



**HKU
Med** LKS Faculty of Medicine
School of Nursing
香港大學護理學院

Master of Science in Nursing

(Full-Time)



Why choosing HKU Nursing

The School of Nursing of The University of Hong Kong has gained a reputation for excellence in teaching, research, and clinical training. The School has a strong mission to educate nursing leaders for the community, and it is our goal to **provide a diversified and holistic nursing education** that will prepare our graduates to become **leaders of the nursing profession**. One of the strengths of the School is its innovative, interdisciplinary and internationalised nursing curricula responding to the health needs of the population locally and globally. We also have close links with a range of health care settings in Hong Kong, which facilitate the provision of cutting-edge learning environments for our students. The School has developed a strong network with nursing schools in renowned universities internationally, which enables student and academic exchanges as well as research collaboration.

Currently, the School offers a variety of taught nursing programmes at bachelor, master and doctoral levels as well as research-based MPhil and PhD programmes. These programmes contribute to the **nursing profession by educating and preparing nursing practitioners, researchers, educators and leaders**.



Master of Science *in Nursing*




The Master of Science in Nursing [MSc(Nurs)] Programme admits Bachelor's degree holders from non-nursing disciplines and prepares them for registration with the Nursing Council of Hong Kong as a Registered Nurse. The Programme provides **comprehensive and holistic nursing education which strives to achieve professional excellence in nursing**. Students will develop the capacity to become transformative nurses, to make a positive impact on the outcomes of patients and healthcare systems, and to become a future leader in the profession.

Graduates will become an independent and competent practitioner and an enabling partner, with a global vision, an insatiable quest for knowledge, with the courage to embrace changes and uncertainties in an interdisciplinary team. The capstone project of the Programme prepares students for a higher degree through research study.

Programme Structure

MSc(Nurs) is a full-time programme with a normative study period of 3 academic years. Its curriculum consists of a total of 29 courses (204 credits) which focuses on quality care, clinical skills and leadership, and is designed to be both research-intensive and research-informed.

In addition to the 22 professional core courses and 5 practicum courses, students are also required to acquire the capstone experience through an Advanced Nursing Research and Evidence-based Practice course and a Nursing Thesis. By being actively involved in acquisition of research knowledge, students will become competent in formulating practical and meaningful research questions, critically appraise literature and rigorously plan for an appropriate research design.

Components	Courses	Credits
 Taught Courses (22 courses)	Life Sciences I, II for Nursing	12
	Applied Psychology for Nursing Practice	6
	Fundamentals of Nursing	6
	Science of Therapeutic Nursing I, II, III, IV	24
	Introduction to Nursing Research	6
	Microbiology and Pharmacology for Nursing Practice	6
	Health Assessment	6
	Promoting the Health of Individuals and Populations	6
	Emergency and Critical Care Nursing	6
	Mental Health Nursing	6
	Social Context of Health and Illness	6
	Nursing Care of Children and Adolescents	6
	Nursing Care of Women and Infants	6
	Community and Global Health Nursing	6
	Nursing Care of the Older Adult	6
	Professional, Legal and Ethical Issues in Nursing	6
Introduction to Chinese Medicine and Nursing	6	
Management and Leadership in Health Care	6	
 Clinical Practicum (5 courses)	Introduction to Clinical Nursing Practicum	6
	Adult Nursing Practicum	9
	Specialty Nursing Practicum I, II	15
	Consolidation Practicum	27
 Capstone Experience (2 courses)	Advanced Nursing Research and Evidence-based Practice	6
	Nursing Thesis	9



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Clinical Practicum

Students have the opportunities to practice their nursing skills under the instructions and supervision of experienced mentors in all aspects of nursing.

Exchange

Students are provided with outgoing exchange opportunities for broadening their horizon and enhancing cultural and professional knowledge exchange.

Teaching Strategies

A variety of innovative and interdisciplinary teaching strategies and initiatives are employed to facilitate effective learning throughout the three years.

Awards

Master of Science in Nursing Academic Excellence Award
Master of Science in Nursing Clinical Excellence Award
Entrance Grant for the Master of Science in Nursing

Professional Recognition & Career Prospect

Graduates who have satisfactorily completed the programme requirements will be awarded the Master's degree in nursing and eligible for applying to register as a Registered Nurse from the Nursing Council of Hong Kong. Graduates with cumulative clinical experiences will subsequently lead to career promotion as advanced practice nurses, nurse consultants, nurse managers, administrators or educators.

Admission Requirements

To be eligible for admission to the Programme leading to the degree of MSc(Nurs), candidates shall:

- comply with the General Regulations;
- comply with the Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula;
- hold a Bachelor's degree in a non-nursing discipline of this University or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution accepted for this purpose in recent 5 years normally;
- meet the 'Minimum entry requirements for training of Registered Nurses' from the Nursing Council of Hong Kong;
- have a good command of written and spoken English and Chinese (Cantonese); and
- satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination if required.

A candidate shall achieve the English proficiency as specified by the University's admission requirements for the taught postgraduate programmes: <https://aal.hku.hk/tpg/english-language-requirements>.

Fees

Application for admission fee (non-refundable): HK\$300

Composition fee (subject to the University's approval): HK\$150,000 per year



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