4.6 Graduate Coursework Programme in Nursing

Master of Nursing Programme

(The MN curriculum is subjected to changes, for most updated information please refer to MN website at http://medicine.nus.edu.sg/nursing/education/masters-of-nursing-admission.html)

The Master of Nursing (MN) curriculum offered by NUS reflects the current healthcare needs and the importance of advanced nursing practice. Students receive advanced clinical knowledge, skills and acquired professional attitude from a range of disciplines in advanced nursing practice, clinical medicine, social sciences and public health. Students acquire and apply learnt knowledge and skills not only on campus but also in clinical practice settings. Upon successful completion of the 18-month MN programme, graduates are eligible to apply for APN provisional license with the Singapore Nursing Board (SNB) to continue a 12-month supervised practice and be certified as an Advanced Practice Nurse (APN).

The Curriculum

Aims of the Programme

The MN programme aims to prepare experienced registered nurses:

- to be a competent and safe APNs who utilize evidence-based practice and expert nursing knowledge, to assess health and healthcare needs, to make complex clinical decision, to provide comprehensive care, and to educate clients and support individuals to manage their health holistically;
- to function as clinical role models, clinical leaders and clinical consultants to lead clinical services and improve patients’ care quality;
- to pursue life-long learning though professional development programme and to hold responsibility for their clinical competencies by constantly updating their clinical knowledge and skills.

Admission Requirements

Applicants for MN must fulfill both MN academic requirements and SNB admission requirement to the MN programme (Table 1). Applicants may need to attend admission interview based on the admission process.

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1. possess a Bachelor’s degree in nursing from a SNB accredited programme*; and
2. have a minimum CAP of 3.2; and
3. have a minimum TOEFL score of 580/237/85 for the paper-based, computer-based and internet-based respectively or IELTS score of 6.5 or equivalent - for applicants whose native tongue or medium of undergraduate education is not in English

1. possess a full registration with Singapore Nursing Board; and
2. have \textit{at least 5 years} of continuous clinical practice as a Registered Nurse. Advanced Diploma/Post-graduate Diploma in a Clinical Specialty would be an advantage


**Fee**

Tuition fees (covering 3 semesters): S$64,243 (inclusive of GST)

**Application**

Application opens from 1 February to 31 March every year. Please visit our website at [http://medicine.nus.edu.sg/nursing/education/masters-of-nursing-admission.html](http://medicine.nus.edu.sg/nursing/education/masters-of-nursing-admission.html) for more information.

**Programme Structure**

The MN programme is an 18-month programme and will be delivered across 3 semesters. It consists of 70 Modular Credits (MCs), out of which 40 MCs are for theoretical modules and 30 MCs are for clinical practicum.

Detailed Programme Structure of Master of Nursing 2019 Curriculum
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| Clinical (30MC) | NUR5811 Clinical Practicum I (30MC) |

### Graduate Diploma in Community Health Nursing (CHN)

The Graduate Diploma programme has been designed to provide students a strong foundation in community health nursing, enabling care delivered to meet the healthcare needs of various population groups in a variety of community settings in Singapore. The proposed programme, the Graduate Certificate leading to Graduate Diploma in Community Health Nursing responds to the growing societal demand for well-qualified Registered Nurses to manage the healthcare needs of patients in the community.

This course is offered on a part-time mode and adopts a sequential stackable modular approach. Stackable programmes typically consist of Certificates that will stack up towards a Graduate Diploma. The stackable Graduate Certificates shall not be more than 5 years at the point of application for matriculation to the Graduate Diploma in Community Health Nursing.

**Aims of the Programme**

The course aims to promote and deepen registered nurses’ knowledge, skills and understanding for care delivery in a community setting. Registered nurses working in the community are required to perform health assessment and make diagnoses, make decisions and offer treatment with a high level of autonomy and independence. This course aims to consolidate the theoretical base to enable registered nurses to develop higher levels of decision-making and develop skills that will support the continuity of care.
between the hospital and community.

**Admission Requirements**

Applicants must:

- be a registered nurse with valid practicing certificate from Singapore Nursing Board (SNB)
- have at least one (1) year work experience in a community setting
- possess a Bachelor’s Degree in Nursing from an accredited programme
- obtained a CAP ≥3.00 for each graduate certificate (NUR5801G & NUR5802G)

**Fee**

Tuition fees (covering 4 semesters): S$34,560 (excludes GST and SSG funding)

*SkillsFuture Singapore (SSG) subsidy would be applicable to 2 modules (NUR5801G & NUR5802G) for SC/PR.

**Application**


**Programme Structure**

The 24-month Graduate Diploma programme comprises 32 modular credits (MCs). It is offered under a modular, stackable course pathway. All registered nurses can enrol for the graduate certificates. On successful completion of the two (2) stackable Graduate Certificates, registered nurses with a nursing degree and have obtained a CAP 3.00 for each module can apply for admission to the Graduate Diploma in Community Nursing. Upon successful completion of all six modules, the registered nurses will be awarded the Graduate Diploma in Community Health Nursing if they achieve an overall CAP of 2.50.

Registered nurses who are not degree holders but have obtained a CAP ≥ 3.00 for each Graduate Certificate can still submit an application for admission to the Graduate Diploma programme. However, such applications will be considered on a case-by-case basis by a panel comprising representatives from NUS Medicine and NUS Nursing.

**Stackable Course Pathway for Full-Programme of Graduate Diploma in Community Health Nursing**
Curriculum Structure for Graduate Diploma in Community Health Nursing

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How to Apply:

For more information, please visit the programme website: