



MSc in Advanced Nursing Practice

Programme Overview

The MSc in Advanced Nursing Practice is a full-time, semesterised programme delivered at the Princess Nourah bint Abdulrahman University (PNU), College of Nursing. It will run over four semesters incorporating lectures, clinical skills education and clinical practicums. It offers a challenging, transformative educational experience for students. Open to qualified nurses, the programme seeks to integrate theory and practice, equipping students with the requisite knowledge and skills necessary to advance their practice enabling them to deliver high quality, safe competent care. The MSc in Advanced Nursing Practice commences on Sept 17th 2017.

Why DCU@PNU?

Dublin City University (DCU) is a young, dynamic and ambitious university with a dedicated mission to transform lives and societies through education, research and innovation.

DCU is ranked in the top one hundred young universities in the world in the Times Higher Education (THE) '100 under 50', a ranking which provides a glimpse into the future, showcasing the rising stars in academia showing great potential. PNU is a young, vibrant, ambitious institution sharing many of the core values and aspirations of DCU, and one which sets out to make a positive contribution to the lives of people within the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Programme Vision

The MSc in Advanced Nursing Practice offers students the opportunity to achieve competencies needed for advanced nursing practice. This is achieved through the provision of a DCU accredited programme of education based on international best practice and standards. A substantive clinical practicum component is incorporated, enabling students to integrate theory to practice and facilitate care delivery that is evidence-based.

Programme Objective

The programme aims to prepare nurses to meet the complex challenges of healthcare environments enabling them to respond, develop and advance their nursing practice skills towards a higher level of capability.

Programme Structure

Semester 1

- Introduction to advanced clinical nursing concepts
- Pathophysiology for nursing practice
- Advancing evidence-based practice in nursing

Semester 2

- Advanced physical health assessment skills
- Clinical pharmacology for qualified nurses
- Common and episodic conditions across the lifespan

Semester 3

- Research for advanced practice
- Chronic and complex conditions across the lifespan
- Clinical practicum 1

Semester 4

- Education and leadership for advanced nursing practice
- Clinical practicum 2
- Capstone: Dissertation/Practicum

Language

The programme will be delivered through English

Requirements for Award of Degree
120 ECTS credits

Entry Requirements

Minimum entry requirements for the programme are:

- Hold a Bachelor's degree in Nursing
- Minimum of a 2:1 degree classification or Grade Point Average (GPA) equivalent
- Have a minimum of 2 years post-registration clinical experience

Applicants who completed their higher education outside of an English speaking environment must achieve a composite score of 6.5 in the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) and achieve no less than 6.0 in any component.

Further Details

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