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2ND-CYCLE STUDY PROGRAMME IN NURSING CARE

Location: Faculty's headquarters (UM FZV, Žitna ulica 15, 2000 Maribor)

Duration: 2 years, 120 ECTS

Study options under the 2nd-cycle (master's) study programme in *Nursing Care*:

- NURSING CARE
- EMERGENCY SITUATIONS IN HEALTH CARE
- MENTAL MEALTH IN ADVANCED NURSING PRACTICE
- INTEGRATED TREATMENT OF CHRONIC PATIENTS IN ADVANCED NURSING PRACTICE

Candidates select a desired option in their application. Options are implemented in the first year of study.

Access requirements:

Candidates who completed the following may apply for the 2nd-cycle (master's) study programme:

- 1. A 1st-cycle (bachelor's) study programme in the field of health (091).
- 2. An undergraduate professional study programme adopted prior to 11 June 2004 in the field of health (091).
- 3. An undergraduate academic study programme adopted prior to 11 June 2004 in the field of health (091). Candidates are typically awarded 60 ECTS credits and may enrol in the second year of study provided they satisfy the transfer criteria laid down in the accredited study programme.
- 4. A specialisation following an undergraduate professional study programme adopted prior to 11 June 2004 in the field of health (091).
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In order to be admitted to the *Emergency Situations in Health Care* option, candidates shall have three years of work experience in the field of nursing care demonstrated by a certificate of employment issued by the employer.

Selection criteria in the event of limited enrolment:

If the number of applications exceeds the number of available enrolment places, candidates shall be ranked according to:

— grade point average including the final work (100%).

If the final work is not required for completion of the study programme, only the grade point average shall be considered (100%).

Mode of study: full-time and part-time

The part-time *Nursing Care* option shall be implemented in the event of at least 7 students enrolled in the first year of study.

The part-time *Emergency Situations in Health Care* option shall be implemented in the event of at least 7 students enrolled in the first year of study.

The part-time *Mental Health in Advanced Nursing Practice* option shall be implemented in the event of at least 7 students enrolled in the first year of study.

The part-time Integrated Treatment of Chronic Patients in Advanced Nursing Practice option shall be implemented in the event of at least 7 students enrolled in the first year of study.

In the 2024/2025 academic year, the Faculty of Health Sciences shall not implement the second year of study under the *Integrated Treatment of Chronic Patients in Advanced Nursing Practice* option. For this reason, candidates who completed an undergraduate academic study programme adopted prior to 11 June 2004 or a specialisation following an undergraduate professional study programme adopted prior to 11 June 2004 (i. e. candidates referred to under points 3 and 4) cannot apply.

Transfer criteria:

In accordance with the transfer criteria, candidates may transfer to the 2nd-cycle (master's) study programme in Nursing Care from study programmes in the field of health (091) provided they lead to the acquisition of comparable competences and that at least half of the study obligations under the previous study programme relating to compulsory courses of the new study programme are recognised.

Under the recognition procedure, fulfilled study obligations that may be recognised fully or partially are identified, and study obligations required for completion of the new study programme are laid down.

THE 3RD- CYCLE STUDY PROGRAMME IN NURSING CARE

Location: Faculty's headquarters (UM FZV, Žitna ulica 15, 2000 Maribor)

Duration: 3 years, 180 ECTS

Access requirements:

Candidates who completed the following may apply for the 3rd-cycle (doctoral) study programme in *Nursing Care*:

- 1. A 2nd-cycle (master's) study programme.
- 2. An undergraduate academic study programme adopted prior to 11 June 2004.
- 3. A specialisation following an undergraduate professional study programme adopted prior to 11 June 2004. Prior to enrolment, candidates shall pass the following courses corresponding to 60 ECST credits under the 2nd-cycle (master's) study programme in Nursing Care, the Nursing Care option: Research and Research Methodology (9 ECTS), Theories, Concepts and Practice of Nursing Care (9 ECTS), Evidence Based Nursing (6 ECTS), Management and Leadership in Nursing Care (10 ECTS), Quality and Safety in Health and Nursing Care (5 ECTS), Informatics in Health and Nursing Care (5 ECTS), Simulations in Health and Nursing Care (5 ECTS), Gerontological Health Care (5 ECTS), and Health Promotion and Primary Health Care (6 ECT).
- A study programme educating students for professions regulated by EU directives or another integrated (long-cycle)
 master's study programme corresponding to 300 ECTS.

Candidates who completed a similar study programme abroad and have their qualifications recognized in the Republic of Slovenia also meet the access requirements.

Candidates are advised to contact potential supervisors and prepare a dissertation topic proposal or select a narrow field of expertise for their dissertation.

Selection criteria in the event of limited enrolment:

If the number of applications exceeds the number of available enrolment places, candidates shall be ranked according to:

- grade point average (15%),
- grade awarded for the thesis (5%), and
- grade awarded for the competitive examination (80%).

The competitive examination (100%) shall consist of the following courses: *Nursing Care* (25%), *Nursing Care of Children and Adolescents* (25%), *Supervision in Nursing Care and Health* (25%), and *Mental Health with Psychiatry* (25%).

Candidates may replace up to 40% of the competitive examination with scientific and professional work. Prior to enrolment, candidates may be awarded a maximum of 10 points (40%) for scientific or professional work conducted in the field of nursing care and health. Publications are scored in accordance with the valid Criteria for the Appointment of Faculty Ranks for University Teachers, Researchers and Other Employees in Higher Education of the University of Maribor.

Criteria for the evaluation of scientific research:

- scientific monographs,
- an independent chapter in a monograph, and
- an original scientific paper published in a journal with impact factor (JCR) or journals indexed in SCI, SSCI, or A&HCI.

Criteria for the evaluation of professional work:

- a professional monograph or review,
- an independent chapter in a monograph,
- published papers in conference proceedings,
- professional papers and/or reviews of these papers,
- participation in editorial boards of monographs or journals, and
- other documented forms of professional work.

Transfer criteria:

In accordance with the transfer criteria, candidates who completed the following may transfer to the second year of study of the 3rd-cycle (doctoral) study programme in *Nursing Care*:

- A master of science study programme adopted prior to 11 June 2004.
- A specialisation following an undergraduate academic study programme adopted prior to 11 June 2004.

Candidates may transfer to the study programme provided they fulfil the following criteria:

- criteria for enrolment in the first year of the 3rd-cycle (doctoral) study programme in *Nursing Care*;
- they are transferring from a study programme leading to the acquisition of comparable competences or learning outcomes;
- at least half of the study obligations evaluated according to the ECTS credit system of the previous study programme relating to compulsory courses of the new study programme are recognised.

Candidates shall submit an official printout of the study programme and a certificate of passed exams.

The Committee for Scientific Research of the Faculty of Health Sciences decides on the recognition of fulfilled study obligations from the previous study programme and lays down study obligations required for completion of the new study programme and the year of study the candidate is to enrol in.

If the number of applications exceeds the number of available enrolment places, candidates shall be ranked according to grade point average of all fulfilled study obligations of the previous study programme.

Mode of study: part-time

Number of available enrolment places: The number of available enrolment places is published in tables that represent an integral part of the Call.