

Course Specification

Course Summary Information			
1	Course Title		Fundamentals of Primary Care Nursing (General Practice Nursing) Fundamentals of Primary Care Nursing (Nursing Homes)
2	BCU Course Code	UCAS Code	US0859
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)		

6	Course Description
	<p>If you work in a primary care, general practice, nursing or care home setting, this course will equip you with all the core skills required for the role and to further develop your career.</p> <p>What's covered in the course?</p> <p>The course will develop your clinical and academic skills and prepare you develop as a practitioner leading the delivery of quality care. You will focus on the general practice population or the adult resident in nursing and care home settings alongside generic community and primary care skills.</p> <p>This 12-month course is delivered over 24 contact days at the University, alongside online activities and 30 hours of supervised practice with a nurse mentor. Practical skills such as immunisation, cervical screening, minor injury and illness, frailty and medicines management are covered. There is a strong focus on communication and assessment skills as well as chronic disease management including dementia, mental health and learning disability. The course will equip you with the foundation knowledge and skills to work in either the general practice or nursing home setting.</p> <p>We have experienced lecturers with a background in primary care and community nursing and supported by subject specialist lecturers. You will learn through a variety of methods including role play, debate and case study approaches. You will receive support for you and your mentor in practice to achieve the practical elements and will be supported by a personal tutor from the teaching team throughout the course.</p> <p>The course has been developed alongside Health Education England and the CCG training hubs to provide a quality assured standardised course for the general practice and nursing home workforce.</p>

7	Course Awards		
7a	Name of Final Award	Level	Credits Awarded
	Graduate Certificate Fundamentals of Primary Care Nursing (General Practice Nursing)	6	60
	Graduate Certificate Fundamentals of Primary Care Nursing (Nursing Homes)	6	60
	Advanced Diploma Professional Studies in Fundamentals of Primary Care Nursing (General Practice Nursing)	6	60
	Advanced Diploma Professional Studies in Fundamentals of Primary Care Nursing (Nursing Homes)	6	60
7b	Exit Awards and Credits Awarded		
	Not applicable		

8	Derogation from the University Regulations
	Not applicable

9	Delivery Patterns			
	Mode(s) of Study	Location(s) of Study	Duration of Study	Code(s)
	Part Time (Adv Dip)	City South	1 year	US0859
	Part Time (Grad Cert)	City South	1 year	UQ0615

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	Be proficient in the core competencies identified in the HEE GPN Framework 2015.
2	Recognise and respond appropriately to physical and mental health problems using effective interpersonal, communication and consultation skills to engage and maintain professional caring relationships based on dignity and respect.
3	Plan, deliver and evaluate safe, competent, person-centred care in primary care environments taking into account issues of equality, diversity, safeguarding and access for patients.
4	Engage in collaborative partnership working with patients, carers, families and the wider inter-disciplinary, multi-agency team.
5	Recognise and respond to limitations in competence and acknowledge when clinical decisions require specialist knowledge, knowing when, who to and how to refer on being accountable for their decision making and professional practice.
6	Apply the principles of legal and ethical frameworks in primary care settings.
7	Evaluate and reflect critically upon the impact and implementation of policy and practice at a local and national level.
8	Reflect upon the nature of contemporary professional primary care nursing and critically appraise the influence of audit evaluation and research.
9	Utilise leadership, management and mentorship skills to deliver effective primary care nursing care and quality service provision, including risk management
10	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the use of clinical guidelines and protocols and the impact of the Quality Outcomes Framework (QOF) and Care Quality Commission regulations.
11	Use clinical judgement and communication skills for the provision of evidence based primary care nursing to enable and empower people to improve, maintain or recover health making every contact count.

12 Course Requirements													
12a	<p>Level 6:</p> <p><i>In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete all the following CORE modules (totalling 60 credits):</i></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="background-color: #ffff00;">Module Code</th> <th style="background-color: #ffff00;">Module Name</th> <th style="background-color: #ffff00;">Credit Value</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>PHE6091</td> <td>Primary and Community Care Nursing: Core Skills</td> <td>20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>PHE6092</td> <td>Primary and Community Care Nursing: Professional Practice</td> <td>20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>PHE6093</td> <td>Primary and Community Care Nursing: Long Term Conditions</td> <td>20</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value	PHE6091	Primary and Community Care Nursing: Core Skills	20	PHE6092	Primary and Community Care Nursing: Professional Practice	20	PHE6093	Primary and Community Care Nursing: Long Term Conditions	20
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12b Structure Diagram

Level 6

Core PHE 6091 Primary and Community Care Nursing: Core Skills 20 credits Delivered Sept - January	Core PHE 6092 Primary and Community Care Nursing: Professional Practice 20 credits Delivered Sept - January	Core PHE6093 Primary and Community Care Nursing: Long Term Conditions 20 credits Delivered January - May
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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	162.5
Directed Learning	140
Private Study	297.5
Total Hours	600

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	100%
Exam	0
In-Person	0