

Course Specification

Course Summary Information		
1	Course Title	BSc (Hons) Community Health Nursing Specialist Practitioner (District Nursing)
2	BCU Course Code	UCAS Code
		US0317N
3	Awarding Institution	Birmingham City University
4	Teaching Institution(s) (if different from point 3)	
5	Professional Statutory or Regulatory Body (PSRB) accreditation (if applicable)	Nursing and Midwifery Council

6	Course Description
	<p>Are you are community nurse? Do you want to progress into work as a Specialist Practitioner in District Nursing? If so, why not take the next step with the post-registration educator of the year 2017 (Student Nursing Times Awards)? Our specialist course will provide you with the learning and resources you need to become a clinical leader in your community.</p> <p>What's covered in the course?</p> <p>We'll expand your knowledge, as well as the way you think, helping you to reflect, solve problems and think independently, all of which are essential attributes in this challenging but highly rewarding career.</p> <p>We take a half theory/half practice approach on this course to ensure you gain important knowledge as well as first-hand experience. There will also be an extended period of practice to allow you to develop your skills by participating in vital management of real-life situations and challenges.</p> <p>You'll learn to apply the skills and qualities of a specialist practitioner to meet the needs of clients, communities and purchasers, as well as work in a team, creating strong working partnerships.</p> <p>You'll discover how to assess the professional, ethical and legal context of the specialist practitioner role, as well as evaluate sources of information to support the assessment and management of long term conditions, the provision of inter-professional palliative care, and effective and efficient case management.</p>

7	Course Awards		
7a	Name of Final Award	Level	Credits Awarded
	Bachelor of Science with Honours Community Health Nursing (District Nursing)	6	120

7b	Exit Awards and Credits Awarded		
	Bachelor of Science Studies Community Health	6	60

8	Derogation from the University Regulations		
	Not applicable.		

9	Delivery Patterns		
	Mode(s) of Study	Location(s) of Study	Duration of Study
	Full Time	City South	1 year
	Part Time	City South	2 year
			Code(s)
			US0317N
			US0328

10	Entry Requirements
<p>The admission requirements for this course are stated on the course page of the BCU website at https://www.bcu.ac.uk/ or may be found by searching for the course entry profile located on the UCAS website.</p>	

11	Course Learning Outcomes
1	Apply the principles of population and caseload management.
2	Competently support and care for patients who are unwell or recovering at home.
3	Provide leadership to support and care for patient's independence.
4	Be able to enhance the patient's experience, promoting a positive patient and carer experience.
5	Action health by measuring impact; outcomes and indicators.
6	Reflect on current practice, developing clinical practice and new ways of working to meet the needs of patients, communities and organisations.

12	Course Requirements																									
12a	Level 6: <i>In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete all the following CORE modules (totalling 120 credits):</i>																									
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12b Structure Diagram
Level 6

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO	SEMESTER THREE
Core PHE6054: Evidence Based Practice (15 credits) PHE6024: Assessment for First Contact Care in the Community (15 credits) PHE6020: Community and Policy Studies (15 credits)	Core PHE6028: Prescribing for Community Health Nurses (V100) (15 credits) PHE6060: Leadership, Innovation and Public Health (15 credits) PHE6026: Management of Long Term Conditions in the Community (15 credits)	Core Management Placement attached to PHE6022: The Professional Practice of Community District Nursing (30 credits)
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13 Overall Student Workload and Balance of Assessment

Overall student *workload* consists of class contact hours, independent learning and assessment activity, with each credit taken equating to a total study time of around 10 hours. While actual contact hours may depend on the optional modules selected, the following information gives an indication of how much time students will need to allocate to different activities at each level of the course.

- *Scheduled Learning* includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, contact time specified in timetable
- *Directed Learning* includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning
- *Private Study* includes preparation for exams

The *balance of assessment* by mode of assessment (e.g. coursework, exam and in-person) depends to some extent on the optional modules chosen by students. The approximate percentage of the course assessed by coursework, exam and in-person is shown below.

Level 6

Workload

% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	400
Directed Learning	200
Private Study	600
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	35
Exam	15
In-Person	50