

NURSING AND LBR

NON-MEDICAL PRESCRIBING BSc/PG CERT

ADVANCED PRACTICE IN URGENT PRIMARY CARE PG DIP/PG CERT

ADVANCED CLINICAL PRACTICE MSc

PRACTICE NURSING BSc/PG CERT

SPECIALIST COMMUNITY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING PG DIP/MSc

POSTGRADUATE COURSES

CUT LINE



De Montfort University awarded Gold in
2017 Teaching Excellence Framework





NON-MEDICAL PRESCRIBING PG CERT

OVERVIEW

Designed for nurses, midwives and allied health professionals looking for part-time study at postgraduate level, Non-Medical Prescribing allows you to add further recordable qualifications to your Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) and Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) registers. The programme's leading principle is to prepare you to deliver high-quality care, equipping you with the skills to prescribe safely and effectively.

Nurses and midwives will be awarded the NMC recorded qualification of Independent and Supplementary prescriber (V300).

Allied Health Professionals (AHPs) will be awarded the HCPC qualification of Independent and/or Supplementary Prescriber.

MODULES

Core modules include:

- Pharmacology and Therapeutics For Prescribers
- Professional, Legal and Ethical Issues for Prescribers
- Applied Prescribing in the Clinical Context
- Prescribing in Practice for Nurses and Midwives/Allied Health Professionals

TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT

Our student-centred and enquiry based approach to learning incorporates a wide variety of learning and teaching strategies. These include case studies, scenarios, small group work, action learning sets, workshops, podcasts, reflection, student presentations and supervised consultations with service users in practice and clinically-focused tutorials.

Each week you will typically have six contact hours of teaching and be expected to undertake at least six hours of independent study. An essential part of the course will take place in practice settings under the guidance of a designated medical practitioner, facilitated by your personal tutor. Students will also be supported by a designated qualified nurse or midwifery prescriber, or supplementary prescriber for allied health, who will take up the role of preceptor at the end of the course.

Our highly experienced academics have been supporting nurses, midwives and allied health professionals to become prescribers for more than 12 years, with over 300 nurses trained successfully.

EMPLOYABILITY

A qualification in Non-medical Prescribing will be an important aspect of your professional portfolio. It will support your career progression through the advancement of your own practice in providing high-quality patient care, thus enhancing your continued professional development needs.

KEY INFORMATION

Duration: September and January start - part-time over two semesters. Maximum registration period two years.

Entry requirements: Effective registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) or Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC).

A minimum of three years' post-registration experience that includes working for at least a year within the field in which you wish to prescribe.

Relevant honours degree at 2:2 or above, or equivalent.

Undertaken successful Level 6 academic study within the last five years.

Successfully undertaken a module in Physical Examination and Consultation skills e.g. NMAH 3314 or equivalent.

There is clinical need within the registrant's role to justify prescribing.

Demonstrate appropriate numeracy skills.

Must have the support of a designated medical mentor who meets the eligibility criteria.

You must complete a declaration form and produce an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check. (For nurses and midwives, your DBS must be within two years of commencement of the programme. For Allied Health Professionals (AHPs), your DBS must be within three months of commencement of the programme).

Please email hlsadmissions@dmu.ac.uk for more information.

ADVANCED PRACTICE IN URGENT PRIMARY CARE PG DIP/PG CERT

OVERVIEW

Accredited by the Royal College of General Practitioners this course was developed to address the issues of expanding the workforce of advanced practice urgent primary care practitioners across the East Midlands. It also sets out to help meet the increasing clinical service demand to provide urgent and unscheduled care to patients within the primary care setting, thereby shifting care and clinical responsibility from secondary and tertiary care settings.

The course prepares practitioners for this exciting role through thorough exploration of theory and clinical practice at an advanced level; builds a critical understanding of the role of an advanced urgent primary care practitioner; examines the evidence base used to support current advanced practice, while also analysing the cultural values, social and policy drivers which influence contemporary issues within urgent primary care and allows you to reflect on your own and others' practice, recognising its importance in the provision of quality patient care.

In order to achieve the programme learning outcomes, you will need to be supported by a General Practitioner in your workplace. You will be expected to spend the equivalent of one day per week with your mentor. This supervision does not have to be direct, it could be indirect or working

with delegated colleagues, this is in addition to the day a week at university.

MODULES

Compulsory modules include:

- Advanced Consultation and Physical Examination Skills
- Advanced Minor Illness Management
- Advanced Practice in Urgent Primary Care

On successful completion of 60 credits, you will be able to achieve the academic award of PG Certificate in Advanced Practice in Urgent Primary Care.

At this point, you will be able to progress to the PG Diploma in Advanced Practice in Urgent Primary Care.

After completion of the three core modules, there are a range of module options available for registered nurses wishing to undertake the programme with non-medical prescribing; podiatrists, physiotherapists and radiographers undertaking the programme who wish to incorporate the independent or supplementary prescribing modules, and also for pharmacists undertaking the programme with non-medical prescribing.

TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT

Each week you will typically have six hours of timetabled taught sessions and be expected to undertake the same amount of time in independent study. Teaching methods include lectures, discussions, reflection, teacher-

and student-directed reading and group work, as well as group tutorials. In addition, clinical skills laboratories will enable you to learn and practice your clinical skills. Independent learning will be promoted through student seminars, projects and IT, such as the university's virtual learning environment.

Emphasis will be placed on active student participation, using experiential techniques and workshops where appropriate. The course will be assessed academically with support for learners provided by the university, either face-to-face, over the phone, via skype or by email.

Our academic team are all experienced independent and/or supplementary prescribers from primary and secondary care settings in nursing, midwifery and pharmacy, ensuring your learning is relevant to current practice. Our highly experienced academics have been supporting nurses, midwives and allied health professionals to become prescribers for more than 12 years, with over 300 nurses trained successfully. Visiting lecturers will also contribute to the modules to broaden your perspective of practice nursing regionally and nationally.

EMPLOYABILITY

The Advanced Practice in Urgent Primary Care PG Dip supports your development in clinical practice to become an advanced, autonomous practitioner able to see, treat and discharge patients who present urgent or unscheduled illness.

KEY INFORMATION

Duration: September start - one year for PG Cert, two years for PG Dip, part-time.

Entry requirements: All students must have an effective registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Council or relevant regulatory body (e.g. Health and Care Professions Council or General Pharmaceutical Council).

You should possess an undergraduate degree at 2:2 or above.

You must be employed within a setting that supports the management of patients requiring urgent care.

English language requirements: An IELTS score of 7 or equivalent when you start the course is essential.

Tuition fees:

You may be eligible to apply for Learning Beyond Registration funding for this programme. Please contact your local HEE workforce lead or email hlsadmissions@dmu.ac.uk for more information.





ADVANCED CLINICAL PRACTICE MSc

OVERVIEW

This programme is suitable for registered paramedics, nurses and allied health professionals working within a variety of primary and secondary care settings, the MSc Advanced Clinical Practice will equip the student to apply theory and knowledge to a variety of clinical settings. The programme will ensure that you have transferable skills that allow you to use up to date research that supports physical examination and history taking, diagnostic reasoning and basic pathophysiology. The MSc is completed by the successful submission of a dissertation.

MODULES

There are variety of module options and pathways that students can choose to progress through the programme. These include a physical examination module, a research module, the Non-medical Prescribing course (the only exception to this is those students who come from a profession that cannot currently prescribe; these students undertake alternative modules).

TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT

Each week part-time students will typically have eight hours of contact time and be expected to undertake at least six hours of self-directed, independent study. Learning is by a variety of methods including lectures, demonstrations,

practical workshops, online delivery and presentations. Assessments include essays, critical analysis, practice logs/portfolios, exams and poster presentations.

The course is delivered by a group of dedicated and experienced professionals, most of whom are currently practising as Advanced Clinical Practitioners in a variety of clinical settings. A number of the team also have extensive research profiles and are research active.

EMPLOYABILITY

This course will enable graduates to have the theoretical and practical underpinning to support their practice working autonomously at an advanced level, across the UK and internationally.

KEY INFORMATION

Duration: October start - between two-six years part-time.

Entry requirements: UK/EU students: An honours degree (2:2 or above in a relevant subject) awarded by a British university or other equivalent approved degree awarding college/body.

A professional qualification as a healthcare practitioner, current registration with the relevant healthcare professional body and current involvement in professional practice.

You should be able to supply two references; one giving emphasis to academic and clinical ability.

Evidence of a suitable mentor to support the clinical requirements of the module.

Non-standard entry requirements: In exceptional circumstances, applications from non-standard entry requirements may be considered, where you will be required to attend an interview and demonstrate professional expertise through a professional portfolio. Please visit our website for more information.

English language requirements: An IELTS score of 7 or equivalent when you start the course is essential.

NHS East Midlands employees may be eligible for funding from Health Education East Midlands and should check with their line manager/trust authorised signatory.

Employees from the private, voluntary and independent sector may also be eligible. Please email hlsadmissions@dmu.ac.uk for more information.

PRACTICE NURSING PG CERT/BSc

OVERVIEW

Developed in collaboration with Health Education East Midlands and local general practice, the Practice Nursing course aims to prepare registered nurses who have not worked in general practice to have a baseline competence in the role, through both theoretical and practice learning. Additionally, the course will prepare you with competency in a number of key clinical skills in a short space of time, including venepuncture, ear care, wound management, immunisations and vaccinations, and cervical cytology.

Flexible study options allow you to study at a level to suit your professional needs, with progression opportunities from undergraduate level to PG Cert. The programme is subsidised by Health Education East Midlands with a contribution from General Practice of £500 for each eligible student.

MODULES

You will undertake the Introduction to Practice Nursing module over two semesters, at either Level 6 or Level 7, depending on the level of study you undertake – BSc or PG Cert. At the end of the module, you will be assessed by the standards set by the Working in Partnership Programme (RCN 2012) i.e. the General Practice Nursing (GPN) Career Framework for Level 5 Practitioners.

TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT

Each week you will typically have six hours of timetabled taught sessions and be expected to undertake at least six hours of independent study. The course adopts a range of teaching and learning strategies designed to facilitate the learning of a professional group.

Teaching typically includes teacher-led sessions, student-led seminars and presentations, discussions and tutorials, focused reflections and a range of experiential teaching methods. You are encouraged and supported to become a proactive and independent learner throughout the course.

Teaching is delivered by experienced and specialist practice and community nurses, familiar with a wide range of contemporary issues and debates. Visiting lecturers will also contribute to the modules to broaden your perspective of practice nursing regionally and nationally.

EMPLOYABILITY

Due to an increasing clinical service load in primary care, with the trend to devolve clinical responsibility from secondary care, practice nurses are often the first point of contact in terms of public health promotion and intervention, signposting and identifying the onset of conditions.

This, along with appropriate treatment, can lead to reduced admissions to specialist services. The role of a practice nurse is now much more diverse in their management of health, including Quality Outcome Framework (QOF), with many having acquired specialist skills and

knowledge, for example in long-term conditions such as asthma and diabetes. This course provides you with a relevant and recognised qualification in general practice nursing, enabling you to fulfil your role as a practice nurse, and enhancing your current and future career opportunities.

KEY INFORMATION

Duration: September and February start - one year, over two semesters.

Entry requirements: Have effective registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC). You will need to be employed or have an offer of employment within a General Practice to access this programme.

PG Cert: Possess a UK honours degree (2:2 or above in a relevant subject, or equivalent).

BSc: Possess 120 credits at levels 4 and 5 and have the ability to study successfully at degree level (level 6) OR possess 120 credits at level 4 and a minimum of 30 credits at level 5 and have the ability to study successfully at degree level (level 6).

You must complete a declaration form and produce an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check (dated within two years of commencement of the programme) before starting the course, which needs to be cleared in accordance with DMU's admission policy.

English language requirements: An IELTS score of 7 or equivalent when you start the course is essential.

Tuition fees:

If you are an NHS East Midlands employee, you may be eligible for funding from Health Education East Midlands and should check with your line manager/trust authorised signatory. Employees from the private, voluntary and independent sector may also be eligible. Please email hlsadmissions@dmu.ac.uk for more information.





SPECIALIST COMMUNITY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING MSc/PG DIP

OVERVIEW

The Specialist Community Public Health Nursing course will provide you with both the professional and academic competencies required for the practice of Specialist Community Public Health Nursing (SCPHN), with Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) registration of either Health Visiting or School Nursing.

The nature and focus of the core modules demonstrates a commitment to give you not only the knowledge and skills to provide effective specialist community public health nursing, but also the confidence to drive through change at a strategic or operational level within your workplace. Throughout the course, you will be challenged to consider the socioeconomic, political and professional factors that influence and reflect healthcare demands and provision.

MODULES

The Specialist Community Public Health Nursing MSc/ PG Dip Programme is currently being revalidated. Core modules will include:

- Contemporary Approaches to Child Development 0-19
- Promoting the well-being of Children and Young People
- Public Health
- Utilising Evidence to Advance and Develop Nursing Practice
- Innovative Use of Transformational Leadership
- An assets Approach to Support Effective Parenting
- Protecting and Safeguarding children and adults
- Complex Health Needs
- Supervised Practice – Final semester

NB: Health promotion to be reflected throughout all modules

Your final core module will be:

- Supervised Practice

To achieve the full MSc you must also undertake:

- Service Improvement Module – will need to be agreed with the service

You will also have the opportunity within the SCPHN programme to undertake the V100 non-medical prescribing module.

TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT

Each week you will typically have 16 hours of timetabled taught sessions and 16 hours in practice. You will also be expected to undertake at least eight hours of independent study (or one day private study) each week. Our student-centred approach to learning includes a wide variety of learning and teaching strategies, including case studies, scenarios, small group work, action learning sets, workshops, podcasts, reflection, student presentations and focused tutorials.

The partnership approach between the University and our practice partners is important, and accordingly the programme leader, personal tutor, pathway leaders, and practice teachers will all work together, providing support and guidance while you are on placement. The personal tutor allocated (SCPHN registered) will be involved in the monitoring of the students' progress through a tripartite approach.

Our experienced academic staff are all registered and practising specialist community public health nurses. We also have strong links and direct input from experienced clinical practitioners, ensuring your learning is up-to-date and relevant to current practice.

EMPLOYABILITY

A postgraduate academic qualification and NMC registration in Specialist Community Public Health Nursing (Health Visiting or School Nursing) will enhance your professional portfolio and support your career progression in providing high-quality patient, family, group and community public healthcare.

KEY INFORMATION

Duration: September start - PG Dip: One year full-time, or two years part-time MSc: Normally three to six years part-time.

Entry requirements: A UK honours degree with at least second class honours.

Effective registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Council.

Successful interview alongside the supporting NHS Trust.

You must complete a new Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check before starting the course, which need to be cleared in accordance with DMU's admission policy.

English language requirements: An IELTS score of 7 or equivalent when you start the course is essential.

Employees from the private, voluntary and independent sector may also be eligible. Please email hlsadmissions@dmu.ac.uk for more information.



**De Montfort University
The Gateway
Leicester LE1 9BH
UK**

**T +44 (0)116 2 50 60 70
E: enquiry@dmu.ac.uk
W: dmu.ac.uk/PG**



dmu.ac.uk/facebook



dmu.ac.uk/twitter



dmu.ac.uk/youtube



dmu.ac.uk/instagram



dmu.ac.uk/linkedin



dmu.ac.uk/snapchat

The content of this document is correct at the time of going to press. You are advised to check our website before making an application in case there are any changes to the course you are interested in, as the contents of the website will always take precedence.

Alternative formats

Where possible DMU publications or specific sections can be supplied in alternative media.

For further information, please contact the Enquiry team on +44 (0)116 2 50 60 70 or email enquiry@dmu.ac.uk