Diploma of Nursing qualification



your mandatory prac placement



your income and hours, if you are working (for example a payslip)



your income support payment statement if you receive one

# **Support**

For more information on CPP (VET), including how to apply, visit