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*Career focus*

*2023 study year*

## Faculty of Health Sciences

### Bachelor of Nursing Science (BNurs)

The nursing profession equips students with skills that will help improve patients' health and enrich their lives. A considerable number of nursing graduates from the University of Pretoria occupy managerial positions in and outside South Africa.

#### What does the programme entail?



- Theoretical and clinical general nursing and midwifery training. Integrated health leadership education in an interdisciplinary context.
- Supplementary knowledge including anatomy, physiology, psychology and pharmacology.

#### What makes this programme unique?



- Nursing is a rewarding career and there are plenty of employment opportunities in this field.
- The programme is accredited with the South African Nursing Council.

#### Who is the ideal candidate?



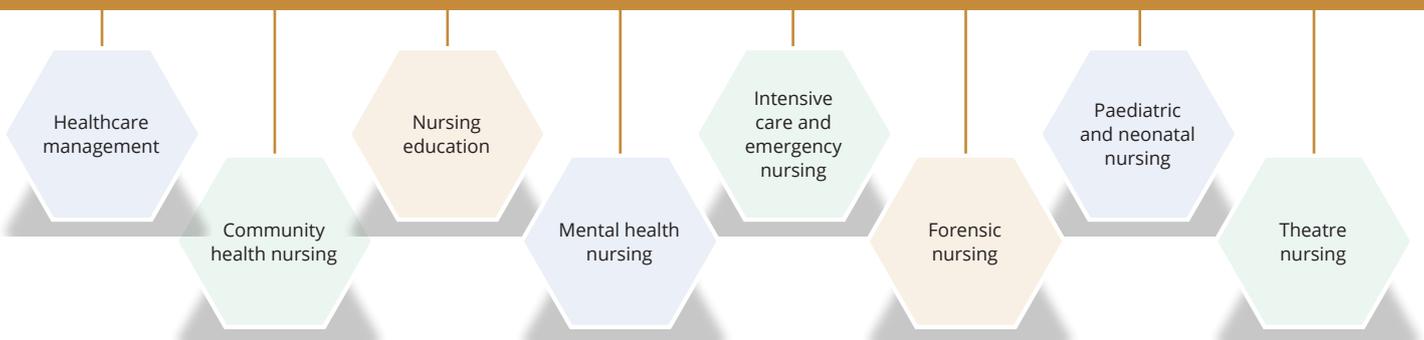
The ideal candidate for the Bachelor of Nursing Science (BNurs) programme is someone who is a caring and compassionate person with resilience and perseverance.

#### Structure of the programme



- **Core modules:** Nursing studies, Nursing practice education, Integrated health leadership
- **Fundamental modules:** Anatomy, Physiology, Medical Terminology, Pharmacology, Psychology, Microbiology.

#### Career opportunities



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## Which companies employ Bachelor of Nursing Science (BNurs) graduates?



'My nursing journey has been incredible! Yes, there were moments where I was ready to quit, but I managed not to let them destroy my love for this career. Instead, I allowed challenging moments to help me become a better version of myself as a nurse.'

The first year was daunting theoretically and practically. I felt overwhelmed. We were expected to know about the human body and mind. During practicals, I saw other students working quickly and with confidence I did not feel. I questioned everything before doing it. Eventually, I adapted to the new environment and met the responsibilities; then, I started getting the hang of nursing. Since then, I have enjoyed the programme very much.

Nursing is a demanding career choice. I have learnt to do my best but to not be too harsh on myself. I have to remind myself that I'm still a student. I am still learning, and I have the opportunity of developing my skills under excellent supervision. I am keen to learn from my colleagues, mentors and patients. There is always that one case that you get in the hospital or clinic that will make one feel lost, however with the right support from the lecturers and one's colleagues, you'll be able to find your feet again. For me, nursing is like an arranged marriage: you fall in love with the husband along the way. I was delighted to be admitted, but at that point, I was both unsure and curious about what the profession would be about. By the end of the first semester, I was madly in love with nursing as a profession.

Due to COVID-19, we had to study online. This has affected us as students. Fortunately, with the support of our lecturers and tutors, I made it to my final year. I'm grateful for the growth I have experienced and everything I have learned. I feel equipped for community service and ready to be an even better version of myself from here on.'

**Nomfundo Magagula – (Fourth-year BNurs student)**

### Minimum admission requirements for NSC/IEB

Programme	Minimum requirements for NSC and IEB for 2023			
	Achievement level			APS
	English Home Language or English First Additional Language	Mathematics	Life Sciences	
<b>School of Healthcare Sciences</b>				
<b>Bachelor of Nursing Science (BNurs)</b> [4 years] <b>Closing date:</b> 30 June	4	4	4	28

For advice on a second-choice programme, please consult a Student Advisor. To make an appointment, send an email to [carol.bosch@up.ac.za](mailto:carol.bosch@up.ac.za).

Selection is based on a candidates' final Grade 11 examination results.

**Careers:** General nursing and midwifery

### Minimum admission requirements for qualifications other than the NSC/IEB

For qualifications not indicated in the table below, refer to the conversion table in the brochure:

2023 Undergraduate programme information - Qualifications other than the National Senior Certificate (NSC) and Independent Examination Board (IEB) at [www.up.ac.za/programmes](http://www.up.ac.za/programmes) > Undergraduate > Admission information

Programme	Minimum requirements for 2023									
	Achievement level									
	Compulsory subjects	IGCSE/ LGCSE/ BGCSE/ SGCSE/ GCSE/ NSSC OL/ O Level = Gr 11*	AS Level	IB SL	IB HL	HIGCSE/ NSSC HL	KOMBI ABITUR	CGCE UCE NECO WAEC ZIMSEC O Level = Gr 11*	CGCE UACE WAEC ZIMSEC A Level	KCSE
Bachelor of Nursing Science (BNurs) Will only be considered as a first study choice.	English	D	D	2	2	3	50-59%	D	E	B
	Mathematics	D	D	2	2	3	50-59%	D	E	B
	Biology	D	D	2	2	3	50-59%	D	E	B

# This level cannot be used for final admission alone. The compulsory subject requirements as indicated in the above table must be on A Level and/or AS Level for final admission before registration. Provisional selection is based on six IGCSE subjects. Final admission is based on two IGCSE and four A Level or AS Level subjects. The compulsory subjects as indicated in the above table must be on A Level or AS Level.