

Registered Nurse Degree Apprenticeship

This bespoke Apprenticeship is aligned to the BNurs (Hons) within the Adult, Mental Health, Child, or Learning Disability fields of nursing. Following successful completion of the course, you will be awarded a BNurs (Hons) in the relevant field of nursing. You will then proceed to complete the end point assessment and be awarded the Apprenticeship award certificate.

The University of Wolverhampton has a long established history of delivering Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) validated nursing courses at pre and post registration, undergraduate, and postgraduate level. This Apprenticeship has been specifically designed and delivered in line with the 2018 NMC Standards for pre-registration nursing to meet professional regulatory body requirements in one of the four fields of nursing above, and the 2018 Apprenticeship Standard.

This Apprenticeship and professional and academic award will provide you with the necessary professional values, communication, interpersonal and clinical skills for professional nursing. The programme aims to develop your knowledge, skills and behaviours required for nursing practice and competent decision making. On completion of the course, you will be able to lead, manage and practise as a registered nurse as part of an effective team, to give high quality, safe and personalised care to patients, their families and carers.

Employers can leverage the on-the job skills of apprentices to develop a practitioner with the required generic knowledge, skills and behaviours to work across a variety of health and social care settings as a valued member of the nursing family.



How it works

The Apprenticeship has been designed and developed in collaboration with employers and professional bodies. To access the Apprenticeship, you must be in employment in a health or care setting for a minimum of 37.5 hours a week in England.

Apprentices will attend university for theoretical modules and assessments in order to fulfil the 2,300 theory hours, and all fields of nursing include 2,300 practice hours within a variety of placement settings across the programme (some of which will be required to be completed away from the apprentice's employed setting to meet regulatory body requirements). Assistance with sourcing placements outside the employed setting can be facilitated by the external partnerships team at the university.

The Apprenticeship programme includes the following modules:



Adult nursing field: (Delivered at Wolverhampton City Campus, Walsall Campus, Telford Campus and Burton Centre)

Year 1

- Foundations of Healthcare Practice in Adult Nursing
- Human Life Journey
- The Reflective Practitioner
- Inclusive and Collaborative Practice

Year 2

- Skills for Safe and Effective Practice
- Contemporary Evidence Based Practice in Adult Nursing
- Challenges to Health and Wellbeing
- Working in Partnership to Prioritise Care

Year 3

- Advancing Skills in Contemporary Adult Nursing Practice
- Enhancing Safety and Quality of Care in Adult Nursing
- Preparing for Transition as a Registered Practitioner
- Independent Enquiry Module

Mental Health field: (Delivered at Wolverhampton City Campus)

Year 1

- Foundations of Healthcare Practice in Mental Health Nursing
- Human Life Journey
- The Reflective Practitioner
- Inclusive and Collaborative Practice

Year 2

- Skills for Safe and Effective Practice
- Contemporary Evidence Based Practice in Mental Health Nursing
- Challenges to Health and Wellbeing
- Working in Partnership to Prioritise Care

Year 3

- Advancing Skills in Contemporary Mental Health Nursing Practice
- Enhancing Safety and Quality of Care in Mental Health Nursing
- Preparing for Transition as a Registered Practitioner
- Independent Enquiry Module

Child field: (Delivered at Walsall Campus or Burton Centre – Year 1 only)

Year 1

- Foundations of Healthcare Practice in Children's Nursing
- Human Life Journey
- The Reflective Practitioner
- Inclusive and Collaborative Practice

Year 2 (Delivered at Walsall Campus)

- Skills for Safe and Effective Practice
- Contemporary Evidence Based Practice in Children's Nursing
- Challenges to Health and Wellbeing
- Working in Partnership to Prioritise Care

Year 3 (Delivered at Walsall Campus)

- Advancing Skills in Contemporary Children's Nursing Practice
- Enhancing Safety and Quality of Care in Children's Nursing
- Preparing for Transition as a Registered Practitioner
- Independent Enquiry Module

Learning Disability field: (Delivered at Walsall Campus)

Year 1

- Foundations of Healthcare Practice in Learning Disabilities Nursing
- Human Life Journey
- The Reflective Practitioner
- Inclusive and Collaborative Practice

Year 2

- Skills for Safe and Effective Practice
- Contemporary Evidence Based Practice in Learning Disabilities Nursing
- Challenges to Health and Wellbeing
- Working in Partnership to Prioritise Care

Year 3

- Advancing Skills in Contemporary Learning Disabilities Nursing Practice
- Enhancing Safety and Quality of Care in Learning Disabilities Nursing
- Preparing for Transition as a Registered Practitioner
- Independent Enquiry Module



Job roles/Occupations

Degree Apprenticeships are accessible to those employed within a workplace in England. This Apprenticeship is designed for individuals working in health or care settings and will be of interest if you are either entering/working in the sector, or looking to progress from a healthcare support role or equivalent. Nursing offers a wide range of opportunities in hospital and community settings, specialist areas, teaching, management, or within industry. There are also opportunities to travel abroad, undertake research or study at postgraduate level. The Apprenticeship is suitable for those working in the public, private and third sectors and for companies of all sizes.

Benefits

This Degree Apprenticeship will provide individuals with enhanced skills, knowledge and experience in a range of areas that will benefit businesses. It will combine training in your workplace with a programme of learning designed to meet career ambitions, whatever specialism route is chosen. Skills and training will be delivered through a combination of lectures, seminars, workshops, online learning and experience in your workplace.

Qualifications

On successful completion of this professionally accredited course, you will have achieved a Bachelor of Nursing and will be eligible to register with the NMC as a registered nurse within the related field of nursing.

Entry requirements

Applicants must be employed within a health or care setting for a minimum of 37.5 hours a week and supported by their employer. Applicants must possess GCSEs at grade C+/ 4 in an English-based subject **and** Maths or equivalent qualifications.

Plus either:

- Grades BBC from A-levels
- BTEC National Diploma at a D*D*
- BTEC QCF Extended Diploma at grade DMM
- OCR National Extended Diploma at an M2 grade
- CACHE Level 3 Diploma at a B grade
- Access to HE Diploma Full award (60 credits) of which a minimum of 45 must be at Level 3 with at least 24 of these Level 3 credits at Merit or Distinction. *(Please note: the ESFA does not currently recognise credits gained as part of a HE Access programme as an equivalence to Maths/English Level 2 qualifications for this Apprenticeship).*
- Successful completion of the Foundation Year in Public Health, Health Studies or Social Care
- Undergraduate or Postgraduate degrees
- Foundation degrees /HND/ HNC

Other requirements

- The employer will be required to evidence completion and clearance of a recent enhanced DBS check.
- Evidence that an occupational health assessment by the employer has been completed prior to starting the programme; vaccinations will also need to be up-to-date.
- Those meeting the entry requirements and selected for interview by their employing organisation will be required to complete a values-based interview.
- Evidence of digital literacy and technological literacy will be assessed during the recruitment process.
- The employer must be able to provide a Practice Assessor, and /or Practice Supervisor i.e.: Registered Professional/s in the employed setting to meet NMC requirements.
- The employer must be able to release the apprentice to be supernumerary for the duration of the Apprenticeship to allow them to meet the required NMC programme hours requirement.

Employers may set their own specific entry requirements which exceed the minimum entry requirements set by the University, to meet workforce needs.

Previous study

Where an applicant has previously studied a professional course or an apprenticeship at another higher education institution, an academic reference from the previous higher education institution is required. The NMC permit recognition of prior learning.

Fees and funding

For employers with a payroll below £3 million: For employers who will not be paying the Apprenticeship levy, the Government will pay 95% of the cost of the Apprenticeship training and assessment for apprentices of any age. You may also be eligible for extra employer incentives.

For employers with a payroll above £3 million: Employers will be able to use their Apprenticeship Levy contributions towards the cost of the Apprenticeship using their digital account. We will agree a payment schedule and discuss funding availability with each employer before starting any Apprenticeships to ensure the cost to a business is clear upfront.

Register your interest today!

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