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## About your course

### Courses covered

Code	Title
HHMCONMSC	MSc Contemporary Nursing
HHMCONPGD	PgDip Contemporary Nursing
HHMCONPGC	PGCert Contemporary Nursing
HHMCONAMSC	MSC Contemporary Nursing (Advanced Practice) RCN accredited

You can find full details of your course in the *Programme Specification*.

### Important points

#### MSc Contemporary Nursing

This programme enables nurses to undertake a range of clinical and professional modules that reflect their current Continuing Professional Development needs. The MSc Contemporary Nursing will develop the students' knowledge and skills in leadership, teaching, and/or management and promote the use evidence and technology to improve nursing care in innovative ways. This award requires 180 credits (at least 150 credits at Level 7) and includes core modules in Integrating Research into Professional Practice (15 credits), Advanced Decision Making in Health and Social Care (15 credits), Work Based Learning for Contemporary Nursing (30 credits) and Dissertation (45 credits). This part-time programme enables nurses to choose from a range of clinical and professional modules that reflect their current Continuing Professional Development needs. The MSc Contemporary Nursing will develop the students' knowledge and skills in leadership, teaching, and/or management and promote the use of evidence and technology to improve nursing care in innovative ways. To be considered for the programme, applicants would normally have a first degree in a health-related discipline which includes a research focused module or an equivalent. To undertake the programme, students will need current registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) and employment as a health care professional in an appropriate setting.

#### MSc Contemporary Nursing (Advanced Practice)

The Contemporary Nursing (Advanced Practice) programmes meet the needs of graduate nurses in the fast-changing world of health care provision across a range of advanced practice roles and in a range of settings. The Contemporary Nursing programmes are for those wishing to differentiate themselves from their peers in an increasingly competitive professional careers market. The Advanced Practice (AP) pathway is designed for experiences nurses to develop knowledge and higher-level skills in their field of practice and will equip them with expertise and knowledge that is consistent with nationally agreed elements of advanced practice (DH 2010). Nurses following this pathway will develop advanced skills in order to become autonomous practitioners (RCN 2012). **Students gaining the full MSc Contemporary Nursing (Advanced Practice) will have RCN accreditation for their award.** This award requires 180 level 7 credits. All specified modules (9) are mandatory. However, there are modules to choose from should the applicant have studied one of the compulsory modules at an undergraduate level or at another university. This is a part-time pathway that can be completed over 2 years.

To be considered for the Advanced Practice programme, candidates need to have an undergraduate degree or equivalent, and additional evidence to demonstrate their employer's recommendation for their application for a programme of study leading to an Advanced Practice role. In addition, evidence of employer support to undertake the programme including the availability of appropriate clinical supervision is required. Applicants need to have previously, successfully undertaken a mentor preparation programme and have a minimum of 3 years post-qualification experience.

### **Postgraduate Diploma Contemporary Nursing**

This award requires 120 credits (at least 90 credits at Level 7) and includes core modules in Integrating Research into Professional Practice (15 credits) **or** Advanced Decision Making in Health and Social Care (15 credits) **and** Work Based Learning for Contemporary Nursing (30 credits). Students who exit with a PGDip Contemporary Nursing to consolidate their learning in practice may return to complete the full MSc Contemporary Nursing. They will need to complete all the compulsory modules for the MSc and rescind their exit award in order to do this.

### **Postgraduate Certificate in Contemporary Nursing**

This award requires 60 credits from the Contemporary Nursing modules.

## **Academic Year**

### ***Academic Year 2018 - 2019***

The University's academic year is made up of 3 Semesters. For this programme, modules run in semesters A, B & C. specific module dates can be found on the student planning tool on the MSc Contemporary Nursing programme website. The university semesters are as follows:

- Semester A runs from Monday 17 September 2018 to Friday 11 January 2019
- Semester B runs from Monday 14 January 2019 to Friday 17 May 2019
- Semester C runs from Monday 20 May 2019 – Friday 13 September 2019

## **Additional expenses**

Funding can be applied for through the post graduate student loan [website](#) or can be applied for through your place of work. You can also self-fund and details can be found [here](#).

## **For further details and contact**

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