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

Course Overview

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Course Outline
The M.Sc. / P.Grad. Dip./P.Grad. Cert. in Specialist Nursing is designed 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. 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. Professional nursing in the perioperative department requires specialist knowledge, along with clinical and technical expertise and interpersonal skills, in order to provide comprehensive, physical, emotional and spiritual support to the patient during surgical intervention.
Alternatively, applicants may apply for the P.Grad.Cert. in Specialist Practice – Perioperative Care which includes the three specialist theory modules. Students who successfully complete the P.Grad. Cert. may progress to the P.Grad. Dip/ M.Sc. in Specialist Nursing -Perioperative 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
Year 1 Modules
Specialist
NU7551 Principles of Perioperative Nursing
NU7552 Nursing Management of the Perioperative Patient
NU7553 Perioperative Department Management
NU7554 Supervised Practice Placement (Peri-op)
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 nursing division of the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland Active Register;
- a minimum of two years post-registration clinical experience since first registration
- a minimum of one year experience in the specialty at the time of application;
- 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;
- each student will be engaged in specific practice settings relevant to the specialist area for the duration of the programme of study.

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