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“I really enjoy the placement opportunities that we are able to access. Being based in the UK’s biggest mental health trust means there are opportunities that are not available anywhere else.”

Philippa Oddi, BSc Nursing (Mental Health)

We were ranked 4th in the UK and 28th in the world for nursing according to the QS World University Rankings by Subject, 2018.

99.4% of undergraduates from the school secured work or further study within six months of graduation.
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 you’re a school leaver, mature student, or looking 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

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. At the Student Nursing Times Awards (SNTA) in 2017, we were awarded Student Experience of the Year, Student Nurse of the Year for Learning Disabilities, and Teaching Innovation of the Year. One of our students was also awarded the Nottingham University Hospitals Nurse of the Year 2017.

In the 2018 SNTA, we have been nominated for 14 awards across 12 categories, including Most Inspirational Student Nurse of the Year and Student Nurse of the Year.

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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 details of other English language tests and qualifications we accept, please see nottingham.ac.uk/go/alternativerequirements

Academic English preparation
If you require additional support to take your language skills to the required level, you may be able to attend a presessional course at the Centre for English Language Education, which is accredited by the British Council for the teaching of English in the UK.

Students who successfully complete the presessional course to the required level can progress onto their chosen degree course without retaking IELTS or equivalent. Find out more at nottingham.ac.uk/ccele

Example timetables

Below are example first-year timetables for BSc Nursing and MSc Graduate Entry Nursing. This gives an indication of how your time will be spent, although these are liable to change*.

BSc Nursing:

**A sample first-year timetable**

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MSc Graduate Entry Nursing:

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* The Nursing and Midwifery Council plan to introduce new national educational standards for nursing in 2018. We intend to begin a new curriculum in September 2019, based on these standards. For the most up to date information, visit nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/nursing
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 or mental health). We offer a person-centred approach, providing holistic care for the individual and their family.

What will I learn?

Nursing is a people centred service and is practiced in partnership with individuals, families and communities locally, nationally and globally. You will learn how to improve people’s lives, working to expand capacity for self-care by responding to physical, biological, spiritual, emotional and psychological need.

The BSc Nursing programme at Nottingham has been designed to develop the real skills and knowledge you will need to become the professional leader of tomorrow in an ever-changing healthcare environment.

Year one

In the first year, you will learn about the professional values of nursing, law and ethics, biological sciences and evidence-based practice. This learning will be integrated into practising the skills needed for nursing practice in our Clinical Skills Centre throughout the year. We will help develop your knowledge, resilience and confidence to prepare you for professional practice.

Years two and three

In years two and three, you will continue to develop your knowledge of biological sciences and the professional, legal and ethical issues you may encounter in nursing. You will become more independent and begin to facilitate the leadership and management of high quality, complex nursing care. The programme fosters an awareness of multi-agency working in healthcare through interprofessional learning and places a strong emphasis on holism, cultural competence and social inclusion in nursing practice.

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 are slightly longer than the University’s calendar year.

The majority of study takes place at the School of Health Sciences within the Queen’s Medical Centre, Nottingham. You will benefit from learning in a simulated environment in our Clinical Skills Centre to develop your confidence in caring for people. This learning will take place alongside service users and carers groups, expert nurses from practice, and University lecturers.

Getting to our Nottingham campus is easy, with a wide range of transport links available, from the tram – with stops at both Queen’s Medical Centre and University Park Campus – to public bus services.

You will have a variety of placements in each year of study working in hospitals, general practices and the community. See page 13 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

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MSc Graduate Entry Nursing (GEN)

This course is aimed at those who already have a degree and some prior healthcare or voluntary 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 the knowledge, skills and values that place the individual at the centre of care delivery. You will also consider factors in infection control, self-management and communication. You will learn about caring for people from the perspective of the individual and those supporting them.

Modules provide opportunities to apply and evaluate relevant nursing care and contributes to an understanding of health deterrents, 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.

Complementing your theory, you will undertake a range of placements and practice in a variety of settings. This will enable you to apply theoretical knowledge to people you are caring for, under the supervision of your mentor.

Year two
The second year follows a similar structure to the first year, with the modular theoretical learning covering complex scenarios.

Advanced skills will be used to complement the planning and decision making needed to deliver care effectively. You will have a higher degree of responsibility, with extended nursing skills and preparing to prescribe being integral to your studies.

You will complete your research dissertation during your second year, demonstrating your ability to work at masters level. 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.

You will have the support of a research-active academic who will be your supervisor. Past students have also been successful in having their research published.

Again, you will have a variety of placements over the year, allowing you to apply the theory you have learned.

When and where will I study?
The course starts in January and will last for two years in total with an equal balance between theory and placement.

Your first year of study will take 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. This learning will take place alongside patient focus groups, expert nurses from practice, and University lecturers.

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

You will have a variety of placements in each year of study, working in hospitals, general practices and the community. See page 13 for more information.

* Please note that graduate entry nursing students for January 2019 entry will study their first year at Derby, and their second year at Nottingham.

Campus community
The University of Nottingham at Derby (UNAD) Committee represents all students at Derby and works hard to ensure the student experience in Derby is the best it can be. That means organising events and activities, but also putting forward any ideas or concerns you might have about life at the Derby Campus.

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

My placements have been both diverse and positive. I’ve been on orthopedic trauma wards, watching surgery in theatre, and working in the community. You get a good insight into the kind of nurse you want to become.

Marie Staunton,
GEN Nursing (Adult)
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 specialism is associated with a unique 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 typically be allocated to community, private, voluntary and independent, and acute placement settings.

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.

Elective students have worked in over 30 different countries including Australia, Barbados, Germany, Hong Kong, USA, South Africa, Ghana, Kenya and other sub-Saharan developing countries.

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

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nottingham.ac.uk/healthsciences/placements
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
Teaching and learning occurs across theory, clinical learning and clinical practice. Each element aims to create an inclusive, challenging and transformational learning experience in order to enable you to become the best nurse you can be. We have a student focused approach that supports your development as an independent learner. 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
- digital learning
- debates
- workshops
- seminars

Your digital learning is supported by our international award-winning Health E-Learning and Media Team (HELM). You can take advantage of HELM’s 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)
- final extended literature review
- essays
- presentations
- written exams

Your aptitude, values and knowledge, alongside 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 to provide personal support and professional development. We promote a peer mentoring scheme which will match you with a more experienced student on the programme to provide support and handy hints and tips to make the most of the experience.

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
Outstanding careers support

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 across a range of specialities and in areas that include clinical care, teaching and research or management.

99.4% of undergraduates from the School of Health Sciences had secured work or further study within six months of graduation*

£22,785 was the average starting salary, with the highest being £38,000*

Amplify your potential

Whether you already have a plan or need some inspiration, your Careers and Employability Service is here to help.

Academic excellence and employability go hand in hand at Nottingham. Your course, and the diverse student experiences we offer, will enable you to develop the skills and professional competencies required to thrive in the job market of the future.

We will help you explore your options, so you feel confident making choices about what you want to achieve. Our team will support you as you build your CV, search for jobs, prepare applications, practise your interview technique, and much more.

Get the Advantage

The career-enhancing Nottingham Advantage Award recognises and rewards your extracurricular activities. With a choice of over 200 modules, you can hone the key skills employers are looking for. 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, visit nottingham.ac.uk/careers/advantage

What can I earn as a nurse?

As a newly qualified nurse in the NHS, you can expect to be employed at Band 5 with a salary ranging from £22,128-£28,746**. 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), Band 7 Specialist Nurse (salary range £31,383-£41,373), and Band 8 as an Advanced Nurse Practitioner or Modern Matron (salary range £40,428-£48,514).

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* Known destinations of full-time home undergraduates who were available for work 2015/16. Salaries are calculated based on the median of those in full-time paid employment within the UK.
** Correct as of April 2017.
How to apply

All applications for undergraduate study at Nottingham, including applications by international students, must be made through UCAS.

Applications for MSc Graduate Entry Nursing can be made directly through the online prospectus – see nottingham.ac.uk/pgstudy

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.

Minimum entry requirements
Unless otherwise stated in individual course profiles, all UK applicants should have GCSE English grade 4 (C) as a minimum.

Alternative qualifications
In this brochure you will find our A level and International Baccalaureate entry requirements but we accept a much broader range of qualifications. For more details, visit nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/applying

DBS clearance
All offers are subject to being successful at the selection day, satisfactory health screening, and disclosure and barring service (DBS) clearance.

Flexible admissions policy
In recognition of our applicants’ varied experience and educational pathways, we employ a flexible admissions policy. If we judge that your situation has adversely affected your achievement, then we will consider this when assessing your academic potential. Some courses may make a slightly lower offer. For more information about this policy, see nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/applying

Mature applicants
We encourage applications from mature applicants who have a significant gap in education. You should apply through UCAS. Find out more at nottingham.ac.uk/mature

International applicants
The University provides a range of information and advice for international applicants. If you are unable to attend an open day, we can meet you in your country at one of our overseas events or arrange an individual visit to the University. For further information please visit nottingham.ac.uk/go/international-applicants

Deferred entry
Applicants who wish to defer their entry by a year will not be at a disadvantage. Please tell us something about your plans for your gap year in your UCAS personal statement.

Equal opportunities policy
The University aims to create the conditions whereby students and staff are treated solely on the basis of their merits, abilities and potential, regardless of gender, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, age, socio-economic background, disability, religious or political beliefs, trade union membership, family circumstances, sexual orientation or other irrelevant distinction.

Around 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
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to course content) are likely to occur given the interval between publication and commencement of the course.
It is therefore very important to check our website for any updates before you apply for the course by following
nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy. Where there is a difference between the contents of this brochure and our website,
the contents of the websitetake precedence.

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