

COURSE FACTS

Tariff Score	280* UCAS points Please note: Non-European students are unable to be accepted onto this course due to NHS funding criteria *300 UCAS points from Sep 16 - subject to approval
Faculty	Faculty of Health, Education and Life Sciences
Apply	UCAS B740 and B741 Adult - www.ucas.ac.uk UCAS B730 and B731 Child - www.ucas.ac.uk UCAS B761 Learning Disabilities - www.ucas.ac.uk UCAS B760 and B762 Mental Health - www.ucas.ac.uk
Duration	Three years full-time (September and January intakes - Learning Disability September intake only)
Location	City South Campus and clinical placements
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Open Days	Please refer to our website for dates and registration - www.bcu.ac.uk/opendays



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of three GCSE's at Grade C or above achieved prior to application in English, Mathematics and Science or equivalent. **Some GCSE equivalents are accepted e.g. Key Skills Level 2, Functional Skills Level 2 in literacy and numeracy.**

Plus a minimum of 280 UCAS points which may be obtained from a variety of qualifications. Full award (60 credits) of which a minimum of 45 must be at Level 3 including 24 at Merit or Distinction, of which a minimum of 18 must be in a Science or Health related subject and 15 at Level 2 which must include Mathematics and English

Language GCSE equivalent if you do not already have these two subjects at GCSE. For further information visit: www.bcu.ac.uk/nursing

Places are also subject to a satisfactory Occupational Health Check, a Disclosure and Barring Service Check and registration with the Independent Safeguarding Authority.

We now recruit to the values of the NHS constitution. This influences our selection criteria and especially the values we are seeking to be demonstrated in both your application and interview, which we view as essential in any individual involved in patient care.

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

Successful completion of this course enables you to become a Registered Nurse. There are four fields to choose from: adult (B740 and B741), child (B730 and B731), learning disabilities (B761) and mental health (B760 and B762). Whichever field you choose you will learn both generic and field-specific skills.

Nursing is a rewarding career that offers endless possibilities. This degree equips you to work in a wide range of settings, both in the UK and abroad, and is the ideal foundation for further study.

Overall the degree requires 50% theory (2300 hours) and 50% practice (2300 hours) which must be achieved by the end of the course.

The Faculty of Health, Education and Life Sciences is one of the UK's largest higher education centres for health and social care. Our courses are highly regarded by employers and we are the largest provider of qualified staff to the NHS for health and social services in the region.

The campus provides state-of-the-art facilities including new classrooms, a suite of clinical skills facilities including mock wards, a surgical theatre, a home environment, a biomedical and physiology laboratory and the SPACE (Skills Practice and Clinical Enhancement) self-directed learning suite, fully stocked with all required specialist items.

PROGRAMME CONTENT

You will experience a mixture of teaching, self-directed study, (including access to electronic resources such as Moodle, Shareville, Mahara for e-portfolio development and Virtual Case Creator) and practice-based clinical assessments.

You will be allocated a personal tutor to ensure continuous and individual support and guidance. Faculty of Health, Education and Life Sciences provides additional support via the Professional Development Department, Disability Service and through Student Services.

You will study 120 credits each at Levels 4, 5 and 6. Upon successful completion you will graduate with a BSc (Hons) in Nursing leading to registration with the NMC.

You will study generic modules which provides the framework of essential skills and knowledge that every nurse needs. You will also study modules relevant to your chosen field of nursing. Please see the below table which details the modules you will study.

Year 1 – Level 4	Year 2 – Level 5	Year 3 – Level 6
Professional Values and Academic Skills 30 credits	Professional Values and Evidence Based Practice 30 credits	Academic and Practice Enquiry 30 credits
Introduction to Nursing Practice and Decision Making 30 credits	Nursing Practice 2 30 credits	Nursing Practice 4 30 credits
Health in Society 30 credits	Nursing in Society 30 credits	Policy, Politics and Nursing 30 credits
Nursing Practice 1 30 credits	Nursing Practice 3 30 credits	Transition to Qualified Practitioner 30 credits

 Generic Modules

 Field Modules

ASSESSMENT

Assessment will evaluate both your practical skills and theoretical knowledge. Methods include written assignments, examinations, OSCEs (Objective Structured Clinical Examination) and presentations. Practice placements are assessed throughout the programme.

FURTHER STUDY

Nursing provides the opportunity for lifelong learning and the BSc (Hons) awarded on completion of this pre-registration course forms the basis for progression into further study.

A comprehensive portfolio of post-registration courses called Continuing Professional Development (CPD) is available taught within the Faculty of Health, Education and Life Sciences. Visit www.bcu.ac.uk/healthcpd. These courses allow for academic and/or clinical development. Many of the courses are taught as part-time flexible modules to fit around your work and domestic commitments.

EMPLOYABILITY

Once qualified and registered with the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) you can practice in the UK and some countries overseas. As a qualified nurse you could find yourself working within the NHS, the private sector, in the community, at GP surgeries, at schools, plus many more - the options are endless. The curriculum and placement experiences along with a diligent approach to career preparation, ensure that employability is an integral outcome of your studies.

MORE INFORMATION

Tuition fees are covered by the NHS. If you meet residency requirements* you are eligible to apply for a means-tested bursary calculated in relation to your personal circumstances. You will also receive a non-means tested bursary of £1,000 each year.

*You must be a European national, or be granted indefinite leave to remain and have been resident in the UK for three years prior to submitting your application.