Bachelor of Science with Honours in Nursing Practice

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses). These regulations are available by going online to the Open University 'Essential Documents' website at www.open.ac.uk/essential-documents.

Short title
BSc (Honours) Nursing Practice

Award letters
BSc (Hons) Nurs Prac (Open)

Entry requirements
To register, you must

(a) not be rendered unsuitable to become a registered nurse by:
   (i) criminal caution or conviction (subject to the provisions of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974)
   (ii) health/sickness/disability (subject to occupational health screening)
(b) hold the following set of qualifications:
   (i) key skills Level 2 in Numeracy
   (ii) key skills Level 2 in Literacy
   or
   other educational, professional or vocational qualification deemed to be equivalent
(c) satisfy any other restrictions set down by the NMC
(d) be sponsored and supported by your employer
(e) continue to receive sponsorship and support from your employer throughout your programme of study.

In order to maintain your registration and continue study on the degree, you must make satisfactory progress. To do this, you must:

(a) attend the obligatory tutorials and/or other obligatory meetings for each module or obtain an excusal
(b) submit the continuous assessment assignments for each module at the specified time, or obtain alternative permission
(c) attend any compulsory supervised practice learning periods required for each practice-based module
(d) complete a portfolio of practice assessment for each practice learning period that is accepted by the Examination and Assessment Board (EAB) as providing evidence that you meet the NMC standards for pre-registration nurse education (NMC 2010)
(e) not engage in behaviour that is judged by the EAB or Fitness to Practice Panel to be damaging or dangerous to either service users or other students or programme providers, or that creates an unacceptable risk to you or others.
Maximum duration of study
16 years.

Credit requirement
360

Stage 1 (120 credits)
120 credits from the specified compulsory modules

Stage 2 (120 credits)
120 credits from the specified compulsory modules

Stage 3 (120 credits)
120 credits from the specified compulsory modules

Maximum transferred credit
240 credits.

Maximum age of credit transfer
5 years

Unique study requirement
120 credits at OU Stage 3

Additional rules
On successful completion of the degree, the Department of Nursing Progression Group will confirm that you can be recommended to the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) for eligibility to enter its register as a Registered Nurse.