

Welcome to Adult Nursing BSc (Hons)



Hello and Welcome to Adult Nursing, my name is Cindy O'Dell and I am the Adult admissions tutor. On behalf of the Adult Teaching Team I would like to welcome you to this programme of study. The first few weeks on the course can feel hectic and there will be a great deal of new information to take in.

We hope that this Welcome Pack will help you to prepare for this, and the next three years which will bring lots of challenges but hopefully lots of rewards as well.

Our philosophy and vision

Our course is based on the principles of "Being Brilliant" where you try to be the best version of yourselves. We believe choosing to be positive and going the extra mile will help in your journey to becoming an Adult nurse.

As part of the course you will have lots of opportunities to explore ways in which this philosophy can be put into practice and a key element of this will

be asking you to recognise your own personal values and the role that they and professional values combine to deliver effective care and support.

Our aims

We recognise that, as new students, you will need exposure to a range of ideas and experiences that will help you to develop into tomorrow's nurses.

In **year 1** much of your time will be spent in *participating* in care and *exposing* you to ideas and experiences.

In **year 2** we will expect you to use your knowledge and skills gained so far in *initiating* care and support and by **year 3** we will expect you to play a more significant role in *leading* care. All of this will happen under the skilled supervision of tutors and mentors in practice. Throughout the three years we recognise that you are a unique and developing individual. This influences our approach in two ways. The first is that you will be assigned a Personal Academic Tutor. This person will be a member of the Nursing teaching team and will offer you individual support and help you to review and improve your progress through the course. The second is that we encourage your active participation in every session and, where possible, to make choices over the session content.

Our team

We are a large teaching team and work within Faculty of Health and Society. Some of us are based in clinical practice and others are university working staff. To contact is best done through email where we aim to respond to you in 3-5 working days for ordinary matters. We are contactable in office hours, but we do not work weekends or bank holidays

Teaching and learning

The course is split into 50% practice [placements] and 50% theory [taught sessions on campus or via our remote integrated learning platform called NILE] to allow you to develop as a competence practitioner both academically and practically. We teach using active blended learning approach which means that we will use a range of teaching and learning methods whilst you are on the course. Whether you are engaged in face-to-face, on-line, or group work, we endeavour to make your learning as interactive and at times, fun as possible. We also encourage a greater level of independent study as you progress through the three years to prepare you for registration with the Nursing Midwifery Council [NMC].

Learning in practice

The University is fortunate to be able to have access to a variety of placements in the county of Northamptonshire and beyond ranging from hospitals to voluntary and healthcare settings. A full course plan will be available when you commence the course. You will have a mentor or coach for each placement from the practice area where you are placed. In addition, you will be linked with a Practice Facilitator from the University who will follow you through your placement journey over the three years.

Enhancement opportunities

As part of the BSc (Hons) Adult Nursing we also offer a European Nursing Module through which you will have the opportunity to complete a two week child nursing placement in a European city.

There is also the possibility of an Erasmus placement where you can complete an eleven-week placement in a specified European city.

Throughout the 3 years we also encourage you to become part of our team by assisting us with recruitment, hosting Open days, interviews, teaching skills and providing constructive viewpoints for us to improve the programme.

Looking forward to teaching and working with you all very soon! **Once you qualify as an Adult nurse your qualification can take you anywhere in the world!**

2019 Welcome Week Timetable - BSc Nursing (Adult & Mental Health)

You will be advised when your 10 minute 1:1 tutorial will be during welcome week by your Personal Tutor (PT).

Monday 29 th April		
11am – 12.30pm	Enrolment - Owls Nest – Learning Hub (Ground Floor)	
Tuesday 30 th April		
10am – 12pm	Induction, Social belonging, Team building Groups 1 & 2 (Roger Keenoo & Clency Meurier)	Learning Hub (LH) 017
1pm – 2pm	Expectations of University Life Groups 1 & 2 (Donna Bray; Roger Keenoo; Clency Meurier)	Senate (SN) 208
2pm – 3pm	Placement team talk Groups 1 & 2 (Placement team)	Senate (SN) 208
3pm – 5pm	PT meeting	
Wednesday 1 st May		
10am – 12pm	Are you Ready? Group 1 (Roger Keenoo) Group 2 (Clency Meurier)	Learning Hub (LH) 124 Learning Hub (LH) 125
1pm – 3pm	Academic & digital skills Groups 1 & 2 (Gillian Siddall & Sheryl Mansfield (Roger Keenoo & Clency Meurier)	Creative Hub (CH) 305
3pm – 5pm	PT meeting	
Thursday 2 nd May		
10am – 12pm	Group 1 - Uniform fitting	Learning Hub (LH) 344
10am – 11.30pm	Group 2 Subject Orientation (Fiona Barchard & Clency Meurier)	Learning Hub (LH) 113
11.30 – 12pm	Group 2 Learner Analytics – Helen Poole, Deputy Dean	Learning Hub (LH) 113
12pm	Lunch at the Engine Shed (Provided by the Faculty)	Engine Shed
12.30pm	Student Union talk	Engine Shed
1pm – 3pm	Group 2 - Uniform fitting	Learning Hub (LH) 344
1pm- 2.30	Group 1 - Subject Orientation (Emma Dillon & Roger Keenoo)	Learning Hub (LH) 128
2.30 – 3pm	Group 1 Learner Analytics – Helen Poole, Deputy Dean	Learning Hub (LH) 128
3pm – 5pm	PT meeting	

