

Career Information

Bachelor of Health Sciences in Nursing Science

(This programme may be replaced in 2019 by a new Nursing programme subject to approval by various external bodies.

Location

Indumiso Site, Midlands Campus (Pietermaritzburg)

Description of the Programme

The academic programme extends over a period of four years of full-time study, of which the first two years provides the future professional nurse with a comprehensive foundation in basic sciences; including basic medical sciences and social sciences. Attendance at lectures, clinical health settings, including community settings and laboratories will form the basic pattern. The final year will include a foundation in conducting research in nursing with specific focus in primary health care (PHC) settings. Hence, more than 50% of clinical learning placements will take place in community and primary care settings. The last semester of the programme will focus on consolidating PHC nursing and ensuring that the graduates are able to work in PHC settings immediately after graduation.

The planned teaching and learning experiences provide a broad foundation in basic sciences (medical and social sciences) as well as in-depth and comprehensive knowledge, skills and attitudes in clinical nursing to ensure that qualifying learners have the requisite knowledge and skills to function as professional nurses. More importantly, a community and case based learning approach is chosen to facilitate the development of higher order thinking skills using authentic clinical setting case studies.

Working Conditions

The programme, is DUT's positive contribution to the nation's efforts to double or triple the production of professional nurses in South Africa and in so doing contribute to the country's health human resources strategy. Hence, it is required that participants in this programme sign a contract to practice in South Africa for four years after graduation, inclusive of one-year of community service.

Personal Qualities Required

Nursing involves teamwork, therefore, one needs to be able to work and co-operate with colleagues. It is necessary to have a working knowledge and understanding of the basics of Nursing as a profession.

Career Opportunities

The four-year Bachelor of Health Science degree qualifies you as a general nurse and midwife (community, psychiatry) and opens opportunities for working as a general nurse in any clinical setting. Further career prospects are to continue post graduates studies, specialising in clinical nursing, management or academia.

Entry Requirements

DEPARTMENTAL NSC REQUIREMENTS		DEPARTMENTAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS		
NSC Degree Entry Applicants with 28 (excluding Life Orientation) or more points will be considered.		Exemption (Endorsement) or equivalent qualification.		
Compulsory Subjects	NSC Rating Code	Compulsory Subjects	HG	SG
English (home) OR English (1st additional)	3	English	E	C
Life Sciences	4	Biology	D	B
Maths OR	4	Maths OR Physical Science	D	B
Maths Literacy OR Physical Science	6 4			
And two 20 credit subjects, only one of which may be an additional language	4			

RATING CODE	RATING	MARKS %
7	Outstanding achievement	80-100
6	Meritorious achievement	70-79
5	Substantial achievement	60-69
4	Adequate achievement	50-59
3	Moderate achievement	40-49
2	Elementary achievement	30-39
1	Not Achieved	0 - 29

Additional Entry Requirements:

Standardized Assessment Test for Access and Placement (SATAP) and interview will be used to complement the NSC results to assess the applicants' potential to cope with the academic demands of the programme.

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL): Candidates applying for recognition of prior learning will be required to provide evidence of competence by means of portfolios and/or challenge assessment as per the targeted learning outcomes.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS BASED UPON WORK EXPERIENCE, AGE AND MATURITY

1. For admission to entry level DEGREE studies:

A person may, subject to such requirements as the Senate may determine, be admitted if such a person is in possession of a National Senior Certificate,

Senior Certificate or an equivalent certificate, but lacks the minimum requirements for admission to the degree provided that:

- (a) The person shall have reached the age of 23 in the first year of registration and shall have at least:
- three years' appropriate work experience; and/or
 - capacity for the proposed instructional programme, which shall be assessed by a Senate-approved admission assessment comprising of a DUT Standardised Assessment Test for Access and Placement (SATAP), Academic Literacies (AL) & English for Academic Purposes (EAP) (2,5 hours) and/or an appropriate subject or programme specific written assessment designed and marked by the relevant Department; and the person has obtained
- (b) A conditional certificate of exemption from the Matriculation Board (when in possession of the Senior Certificate (SC)); OR has met
- (c) The requirements for Senate discretionary admission (when in possession of the NSC or equivalent), where Senate is satisfied the applicant has shown sufficient academic ability to ensure success, and that the person's standard of communication skills, and/or work experience are such that the person, in the opinion of the Senate, should be able to complete the proposed instructional programme successfully.
- (d) The person's application for admission in terms of with work experience, age and maturity is approved prior to

Applicants intending to gain admission through work experience, age and maturity must submit their applications at least four months before commencement of the academic year inclusive of the date of scheduling writing a requisite eligibility assessment.

Tuition Fees

To assist you with your planning, the 2019 fees have been registration.

PLEASE NOTE: DUT cannot be held liable for the fees in this brochure as the 2020 fees are not yet final.

NB: For semester programmes there would be a single registration for semester 1 and semester 2 at the beginning of each academic year.

First Year Curriculum Semester 1

	2019 FEES
Anatomy and Physiology IA	R2970
Basic Sciences I	R4150
Clinical Nursing Practice IA	R5810
Fundamental Nursing Science IA	R3220
Personal & Professional Dev I	R1970
OR	
Environmental Awareness for Health Care Pract.	R4430

Semester 2	
Anatomy and Physiology IB	R2970
Fundamental Nursing Science IB	R3220
Clinical Nursing Practice IB	R2910
Community Health Nursing Science I	R6640
Clinical Nursing Practice IC	R8440
Cornerstone 101	R2950
Info and Comm Literacy & Skills	R1850
OR	
Values in the workplace	R1970

Second year Curriculum Semester 1

Anatomy and Physiology IIA	R2180
General Nursing Science IIA	R3210
Community Health Nursing II	R6200
Social Science I	R7480
Clinical Nursing Practice IIA	R3220
Clinical Nursing Practice IIC	R2750
Basic Science II	R4010
Doing it differently	
Child in 21 st century	TBC

OR	
The Entrepreneurial Edge	R1970
Semester 2	
Personal and Professional Development II	R2530

OR	
Issues of gender and society within Health Care	R4430
Social sciences II	R4510
Anatomy and Physiology IIB	R2180
General Nursing Science IIB	R3210
Midwifery II	R6230
Introductory Pharmacology	R1220
Clinical Nursing Practice IIB	R2640
Clinical Nursing Practice IID	R5820

Third Year Curriculum Semester 1

General Nursing Science III	R6040
Midwifery III	R5500
Clinical Nursing Practice IIIC	R5820
Nursing Research IIIA	R3190
Clinical Nursing Practice IIIA	R3710
Pharmacology	R 880
Equity and Diversity	R1850

OR	
The Global Environment	R1850

Semester 2	
Mental Health Nursing III	R6400

Clinical Nursing Practice IIB	R2640
Nursing Research IIIB	R3190
Personal and Professional Development 3	R2530
OR	
Educational Techniques	R4430

Fourth Year Curriculum

Please note that the fees for Fourth Year are not yet finalised, please contact Department

Semester 1	
Ethos and Professional Practice IV	
Clinical Nursing Practice IVA	
Restorative justice	

OR	
Philosophies and History of Healing	
Mental Health Nursing IV	
Clinical Research Project IVA	

Semester 2	
Personal & Professional Dev IV	

OR	
Health Care Management Practice	
Clinical Research Project IVB	
Integrated Primary Health Care	
Unit Management IV	
Clinical Nursing Practice IVA	

Closing Date for applications: 30 September 2019

CAO Code: DUI NS4

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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