

# Nursing Science



## Alexandria (Lexi) Cristaudo - 2022 Mentor Leader

Nursing Science

**CAREER PATH:** The goal is to become an ED nurse but honestly, I am just taking nursing one placement at a time until a unit feels right.

**ABOUT ME:** I am 23 years old, in my second year of nursing and love anything outdoors. I recently became a PADI certified diver and can't wait to plan the next dive. I also have an Australian Shepherd that gives the best high fives.

**FUN FACT:** When I was five years old, I decided to change my name from Alexandria to Lexi.



## Shantel Watkins

Nursing Science

**CAREER PATH:** I'm very excited of the my future prospect of being a Registered Nurse. I hope to specialise in cardiac as I find the heart fascinating. I am also enthralled with the idea of working in the emergency or theatre department.

**ABOUT ME:** I grew up west of Brisbane and have lived in Cairns for the last 8 years. I have 3 children who keep me on my toes.

**FUN FACT:** I scuba dive when I can and love photography.



## Brianna Beach

Nursing Science

**CAREER PATH:** I am excited to pursue my career as a registered nurse and try out a few different pathways through the medical field. The different pathways I am most interested in is midwifery and working in theatre. I would love to work in a rural or remote community.

**ABOUT ME:** I am born in Cairns; I am half Swedish I have lived in New Zealand and Sweden. I am very creative I love doing crafts, knitting, sewing, playing with clay. I am a big outdoors lover and love going on adventures and exploring new places.

**FUN FACT:** I can speak more than one language. I speak fluent English and Swedish.



## Tien Thanh Ta

Nursing Science

**CAREER PATH:** I would like to become a Registered Nurse when I graduate. I am fascinated to further my knowledge and skills in the medical ward in hospital.

**ABOUT ME:** I'm an international student, originally from Vietnam. I have been studying in Australia for 5+ years, especially 1 year in Cairns. I am really into cooking and making new friends.

**FUN FACT:** I have currently had 3 bachelor's degrees in three different disciplines 😊



## Amanda Michna

Nursing Science

**CAREER PATH:** When I graduate as a registered nurse, I plan on continuing my education. I have a special interest in a theatre nursing, particularly alongside a maxillo-facial surgeon, as I have a history working in Orthodontics and find facial surgery extremely interesting.

**ABOUT ME:** I was born in Cairns and have always worked in the health industry. I'm passionate about patient care and positive health care experiences. Prior to beginning my bachelor of Nursing Science, I worked in the Dental profession as a dental nurse and practice manager for 12 years, in particular in Specialist orthodontics. I am the mother of two beautiful girls and I have a charming step son also. I enjoy playing the guitar, hiking with my kids and I spend any other spare time I have MTBiking with friends.

**FUN FACT:** While I can seem reserved and quiet, I am quietly confident and am the lead female vocal in the Cairns Hospital band which is made up of 11 medico professionals from all parts of the medical profession.