Principles and skills for nursing practice  

KYN237

Presentation pattern  October to March (17 month module)

Module description

This online module is the second of three practice-based modules in the Pre-Registration Nursing Programme leading to the award of the BSc (Hons) Adult Nursing or BSc (Hons) Mental Health Nursing. The emphasis within this course is in the development of students’ knowledge and skills in the adult and mental health fields that will enable them to achieve the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) competencies for pre-registration nursing. Using a range of study materials they’ll explore in depth the complexities of healthcare practice.

Person specification

The person specification for this module should be read in conjunction with the generic person specification for an associate lecturer at The Open University.

As well as meeting all the requirements set out in the generic person specification, you should have:

- a degree or equivalent qualification in a healthcare subject
- a professional qualification in nursing that allows registration on the adult or mental health parts of the NMC Nurses Part of the Register Sub-part 1
- a recordable teaching qualification (or the willingness to progress this within two years from your first appointment as a module tutor)
- effective negotiation and communication skills
- internet access and effective IT skills
- demonstrable experience with online learning environments (synchronous and asynchronous virtual learning environments)
- demonstrable experience of teaching online including; communicating effectively using email, leading and moderating online forums and using online assessment tools and processes
- ability to maintain distance relationships with students using social networking tools
- knowledge and experience of current nursing practice in adult or mental health-related settings
- recent and relevant experience of healthcare education relevant to the module (adult or mental health)
- understanding of the needs of adult learners on practice-based learning modules
- commitment to personal and professional development.

Additional information

- Please note that module tutors are required to lead and moderate generic and field specific, adult or mental health online forums. Where appropriate this may involve collaboration with other tutors to facilitate inter-group communication and participation.

Module related details - a full explanation can be found on the website

Credits awarded to the student for the successful completion of a module: 60

Number of assignments submitted by the student: 3
Method of submission for assignments: 1a
Level of ICT requirements: 2
Number of students likely to be in a standard group: 20
Salary band: 6
Estimated number of hours per teaching week: 8