

Entry to the Masters of Science in Nursing Programme

Entry to this programme is based on the following criteria:

- Prospective participants must be able to demonstrate at least twelve months post registration experience.
- Nurses must be working in either part-time or full-time positions throughout the duration of the programme in order to achieve the learning outcomes.
- Prospective participants must demonstrate successful completion at level 2.2 or higher, of a programme in nursing or cognate discipline of study to NQAI level 8.
- Support from health service managers is a necessary pre-requisite for entry onto this programme. When you request an application form for this programme you will also receive an information pack for your manager. This pack contains a declaration of support form which must be completed and signed by your manager and returned by you with your application.



**Interested in achieving a
Master of Science in Nursing at IT Tralee?**

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Progression

Candidates who successfully complete the Masters programme will be eligible to continue their studies to Doctorate level at the Institute of Technology, Tralee.

For further information contact:

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Potential MSc Elective Options include:

- > ACUTE CARE NURSING
- > LONG TERM CARE NURSING
- > MANAGEMENT IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR
- > GERONTOLOGICAL NURSING
- > INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY NURSING
- > MENTAL HEALTH NURSING
- > PRIMARY CARE NURSING

The Master of Science in Nursing is a 2 year part-time programme that offers the opportunity to focus on your field of practice and is planned to build on your nursing experience. There are core mandatory modules and a range of elective modules for you to select from. The course design is based on the National Council for Nursing and Midwifery (NCNM) guidelines for the Advanced Nurse Practitioner and aims to provide a clinically focused pathway to help you to achieve Master level study. Candidates undertaking this course can work with their managers and the NCNM to enable them to design individual professional development pathways, including this MSc programme, which will facilitate participants if applying for Advanced Nurse Practitioner positions.

This course is approved by An Bord Altranais and will commence in September in the Department of Nursing and Health Care Studies at the Institute of Technology Tralee.

The course is supported by the Nursing and Midwifery Planning and Development Unit and will be delivered in partnership with health care service providers and the Kerry Centre for Nurse Education.

Modules

Participants will undertake eight modules in total over the two years.

MODULE TITLE	YEAR
Evidence based practice Advancing personal effectiveness in leadership Ethical judgment in professional leadership Designing a research project	Year 1
Practice portfolio project Practice research dissertation	Year 1 & 2 Year 2

Elective Modules

In year 1 you will be required to undertake 2 elective modules that can be selected from the list below. Please note that we will try our best to facilitate your choice. However, we cannot guarantee elective choices as some electives will be running concurrently and all electives can only be offered subject to demand.

Module Title

- > Contextualising health and social care
- > Holistic care for the acutely ill
- > Deconstructing disability and long term illness: challenges and implications
- > Policy, politics and practice in Intellectual Disability Nursing
- > Assessment and planning in mental health nursing practice
- > Promoting mental health
- > Critically examining the ontology of Gerontological Nursing
- > Progressing contemporary practice in Gerontological Nursing
- > Developing practice in primary health care
- > Developing practice in community health promotion
- > Managing Innovation
- > Managing Risk

Structure

It is intended to hold the course in the Department of Nursing and Health Care Studies weekly on Thursday afternoon and Thursday evening. These classes will take place during the months of September to May inclusive. Support tutorials and other occasional seminars are to be negotiated.

Academic Level

This course is set at Academic Level 9 on the National Qualifications Authority of Ireland Marks and Standards Framework.