The Bachelor of Midwifery Employed Model is an exciting initiative of the NT Health and Charles Darwin University. Top End Health Service (TEHS) and Central Australia Health Service (CAHS) are offering Registered Nurses paid employment while undertaking two years part-time study (0.75 EFT study load, which is three units per semester) in a Bachelor of Midwifery through Charles Darwin University (CDU).

To apply for the program you must:

- be eligible for employment with NT Health and
- meet CDU enrolment criteria.

**Conditions of the Contract**

The Bachelor of Midwifery Employed Model offers registered nurses employment on a 24-month contract as a Nurse 2, while undertaking two years of part-time study in a Bachelor of Midwifery. You will be provided with leave to attend clinical teaching blocks (CTB), however applicants must be able to work all rostered shifts including on-call. It is strongly recommended that students do not work additional shifts, as there is a high academic workload associated with the course.

This employed model pathway cannot be slow or fast tracked.

Employees in the Bachelor of Midwifery Employed Model apply to have course fees reimbursed upon successful completion of units at each semester end.

**Important Dates**

- Application close: 13 November 2019
- Semester One commences: 3 March 2020

SATAC Semester One 2020 admissions:

- Late applications close: 2 December 2019 (fees apply)
- Second round offers commence: 20th December

For further information see the [SATAC key dates](#) website.
Positions and Locations

NT Health Maternity services in Top End Health Service (TEHS) and Central Australia Health Service (CAHS) offer midwifery employed model positions. The positions are located in Royal Darwin Palmerston Hospital (TEHS) and Alice Springs Hospital (CAHS).

Royal Darwin Palmerston Hospital

Royal Darwin Palmerston Hospital (RPDH) is a tertiary referral service for the Top End of Australia. The Maternity Unit offers various models of care including midwifery and medical models of care, shared care, midwifery clinics, domiciliary midwifery service, home birthing service and midwifery group practice (MGP). MGP’s focus on case managing indigenous women in remote communities, women with risk associated pregnancies and women seeking to birth at home. The maternity unit at RDPH has approximately 2000 births per year and provides care for women experiencing normal and risk associated pregnancy and birth. RDPH has a level three special care nursery so transfers interstate are infrequent. The hospital gained Breast Feeding Health Initiative accreditation during 2013 and also has a lactation consultant. RDPH offers weekly pregnancy education sessions for expectant parents previously known as childbirth education classes.

Alice Springs Hospital (ASH)

Alice Springs Hospital (ASH) has approximately 850 births per year. Alice Springs incorporates midwives’ clinics and a Midwifery Group Practice model of care that provides care for all risk women and the opportunity for home birthing. Alice Springs Hospital gained Baby Friendly Health Initiative accreditation for the third time in 2018 and employ a full time Lactation Consultant. Antenatal classes and domiciliary care are provided by the ward midwives.

CDU Clinical Training Block

The Clinical Training Block (CTB) is an integral component of two clinical units: MID202 and MID303. Enrolment for MID202, MID204, MID306 and MID307 is dependent on successful completion of earlier CTBs and pre-requisite units. The two Clinical Teaching Blocks are mandatory and must be successfully completed prior to students attending clinical placements.

A CTB is an intensive program which provides students with an opportunity to practice specific midwifery interventions, integrate theory into practice and develop an understanding of the requirements of professional nursing practice according to the ANMC Competency Standards (2018). It is also a great opportunity for students to meet each other, form friendships and study groups and get to know the lecturers who teach in the CTB.

For further information regarding the CDU Bachelor of Midwifery, including Clinical Training Blocks, visit CDU Undergraduate Midwifery.

Clinical Placements

Students in the employed model have a clinical rotation within the maternity unit, rather than being placed via the CDU Placement Office. It is pre mapped for the entire course and provides the student with the necessary experience and opportunities to complete clinical requirements and skills development.

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Application Checklist

This section contains a checklist of compulsory documentation you need to provide with your application through NT Careers in Government Employment Opportunities Online.

- Cover letter (one page summary)
- Resume (include employment history and existing qualifications)
- SATAC application (please attached proof of application that includes your SATAC reference number)

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