

585-883 Pregnancy Care in General Practice

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
Dates & Locations:	Distance education
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 2-day orientation session at commencement of course Total Time Commitment: 120 hours
Prerequisites:	None
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	Students are required to have access to a computer with e-mail application and a web browser. Technical support is not available from the University of Melbourne in setting up such a system.
Subject Overview:	This subject provides an introduction to pregnancy care in the primary care setting. Its purpose is to develop the clinician's knowledge and skills in the provision of care to pregnant women assessed at low risk of complications. Topics covered include the physiology of pregnancy related to risk assessment, tests and investigations, lifestyle considerations and clinical assessment.
Objectives:	At the completion of this subject students should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Relate the physiology of pregnancy to care provided to a pregnant women at low risk of complications # Understand the different models of maternity care available locally and the scope of practice of all health professionals involved in providing pregnancy care # Provide information and education to pregnant women consistent with evidence based clinical practice guidelines # Conduct clinical assessments for maternal well being and foetal growth in collaboration with the General Practitioner # Develop a resource kit on local services providing information and education on childbirth, breast feeding, preparation for parenthood and local maternal and child health centres.
Assessment:	Theoretical Component:Pregnancy resource folio equivalent to 1,000 words due mid-semester (50%)2,000-word written assignment due end of semester (50%)Attendance at orientation session Pass/fail hurdle requirementClinical Component:Professional practice folio which must include evidence of competency in clinical pregnancy assessment skills due end of semester (pass/fail hurdle requirement)Students must achieve a cumulative mark of at least 50% and a pass in the clinical hurdle requirement in order to pass the subject.
Prescribed Texts:	3 Centres Consensus Guidelines on Antenatal Care, Mercy Hospital for Women, Southern Health and Royal Women's Hospital, 2006 (http://www.3centres.com.au)
Breadth Options:	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Generic Skills:	At the completion of this subject, students should be able to demonstrate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # enhanced skills in the provision of woman centred care # further developed communication skills
Related Course(s):	Postgraduate Certificate in Primary Care Nursing