Nursing – Specialist Nursing – Orthopaedic strand (M.Sc./P.Grad.Dip./P.Grad.Cert.)

Course Overview

The M.Sc. / P.Grad. Dip. / P.Grad. Cert. in Specialist Nursing (Orthopaedic) is designed to enable registered nurses to enhance their knowledge, experience and clinical skills within their chosen speciality.

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### Course Outline

The M.Sc. / P.Grad. Dip. / P.Grad. Cert. in Specialist Nursing (Orthopaedic) is designed to enable registered nurses to enhance their knowledge, experience and clinical skills within their chosen speciality. This course includes clinical and practice based teaching, learning and assessment and students may be required to attend additional sessions at associated service provider sites as well as at the student's practice base during year one of the course. The course will endeavour to provide the student with the appropriate level of knowledge, clinical expertise and technical skills necessary to function as a competent, effective and caring practitioner, and is designed to prepare the nurse to function as a specialist nurse. There is a strong commitment to research based practice, and a focus on the development and integration of theoretical knowledge and clinical experience. This will meet the specific educational needs of students and will promote evidence based nursing care.

### Structure and Delivery

The course is offered on a two year part-time basis.

**Year One:** commences with a full week in September and thereafter one day per week for the remainder of the academic year.

**Year Two:** attendance at workshops throughout the academic year.

### Modules (ECTS are listed in brackets)

#### Year 1 Module Specialist
- NU7571 Specialist Principles of Orthopaedic Nursing
- NU7572 Elective Orthopaedic Nursing
- NU7573 Trauma Orthopaedic Nursing
- NU7574 Supervised Practice Placement (Orthopaedics)

#### Core
- NU7013 Theory & Practice of Enquiry Methods for Healthcare
- NU7020 Leadership, Quality improvement and Governance

#### Year 2 Module
- NU8007 Dissertation

### Entry Requirements

The criteria for admission are that the candidate must have:
- current registration on the appropriate division of the live register held by The Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland;
- minimum of two years post-registration clinical experience since first registration;
- 12 months experience (within the last two years) in the specialist area being applied for;
- an honours degree in nursing or a related discipline or equivalent professional and academic qualification or satisfy the selection committee that they have the academic ability to successfully complete the programme;
- additional criteria may be required by individual Health Service Providers.

### Further information


### How to apply


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**Key Facts**

- **Course Length**: 2 years part-time
- **Award**: M.Sc./P.Grad.Dip./P.Grad. Cert.
- **Start Date**: September of each year
- **NCQ Level**: 9

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**National Council for Quality Assessment and Accreditation (NCQ)**

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**Further information**


**How to apply**


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**Further details are available from**