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**OLD COURSE
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF NURSING STUDIES (BNS) (MODULAR)**

Introduction

The Bachelor of Nursing Studies (Modular) course is designed for registered nurses. It provides access to a part-time degree programme in nursing for registered nurses. The course will last for a minimum of three years. University examinations will be held each year on completion of modules. The Bachelor of Nursing Studies Degree will be awarded to those students who successfully complete the appropriate number of modules in the appropriate time period. The modules may be taken individually over a period of time or as a whole course. The maximum amount of time to complete the course will be seven years.

Aims

The programme aims to update and extend the registered nurse's knowledge and expertise. It meets the educational needs of registered nurses in different specialties by extending their knowledge and expertise.

Entrance Requirements

- A. General Education
matriculation (NUI regulations) which include Faculty approval for admission
under mature student regulations)
Leaving Certificate, to include the following subjects:
Irish
English
Another recognized language
Mathematics
Physics and/or Chemistry
Any other recognized subject not already selected.

OR

- B. Candidates without these qualifications may apply for matriculation as mature students. Evidence of recent study may be required.

Candidates who do not have the stated educational requirements and who apply for matriculation as mature students may also be required to undertake an aptitude test. Candidates may be interviewed.

AND

C. Registration as a nurse with An Bord Altranais.

Modules and Examinations

First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Nursing Theory and Practice 1	Nursing Theory and Practice 2	Nursing Management (NURS 3017)
Research 1	Nursing Theory and Practice 3	Philosophical and Legal Issues (NURS 3009)
Biological Sciences 1	Communication Skills	Quality Improvement (NURS 3018)
Psychology	Biological Sciences 2	Research 2 (NURS 3010)
Psychology	Social Sciences	Epidemiology and Health Promotion (NURS 3019)

Examinations

Assessment is by course work (essays/projects, term papers) and end of module examinations. Course work is undertaken throughout the programme. University examinations take place in Spring, Summer and Winter.

Exemptions

Where a student has previously completed a course in a subject comparable to that of the degree programme and passed the appropriate examinations, exemption from the course and examination may be awarded in that module, subject to assessment of course and examinations.

Structure

Students attend University for two full weeks each year, for one week in the first semester and one week in the second semester. They also attend lectures one day per week. Total attendance at the University is for thirty-three days in each academic year. Additional time needs to be allocated by students for project and course work and examinations.

Admission

Application forms are available from: The Director, School of Nursing and Midwifery,
University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2.

Note: Graduates of the BNS (Modular) course are not eligible for inclusion in the Nurse
Tutor Division of the Register maintained by An Bord Altranais.

NEW COURSE (commenced September 1997)
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF NURSING STUDIES (BNS) (MODULAR)

Introduction

The Bachelor of Nursing Studies (Modular) course is designed for registered nurses, and builds on the prior learning of registered nurses. All nurses entering the programme must have at least completed a three year programme leading to registration as a nurse with An Bord Altranais. The course provides access to a part-time degree programme in nursing for registered nurses. The BNS (Modular) Degree consists of thirteen modules. Seven of these modules are access modules, and six modules constitute the degree modules. Candidates may apply for exemptions from the access modules provided they have completed comparable accredited modules. Exemptions are subject to the approval of the Faculty of Medicine. Students may not commence degree level modules until all access modules or their equivalent (for which the Faculty of Medicine has granted exemption) have been successfully completed. The minimum time for completion of the degree modules is one calendar year. University examinations will be held on completion of the modules. To obtain the award of the BNS (Modular) Degree, all modules in the degree year must be successfully completed.

Aims

The programme aims to update and extend the registered nurse's knowledge and expertise. It meets the educational needs of registered nurses in different specialties.

Entrance Requirements

- A. General Education
Matriculation (NUI regulations which include Faculty approval for admission under mature student regulations);
Leaving Certificate, to include the following subjects:
Irish
English
Another recognized language
Mathematics
Physics and/or Chemistry
Any other recognized subject not already selected.

OR

- B. Candidates without these qualifications may apply for matriculation as mature students.
Evidence of recent study may be required.

Candidates who do not have the stated educational requirements, and who apply for matriculation as mature students may also be required to undertake an aptitude test. Candidates may be interviewed.

AND

C. Registration as a nurse with An Bord Altranais

Access Modules	Degree Modules
Nursing Theory and Practice (1) (NURS 1019)	Nursing Research (NURS 3010)
Nursing Research (NURS 1020)	Philosophical and Legal Issues (NURS 3009)
Social and Behavioral Sciences (NURS 1022)	Nursing Management (NURS 3017)
Communication Skills (NURS 1021)	Leadership in Nurse Management (NURS 3023)
Biological Sciences (1) (NURS 1030)	Nursing Theory and Practice (D) (NURS 3016)
Biological Sciences (2) (NURS 2014)	Quality Improvement (D) (NURS 3018)
Nursing Theory and Practice (2) (NURS 2013)	

Examinations

Assessment is by course work (essays/projects/term papers) and/or end of module examinations. Course work is undertaken throughout the programme. University examinations normally take place in Spring, Summer and Winter

Exemptions

Where a student has previously completed a course in a subject comparable to an access module and passed the appropriate examinations, exemption from the module (course attendance and/or examination) may be awarded subject to the approval of the Faculty of Medicine. Exemptions will not be granted from Degree modules. All exemptions are at the discretion of the Faculty of Medicine, and all exemptions must be applied for at the time of making application for the programme.

Structure

The minimum time over which access modules may be completed is two semesters (one academic year). Students undertaking all seven access modules over two semesters (twenty four weeks) will be required to attend classes for one full day per week, and one week in each of the two semesters. In addition, they will be required to attend classes one evening per week for a minimum of twelve weeks.

Degree Modules

Students who gain access to the degree programme will be required to undertake and successfully complete six degree modules over a minimum of one calendar year in order to obtain the degree. During the first and second semesters of the degree, students will be required to attend University for one full day per week and for one full week. In addition, students will be required to attend the University for at least twelve evenings in the first and/or second semester. During the Summer, students will not be required to attend classes, but must complete an independent piece of course work.

Admission

Application forms are available from: The Director, School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2.

Note: Graduates of the BNS (Modular) course are not eligible for inclusion in the Nurse Tutor's Division of the Register maintained by An Bord Altranais.

**DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE(BSc) (NURSING) (MODULAR)
New course for students entering Part 1 in September 1999**

Introduction

The course is designed for registered nurses, and is based on the prior learning of registered nurses. All nurses entering the programme must have at least completed a three year programme leading to registration as a nurse with An Bord Altranais. The programme provides access to a part-time degree in nursing for registered nurses. The programme is divided into Part 1 and Part 2. Part 1 consists of six modules, successful completion of which provides access to Part 2 (Degree Modules). Candidates may apply for exemptions from some or all Part 1 modules to gain entry to degree level provided they have completed comparable accredited modules and subject to the approval of the Faculty of Medicine. All Part 1 modules must be completed within three years of commencement of the programme. Students may not commence Part 2 modules until all Part 1 modules or their equivalent (from which the Faculty of Medicine has granted exemptions) have been successfully completed. Part 2 consists of six modules. The minimum time for completion of Part 2 (degree modules) is one calendar year, with a maximum time limit of three years. University examinations will be held on completion of modules. To obtain the award of the Bachelor of Science (Nursing) (Modular) degree, all modules in the degree must be successfully completed.

Course Content

Part 1	Part 2 (DEGREE MODULES)
Core Modules	Nursing Research (NURS 3010)
Nursing Theory & Practice 1 (NURS 1019)	Philosophical and Legal Issues (NURS 3009)
Nursing Research (NURS 1020)	Nursing Management (NURS 3022)
Health Promotion & Primary Health Care (NURS 1033)	**Leadership in Nurse Management (NURS 3023)
Biological Sciences 1 (NURS 1030)	Nursing Theory & Practice (NURS 3016)
Social & Behavioural Sciences (NURS 1022)	Quality Improvement (NURS 3018)
Options	**Issues in Professional Practice (NURS 4006)
*Communications Skills (Option) (NURS 1019)	
*Biological Sciences (2) (NURS 2014)	
*Nursing Theory & Practice (2) (NURS 2013)	
*Teaching/Assessing in Clinical Practice (NURS 1034)	

* One of these optional part I modules must be taken

** One of these optional Part II modules must be taken.

All optional modules may not be offered every year.

Course Structure and Examination Regulations

Part 1 (Access Modules)

The minimum time over which Part 1 may be completed is two semesters (one academic year). Students undertaking all six Part 1 modules over two semesters (twenty-four weeks) will be required to attend classes for one full day per week, and one week in each of the two semesters. In addition, they will be required to attend classes one evening per week for twelve weeks. Students who successfully complete Part 1, and who do not wish to proceed to Part 2, may apply for the award of Diploma in Nursing Studies (Access). Students may not apply for the award of Diploma in Nursing Studies (Access) if they have obtained exemptions from any modules in Part 1.

Part 2 (Degree Modules)

Students who gain access to the degree programme will be required to undertake and successfully complete six Degree modules over a minimum of one calendar year in order to obtain the degree. During the first and second semesters of the degree, students will be required to attend College for one full day and for one full week. In addition, students will be required to attend College for at least twelve evenings in the first and/or second semester.

During the Summer students will not be required to attend classes, but must complete an independent piece of course-work.

Note: Graduates of the BSc (Nursing) (Modular) course are not eligible for inclusion in the Nurse Tutors' Division of the Register maintained by An Bord Altranais.

Examinations

Assessment is by course work (essays/projects/term papers) and/or end of module examinations. Course work is undertaken throughout the programme. University examinations normally take place in Spring, Summer and Winter.

Entry Requirements

- A. General Education
Matriculation (NUI regulations which include Faculty approval for admission under mature student regulations).
Leaving Certificate, to include the following subjects:
Irish
English
Another language accepted for matriculation
Mathematics
Physics and/or Chemistry
Any other subject accepted for matriculation not already selected.

OR

- B. Candidates without these qualifications may apply for matriculation as mature students. Evidence of recent study may be required.

Candidates who do not have the stated educational requirements and who apply for matriculation as mature students, may also be required to undertake an aptitude test. Candidates may be interviewed.

AND

- C. Registration as a nurse or midwife with An Bord Altranais.

Application

Application forms are available from: The Director, School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2. The course is normally advertised in January and the closing date for receipt of applications is normally mid-March.

Diploma in Nursing Studies (Access)

Students who exit the programme on completion of Part I may apply for the award of Diploma in Nursing Studies (Access).

Exemptions

Where a student has previously completed a course in a subject comparable to a Part I module and passed the appropriate examinations, exemption from the module (course attendance and/or examination) may be awarded subject to approval of the Faculty of Medicine. Exemptions will not be granted from degree modules. All exemptions are at the discretion of the Faculty of Medicine. All exemptions must be applied for at the time of making application for the programme.

DIPLOMA IN NURSING STUDIES (ACCESS)

The award of Diploma in Nursing Studies (Access) will be available to students who successfully complete all six modules in Part 1 of the Bachelor of Nursing Studies (Modular) or Bachelor of Science (Modular) degree programmes. This award is only available to students who wish to exit the programme on completion of Part 1, and who do not proceed to Part 2 of the degree examination. Students who successfully complete Part 1 and do not qualify for exemptions from any of the six modules may apply for the award of Diploma in Nursing Studies (Access).

Entry requirements, course components and examinations for this Diploma are as outlined in Part 1 of the Bachelor of Nursing Studies (Modular)/Bachelor of Science (Nursing) (Modular) degree.

**DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MIDWIFERY (BSc)
(MODULAR)**

Introduction

The Bachelor of Science in Midwifery (Modular) is designed for persons who are both registered nurses and registered midwives. Students must also have successfully completed Part 1 of the UCD Bachelor of Science (Nursing) (Modular) or equivalent to gain entry to the programme. Candidates may apply for exemptions from the Part 1 requirement provided they have completed comparable accredited modules. Exemptions are subject to the approval of the Faculty of Medicine. There are six degree modules in Part 2. Successful completion of degree level modules at UCD/NUI leads to the award of Bachelor of Science (Midwifery) (Modular). The minimum time for completion of the degree modules is one calendar year, with a maximum time limit of three years. University examinations will be held on completion of modules.

The course is comprised of a total of six modules as follows:

Part 2: Degree Modules

1. Research II (NURS 3026)
2. Philosophical and Legal Issues (NURS 3009)
3. Midwifery Management (NURS 3025)
4. Risk Management (NURS 3027)
5. Midwifery Theory and Practice I (NURS 3028)
6. Midwifery Theory and Practice II (NURS 3029)

Course Structure

The course is offered only in the part-time mode.

The minimum time for the completion of Part 2 degree modules is one calendar year and all degree modules must be completed within three years of commencement of the degree modules. Students undertaking the degree modules in one calendar year will be required to attend classes for one full day per week and one full week. In addition, students will be required to attend classes for at least twelve evenings in the first and/or second semester. During the Summer, students will not be required to attend classes but must complete course work independently.

Examinations

Assessment is by course work (essays/projects/term papers) and/or end of module examinations. Course work is undertaken throughout the programme. University examinations normally take place in Spring, Summer and Winter.

Entry Requirements***A. General Education***

Matriculation (NUI regulations which include Faculty approval for admission under mature student regulations).

Leaving Certificate, to include the following subjects:

- Irish
- English
- Another recognised language
- Mathematics
- Physics and/or Chemistry
- Any other recognised subject not already included

OR

B. Other

Candidates without these qualifications may apply for matriculation as mature students. Evidence of recent study may be required. Candidates who do not have the stated educational requirements and who apply for matriculation as mature students may also be required to undertake an aptitude test. Candidates may be interviewed.

Candidates must be registered general nurses and registered midwives, or eligible for both registrations, with An Bord Altranais.

Candidates must be engaged in midwifery practice.

Candidates must have completed Part 1 of the UCD Bachelor of Science (Nursing) (Modular) or equivalent.

OR

Hold the award of Higher Diploma in Midwifery from UCD or from any one of the colleges affiliated to the National University of Ireland.

APPLICATION

Applications are made directly to the School of Nursing and Midwifery. Application forms are available from: Director, School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, National University of Ireland, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2. The course is normally advertised in January and the closing date for receipt of applications is normally mid-March.

**DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (NURSING MANAGEMENT) (BSc)
(MODULAR)**

Introduction

The Bachelor of Science (Nursing Management) (Modular) course will provide access to a part-time Degree in nursing management for registered nurses. Students must have successfully completed Part 1 of the UCD Bachelor of Science (Nursing) (Modular) or equivalent to gain entry to the programme. The course is modelled on the existing Bachelor of Nursing Studies (Modular) degree. The Bachelor of Science (Nursing (Management) (Modular) course is designed for registered nurses and builds on the prior learning of registered nurses. All nurses entering the programme must have at least completed a three year programme leading to registration as a nurse with An Bord Altranais. Candidates may apply for exemptions from the Bachelor of Science (Nursing Management) Part 1 modules, provided they have completed comparable accredited modules. Exemptions are subject to approval of the Faculty of Medicine. Students may not commence degree level modules until all access/diploma level modules or their equivalent (for which the Faculty of Medicine has granted exemption) have been successfully completed. The minimum time for completion of the degree modules is one calendar year. To obtain the award of Bachelor of Science (Nursing Management) (Modular) all modules in the degree year must be successfully completed.

Course Content

This part-time programme will be facilitated over one calendar year.

Part 2: Degree Modules
Nursing Research (NURS 3010) Philosophical and Legal Issues (NURS 3009) Nursing Management (NURS 3022) Quality Improvement (NURS 3018) Leadership in Nurse Management (NURS 3023) Health Care Planning and Organisation (NURS 3024)

Course Structure

Students who gain access to Part 2 of the degree programme will be required to undertake and successfully complete six degree modules over a minimum of one calendar year in order to obtain a degree. During the first and second semesters of the degree, students will be required to attend university for one full day per week and one full week. In addition, students will be required to attend University for at least twelve evenings in the first and/or second semester.

During the Summer, students will not be required to attend classes, but must complete an independent piece of course work.

Examinations

Assessment is by course work (essays/projects/term papers) and/or end of module examinations. Course work is undertaken throughout the programme. University examinations normally take place in Spring, Summer and Winter.

Entrance Requirements

A. General Education (Irish students)

- Matriculation (NUI regulations which include Faculty approval for admission under mature student regulations);

Leaving Certificate, to include the following subjects;

- Irish
- English
- Another recognised language
- Mathematics
- A laboratory science subject
- Any other recognised subject not already selected.

OR

B. Candidates without these qualifications may apply for matriculation as mature students. Evidence of recent study may be required.

Candidates who do not have the stated educational requirements, and who apply for matriculation as mature students, may also be required to undertake an aptitude test. Candidates may be interviewed.

AND

C. Registration as a nurse with An Bord Altranais.

D. Candidates must have completed all Part I of the Bachelor of Science (Nursing) (Modular) or equivalent.

Application Procedure

Applications are made directly to the School of Nursing and Midwifery. Application forms are available from: The Director, School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2. The course is normally advertised in January and the closing date for receipt of applications is normally mid-March.

REGISTRATION/DIPLOMA IN NURSING (GENERAL REGISTRATION MODE AND PSYCHIATRIC REGISTRATION MODE)

Introduction

The Registration/Diploma in Nursing is a three year programme, leading to the award of a Diploma in Nursing. This course also represents the pre-registration education and training programme for nursing, and leads to eligibility for entry onto the Nurses' Register maintained by An Bord Altranais. The course is aimed at providing the student with the requisite knowledge, skills, attitudes and professional values for the practice of nursing as a registered nurse.

The Diploma in Nursing is offered in two registration modes. The General Registration Mode leads to eligibility for entry onto the General Division of the Nurses' Register (R.G.N.), while the Psychiatric Registration Mode leads to eligibility for entry onto the Psychiatric Division of the Nurses' Register (R.P.N.).

The Diploma in Nursing is offered in association with the following Schools of Nursing:

- Mary Aikenhead School of Nursing, St. Vincent's Hospital, Elm Park, Dublin 4.
- School of Nursing, Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Eccles Street, Dublin 7, and,
- School of Nursing, St. John of God Hospital, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin.

On award of the Diploma in Nursing, and following registration in the appropriate division of the Nurses' Register maintained by An Bord Altranais, students may opt to study for an additional one year for the award of Degree of Bachelor of Science (BSc.) in Nursing.

Student Status

During the course of the three year Registration/Diploma in Nursing, students are registered as students of the college and are entered onto the Student Nurses' Register maintained by An Bord Altranais.

Entry Requirements

Applicants for admission to the Registration/Diploma in Nursing must:

- (a) be at least 17 years of age on June 1st of the year of application
- (b) have obtained in the Leaving Certificate examination a minimum grade of C3 in two higher level papers and a minimum grade of D3 in four ordinary or higher level papers in the following subjects.

- English
- Irish (not Foundation level Irish)
- Mathematics (not Foundation level)
- A Laboratory Science Subject (Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Physics & Chemistry, (joint) or Agricultural Science)

- Three other subjects (may include Irish or English or a Laboratory Science subject not included already, or other subjects)

or

- Have equivalent second level educational qualifications to the foregoing

(c) meet the minimum educational requirements referred to in the foregoing

The minimum educational requirements referred to in the foregoing paragraph may be accumulated over not more than two sittings of the Leaving Certificate examination or an equivalent examination.

Mature Applicants:

Mature applicants should be 23 years old on or before 1 January of the year of application for admission in Autumn of that year. Information regarding the selection procedures for mature applicants should be obtained from the Nursing Careers Centre, An Bord Altranais, 31-32 Fitzwilliam Square, Dublin 2.

Application Procedure

For 2001 the Central Applications Office (CAO) assumes responsibility for applications for admission to nursing education courses. Applications for admission to nursing education courses in Autumn 2001 will be processed in accordance with the regulations, procedures and timetable described in the relevant 'CAO Handbook 2001' and in other information provided in the 'CAO Handbook 2001.'

For application form and handbook contact:

Central Applications Office,
Tower House,
Eglinton Street,
Galway.

Phone: (091) 509800. Fax: (091) 562344. The CAO web page is <http://www.cao.ie>

Venue

Students attend lectures on the college campus and within the hospital-based Schools of Nursing. Clinical placements are undertaken within the students' parent hospital, at clinical sites in other hospitals and in care settings within the community.

Course Structure

The Registration/Diploma in Nursing course is a three calendar year programme. The course is comprised of theoretical and clinical instruction. During each year of the course, students

undertake clinical placements in a variety of care settings. The General and Psychiatric Registration Modes differ significantly in their content.

Diploma in Nursing (General Registration Mode)

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Nursing (NURS 1001)	Nursing Theory & Practice I (NURS 2001)	Nursing Theory & Practice (NURS 3001)
Anatomy, Physiology and Pathophysiology (NURS 1002)	Nursing Theory & Practice II (NURS 2002)	Nursing Theory & Practice VI (NURS 3002)
Microbiology, Pathology, Genetics and Immunology (NURS 1024)	Nursing Theory & Practice III (NURS 2003)	Nursing Theory & Practice VII (NURS 3003)
Physics, Chemistry and Biochemistry (NURS 1025)	Nursing Theory and Practice IV (NURS 2004)	Clinical Assessment (NURS 3004)
Pharmacology (PHAR 1001)		
Sociology (NURS 1003)		
Psychology (NURS 1004)		
Philosophy (NURS 1005)		
Clinical Assessment (NURS 1006)		

Diploma in Nursing (Psychiatric Registration Mode)

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Nursing (NURS 1007)	Nursing Theory & Practice I (NURS 2010)	Nursing Theory & Practice (NURS 3005)
Anatomy, Physiology and Pathophysiology (NURS 1008)	Nursing Theory & Practice II (NURS 2016)	Nursing Theory & Practice VI (NURS 3006)
Microbiology, Pathology, Genetics and Immunology (NURS 1026)	Nursing Theory & Practice III (NURS 2005)	Nursing Theory & Practice VII (NURS 3007)
Physics, Chemistry and Biochemistry (NURS 1027)	Nursing Theory & Practice IV (NURS 2006)	Clinical Assessment (NURS 3008)
Pharmacology (PHAR 1002)		
Sociology (NURS 1028)		
Psychology (NURS 1031)		
Philosophy (NURS 1032)		
Clinical Assessment (NURS 1029)		

Diploma in Nursing (General Registration Mode) (1999 Intake)

Year I

Nursing Theory & Practice I (NURS1035)
Nursing Theory & Practice II (NURS1036)
Anatomy, Physiology and
Pathophysiology (NURS1002)
Microbiology/Genetics/Immunology/
Pharmacology (NURS1038)
Physics/Chemistry/Biochemistry (NURS1025)
Sociology (NURS1003)
Psychology (NURS1039)
Philosophy & Ethics (NURS1005)
Clinical Assessment (NURS1006)

Year II

Pathology/Pharmacology (NURS 2026)
Nursing Theory & Practice III (NURS2027)
Nursing Theory & Practice IV (NURS2028)
Nursing Theory & Practice V (NURS2029)
Nursing Theory & Practice VI (NURS2036)
Clinical Assessment (NURS2037)

Diploma in Nursing (General Registration Mode) 2000 Intake

Year I

Nursing Theory and Practice I (NURS1035)
Nursing Theory and Practice II (NURS1036)
Anatomy, Physiology and Pathophysiology (NURS 1002)
Microbiology/Genetics/Immunology/Pharmacology (NURS1038)
Physics/Chemistry/Biochemistry (NURS 1025)
Sociology (NURS 1003)
Psychology (NURS 1039)
Philosophy & Ethics (NURS 1005)
Clinical Assessment (NURS1006)

Diploma in Nursing (Psychiatric Registration Mode) (2000 Intake)

Year I

Nursing Theory and Practice I (NURS1042)
Nursing Theory and Practice II (NURS1043)
Anatomy, Physiology and Pathophysiology (NURS 1008)
Microbiology/Genetics/Immunology/Pharmacology (NURS1045)
Physics/Chemistry/Biochemistry (NURS 1027)
Sociology (NURS 1028)
Psychology (NURS1049)
Philosophy & Ethics (NURS 1032)
Clinical Assessment (NURS1029)

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
(NURSING)**

Introduction

A one-year Degree of Bachelor of Science (Nursing) is offered. This course is designed to enable students who have completed the Registration/Diploma in Nursing course to advance their professional education to degree level. Students may undertake the course by either full-time or part-time modes of study as follows:

- Full-time mode: January-September
- Part-time mode #1: January-December
- Part-time mode #2: September-June

Part-time mode students may take up to three years to complete the programme.

Aim of the Programme

The course is designed to build upon and advance the student's repertoire of knowledge, skills, attitudes and professional values that were developed during the course of the Registration/Diploma in Nursing course.

Entry Requirements

Be entered onto the General or Psychiatric or Mental Handicap division of the nurses' register maintained by An Bord Altranais

Have successfully completed the Registration/Diploma in Nursing at University College Dublin and hold a Diploma in Nursing from the National University of Ireland, Dublin or from any one of the colleges affiliated to the National University of Ireland

or

Students who hold the Diploma in Nursing from any other third-level institution within the Republic of Ireland or its equivalent, or from a third-level institution within the European Union will be considered for entry onto the programme on an individual basis.

All students pursuing the course are required to be currently engaged in clinical nursing practice. However, students pursuing the full-time mode of study shall not be permitted to

engage in more than one duty shift per week. Students pursuing a part-time option are required to demonstrate evidence of engagement in clinical nursing practice, either in a supernumerary or in a salaried capacity.

Course Content

The course consists of six degree modules of study. All six modules are taken as core modules.

Core Degree Modules

Nursing Research (NURS 4002)
Philosophical and Legal Issues (NURS 4005)
Nursing Management (NURS 4003)
Nursing Theory and Practice (NURS 3016)
Quality Improvement (NURS 4004)
Issues in Professional Practice (NURS 4006)

Examinations

All modules of the course must be completed within three years following the commencement of the course. Assessment is by course work and/or end of module examinations. Course work is undertaken throughout the programme. University Examinations normally take place in Spring, Summer and Winter.

Application

Applications are made directly to the School of Nursing and Midwifery. Application forms are available from: The Director, School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2.

HIGHER DIPLOMA IN MIDWIFERY

Introduction

This programme is offered in co-operation with the Coombe Women's Hospital and the National Maternity Hospital schools of midwifery. It is a two year programme of academic and clinical work, which will be delivered in designated schools of midwifery. Schools of midwifery will have one or two intakes of students per year. On completion of the programme, if required, students will sit, in addition to the diploma examinations, the professional examinations set by An Bord Altranais for registration as a midwife.

Venue and Duration

The course is of two years' duration. Students will be based in the hospital schools of midwifery, and will be employed by the hospital for the two year period of the programme.

Entrance Requirements

- A. General Education
Matriculation (NUI regulations which include Faculty approval for admission under mature student regulations)
Leaving Certificate, to include the following subjects:
Irish
English
Mathematics
A laboratory science subject
Two other recognized subjects not already selected.
- B. *Registrations as a General Nurse.*

Examinations

First University Examination in Midwifery

- Midwifery 1 (MDRD P003)
- Midwifery 2 (MDRD P004)
- Clinical Assessment (NURS P028)

Second University Examination in Midwifery

- Midwifery 3 (MDRD P005)
- Midwifery 4 (MDRD P006)
- Clinical Assessment 1 (NURS P029)
- Clinical Assessment 2 (NURS P030)

In addition, students will undertake course work.

Application Procedure

Students should apply to the School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin, for further information and details of participating hospitals.

HIGHER DIPLOMA IN MIDWIFERY
Commencing September 2000

Introduction

This programme is offered in co-operation with the Coombe Women's Hospital and the National Maternity Hospital Schools of Midwifery. It is a two year programme of academic and clinical work, which will be delivered in designated schools of midwifery. Schools of midwifery will have one or two intakes of students per year. On successful completion of the programme students are eligible to apply to register as a midwife with An Bord Altranais.

Venue and Duration

The course is of two years' duration. Students will be based in the hospital schools of midwifery, and will be employed by the hospital for the two year period of the programme. Clinical placements are an integral part of the programme.

Entrance Requirements

A. General Education

Matriculation (NUI regulations which include Faculty approval for admission under mature student regulations)

Leaving Certificate, to include the following subjects:

Irish

English

Another recognised language

A laboratory science subject

Any other recognized subject not already selected.

C. *Registration or be eligible for Registration as a General Nurse with An Bord Altranais.*

Examinations

University Examinations will take place at the end of each year of the programme. Course work undertaken throughout the programme will constitute part of the student's assessment.

First Higher Diploma Examination in Midwifery

Midwifery 1 (MDRDP007)

Midwifery 2 (MDRDP008)

Clinical Assessment 1 (NURS P153)

Clinical Assessment 2 (NURSP154)

Higher Diploma Examination in Midwifery

Midwifery 3 (MDRD P009)
Midwifery 4 (MDRD P010)
Clinical Assessment 1 (NURS P155)
Clinical Assessment 2 (NURS P156)
Clinical Assessment 3 (NURS P157)
Clinical Assessment 4 (NURS P158)

Application Procedure

Students should apply to the School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin, for further information and details of participating hospitals.

**HIGHER DIPLOMA IN NURSING STUDIES
(Accident and Emergency Nursing)**

Introduction

This part-time Higher Diploma programme is offered in association with the Post-Registration Education Nursing Department in the Mater Misericordiae Hospital. It will give academic accreditation to Higher Diploma level, to a specialist course in Accident and Emergency Nursing. Students will be taught in University College Dublin and in the Mater Misericordiae Hospital.

Students will attend University College Dublin for their theoretical instruction in Year One. Supernumerary clinical placements will occur in Year Two and/or Year 1. Theoretical instruction will be facilitated in Year Two by University College Dublin and the Mater Misericordiae Hospital.

Aim of the Programme

This Higher Diploma programme is designed to expand the knowledge, skills and attitudes of nurses engaged in the care of people who are ill or injured at the first point of contact with the Accident and Emergency setting.

Entrance Requirements

- Leaving Certificate in six subjects.
- RGN with a minimum of two years' experience which must be on an acute general medical/surgical ward.
- Candidates must be employed in the Accident and Emergency Department for at least six months prior to, and for the duration of, the course. Candidates must obtain the commitment of both the Director of Nursing and the Accident and Emergency Sister, in writing, when accepting the offer of a place on the course, to enable them to work in the Accident & Emergency care area for the duration of the two years of the course.
- Current hospital certificates in Basic Life Support (CPR), Manual Handling and Patient Lifting, and Intravenous Drug Administration. These must be submitted to the course leader (UCD) prior to entry.
- Hepatitis B vaccination.
- Evidence of recent study desirable.

Exemptions

It is possible to gain exemptions from part of this course on the basis of comparable prior study. Applicants must apply for exemptions at the time of application.

Course Content

<i>Year 1</i>	<i>Year 2</i>
Nursing Theory and Practice I (Accident and Emergency Nursing) (NURS P083)	Biological Sciences II (NURS P089)
Nursing Theory and Practice II (Accident and Emergency Nursing) (NURS P084)	Epidemiology and Health Promotion (NURS P090)
Biological Sciences I (NURS P085)	Nursing Theory and Practice III (Accident and Emergency Nursing) (NURS P087)
Social and Behavioural Sciences (NURS P086)	Nursing Theory and Practice IV (Accident and Emergency Nursing) (NURS P087)
Nursing Research (NURS P013)	Nursing Theory and Practice V (Accident and Emergency Nursing) (NURS P088)
	Nursing Theory and Practice VI (Accident and Emergency Nursing) (NURS P088)

Examinations

The Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Accident and Emergency Nursing) examinations will be held in the Summer and Autumn. Course work undertaken throughout the programme will constitute part of the student's assessment.

Application

Application forms are available from the School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2.

**Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Accident & Emergency Nursing)
Revised Format 2000-01**

Introduction

This two-year part-time Higher Diploma programme is designed to expand the knowledge, skills and attitudes of nurses engaged in the care of people who are ill or injured at the first point of contact with the Accident and Emergency setting. This programme may also be undertaken in an accelerated mode over one calendar year. The Higher Diploma programme is offered in association with the Post-Registration Education Nursing Department in the Mater Misericordiae Hospital. It will give academic accreditation, to Higher Diploma level to a specialist course in Accident and Emergency Nursing. Students will be taught in University College Dublin and in the Mater Misericordiae Hospital and/or St. Vincent's Hospital, Elm Park.

Entrance Requirements

- Registration as a General Nurse with An Bord Altranais, with two years post-registration experience in general nursing.
- Candidates must be employed in the Accident and Emergency Department for at least six months prior to, and for the duration of, the course. Candidates must obtain the commitment in writing of both the Director of Nursing and the Accident and Emergency Sister, when accepting the offer of a place on the course, that they will be facilitated to work in the Accident and Emergency care area for the duration of the course.
- Current hospital certificates in Basic Life Support (CPR), Manual Handling and Patient Lifting, and Intravenous Drug Administration. These must be submitted to the course leader (UCD) prior to entry.
- Hepatitis B vaccination.

Evidence of recent study desirable.

Exemptions/Credits

It is possible to gain exemptions/credits from part of this course on the basis of comparable prior study. Applicants must apply for exemptions at the time of application.

Course Content

Year I	Year II
Nursing Theory and Practice I (Accident and Emergency Nursing) (NURS P083)	Nursing Theory and Practice III and IV (Accident and Emergency Nursing) (NURS P087)
Nursing Theory and Practice II (Accident and Emergency Nursing) (NURSP084)	Nursing Theory and Practice V and VI (Accident and Emergency Nursing) (NURS P168)
Biological Sciences I (NURS P167)	Biological Sciences II (NURS PO89)
Nursing Research (NURS P013)	Epidemiology and Health Promotion (NURS P169)

Accelerated Mode

Students on the accelerated mode complete all the above modules in a calendar year.

Clinical Placements

Clinical learning which is pursued in the normal course of the student's work is an essential aspect of this programme. In addition some specialist clinical placements are provided in the programme, where students are required to complete consolidation placements. Students must meet all clinical placement and assessment requirements.

Examinations

University examinations will be held in Winter, Spring, Summer and Autumn. Course work undertaken throughout the programme will constitute part of the student's assessment.

Award

On successful completion of the programme, a student will be awarded a Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Accident and Emergency Nursing). This is a Higher Diploma of the National University of Ireland.

Application

Applicants should apply to the School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2.

**HIGHER DIPLOMA IN NURSING STUDIES
(Critical Care Nursing)**

Introduction

This part-time Higher Diploma programme is offered in association with the Post-Registration Nurse Education Centre at the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Eccles Street and St. Vincent's Hospital, Elm Park. It will give academic accreditation to Higher Diploma level to a specialist course in Critical Care Nursing (cardiovascular nursing and intensive care nursing). Students will be taught in University College Dublin, Dublin 2; the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Eccles Street; and St. Vincent's Hospital, Elm Park, Dublin 4.

Aim of the Programme

This Higher Diploma programme is designed to expand the knowledge and skills of nurses engaged in the care of people within the critical care environment.

Entrance Requirements

Candidates must be employed in a Coronary Care Unit (CCU)/Catheterisation Laboratory/Cardiac Ward or Intensive Care Unit (ICU), High Dependency Unit (HDU) or combined Coronary Care-Intensive Care Unit at the commencement of, and for the duration of, the programme.

In addition, if a student is employed in a Coronary Care Unit/Catheterisation Laboratory/Cardiac Ward or Intensive Care Unit, documented evidence from the Director of Nursing must be provided, which guarantees placement in a Coronary Care Unit from June to December in Year One, and placement in an Intensive Care Unit from January to June in Year Two.

Application

Application forms are available from the Director, School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2.

Course Content

<i>Year 1</i>	<i>Year 2</i>
Nursing Theory and Practice I (Critical Care Nursing) (NURS P064) Nursing Research (NURS P013) Nursing Theory and Practice II (Critical Care Nursing) (NURS P065) Biological Sciences I (NURS P066) Social and Behavioural Sciences (NURS P067) Nursing Theory and Practice III (Critical Care Nursing) (NURS P068)	Nursing Theory and Practice IV (Critical Care Nursing) (NURS P068) Nursing Theory and Practice V (Critical Care Nursing) (NURS P069) Nursing Theory and Practice VI (Critical Care Nursing) (NURS P069) Care of the Person with Trauma/Surgery Cardiothoracic * Option (NURS P071) Nursing Theory and Practice VII (Critical Care Nursing) (NURS P069) Nursing Theory and Practice VIII (Critical Care Nursing) (NURS P069) Biological Sciences II (NURS P070) Health Promotion and Health Education (NURS P072)

<i>Year 1</i>	<i>41 days</i>	<i>Year 2</i>	<i>45 days</i>
26 single study days:		20 single study days:	
Block week	November	Clinical week	November
Block week	February	Clinical week	February
Clinical week	June	Clinical week	March/April
		Clinical week	June
		Clinical week	July

Examinations

University examinations will take place at the end of each academic year. Course work undertaken throughout the programme will constitute part of the student's assessment. The Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Critical Care Nursing) examinations must be passed within two years of entering the respective year.

Clinical Placements

Students must have a documented record of 100% attendance at each supernumerary clinical placement before they can be eligible for a pass mark on their clinical assessment.

Award

On successful completion of the course, a student will be awarded a Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Critical Care Nursing). This is a Higher Diploma of the National University of Ireland.

Exemptions

It is possible to gain exemptions from part of this course on the basis of comparable prior study. Applicants must apply for an exemption at the time of application, and it must be completed and returned with all the relevant data immediately. On successful completion of the Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Critical Care Nursing), students may apply for exemptions from Access Modules of the Bachelor of Science (Nursing) degree.

**Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Critical Care Nursing)
Revised Format 2000-01**

Introduction

This part-time Higher Diploma programme is designed to expand the knowledge and skills of nurses engaged in the care of people within the critical care environment. The programme is offered in association with the Post-Registration Education Nursing Department at the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Eccles Street and School of Nursing St. Vincent's Hospital, Elm Park. It will give academic accreditation, to Higher Diploma level, to a specialist course in Critical Care Nursing (cardiovascular nursing or intensive care nursing). The programme may also be pursued in an accelerated mode over one calendar year. Students will be taught in University College Dublin, Dublin 2; the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Eccles Street; and St. Vincent's Hospital, Elm Park, Dublin 4. Clinical placements will also be offered in the Blackrock Clinic and the Mater Private Hospital, Eccles Street.

Entrance Requirements

Applicants should be registered as a General Nurse with An Bord Altranais with a minimum of one year's post registration nursing experience, and should be engaged in cardiovascular or intensive care nursing.

Candidates who undertake the cardiovascular pathway must be employed in a Coronary Care Unit (CCU)/Catheterisation Laboratory/Cardiac Ward or Combined Coronary-Intensive Care Unit at the commencement of, and for the duration of, the programme. In addition, each student must provide documented evidence from the Director of Nursing which guarantees a placement in an Coronary Care Unit for a minimum of six months to run simultaneously with specialist modules.

Candidates who undertake the intensive care pathway must be employed in an Intensive Care Unit/High Dependency Unit or Combined Intensive Care – Coronary Care Unit at the commencement of and for the duration of the programme. In addition, each student must provide documented evidence from the Director of Nursing, which guarantees a placement in an Intensive Care Unit for a minimum of six months to run simultaneously with specialist modules.

Exemptions/Credits

It is possible to gain exemptions from part of this course on the basis of comparable prior study. All exemptions are at the discretion of the Faculty of Medicine, and all exemptions must be applied for at the time of making application for the programme. On successful

completion of the Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Critical Care Nursing) cardiovascular nursing option, students may apply to complete the intensive care nursing option or vice versa.

Course Content

Year 1	Year 2 (Students pursue one Option)
Nursing Theory & Practice 1 (Critical Care Nursing (NURS P064) Nursing Research (NURS P013) Nursing Theory and Practice II (Critical Care Nursing) (NURS P065) Biological Sciences (NURS P166)	Health Promotion and Health Education (NURS P072) Cardiovascular Nursing Option Nursing Theory and Practice (CV) III (Critical Care Nursing) (NURS P159) Nursing Theory and Practice (CV)IV (Critical Care Nursing) (NURS P160) Nursing Theory and Practice(CV) VIII (Critical Care Nursing) (NURS P161) Intensive Care Nursing Option Nursing Theory and Practice(IC) V (Critical Care Nursing) (NURS P162) Nursing Theory & Practice (IC) VII (Critical Care Nursing) (NURS P165) Nursing Theory & Practice (IC) VI (Trauma/Major Surgery Option) (NURS P163) OR Nursing Theory & Practice (IC) VI (Cardiothoracic Option) (NURS P164)

Accelerated Mode

Students on the accelerated mode complete all the above modules in a calendar year.

Clinical Placements

Clinical learning is an essential aspect of this programme. Students are required to complete learning outcomes on consolidation placements in their own respective hospital. In addition, specialised foundation supernumerary clinical teaching placements are facilitated concurrently with specialist modules. All clinical requirements must be completed before the Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Critical Care Nursing) can be awarded.

Examinations

Assessments by course work (essays, case study, case conferences, patient education sessions, nursing rounds, critical incidents) and/ or end of module examinations. Course work is undertaken throughout the programme. University examinations normally take place in Spring, Summer and Winter.

Award

On successful completion of the course, a student will be awarded Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Critical Care Nursing). This is a Higher Diploma of the National University of Ireland.

Application

Application forms are available from the Director, School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2.

**HIGHER DIPLOMA IN NURSING STUDIES
(Sick Children's Nursing)**

Introduction

This Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies is designed for Registered Nurses and extends over a seventy- eight week period. It is offered in association with Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children, Crumlin and The Children's Hospital, Temple Street.

Entrance Requirements

- A. General Education
Matriculation (NUI regulations which include faculty approval for admission under mature student regulations). Leaving Certificate in six subjects.
- B. Registration or eligible for Registration as Nurse with An Bord Altranais.

Aim of the Programme

This programme prepares nurses to care for sick children. The student undertaking this programme will gain experience in clinical settings where adaptation to rapidly changing environments will facilitate the style of activity and decision making required for professional practice. The experience will be supervised and co-ordinated by appropriately qualified and experienced nurses responsible for creating, maintaining and developing a supportive environment which optimises care and education. Designated clinical practice areas will be selected that provide appropriate family centred care; that embrace the programme philosophy, and are supportive of student education and life-long learning.

Course Content

Fundamentals of Sick Children's Nursing
Nursing theory and Practice I
Research
Nursing theory and Practice II
Sick Children's Nursing Studies I
Physical and Biological Sciences
Sick Children's Nursing Studies II
Sick Children's Nursing Studies III
Social and Behavioural Sciences
Nursing Theory and Practice III
Sick Children's Nursing Studies IV
Sick Children's Nursing Studies V
Nursing Theory and Practice IV
Sick Children's Nursing Studies VI

Students undertake both theoretical and clinical work throughout the programme. Students will have over two thousand hours of focused clinical placements in Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children, Crumlin and The Children's Hospital, Temple Street.

Clinical Placement Requirements.

A. Clinical Instruction

Students are required to receive the following minimum of weeks in clinical placements over the seventy-eight weeks of the programme.

CLINICAL INSTRUCTION	MINIMUM NUMBER OF WEEKS
Nursing children with medical/surgical disorders	20 weeks
Nursing the infant up to one year	8 weeks
Nursing children in accident and emergency /out patients	6 weeks
Nursing children requiring high dependency care	4 weeks
Care of the child in the operating theatre	2 weeks
*Maternity care	2 weeks
Home nursing	1 week

*If obtained in a previous registration course by student it is not necessary to repeat

B. Clinical Assessment(s).

Clinical assessment(s) will take place in the clinical area to which the student is currently allocated at the time of the assessment. Students must have at least had two weeks working experience in the particular clinical area prior to an assessment. Students must pass a minimum of four clinical assessments during the seventy eight week period. One of these assessments will contribute to Part 1 of the Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Sick Children's nursing) Examination. All clinical requirements must be completed before the results of the clinical assessment are submitted to a Board of Examiners.

Examinations

PART 1: HIGHER DIPLOMA EXAMINATION IN NURSING STUDIES(SICK CHILDREN'S NURSING).

Sick Children's Nursing 1 (MDRD P001)
Clinical Assessment(s)

HIGHER DIPLOMA EXAMINATION IN NURSING STUDIES (SICK CHILDREN'S NURSING)

Sick Children's Nursing 2. (MDRD P002)
Clinical Assessment(s)

Successful completion of Part 1 Higher Diploma Examination and The Higher Diploma Examination in Nursing Studies (Sick Children's Nursing) is on the basis of fulfilling the theoretical requirements in relation to course work and examinations and fulfilling the clinical placement requirements in relation to attendance and assessment(s). Part 1 of the Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Sick Children's Nursing) University Examination must be passed before entering for The Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Sick Children's Nursing) Examination.

Award

The programme includes both theoretical and clinical work . Students who have met the Higher Diploma Examination criteria set by University College Dublin will be awarded a Higher Diploma In Nursing Studies (Sick Children's Nursing). This is a Higher Diploma of the National University of Ireland. For new entrants from Autumn 1999 onwards, successful completion of the programme enables students to register as Sick Children's Nurses (R.S.C.N.) with An Bord Altranais.

Application

Applicants should apply to the School of Nursing and Midwifery, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2, for further information and details of participating hospitals.

**HIGHER DIPLOMA IN NURSING STUDIES
(Diabetes Nursing)**

Introduction

This part-time Higher Diploma programme is offered in partnership with the Post-Registration Nurse Education Centre in the Mater Misericordiae Hospital. It will give academic accreditation to Higher Diploma level to a specialist course in Diabetes Nursing. Students will be taught in University College Dublin and in the Mater Misericordiae Hospital.

Entrance Requirements

Applicants should be registered as a General Nurse with a minimum of two years' experience, and be currently engaged in the care of persons with Diabetes.

Aim of Programme

This Higher Diploma programme is designed to expand the knowledge and skills of nurses engaged in the care of persons with Diabetes.

<i>Year 1</i>	<i>Year 2</i>
Nursing Theory and Practice I (Diabetes Nursing) (NURS P050) Nursing Theory and Practice II (Diabetes Nursing) (NURS P051) Nursing Research (NURS P013) Biological Sciences I (NURS P052) Social and Behavioural Sciences (NURS P053)	Nursing Theory and Practice III (Diabetes Nursing) (NURS P054) Nursing Theory and Practice IV (Diabetes Nursing) (NURS P054) Nursing Theory and Practice V (Diabetes Nursing) (NURS P055) Biological Sciences II (NURS P056) Health Promotion and Health Education (NURS P092) Clinical Placements (NURS P058)

<i>Year 1</i>	<i>33 days</i>	<i>Year 2</i>	<i>33 days</i>
23 Single Study Days		18 Single Study Days	
Block Week	November	Clinical Week	November
Block Week	February	Clinical Week	February
		Clinical Week	March/April

Examinations

The Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Diabetes Nursing) examination will be held in the Summer and Autumn.

Application

Applicants should apply to the School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2.

Clinical Placements

Students must have a documented record of 100% attendance at each supernumerary clinical placement before they can be eligible for a pass mark on their clinical assessment.

Award

On successful completion of the course, a student will be awarded a Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Diabetes Nursing). This is a Higher Diploma of the National University of Ireland.

Exemptions

It is possible to gain exemptions from part of this course on the basis of comparable prior study. Applicants must apply for an exemption at the time of application, and it must be completed and returned with all the relevant data immediately. On successful completion of the Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Diabetes Nursing), students may apply for exemptions from Access Modules of the Bachelor of Science (Nursing) degree.

**Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Diabetes Nursing)
Revised Format 2000-2001**

Introduction

This part-time Higher Diploma programme is offered in association with the Post Registration Education Nursing Department at the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Eccles Street. It will give academic accreditation to Higher Diploma level to a specialist course in Diabetes Nursing. This programme may also be pursued in an accelerated mode over one calendar year. Students will be taught in University College Dublin (UCD) and the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Eccles Street.

Entrance Requirements

Applicants should be registered as a General Nurse with An Bord Altranais, with a minimum of one year's post registration nursing experience. In addition, candidates must be engaged in the care of persons with Diabetes at commencement, of and for the duration of, the programme.

Exemptions/Credits

It is possible to gain exemptions from part of the course on the basis of comparable study. All exemptions are at the discretion of the Faculty of Medicine, and all exemptions must be applied for at the time of making application to the programme.

Course Content

Year I	Year II
Nursing Theory and Practice I (Diabetes Nursing) (NURS P050) Nursing Research (NURS P013) Nursing Theory and Practice II (Diabetes Nursing) (NURS P051) Biological Sciences (NURS P170)	Nursing Theory and Practice III (Diabetes Nursing) Nursing Theory & Practice IV (NURS P171) (Diabetes Nursing) Nursing Theory & Practice V (Diabetes Nursing) (NURS P172) Health Promotion & Health Education (NURS P092) Clinical Placements (NURS P058)

Accelerated Mode

Students on the accelerated mode complete all the above modules in one calendar year.

Clinical Placements

Clinical learning is an essential aspect of this programme. Students are required to complete learning outcomes on consolidation placements in their own respective hospital. In addition, specialised foundation supernumerary clinical teaching placements will be facilitated concurrently with specialist modules. All clinical requirements must be completed before the Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Diabetes Nursing) can be awarded.

Examinations

Assessment by course work (essays, case study, case conferences, patient education session, nursing rounds, critical incidents) and or end of module examinations. Course work is undertaken throughout the programme. University examinations normally take place in Spring, Summer and Winter.

Award

On successful completion of the course, a student will be awarded a Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Diabetes Nursing). This is a Higher Diploma of the National University of Ireland.

Application

Applicants should apply to the School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2.

**HIGHER DIPLOMA IN NURSING STUDIES
(Oncology Nursing)**

Introduction

This two year part-time course aims to develop registered nurses knowledge in the care of cancer nursing practice. Applicants must be involved in caring for people with cancer for the duration of the course.

Entrance Requirements

Applicants (RGN/RSCN) must have a minimum 2 years post registration experience in general or paediatric nursing and should be involved in nursing patients with cancer.

Leaving certificate in six subjects.

Exemptions

It is possible to gain exemptions from part of this course on the basis of comparable prior study. Applicants must apply for exemptions at the time of application.

Course Content

<i>Year 1</i>	<i>Year 2 Core and Optional Modules *</i>
Nursing Theory and Practice I (Oncology Nursing) (NURS P011) Nursing Theory and Practice II (Oncology Nursing) (NURS P012) Nursing Research (NURS P013) Biological Sciences 1 (NURS P014) Social and Behavioural Sciences 1 (NURS P015)	Core Courses Nursing Theory and Practice V (NURS P094) Epidemiology and Health Promotion and Patient Education in Cancer Care. (NURS P093) Social and Behavioural Sciences II (Oncology) (NURS P022) Optional Courses <i>Option 1:</i> Nursing Theory and Practice III (Adult Oncology) (NURS P016) Nursing Theory and Practice IV (Adult Oncology) (NURS P017) <i>Option 2:</i> Nursing Theory and Practice III (Breast Care) (NURS P018) Nursing Theory and Practice IV (Breast Care) (NURS P019) <i>Option 3:</i> Nursing Theory and Practice III (Paediatric Oncology) (NURS P020) Nursing Theory and Practice IV (Paediatric Oncology) (NURS P021)

* The breast care course is offered in association with St. Vincent's Hospital, Dublin and the paediatric oncology course is offered in association with Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children, Crumlin.

Examinations

The First University Examination and Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Oncology Nursing) Examination will be held in the Summer; supplemental examinations will take place in the Autumn. In year two, all core courses must be undertaken and, in addition, students must undertake one of the three options – Adult Oncology, Breast Care or Paediatric Oncology.

Application

Application should be made to the School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Dublin 2. Telephone 7067431/7383

**Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Oncology Nursing)
Revised Format 2000-01**

Introduction

This two year part-time programme is designed to expand the knowledge and skills of nurses engaged in the care of people with cancer. The course may also be pursued in an accelerated format over a calendar year. Applicants must be involved in caring for people with cancer for the duration of the course.

Entrance Requirements

- (a) Registration with An Bord Altranais as a Registered General Nurse / Registered Sick Children's Nurse.
- (b) Minimum of 1 year post registration experience
- (c) Candidates must be employed in an oncology unit or related cancer care setting for the duration of the course.

Exemptions/Credits

It is possible to gain exemptions from part of the course on the basis of comparable prior study. Applicants must apply for exemptions at the time of application.

COURSE CONTENT

Year 1	Year 2
Nursing Theory and Practice 1 (Oncology Nursing) (NURS P011)	Epidemiology, Health Promotion and Patient Education in Cancer Care (NURS P093)
Nursing Theory and Practice 11 (Oncology Nursing) NURSP012.	Social and Behavioural Sciences (Oncology Nursing) (NURS P174)
Nursing Research (NURS P013)	Optional Modules*
Biological Sciences (NURS P014)	Option 1: Nursing Theory and Practice 111 (Adult Oncology)* (NURS P016)
	Nursing Theory and Practice 1V (Adult Oncology)* (NURS P017)
	Option 2: Nursing Theory and Practice 111 (Breast Care)* (NURS P018)
	Nursing Theory and Practice 1V (Breast Care)* (NURS P019)
	Option 3: Nursing Theory and Practice 111 (Paediatric Oncology)* (NURS P020)
	Nursing Theory and Practice 1V (Paediatric Oncology)* (NURS P180)

* Students undertake two optional subjects. The breast care modules are offered in association with St. Vincent's University Hospital and the paediatric oncology modules are offered in association with Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children, Crumlin.

Accelerated Mode

Students on the accelerated mode complete all the above modules in a calendar year

Clinical Placements

Clinical learning is an essential aspect of this programme which is pursued in the normal course of the student's work. In addition, some specialist placements are provided within the programme, and students are required to complete consolidation placement(s) to a minimum of 4 weeks and a maximum of 10 weeks.

Examinations

University examinations for the Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Oncology Nursing) will be held in Winter, Spring and Summer. Supplemental examinations will take place in Autumn. In addition, a variety of assessment procedures are employed. These include essays, projects, case studies, teaching sessions and clinical examinations. Each module of study is assessed.

Award

On successful completion of the course a student will be awarded a Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Oncology Nursing). This is a Higher Diploma of the National University of Ireland.

Applications

Application forms are available from the School and Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2, Ireland. Telephone 01-7067431

**HIGHER DIPLOMA IN NURSING STUDIES
(Palliative Nursing)**

Introduction

This course is of two years' duration (part-time) and is run in association with our Our Lady's Hospice, Harold's Cross, Dublin.

Entrance Requirements

Applicants should be registered as a General Nurse with two years' post-registration nursing experience, and should be currently nursing patients receiving palliative care.

Exemptions

It is possible to gain exemptions from part of this course on the basis of comparable prior study. Applicants must apply for exemptions at the time of application.

Aim of Programme

The Higher Diploma programme is provided for registered nurses who wish to extend their knowledge of palliative nursing care. The course is closely related to the Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Oncology Nursing), and students share some foundation course work in the first year of the course. The second year of the course will take place in Our Lady's Hospice under the direction of the Department of Nursing Studies.

Course Content

<i>Year 1</i>	<i>Year 2</i>
Nursing Theory and Practice I (Palliative Nursing) (NURS P040)	Nursing Theory and Practice III (Palliative Nursing) (NURS P044)
Nursing Theory and Practice II (Palliative Nursing) (NURS P041)	Nursing Theory and Practice IV (Palliative Nursing) (NURS P045)
Nursing Research (NURS P013)	Social and Behavioural Sciences II (NURS P046)
Biological Sciences (NURS P042)	Social and Behavioural Sciences III (NURS P047)
Social and Behavioural Sciences I (NURS P043)	Health and Healing in Palliative Nursing (NURS P097)
	Clinical Placements

Clinical Placements

Students are expected to apply theoretical knowledge as part of their ongoing practice for the duration of the course. In addition, students are facilitated to spend from two to six weeks of supernumerary time in specialist palliative care settings.

Examinations

University Examinations for the Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Palliative Nursing) will be held in the winter, spring and summer. Supplemental examinations will take place in the Autumn. Additional assessment procedure includes essays, projects, case studies and clinical evaluations.

Application

Application should be made to the School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2.

**Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Palliative Nursing)
Revised Format 2000-01**

This two year part-time Higher Diploma programme is provided for registered nurses who wish to extend their knowledge of palliative nursing care. The course is related to the Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Oncology Nursing) and students share some foundation course work in the first year of the course. The second year of the course will take place in Our Lady's Hospice under the direction of the School of Nursing and Midwifery. The programme is run in association with Our Lady's Hospice, Harold's Cross, Dublin. The course will also be offered in an accelerated format over one calendar year, but this may not be available until 2001.

Entrance Requirements

Applicants should be registered as a General Nurse with one year's post-registration nursing experience and should be currently nursing patients receiving palliative care.

Exemptions/Credits

It is possible to gain exemptions from part of this course on the basis of comparable prior study. Applicants must apply for exemption at the time of application.

Course Content

Year I	Year II
Nursing Theory and Practice I (Palliative Nursing) (NURS P182)	Nursing Theory and Practice III (NURS P044)
Nursing Theory and Practice II (Palliative Nursing) (NURS P183)	Nursing Theory and Practice IV (Palliative Nursing) (NURS P045)
Nursing Research (NURS P013)	Social and Behavioural Sciences (Palliative Nursing) (NURS P185)
Biological Sciences (NURS P184)	Health and Healing in Palliative Nursing (NURS P097)
	Clinical Placements (NURS P049)

Clinical Placements

Students are expected to apply theoretical knowledge as part of their ongoing practice for the duration of the course. In addition, students are facilitated to spend from two to six weeks of supernumerary time in specialist palliative care settings.

Examinations

University Examinations for the Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Palliative Nursing) will be held in the Winter, Spring and Summer. Supplemental examinations will take place in the Autumn.

Award

On successful completion of the course a student will be awarded a Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Palliative Nursing). This is a Higher Diploma of the National University of Ireland.

Application

Application should be made to the School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2.

**HIGHER DIPLOMA IN NURSING STUDIES
(Public Health Nursing)**

The Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Public Health Nursing) programme is a full-time one year programme for registered nurse midwives. The programme aims to prepare registered nurse-midwives to function as effective community health nurses, by facilitating primary, secondary and tertiary health care. The overall philosophy of the course is influenced by the concept of primary health care and the growing movement towards community care as the 'ideal' within the priorities of a health care system.

Students who are awarded the Higher Diploma are eligible for inclusion on the Public Health Nursing register by An Bord Altranais.

Venue and Length

The course will be held in University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, with field work placements in the community and other special health care settings.

It will extend over a full year (52 weeks), commencing in late September. Field work placement will take place during each semester and an extended period of supervised practice (eight weeks) will take place between June and August.

Candidates will be assessed for eligibility by the School of Nursing and Midwifery prior to acceptance for the course. Students may then seek secondment from Health Boards.

Entrance Requirements

- (a) Professional education and experience; RGN and RM, with a minimum of one year's post-registration nursing experience, which must have been within the past three years.
- (b) Evidence of recent study (general and/or professional).

Exemptions/Credits

It is possible to gain exemptions from part of this course on the basis of comparable prior study. Applicants must apply for exemptions at the time of application.

Course Content

Nursing Theory and Practice I (Community Health Nursing) (NURS P186)
Nursing Theory and Practice II (Community Health Nursing) (NURS P187)
Nursing Theory and Practice III (Community Health Nursing) (NURS P188)
Nursing Theory and Practice IV (Community Health Nursing) (NURS P193)
Nursing Theory and Practice V (Community Health Nursing) (NURS P193)
Nursing Theory and Practice VI (Community Health Nursing) (NURS P037)
Clinical Practice (NURS P036)
Primary Health Care and Health Promotion (NURS P191)

Epidemiology, Family and Social Policy, Public Health Policy (NURS P190)

Nursing Research (NURS P013)
Social and Behavioural Sciences (NURS P033)
Communication Skills
Clinical Practice (NURS P039)

Examinations

Examinations will take place at the end of each semester. Continuous assessment, course work and fieldwork will contribute to marks. Assessment of course work and field work will be completed by Autumn (August).

Application

Application forms are available from the School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2 (tel: 01-706 7431 or 01-706 7383).

**HIGHER DIPLOMA IN NURSING STUDIES
(Peri-Anaesthesia Nursing)**

This Higher Diploma course will take place over two academic years. The first year of the course is part-time, while the second year requires some full-time commitment. This course is offered in association with the Post Registration Education Department in the Mater Misericordiae Hospital and St. Vincent's Hospital, Elm Park. The course equips the student to work in the anaesthesia and post anaesthesia setting. It will give academic accreditation to Higher Diploma level to a specialist course in Anaesthesia Nursing. Students will attend University College Dublin for theoretical instruction in year one. Teaching in the second year will take place in University College Dublin, Mater Misericordiae Hospital and St. Vincent's Hospital. Supernumerary clinical placements are facilitated in year two in the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, St. Vincent's Hospital and other clinical sites.

Aim of the Programme

The programme aims to provide the student with the opportunity to develop a greater understanding of the principles which underpin Anaesthesia and Post Anaesthesia Care Nursing.

Course Content

<i>Year 1</i>	<i>Year 2</i>
Nursing Theory and Practice I (Peri-Anaesthesia Nursing) (NURS P074) Nursing Theory and Practice II (Peri-Anaesthesia Nursing) (NURS P075) Nursing Research (NURS P013) Biological Sciences I (NURS P076) Social and Behavioural Sciences (NURS P077)	Nursing Theory and Practice III (Pre-Anaesthesia) (NURS P096) Nursing Theory and Practice IV (Intra Anaesthesia) (NURS P096) Nursing Theory and Practice V (Post Anaesthesia) (NURS P096) Nursing Theory and Practice VI (Care of the Person with Special Needs) (NURS P095) Biological Sciences II (NURS P081) Health Promotion and Health Education (NURS P082)

Examination

The Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Peri-Anaesthesia Nursing) examinations will be held in the Summer and the Autumn.

Application Procedure

Applicants should contact the School of Nursing and Midwifery, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin for further information.

**Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Peri-Anaesthesia Nursing)
Revised Format 2000-01**

Introduction

This two year part time Higher Diploma programme is designed to expand the knowledge and skills of nurses engaged in the care of people in the anaesthesia environment. The course may also be pursued in an accelerated format over a calendar year. This course is offered in association with the Post Registration Nurse Education Department in the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Eccles Street and St. Vincent's University Hospital, Elm Park. The course equips the student to work in the anaesthesia and post anaesthesia setting. It gives academic accreditation to Higher Diploma level to a specialist practice in Peri-Anaesthesia nursing. Students will be taught in University College Dublin, Mater Misericordiae Hospital, and St. Vincent's University Hospital, Elm Park.

Entrance Requirements

- a).Registration with An Bord Altranais as a Registered General Nurse.
- b).Two years post registration experience in general nursing.
- c).Candidates must be employed in the Operating Department (in the area of anaesthesia / post anaesthesia nursing) for a minimum of six months prior to commencing the course.
- d).Candidates must obtain the commitment of both the Director of Nursing and Theatre Superintendent / Theatre Sister, in writing, to enable them to work in the anaesthesia / post anaesthesia care (recovery room) area for the duration of the programme.

Exemptions / Credits

It is possible to gain exemptions from part of this course on the basis of comparable prior study. Applicants must apply for an exemption at the time of application, and it must be completed and returned with all the relevant data.

Course Content

Year 1	Year 2
Nursing Theory & Practice I (Peri-Anaesthesia Nursing) (NURS P074)	Nursing Theory & Practice III (Peri-Anaesthesia Nursing) (NURS P195)
Nursing Theory & Practice II (Peri-Anaesthesia Nursing) (NURS P075)	Nursing Theory and Practice IV (Peri-Anaesthesia Nursing) (NURS P195)
Nursing Research (NURS P013)	Nursing Theory and Practice V (Care of the Critically Ill) (NURS P196)
Biological Sciences (NURS P194)	Nursing Theory and Practice VI (Care of person with special needs) (NURS P196)

Accelerated Mode

Students undertaking the accelerated mode will complete all of the above modules in a calendar year.

Clinical placements

Clinical learning is an essential aspect of this programme which is pursued in the normal course of the student's work. In addition, some specialist clinical placements are provided in the programme where students are required to complete consolidation placements. Clinical placements will take place during the programme. Students must provide a documented record of 100% attendance at each supernumerary clinical placement before they are eligible for a pass mark on their clinical assessment.

Examinations

A variety of assessment procedures are employed. These include essays, projects, case studies as appropriate, teaching sessions and examination papers. Each module of study is assessed. University examinations will be held in the Winter, Spring, Summer and Autumn.

Award

On successful completion of the programme, a student will be awarded a Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Peri-Anaesthesia Nursing). This is a Higher Diploma of the National University of Ireland.

Application

Application forms are available from The Director, School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2. Telephone (01) 7067383 / 7431.

Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Peri-Operative Nursing)

Introduction

This two year part time Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Peri-Operative Nursing) programme is designed to expand the knowledge and skills of nurses engaged in the care of people within the peri-operative environment. This course may also be pursued in an accelerated format over a calendar year. This Higher Diploma gives academic accreditation to Higher Diploma level to a specialist practice in Peri-Operative nursing. Students will be taught in University College Dublin and in designated clinical sites.

Entrance Requirements

- a). Registration with An Bord Altranais as a Registered General Nurse.
- b). Two years post registration experience in general nursing.
- c). Candidates must be employed in the Operating Department (in the area of pre-operative, intra-operative and post-operative nursing) for a minimum of twelve months prior to commencing the course.
- d). Candidates must obtain the commitment of both the Director of Nursing and Theatre Superintendent / Theatre Sister, in writing, to enable them to work in the pre-operative, intra-operative and post-operative care area for the duration of the programme.

Exemptions / Credits

It is possible to gain exemptions from part of this course on the basis of comparable prior study. Applicants must apply for an exemption at the time of application, and it must be completed and returned with all the relevant data.

Course Content

Year 1	Year 2
Nursing Theory & Practice I (Peri-Operative Nursing) (NURS P141)	Nursing Theory and Practice III (Peri-Operative Nursing) (NURS P147)
Nursing Research (NURS PO13)	Nursing Theory and Practice 1V(Peri-Operative Nursing) (NURS P147)
Nursing Theory & Practice II (Peri-Operative Nursing) (NURS P142)	Nursing Theory and Practice V (Peri-Operative Nursing) (NURS P198)
Biological Sciences (NURS P143)	Nursing Theory and Practice VI (Peri-Operative Nursing) (NURS P198)

Accelerated Mode

Students undertaking the accelerated mode will complete all of the above modules in a calendar year.

Clinical placements

Clinical learning is an essential aspect of this programme which is pursued in the normal course of the student's work. In addition, some specialist clinical placements are provided in the programme where students are required to complete consolidation placements. Clinical placements will take place during the programme. Students must provide a documented record of 100% attendance at each supernumerary clinical placement before they are eligible for a pass mark on their clinical assessment.

Examinations

A variety of assessment procedures are employed. These include essays, projects, case studies as appropriate, teaching sessions and examination papers. Each module of study is assessed. University examinations will be held in the Winter, Spring, Summer and Autumn.

Award

On successful completion of the programme, a student will be awarded a Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies (Peri-Operative Nursing). This is a Higher Diploma of the National University of Ireland.

Application

Application forms are available from The Director, School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2. Telephone (01) 7067383 / 7431.

**Diploma in Nursing Studies
(Retrospective Award)**

Students who register for any of the two year part-time Higher Diplomas (listed below) and who successfully complete all first year modules may apply retrospectively for the award of a Diploma in Nursing Studies. This award is only available retrospectively to students who wish to exit the programme after completion of all first year modules and who do not subsequently proceed to the Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies examination. Students who successfully complete all Year 1 modules and who have not qualified for exemption from any of the programme may apply for the award of Diploma in Nursing Studies. This relates to the following programmes:

Higher Diploma in Nursing Studies

- Accident & Emergency Nursing
- Diabetes Nursing
- Oncology Nursing
- Palliative Nursing
- Peri-Anaesthesia Nursing
- Peri-Operative Nursing
- Critical Care Nursing

DIPLOMA IN NURSING STUDIES (Nursing Informatics)

Introduction

This one year, part-time diploma is offered by the School of Nursing and Midwifery, in association with the Institute for Healthcare Informatics in the Mater Misericordiae Hospital. It will give academic accreditation to diploma level to a specialist course in Nursing Informatics. Students will be taught in University College Dublin and will have access to the facilities of the Institute of Healthcare in the Mater Misericordiae Hospital. The course is designed to give a general introduction to the area of computers and Nursing Informatics.

Aim of the Programme

To introduce nurses to the management of information with the assistance of telematics, including computers.

Entrance Requirements

Registration as a nurse with An Bord Altranais (Irish Nursing Board).

Keyboard skills are essential.

Exemptions

It is possible to gain exemptions from part of this course on the basis of comparable prior study. Applicants must apply for exemptions at the time of application.

Course Content

The course includes study in the following areas: Introduction to Computers and Information Technology, Computer Applications, Research Techniques and Nursing Informatics I and II.

Examinations

The Diploma in Nursing Studies (Nursing Informatics) examinations will be held in the Summer and Autumn. Course work will be completed throughout the programme, and will contribute to the award of the Diploma.

Application

Applicants should apply to the Director, School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2.

DEGREE OF MASTER OF MEDICAL SCIENCE (MMedSc)

Course Description

The aim of this course is to allow graduates to obtain further postgraduate tuition in their chosen branch of medicine or allied subjects related to medicine, with particular reference to the academic and research aspects.

The course will be open to graduates approved by the Faculty of Medicine. Candidates shall be permitted to enter for the MMedSc if they have obtained at least Second Class Honours in the BNS or hold an equivalent degree in nursing from another university, or other qualification deemed equivalent by the Faculty of Medicine. The number of places available will be limited.

The course will be full-time, covering twelve months, or on a part-time basis over at least two years.

MODE I

Candidates for the MMedSc by thesis must attend for at least three terms and carry out research under the direction of the professor (or university lecturer) in the subject concerned. The thesis presented by the candidate is to embody the results of this research. The Faculty may approve of the work being carried out elsewhere under the direction of the professor (or university lecturer) in the subject concerned.

Candidates may be required to pass an oral examination in the subject matter of the thesis, if the examiners so decide. Three copies of the thesis must be lodged with the Supervisor of Examinations, University College Dublin, on or before the date fixed by the university.

Candidates may be required to take such other courses as the Head of Department may direct.

MODE II

Course Structure

The course will be full-time, covering twelve months or on a part-time basis over at least two years. It will be divided into Section A and Section B.

Section A will be aimed at the aspect of medicine or health studies chosen and will be directed by the School of Nursing and Midwifery. The student will follow the teaching programme made available, including lecture demonstrations in research techniques, and will take part in the teaching of undergraduate students. Section B will consist of a research project and thesis.

Examinations

Section A may be held in June or September.

**DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE (NURSING) (MSc)
DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE (MIDWIFERY) (MSc)**

**Degree of Master of Science (Nursing) MSc
Degree of Master of Science (Midwifery) MSc**

Course Description

The aim of this course is to allow graduates to obtain further postgraduate tuition in their chosen field, with particular reference to the academic and research aspects.

The course will be open to graduates approved by the Faculty of Medicine. Candidates will be permitted to enter for the MSc if they hold the BNS or hold an equivalent degree in nursing from another university, or other qualification deemed equivalent by the Faculty of Medicine.

The course will be full-time, covering twelve months, or part-time over two calendar years.

MODE I

Candidates for the MSc by thesis must attend for at least three terms and carry out research under the direction of the professor (or university lecturer) in the subject concerned. The thesis presented by the candidate is to embody the results of this research. The Faculty may approve of the work being carried out elsewhere under the direction of the professor (or university lecturer) in the subject concerned.

Candidates may be required to pass an oral examination in the subject matter of the thesis, if the examiners so decide. Three copies of the thesis must be lodged with the Supervisor of Examinations, University College Dublin, on or before the date fixed by the university.

Candidates may be required to take such other courses as the Head of Department may direct.

Mode II

Introduction

The master's degree in Nursing Science/Midwifery Science includes eight taught modules and a dissertation. It consists of an overall core structure and additional optional strands, namely nursing practice; midwifery practice; nurse education; midwife education; and applied health care management.

Master's students follow a teaching programme laid down by the School of Nursing and Midwifery, including lectures/workshops in research techniques. In addition, students will complete a research project.

The course can be undertaken on a part-time or full-time basis. The course will run full-time over one calendar year and part-time over two calendar years. *The full-time programme may not be offered every year.*

Course Structure

The taught programme will consist of core and optional subjects. The student selects a set of optional modules depending on which stream he or she wishes to pursue, from clinical education or research. All students complete the same four core modules. In addition, all students complete four optional modules and a dissertation. Each of the strands will focus on application of learning to the student's area of professional practice, namely clinical, education or management. In particular, the education stream provides nurses/midwives with in-depth knowledge of education issues in nursing, teaching methods and teaching competencies.

Students who successfully complete the master's programme following the nurse-midwifery education strand will be eligible to register as nurse/midwifery tutors with An Bord Altranais. Students undertaking the nurse/midwife education option complete an additional teaching strategies and teaching practice element within the Curriculum Studies module.

Core Modules:

Developments and Issues in Nursing Theory and Practice (NURS P122)

Research Methods (NURS P123)

Advanced Research Methods (Qualitative/Quantitative) (NURS P131)

Management Principles in General, Financial and Human Resource Management (NURS P124)

Optional Strands/Modules

Students select one of the following strands:

<i>Nursing/Midwifery Practice Theory & Practice of Nursing/Midwifery is a core modules; three of the other five modules in this strand must be chosen</i>	<i>Nurse/Midwife Education</i>	<i>Applied Health Care Management</i>
Theory and Practice of Nursing/Midwifery (NURS P128)	Education Studies (NURS P126)	Strategic Management and Health Care Policy and Planning (NURS P133)
Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) (NURS P129)*	Psychology of Education/Sociology of Education (NURS P135)	Continuous Quality Improvement (NURS P134)
Applied Physiology, Symptom Management in Nursing (NURS P130)*	Curriculum Studies (NURS P136)**	Advanced Management Techniques (NURS P132)
Leadership and Management Skills (NURS P125)*	Management of Nurse Education (NURS P137)	Leadership and Management Skills (NURS P125)
Health Promotion and Primary Health Care (NURS P200)*		
Reflective Practice (NURS P201)*		
Dissertation (NURS P139)		

* All optional modules may not be offered every year.

** This module has a related Teaching Strategies and Teaching Practice component.

Examinations

A variety of assessment procedures are employed. These include essays, projects, case studies as appropriate, teaching sessions and examination papers. Each module of study is assessed.

Entrance Requirements

Students must be registered nurses with a primary degree in nursing or a related subject or hold an equivalent qualification. In addition, part-time students must meet the following criteria: students pursuing the Nursing/Midwifery Practice strand must be engaged in nursing/midwifery practice; students pursuing the Nurse/Midwifery Education mode must be

engaged in nurse/midwifery education; students undertaking the Applied Health Care Management strand must be engaged in health care management for the duration of the programme. Full-time students must have prior experience in their chosen strand prior to entry to the programme and must be prepared to engage in practical application in the course of the programme as required. Students undertaking the Nurse Education strand must have at least three years' post-registration experience in nursing practice. Students undertaking the Midwifery Education strand must have at least three years post registration experience in midwifery practice.

University College Dublin

Application

Applications are made directly to the School of Nursing and Midwifery. Application forms are available from the Director, School of Nursing and Midwifery, University College Dublin, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2 (Tel: (01) 706 7431 / 706 7383; Fax: (01) 475 1733).

Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Phd)

Candidates for this degree are required to be admitted to the Faculty on the recommendation of the Professor, their admission must then be confirmed by the Academic Council. Candidates who have not graduated in this University may be admitted if suitably qualified.

No candidate can be allowed to enter on a course of study and research for the Degree of PhD unless he/she has reached a high honours standard at the examination for the primary degree or presented such other evidence as will satisfy the Professor and the Faculty of his/her fitness.

The candidate shall pursue research for a period of nine terms but the Academic Council may accept a period of six terms in the case of a graduate whose attainments justify such shorter course.

The thesis must normally be prepared under the supervision of the Professor, but the Faculty may, on the recommendation of the Professor assign another member of the staff to supervise the candidate's research, under the Professor's general direction. The thesis must be prepared in the University, unless permission is given to the candidate to work elsewhere under the Professor's general direction. Such permission will only be given to candidates who have attended courses in the University for twelve terms before admission to the course for the PhD.

Candidates may enter for examination in January of the year in which the work is to be examined, the time of examination to be arranged as may be convenient to the candidates and the examiners. If the thesis is not presented before the 1st February following, the candidates must re-enter.

Candidates may be required to take an oral examination on the subject matter of their thesis.

This degree will not be awarded unless the examiners report that the work is worthy of publication, as a whole or in part.

Candidates for the PhD Degree will be allowed six years from the date of registration in which to complete their degree. If they have not done so within that period, they must re-apply for registration.