

# BSC (HONS) (NURSING STUDIES)

## Overview

### NFQ Level 8, Major Award

The BSc (Hons) (Nursing Studies) is a post-registration degree for Registered Nurses or Midwives, which is offered annually. The Degree is aimed at building on the foundations provided by pre-registration programmes and professional experience. It will appeal to students with backgrounds in clinical nursing/midwifery and/or nursing/midwifery management. The degree will provide an opportunity to develop skills and knowledge applicable to current practice in general and specialist areas. Students may choose to take the programme full-time over one academic year or part-time over two academic years. Students will attend University for a number of full weeks and a number of other days over the academic year. Some elective modules are held on alternative days to core modules. Further details are available from the Admissions Office, UCC (<https://www.ucc.ie/en/admissions/>).

In order to be admitted to the Degree Examination in BSc (Hons) (Nursing Studies) each student must have attended prescribed modules amounting to 60 credits. Students have the option of completing the programme in one year (60 credits) or two years (30 credits per year).

## Non-EU Students

For non-EU Students this programme is full time over one year. Students will be scheduled for at least 15 hours of organised daytime tuition each week. Further details are available from the School of Nursing and Midwifery, UCC <https://www.ucc.ie/en/nursingmidwifery/study/internationalstudents/programmesforinternationalstudents/>

## Programme Requirements

For information about modules, module choice, options and credit weightings, please go to Programme Requirements (p. 1).

## Programme Requirements

### One Year Option

Code	Title	Credits
Students take 60 credits as follows:		
<i>Core Modules</i>		
NU4001	Nursing Theory and Science informing Professional Practice	10
NU4016	Evidence-based Nursing Practice	10
NU4108	Patient Safety and Quality Improvement in Nursing and Healthcare	10
NU4111	Leadership, Management, Ethical and Legal Accountability in Nursing	10
NU4112	Nursing Individuals with Cancer, Chronic, and Infectious Diseases	10
NU4113	Primary Healthcare for Population Health	10
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>60</b>

### Two Year Option

(not available to non-EU applicants)

Students take modules to the value of 60 credits over two years (30 credits per year).

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Year 1</b>		
Students take 30 credits as follows - all listed core modules (10 credits) and 20 credits of elective modules:		
<i>Core Modules</i>		
NU4016	Evidence-based Nursing Practice	10
<i>Elective Modules</i>		
Students take modules to the value of 20 credits from the following: 20		
NU4001	Nursing Theory and Science informing Professional Practice (10)	
NU4108	Patient Safety and Quality Improvement in Nursing and Healthcare (10)	
NU4111	Leadership, Management, Ethical and Legal Accountability in Nursing (10)	
NU4112	Nursing Individuals with Cancer, Chronic, and Infectious Diseases (10)	
NU4113	Primary Healthcare for Population Health (10)	
<b>Year 2</b>		
Students take modules to the value of 30 credits from the above remaining modules. 30		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>60</b>

## Examinations

Full details and regulations governing Examinations for each programme will be contained in the *Marks and Standards Book* and for each module in the *Book of Modules*.

## Programme Learning Outcomes

### Programme Learning Outcomes for BSc (Hons) (Nursing Studies) (NFQ Level 8, Major Award)

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

- Demonstrate an ability to critically review nursing literature;
- Critically evaluate the role of theory, research and organisational systems in the development and improvement of nursing practice and patient outcomes;
- Appraise the robustness of research designs and methodologies and their appropriateness to research questions in healthcare;
- Critically discuss best practice in relation to the professional leadership, and ethical, legal and resource challenges that arise in healthcare settings;
- Explain challenges relating to nursing in the context of multidisciplinary teamwork;
- Critically discuss the key processes involved in health promotion and in disease prevention and management.