Where could nursing take you?

This is an incredibly exciting time to become a nurse. Our profession is undergoing a radical educational and professional transformation, with nurses taking on greater responsibilities and enjoying more opportunities than ever to progress in a range of fascinating specialist areas.

Our innovative nursing degrees blend novel teaching methods, exciting clinical experiences and rigorous academic knowledge, all designed to prepare you for a professional nursing career.

As one of the world’s leading universities and one of the largest nursing schools in the UK, we have a hard-earned reputation for teaching and research excellence. The Research Excellence Framework 2014 ranked us 5th in terms of research power in our unit of assessment.

We welcome people from a diverse range of backgrounds: whether they’re young adults leaving school, mature students, or those simply looking to retrain for a more rewarding career.

We look forward to welcoming you to the University of Nottingham and the start of an incredible career.

Judith Tanner
Head of the Division of Nursing
School of Health Sciences

To find out where a degree in nursing could take you, please visit nottingham.ac.uk/healthsciences
Studying nursing at Nottingham

Our nursing courses are designed to give you the skills and knowledge needed for a modern nursing career, while providing clinical experience in a supportive environment. The Division of Nursing sits within the School of Health Sciences, which is a research active school. All our teaching staff are experts in the field, having published key nursing textbooks, while many are also qualified nurses.

Awards
Both the school and our students are consistently represented in national awards. In 2016, we were awarded ‘Nurse Education Provider of the Year (post-registration)’ in the Student Nursing Times Awards and, at the time of writing, we had 20 nominations across 12 categories in the 2017 Student Nursing Times Awards. This is the most shortlisted entries the school has ever had, and double the number of shortlisted nominations of any other University.

At a glance
- Gain hands-on experience in community and hospital settings
- Develop a global perspective of nursing and, on most courses, have the opportunity to experience healthcare abroad
- Study a course which leads to professional registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC)

International applicants
We will be offering up to a maximum of ten places for international students on our BSc Nursing courses. Please note that our international course fees include uniforms and placements.

The University of Nottingham International College (TUNIC) opened in January 2017, offering international students foundation courses including a science foundation certificate and assistance to meet the entry requirements in English provided by Kaplan International Colleges. As of September 2017, this will include courses specifically tailored for undergraduate nurse entry.

You will need to satisfy both the Kaplan and University entry requirements to obtain a place on one of the pre-registration BSc Nursing courses.

Successful completion of the foundation course, with the necessary progression requirements including maths and English, will be accepted as equivalent qualifications for entry.

English language requirements
IELTS 7.5 (no less than 7.0 in any element). For more information and a list of the alternative English language requirements we accept, please see nottingham.ac.uk/go/alternativerequirements

Developing your academic English and study skills
The Centre for English Language Education (CELE) offers you the opportunity to develop your English language skills at one of the world’s top universities. Accredited by the British Council for the teaching of English, CELE provides high-quality teaching, facilities and support. Our preessional courses take your English language and academic skills to the level you need to progress to undergraduate study without taking IELTS again. Find out more at nottingham.ac.uk/cele

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To find out where a degree in nursing could take you, please visit nottingham.ac.uk/healthsciences

For more information about our courses, please visit nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/nursing

* Known destinations of full-time home first-degree undergraduates 2014/15.
BSc Nursing

This course is designed to build the skills and knowledge required of a graduate registered nurse, giving you three full years in your chosen specialism (adult/child/mental health). We offer a person-centred approach, providing holistic care for the individual and their family.

What will I learn?
Each module is informed by the latest academic thinking and has been designed to develop the real skills and knowledge you will need to become a registered nurse. A portion of the course is dedicated to working in practice, giving you broad experience in a variety of healthcare settings at each stage of a patient’s journey.

Year one
In the first year, you will cover the roles and responsibilities of becoming a nurse. We will help develop your knowledge, resilience and confidence to prepare you for clinical practice. Your learning will encompass a range of different subjects including biological sciences, sociology, psychology and pharmacology, while clinical skills for nursing practice will be introduced during sessions in our Clinical Skills Centre.

Years two and three
In years two and three, you will continue to develop your knowledge of the professional, legal and ethical issues you may encounter in nursing, as well as going out into clinical practice. You will become more independent and begin to facilitate the leadership and management of high quality nursing care. More complex issues will be explored such as facing challenging behaviour and breaking bad news.

You will graduate with a high degree of technical skill and theoretical knowledge to enable you to work within an extended scope of practice and provide leadership for future nursing practice.

When and where will I study?
The course starts in September and your first year follows the dates of most university undergraduate courses. Years two and three include practice placements and the years are slightly longer than the University calendar.

The majority of study takes place at the Queen’s Medical Centre, Nottingham, where we have a Clinical Skills Centre so you can practice in a simulated environment.

You will benefit from learning with manikins, gaining confidence before working with real patients. You can also experience scenarios which might not occur in practice; for example cardiac arrests or critical illness. This learning will take place alongside patient focus groups (experts from experience), expert nurses from practice and University lecturers.

You will have a variety of placements in each year of study working in hospitals, general practices and the community. See page 11 for more information on placements.

Campus community
We are proud to have one of the most active students’ unions at any UK university, with over 300 societies and sports clubs where you can have fun, gain new skills and meet like-minded people. Students can also join the Nursing and Midwifery Association (NMA), who aid interprofessional collaboration as well as hosting social activities, organising sporting events and providing welfare support.

Selection and interview
Shortlisted applicants will be invited to a selection day. For more details about what will be involved, please visit nottingham.ac.uk/healthsciences/selectionday

I chose Nottingham because of the opportunities it provides to learn at world-renowned healthcare facilities, alongside staff that are specialists in their field. I have also participated in a number of extracurricular activities that underpin and enable me to use the skills and knowledge I have gained throughout my training.

Jodi Shaw, BSc Nursing

For more information about our courses, please visit nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/nursing
MSc Graduate Entry Nursing (GEN)

This course is aimed at those who already have a degree and some prior healthcare experience, and are committed to providing excellence in care, becoming a registered nurse in just two years.

What will I learn?
The course offers an enquiry-based, person-centred approach, building on your existing skills for learning. It also encompasses shared learning with other disciplines and professions, developing your clinical leadership skills and preparing you for practice.

Year one
In the first year, you will explore the foundations of health and illness and develop your knowledge, skills and values that places the individual at the centre of care delivery. You will also consider factors in infection control, self-management and communication. There will be the opportunity to experience health from the perspective of the patient and their carer.

Modules provide opportunities to apply and evaluate relevant nursing care and contributes to an understanding of health detriments, health inequalities and the development of skills in health promotion. You will start preparing for your research dissertation, choosing your topic and critically evaluating literature to support your studies.

Year two
The second year follows a similar structure to the first year but looks at each module in more depth, covering complex scenarios.

Advanced skills will be used to contemplate the planning and decision making needed to deliver care effectively. You will have a higher degree of responsibility, with extended nursing skills and non-medical prescribing integral to your studies.

The research dissertation will be continued. The empirical or literature-based research will give in-depth critical analysis of relevant literature and you will discuss the implications of your findings and offer recommendations for nursing practice. For this, you will have the support of a research-active academic who will be your supervisor. Past students have been successful in having their research published.

When and where will I study?
The course starts in January and follows similar dates to most university undergraduate courses, with extra time required in the summer.

The majority of study takes place at the Royal Derby Education Centre, Derby*, where we have a Clinical Skills Centre so you can practice in a simulated environment.

You will benefit from learning with manikins, gaining confidence before working with real patients. You can also experience scenarios which might not occur in practice; for example cardiac arrests or critical illness.

There is a free hopper bus that runs from the Royal Derby Hospital to the main campus, University Park, in Nottingham. This gives you the option of living in Nottingham or Derby.

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The support of a dedicated team was instrumental in me gaining this fulfilling and worthwhile qualification. The hands-on and immersive components of the course facilitated a smooth transition into nursing.

George Bond, MSc Graduate Entry Nursing

Our courses

For more information about our courses, please visit nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/nursing
The nursing fields of practice

When you apply, you will choose to focus on one of three different specialisms – adult, child or mental health nursing. Each area is associated with a different skillset, and comes with its own communication, knowledge and leadership challenges. Selecting a specific focus from the outset ensures that you are well-prepared to tackle the challenges you will face in professional life.

Caring for children and their families
Working with children of all ages (up to 19 years old), with a variety of conditions, brings a unique set of challenges. Not only will you care for the child, you will also provide a high-level of support for concerned families.

Focusing on quality care and developing cutting-edge clinical skills, the child field also explores the pivotal roles and interactions between yourself as a nurse and the child and their family, building your knowledge of professional and ethical practice.

As a registered child nurse you may work in a variety of locations, such as:
- hospitals
- a child’s home
- child health clinics
- day care centre

Working with people with mental health problems
One in four of the UK population will experience a mental health problem, which presents major challenges not only for the individual but also their friends, families and the health services supporting them.

As a mental health nurse you will have the opportunity to progress your career in a number of settings and specialist areas, such as:
- working with children
- families
- the elderly
- people with drug and alcohol dependencies
- acute mental health wards

Caring for adults
You will provide care that is completely focused on the needs of the patient and will help people manage an acute episode, injury or long-term illness, regardless of their disease or disability.

The role of an adult nurse is diverse and there are many career opportunities within the NHS and private sector, such as:
- community nurses
- hospital-based services
- ward nurses
- nurse consultants

The practice learning experience

We think it is important you experience care in different settings so you can:
- see how different trusts operate, giving you a wider perspective of the healthcare sector
- broaden your practice experience and clinical skills
- better prepare yourself for a nursing career, understanding the challenges that both patients and healthcare professionals face at various stages
- make connections for future job opportunities and learn which role is suitable for you

You will be typically allocated to community, private, voluntary and independent, and acute placement settings.

Students will gain experience in each of the following placement categories:
- medical
- surgical
- acute care
- community

During placements, you will be supported by experienced clinical assessors and participate in student forums. Placement locations can vary depending on your field of practice and whether you are a BSc or MSc student. However, the majority of placements are in the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire regions.

International opportunities
BSc Nursing students undertake a four-week elective placement. You will arrange this placement yourself and there is the potential to go anywhere in the world, provided the country is deemed safe to travel to and you are able to fund the trip.

Previous students have had placements in Australia, Barbados, Germany, Hong Kong, South Africa, the USA plus many other countries. As well as providing valuable experience, the elective placement gives you the opportunity to experience a different field to the pathway you are studying. This helps you to develop your skills in caring for people with different health needs, allowing you to understand the challenges in differing fields of nursing.

We also offer the Erasmus+ scheme which allows you to study in a European country for up to 12 weeks at one of our EU partner universities.

I chose to go to Kenya for my elective placement so I could broaden my experience of nursing and I was encouraged all the way by the University.

Tanya Raven, BSc Nursing

Find out more about the practice learning experience by visiting nottingham.ac.uk/healthsciences/placements

For further information on each field of nursing, please visit nottingham.ac.uk/healthsciences/fields
Engaging study, incredible results

Your learning will be inspiring, engaging and always applied to your practice of nursing. We employ a variety of learning methods and work with the latest technologies to create a vibrant study environment.

Teaching methods
Students will engage with the three interconnected strands of learning through theory, clinical learning and practice. Clinical learning takes place in a simulated environment with service users, practising nurses, and University lecturers.

Most theoretical modules will use a combination of teaching methods. Depending on the topic you are studying, you will take part in:
- lectures
- demonstrations
- small-group projects
- debates
- workshops
- seminars

Students can also take advantage of the free Health E-Learning and Media Team (HELM) Open database, offering over 200 quality, peer-reviewed online learning and teaching resources.

Assessment
Assessment will vary depending on the module being studied. Our assessment methods include:
- case studies
- clinical exams (OSCEs)
- dissertations
- essays
- journal papers
- presentations
- written exams

Your performance and demonstration of clinical skills on your placements will be assessed continually in the practice environment.

Support
The tutorial system at Nottingham is an important part of your development, and you will be put into tutor groups for your clinical learning, providing personal support and professional development.

Additionally, the school has two dedicated welfare officers who can help you with any problems and direct you to the wider University support services.

Key Information Sets
Key Information Sets (KIS) are comparable sets of information about full or part-time undergraduate courses and are designed to meet the information needs of prospective students. All KIS data is published on the Unistats website: unistats.co.uk

For Nottingham’s KIS data, please see individual course entries at nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy

For more information about the teaching at Nottingham, please visit nottingham.ac.uk/healthsciences/nursingteaching
How do I apply?

All applications for an undergraduate place to study at the University of Nottingham, including applications by international students, must be made through the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS). Applications should be made online at ucas.com and candidates will be notified of decisions through UCAS using UCAS Track.

Your personal statement
This is the section of your UCAS form that tells us most about you, and you should make the best use of it. Be as specific and detailed as you can – we would like to see that you are a student who can work hard, be self-motivated and make the best possible use of the opportunities that our courses offer you. We would also like to hear about any skills you have gained through extracurricular activities.

GCSE reform
In keeping with the reform to GCSEs in England where subjects are to be graded from 9 to 1 instead of A* to G, we can confirm that in accordance with Ofqual recommendations, we will treat GCSEs graded numerically as GCSE grade A=7, B=5, C=4. GCSE qualifications taken outside of the UK will still be graded A* to G.

Entry requirements
BSc Nursing
We accept the following qualifications:
Five GCSEs at grade 4 (C) or above including English, maths and a science plus one of:
- A levels: ABB with at least one being biology, chemistry, physics, physical education, psychology or sociology. General studies will not be accepted
- IB: Diploma with an overall score of 32
We do not accept Functional Skills qualifications in maths and English in lieu of GCSEs.

MSc Graduate Entry Nursing
You should have the following qualifications:
- An honours degree (2:2 or higher). At your interview you will be asked to demonstrate how your knowledge, skills and experience are transferable to nursing
- GCSEs in English, maths and a science subject at grade 4 (C) or above
You will also need to have some paid or voluntary experience in a healthcare related environment.

For additional requirements such as occupational health and criminal record checks for both courses, please see nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/nursing

Alternative qualifications
In this brochure you will find our A level entry requirements, but we accept a much broader range of qualifications.
These include:
- Access to HE Diploma
- Advanced Diploma
- BTEC HND/HNC
- BTEC Extended Diploma
- Cambridge Pre-U
- International Baccalaureate
- Irish Leaving Certificate
- Scottish Advanced Highers
- Welsh Baccalaureate Advanced Diploma

This list is not exhaustive; we will consider applicants with other qualifications on an individual basis. Please contact us to discuss the suitability of your qualification.

Mature applicants
We encourage applications from mature applicants who have a significant gap in education. You should apply in the normal way through UCAS. More information for mature students can be found at nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/mature

Flexible admissions policy
We recognise that some educational and personal circumstances affect achievement. If we judge that you have experienced circumstances that have adversely affected your achievement, we will consider them when assessing your academic potential. Some courses may vary the offer as a result.

Over one-third of our UK students receive our means-tested core bursary, worth up to £2,000 a year. For details, see nottingham.ac.uk/financialsupport
Be the first choice for your future employer

Nursing graduates enjoy careers in a diverse range of settings, including the NHS and the private, voluntary and independent sector. Nurses are the largest group of staff in the NHS and you may choose to pursue a career in clinical care, teaching and research, or management.

100% of first-degree graduates in the division who were available for employment had secured work or further study within six months of graduation.*

£22,785 was the average starting salary, with the highest being £27,000.*

What can I earn as a nurse?

As a newly qualified nurse in the NHS, you can expect an annual salary of between £21,909 and £28,462. With career progression and development there is the prospect of applying for senior clinical posts, for example, Band 6 Ward Manager/Band 6 District Nurse (salary range £26,302-£35,225) and Band 7 Specialist Nurse (salary range £31,383-£41,373).**

** Known destinations of full-time home first-degree undergraduates 2014/15.

Salaries are calculated based on those in full-time paid employment within the UK.

** Based on NHS pay scales, April 2016.

The University’s Careers and Employability Service

Our Careers and Employability Service has a team dedicated to Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences students. They will be on hand to offer you specialist support and guidance throughout your degree and for life after you graduate.

Whether you need help writing a CV, preparing for an interview or exploring career ideas, finding an internship or part-time work, you can book one-to-one appointments or come along to a workshop. Each term there is also an exciting events schedule, bringing you face-to-face with employers offering real-life insight into their professions.

Find out more about the Careers and Employability Service at nottingham.ac.uk/careers

The Nottingham Advantage Award

The award-winning Nottingham Advantage Award recognises and rewards your extracurricular activities. With a choice of over 200 modules, you can hone the key skills employers want.

From developing your leadership skills and learning a language to public speaking and volunteering, you will leave university with demonstrable experience that sets you apart from other graduates. For further information, please visit nottingham.ac.uk/careers/advantage

Postgraduate study

You may decide to stay at Nottingham and join our lively community of postgraduate students within the department. We offer a range of masters and PhD courses. For more information, please see nottingham.ac.uk/pgstudy

Find out where Nottingham could take you and network with our graduates on LinkedIn.

Find out more about the Careers and Employability Service at nottingham.ac.uk/careers
Experience it in a world beyond ordinary

There’s so much for you to get involved in and explore at the University and around the city. Whether you’re interested in sports, learning a language or just having fun with friends alongside studying, you’ll be spoilt for choice.

Getting involved in your Students’ Union
University of Nottingham Students’ Union (UoNSU) is a brilliant, diverse community, and whether you are an undergraduate or postgraduate, first-year or final-year student, you are a part of it. With 300+ student-led groups, clubs and societies, hundreds of volunteering opportunities and support for every stage of your university journey, your Students’ Union offers something for everyone. Find out more: su.nottingham.ac.uk

Your opportunity to study abroad
We offer a range of study abroad opportunities with many students having the option to live and study in another country as part of their university career. Studying or working abroad is a fantastic opportunity to broaden your horizons, experience different cultures, and develop the key skills that employers are looking for. Find out more: nottingham.ac.uk/studyabroad

Music
All student musicians at the University of Nottingham are encouraged to get involved with the vibrant musical life on campus. Find out more: nottingham.ac.uk/music/performance

Exploring your new city
Nottingham city centre is around a 10-minute bus ride away from University Park Campus, so you’re always close to the action. There’s plenty of music venues from the world-famous Rock City, Motorpoint Arena or one of the smaller gig venues for a more intimate live show. If you enjoy shopping, there are independent boutiques and vintage shops as well as high street names in our large shopping centres. Nottingham is also a hotspot for dining, with a great choice of cuisines on offer. Find out more: nottingham.ac.uk/nottinghamlife

Sport
The University of Nottingham is one of the UK’s leading universities for sport and is currently ranked 4th in the university sport rankings*. We have one of the biggest portfolios of sports facilities in the country including the brand new £40m David Ross Sports Village. We also have a rich heritage of supporting Olympic medallists and we have more than 70 student sports clubs to choose from. Find out more: nottingham.ac.uk/sport

* British Universities and Colleges Sport Standings, 2015-16.

Your new home from home
At Nottingham we offer a wide range of room types across the campuses in both catered and self-catered accommodation. From standard single rooms with shared bathrooms to large en-suite studios and flats, there’s something to suit every budget and personal choice. For current pricing and to review all accommodation options please visit nottingham.ac.uk/accommodation

Your support network
Throughout your university journey there will be numerous people on hand to support and advise you, including tutors and dedicated staff. We have Student Service Centres on all three of our UK campuses, which provide a range of support, information and specialist services. Find out more: nottingham.ac.uk/studentservices

Learn a language
The University’s Language Centre gives you the opportunity to study a language alongside your course. All languages are offered from beginners’ level with some going up to near native competency. There are nine languages to choose from: Modern Standard Arabic, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Mandarin Chinese, Russian, and Spanish. Find out more: nottingham.ac.uk/language-centre