Entrance Requirement

To be eligible for admission to the programme leading to the degree of Doctor of Nursing, applicants must:

- comply with the General Regulations of the University of Hong Kong;
- hold a master's degree in nursing or equivalent disciplines from this University, or a comparable university accepted for this purpose;
- currently hold a Registered Nurse licence;
- have English proficiency as specified by the University's admission requirements; and
- Satisfy the application evaluators with (i) a statement of overall career goals and specific research interests and (ii) an oral justification of their suitability for doctoral education.

Fees	Application for admission fee (Non-refundable)	HK$300	
	Composition fee	HK$69,000 per year	
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Doctor of Nursing *Programme*

DNurs

School of Nursing

The School of Nursing of the University of Hong Kong was established in 1995 and rapidly gained a reputation of excellence in teaching, research and clinical practice.

Now, more than ever, there is a great need for highly-qualified and knowledgeable nurses. Our School is having a strong mission to educate nursing leaders for the community. Currently, the School offers six different nursing degrees, including full-time and part-time Bachelor Programmes, a Master Programme, a taught doctoral programme as well as research-based MPhil and PhD Programmes. We believe the programmes could contribute to the nursing profession by training and preparing nursing leaders, practitioners, researchers and educators.

The School also is attaining research excellence locally and internationally. Since its establishment, it has been transformed from a relatively new nursing institute to one of the leading nursing schools with a sound and strong research foundation in the region. We are committed to generating and producing knowledge to advance the practice and discipline of nursing.

Doctor of Nursing Programme

The Doctor of Nursing (DNurs) programme is a professional doctorate with course work and research, normally extends over four years part-time. The maximum period of study is six years part-time.

Programme Objectives

The DNurs programme is designed for nurses who aspire to provide leadership in advancing nursing practice, education and research.

Programme Structure

Time Frame	Coursework	Thesis
Phase I 1st - 24th month	1. **DNurs Core modules** a. Take 4 DNurs Core modules b. Assignment: as specified for the individual modules	Preparation of detailed research proposal plus initial work on thesis
	2. **DNurs Track modules** a. Take 3 DNurs track modules b. Assignment: as specified for the individual modules	
	3. **Research Ethics module**	
Phase II 25th - 48th month	**Confirmation of candidature** 1. Completion of DNurs Core and Track modules; 2. Completion of a detailed research proposal; and 3. Presentation at a confirmation seminar	**Thesis** a. Attendance at thesis seminars b. Presentation at thesis seminars c. Completion of a thesis of 50,000 to 60,000 words

Core modules
Scientific Progress in Nursing
Advanced Quantitative Research Designs and Methods
Naturalistic and Interpretive Approaches to Nursing Research
Health Policy for Advocacy in Health Care

Track modules
There are two leadership tracks in the DNurs programme: Educational Leadership Track and Clinical Leadership Track.

The Educational Leadership Track modules are:
- Introduction to Clinical and Classroom Teaching in Nursing
- Curriculum Planning and Development
- Assessment and Evaluation

The Clinical Leadership Track modules are:
- Advanced Practice Nurse (APN) Role Acquisition
- Health Behavior and Health Promotion Research
- Concepts and Methods in Health Services Research

Research Ethics module
Research Ethics for Graduate Students

Thesis
Students will complete a thesis of 50,000 to 60,000 words that represents an original scientific study grounded in practice/education and contains material worthy of publication.

International Student Exchange
Opportunities are available for students to have educational exchange with renowned international universities.

Serena Yang Scholarship
Two prizes shall be awarded to newly enrolled candidates who hold a bachelor's degree with 1st class honors or equivalent outstanding academic achievement; and whose research proposal (2-3 pages) has demonstrated scientific rigor. The value of each of the prizes shall be HK$30,000.