TRAINING TOMORROW’S NURSING LEADERS

Alice Lee Centre for Nursing Studies

BSC (NURSING) / BSC (NURSING) (HONOURS)
ACADEMIC YEAR 2018/19
The Alice Lee Centre for Nursing Studies (NUS Nursing) at the NUS Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine is committed to providing high quality nursing education. Our undergraduate courses here at NUS Nursing – Asia’s leading Nursing programme – are designed to develop competent and caring nurses, as well as innovative healthcare leaders for Singapore and the region. We provide an intellectually stimulating, rigorous and nurturing environment for our students. Through our state-of-the-art simulation training centre and close partnerships with Singapore’s leading hospitals, our students receive the best nursing education in Singapore.
The NUS Bachelor of Science (Nursing) degree is a three-year, full-time modular-based undergraduate programme. Upon successful completion of the programme, graduates are eligible to register with the Singapore Nursing Board to practise as a Registered Nurse. When you achieve a minimum Cumulative Average Point (CAP) of 3.2 at the end of the programme, you can apply to proceed to the Honours programme leading to the award of the Bachelor of Science (Nursing) (Honours) degree.

The focus of our Honours curriculum ranges from evidence-based nursing and applied research methods to integrated clinical practice. Students are required to complete a research project during the Honours year.
Curriculum and Programme Structure

YEAR OF STUDY

One

• Effective Communication for Health Professionals
• Fundamentals of Nursing
• Anatomy and Physiology
• Pathophysiology and Pharmacology for Nurses
• Medical/Surgical Nursing
• Comprehensive Health Assessment
• Health and Well-being for Older Adults
• Nursing Practice Experience

Two

• Maternal and Child Health Nursing
• Pathophysiology and Pharmacology for Nurses
• Medical/Surgical Nursing
• Mental Health Nursing
• Professional Nursing Practice, Ethics and Law
• Infection and Immunology
• Psychology for Nurses
• Medical Sociology
• Nursing Practice Experience
• Elective
Three

- Medical/Surgical Nursing
- Community Integrated Health Care
- Introduction to Research, Evidence and Nursing Practice
- Leadership and Management
- Consolidated Clinical Simulation Nursing Practice
- Transition to Professional Practice Experience

Honours

- Evidence-Based Healthcare
- Applied Research Methods
- Research Project in Nursing
- Elective
- Clinical Practicum
Career Prospects

Our undergraduate nursing programmes prepare and enable students to pursue career opportunities in clinical and community practice, education, research and management.

Our graduates are highly sought after for their excellence and professionalism in nursing. 97.4% of BSc (Nursing) graduates, and 91.8% of BSc (Nursing) (Hons) graduates, find employment within six months after completing their final exams*. NUS Nursing graduates start off with median monthly salaries of S$3,500 for those with honours, and $3,400 for those without honours. Many are working in the clinical and healthcare fields, making significant contributions to the health and well-being of people in Singapore and the region.

*Graduate Employment Survey 2017

HOSPITAL

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**ASSISTANT NURSE CLINICIAN/ SENIOR STAFF NURSE**

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<td>Research Fellow</td>
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“I am proud to be an NUS Nursing graduate. Not only has the course prepared me to be a nurse, it has transformed me to be an independent critical thinker and problem solver when caring for my patients. The nursing honours programme in NUS developed my interest in nursing research and evidence-based nursing practice, with a view in striving for the best care for my patients.”

BETSY SEAH
BSc (Nursing) (Honours), Class of 2012
PhD student (NUS Nursing)

“The Alice Lee Centre for Nursing Studies is a fine example of an institution that not only equips its students with the necessary nursing skills and knowledge, but also provides them with management and leadership skills. The extensively structured curriculum helps to prepare students to be future nursing leaders and as an extension, nursing frontrunners and healthcare trailblazers.”

KIREN S/O THANAPALAN
BSc (Nursing), Class of 2012
Registered Nurse (National University Hospital)

“I am an Advanced Practice Nurse in Tan Tock Seng Hospital’s palliative department. The expanded role of an Advanced Practice Nurse empowers me to continue to help my patients medically, socially, psychologically and spiritually. It also enables me to be part of a dynamic multi-disciplinary team and be able to provide excellent care to my patients.”

CHIA GERK SIN
BSc (Nursing), Class of 2009; Master of Nursing, Class of 2015
Advanced Practice Nurse (Tan Tock Seng Hospital)

“Nursing is a dynamic and exciting profession with limitless career opportunities. The nurses of today are empowered, equipped and educated on evidence-based practices and clinical reasoning skills, which translate into high quality patient care. It is a journey of continuous learning, reflection and self-discovery on what we are capable of giving to our patients.”

NG SIOK QI
BSc (Nursing) (Honours), Class of 2011
Nurse Manager (Khoo Teck Puat Hospital)
An undergraduate degree in nursing offers a myriad of exciting opportunities to further one’s horizon upon graduation. Students who are interested in specific nursing fields can choose to specialise in different areas. Others wanting to acquire greater depth of knowledge may choose to proceed to higher degrees.

The University offers financial aid in the form of loans, scholarships and bursaries to students in need. In addition, MOH Holdings (MOHH) and healthcare agencies in Singapore offer attractive scholarships and sponsorships for suitably qualified applicants. Students may receive a monthly allowance while studying at NUS Nursing. A large proportion of our students are scholarship/sponsorship recipients.

Students can apply for the Healthcare Merit Award/Healthcare Merit Scholarship from MOHH. Sponsorship is also available from the three regional health systems:

**Central Region:**
National Healthcare Group

**Western Region:**
National University Health System

**Eastern Region:**
Singapore Health Services
Clinical Nursing Practice

Clinical nursing practice is an integral part of the undergraduate degree programmes at NUS Nursing. The modules are designed to equip students to consolidate the knowledge and skills acquired, and apply to patient management in various hospitals, polyclinics, hospices and community health agencies.

“Clinical nursing practice has always been the highlight of the semester. I get to see first-hand the challenges that lie ahead of me in my nursing career and learn how to resolve them. Every clinical practicum is an opportunity for me to review my progress so that I can identify my shortcomings in order to become the nurse I want to be.”

LIM SHIN YING, Year 3

Inter-professional Education

NUS Nursing is committed to fostering inter-professional education experiences for our undergraduate nursing students. Students have opportunities to learn and study together with peers from Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy and Social Work. Learning actively with counterparts from other related disciplines imparts team skills that are essential for students to work effectively as professional members of multi-disciplinary care teams in hospitals and clinics.

“Besides emphasising the importance of teamwork, understanding and communication, Inter-professional Education also gives us opportunities to work with peers from other healthcare disciplines. We learn to recognise and leverage on our respective strengths, knowledge and expertise in fulfilling our common goals.”

TAY CHERYL, Year 3
There are also opportunities for students to participate in overseas exchange programmes in countries such as China, Hong Kong, Japan, South Korea, Switzerland and Taiwan.

"I was humbled to be given the opportunity to go on a Student Exchange Programme at Tokyo Ariake University in July 2016. My friends and I learnt a lot about the culture, healthcare system, practice of nursing and use of Traditional Chinese Medicine in Japan. Going on the programme definitely broadened my perspectives on nursing education and practice."

ELYSIA CHIAM, Year 3

Community Service

Our students organise and participate in local and overseas health screening programmes and other community services.

"Cangyuan Synergy 2016 gave me the chance to see a different healthcare landscape in another part of the world. Working with team-mates and overseas counterparts to achieve common goals was highly fulfilling. Being part of the project enabled me to reflect on my roles as a nurse, a young adult, and a fellow human being to another."

ELYSIA CHIAM, Year 3
Entry Requirements

All eligible applicants must fulfil the minimum University requirements for admission to full-time undergraduate studies. Shortlisted local and foreign candidates will be required to attend an interview and take an aptitude test.

GCE ‘A’ Level, Singapore-Cambridge: Any two H2 passes in the following subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Computing, Physics and Mathematics

International Baccalaureate (IB): Any two HL passes in the following subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Computing, Physics and Mathematics

NUS High School: Major CAP of at least 2.0 in any two of the following subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Mathematics

Diploma Holders: Applicants presenting a Diploma from a Polytechnic in Singapore

Health Requirements

For further information, please visit the NUS Nursing website at
http://medicine.nus.edu.sg/nursing

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