BACHELOR OF NURSING: FORMATTING REQUIREMENTS

**Typeface**
The use of a uniform typeface and font size enhances readability. The preferred typeface for APA publications is Times New Roman, with 12-point font size. Students can also use Calibri or Verdana.

**Line Spacing**
1.5 or double-space between all text lines of the manuscript; this includes your references.

**Margins**
Leave uniform margins of at least 2.5 cm at the top and bottom of every page. Leave a margin of 4 cm on the left hand side of every page. Do not justify lines on right side.

**Paragraphs**
Indent the first line of every paragraph OR leave an extra space between paragraphs. Do not do both.

**Page Numbers**
Use the automatic functions of your word-processing programme to generate headers and page numbers.

Put your name OR student ID number at the top right hand side of every page. Put the page number on the bottom right hand side of every page.

**Title Page**
On your title page include the:
- Assignment title
- Course title and number
- Due date
- Student ID number

**Referencing**
There are different styles of referencing. EIT uses the American Psychological Association (APA) referencing style. There are printed and online APA referencing guides available at the library.
When formatting your references:

- Start the reference list on a new page at the end of your assignment with the title “References” centred at the top.
- Place the list in alphabetical order by the first word of each reference.
- Format the list as hanging indent (first line of each reference is aligned to the left margin with all subsequent lines of the reference indented).
- Use the same line spacing as the rest of your assignment – usually 1.5 or double spacing.

### Spell Check

Use it. Do not rely on spell check for correct use of words. Please use English (New Zealand) style spelling, i.e., do not use American spelling except when quoting.

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### Special Characters

Special characters are accented letters and other diacriticals. Type all special characters that you can, using the special character functions of your word processing program. For example, insert correct accents for words such as Māori, tēna koe and so on.

### Proper Nouns

Always use a capital letter for the first letter of a proper noun. Proper nouns include names of people, places, companies, days of the week and months. For example:

- I live in Gisborne
- The last day in November is a Friday.

### Submitting Work in English and in Te Reo Māori

Students may submit written work in English or in te reo Māori. If a student wishes to answer assessments in Te Reo Māori, this must be communicated to the Programme Coordinator within four (4) weeks of the start of the course. This is in order that appropriate marking may be arranged.

### The Use of “s” with Māori Words

There is no “s” in the Māori language. Therefore there is no such word as Māoris.