



# CERTIFICATE IN NURSING (NURSE/MIDWIFE PRESCRIBING)

## Programme Overview

The Certificate in Nursing (Nurse/Midwife) Prescribing aims to prepare nurses and midwives as independent prescribers enabling them to provide patients with effective access to medications, and expand the role of nurses and midwives in progressing the healthcare needs for the future.

## Programme Content

### Semester 1

NS5251 - Professional, Ethical, Legal and Interpersonal Dimensions to Nurse/Midwife Prescribing

NS5271 - Systematic Assessment and Evaluation in Patient Care

NS5261 - Drug Action and Prescribing

NS5281 - Clinical Practicum in Nurse/Midwife Prescribing 1

### Semester 2

NS5282 - Clinical Practicum in Nurse/Midwife Prescribing 2

## Advantages of Studying in UL

- Flexible study to suit your needs with Blended Learning facilitating students to learn interactively using computers both on and off the university campus
- Over a 26 weeks/six month study period
- 10 study days on campus
- 18 days study supported online
- Dedicated student supports (Writing Centre, Student Advisor System, Blended Learning)

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Applications can be submitted using the application form available on the Academic Registry website.

## Programme Delivery

Programme design facilitates flexible, student friendly access to learning. Hence attendance at University is confined to 10 days with a balance of 18 days, delivered and supported through blended learning modalities on line.

Students will be based in practice throughout the programme. During the programme each participant will be under the guidance and supervision of a formally agreed medical practitioner who will act as a supervisor.

The supervisor provides student supervision and supports learning opportunities over the duration of the programme with specific requirements of 12 days (direct supervision) of the prescriptive process.

The prescribing programme facilitates a strong commitment to the integration of theory and practice.

## Entry Requirements

1. Registration as nurse or midwife on the live register of Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland
2. Minimum of 3 years post-registration clinical experience (The required clinical practice experience must have been gained within the past 5 years with at least one year in the area in which prescribing is proposed and excludes time spent undertaking further post registration programmes)
3. Possession of competencies recognised at Level 8 of the NQAI framework
4. Demonstration of continuous professional development and the ability to study at Level 8
5. Support from employer and complete Site Declaration form, signed by the Director of Nursing/Midwifery/Public Health
6. Nomination and confirmation of a designated medical practitioner mentor (completed site declaration form signed by the Medical practitioner/Mentor) who will provide the student with supervision support and opportunities including shadowing opportunities during the period of the programme.

## The department offers the following level 9 postgraduate programmes

- MSc Nursing
- MSc Perinatal Mental Health
- MSc Nursing (Dementia Care)
- MSc Nursing (Palliative Care)
- MSc Nursing (Peri-operative Care)
- MSc Nursing (Psychosocial Interventions in Mental Health Care)
- MSc Nursing (Older Person)
- MSc Nursing (Respiratory Care)

## The Department also offers the following:

### Programmes

- Level 9 Master's by Research
- Level 10 PhD by Research
- Level 10 Professional Doctorate in Healthcare Practice
- Level 10 EHS Structured PhD

### Continuous Professional Development Modules

- Modules from any postgraduate programme can be taken on a stand-alone basis and credits accumulated over time towards a full programme. Students can take up to two modules without enrolling on a full programme of study and programme enrolment occurs each Aug/Sept
- More Information: <http://www.ul.ie/nm/continuous-professional-education-modules-cpe>

