Information for venues providing a Clinical Facilitator – Undergraduate Nursing Program

Expectations of Clinical Facilitator (venue provided)

- Orientate students to venue on the first day of the clinical placement.
- Venue clinical facilitator will be required to familiarise themselves with the details of assessment criteria, evaluation/assessment feedback sheets, and indication of performance standards. Resource persons available during placement are the University Course Coordinators & Academic Liaisons. Note – Academic Liaisons are the clinical facilitator’s main point of contact. The Academic Liaisons will be in weekly contact with clinical facilitators.
- Venue clinical facilitator will be required to meet with students a minimum of twice weekly to discuss progress and complete assessment tool.
- Assist with student development by facilitating learning experiences within the setting relevant to the year level of the student; promote and facilitate links between theory and practice for students; encourage students to develop skills in problem solving, critical, reflective and creative thinking.
- Assessing the student during placement against the NCAS assessment tool – this is completed at 2 weekly intervals with the student. Where the student is not meeting milestones, contact academic liaison to assist with instigating strategies to inform the student as to the areas they need to demonstrate improvement. Where warranted, a clinical challenge may be implemented in collaboration with the Academic Liaison or Course Coordinator.
- Final written assessment of student’s NCAS assessment tool is to be completed by the venue clinical facilitator at the end of the student’s placement.
- In addition, weekly summary reports regarding students are to be forwarded to the Academic Liaison &/or Course Coordinator.
- During placement, venue clinical facilitators are required to maintain and submit records of all contact and discussion with students to Academic Liaison &/or Course Coordinator.
- To assist venue clinical facilitators in managing student clinical placement and completing the NCAS assessment tool, the University provides an onsite Clinical Facilitator workshop twice a year. Please note attendance at workshop is not reimbursed by the University.
- Additional support information is available for venue clinical facilitators via https://lo.unisa.edu.au/course/view.php?id=5396