



# **Master of Science in Nursing**

(Offers various specialisms preparing registered nurses to become Advanced Practice Nurses and nurse leaders)

Programme Code	: 53070
Programme Leader	: Dr Betty Chung
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Duration	: 2.5 years part-time or 2 years full-time
Mode of Study	: Mixed-mode
Credits Required for Graduation	: 30 + 1 free credit (HTI5T04 Academic Integrity and
	Ethics (AIE) compulsory subject)

#### **AWARD TITLE**

Master of Science in Nursing OR Master of Science in Nursing (Named Specialism):

- Cancer and Palliative Care
- Community Health Nursing
- Critical Care
- Gerontological Nursing

- Infectious Diseases and Infection Control
- Mental Health Nursing
- Nursing Education
- Traditional Chinese Medicinal Nursing

## **OBJECTIVES**

This programme provides an opportunity for experienced registered nurses to develop the necessary knowledge, understanding and competencies for advanced practice in specialty areas and becoming nurse leaders in the changing health care system.

## **PROGRAMME STRUCTURE**



Students pursuing the MSc in Nursing award with a designated specialism must choose specialty elective subjects and complete a dissertation or the practicum in the corresponding specialism areas.

## **CORE SUBJECTS**

- SN501 Concepts of Advanced Nursing Practice
  - SN5061 Advanced Methods in Nursing Research
  - SN588 Advanced Health Assessment<sup>OR</sup>
  - SN5300 Advanced Mental Health Assessment<sup>%</sup>

© Compulsory for Community Health Nursing specialism Compulsory for Mental Health Nursing specialism

## SPECIALTY ELECTIVE SUBJECTS



#### Cancer and Palliative Care

- SN5117 Palliative and End of Life Care
- SN527 Cancer Nursing

#### Community Health Nursing

- SN5835 Health Promotion in the Community
- SN5836 Community-based Nursing Intervention

#### **Critical Care**

- SN5200 Critical Care Nursing I (Cardiovascular and Respiratory)
- SN5201 Critical Care Nursing II (Renal and Neurology)

#### Gerontological Nursing

- SN523 Care of Older Persons with Cognitive Impairment
- SN5401 Long Term Care for Elderly People

#### Infectious Diseases and Infection Control

- SN5022 Infection Control Practice
- SN5118 Contemporary Infectious Diseases



#### Mental Health Nursing

- SN5038 Recovery-focused Counselling Skills for Severe Mental Illness
- SN5304 Advanced Medication Management

## **Nursing Education**

- SN5120 Curriculum Development and Evaluation in Nursing
- SN5122 Innovations in Learning and Teaching for Healthcare Education

## Traditional Chinese Medicinal Nursing

- SN5203 Meridian Therapies in Chinese Medicinal Nursing
- SN5730 Advanced Nursing Therapeutics in Chinese Medicine

# **GENERAL ELECTIVE SUBJECTS**

- SN5037 Working with Younger People and Their Families to Improve Mental Health
  - SN5106 East Meets West: Nutritional Approach
  - SN5112 Pain and Symptoms Management
  - SN5113 Trauma and Disaster Life Support
  - SN5119 Healthcare Innovation
  - SN5181 Quality Management of Health Care Services
  - SN5400 Care of Older People in Acute Care Setting
  - SN5801 Advanced Health Assessment on Mother and Neonate
  - SN5802 Social Context and Trends of Childbearing
  - SN5803 Advanced Maternal and Neonatal Care
  - SN5804 Management of Maternal and Neonatal Complications
  - SN5896 Concepts and Technological Applications of Smart Hospitals (new subject)
  - All the specialty elective subjects can be chosen as general elective subjects

## **OFFERING PATTERN OF SPECIALTY/GENERAL ELECTIVE SUBJECTS\***

		2025/26			2026/27		
		Sem 1	Sem 2	Summer	Sem 1	Sem 2	Summer
Specialty	Cancer and Palliative Care	✓	✓		✓		
	Community Health Nursing		1		<b>√</b>		
	Critical Care	<b>√</b>				✓	✓
	Gerontological Nursing			✓	✓	✓	
	Infectious Diseases and Infection Control	✓	✓		✓		√
	Mental Health Nursing		1		✓	✓	
	Nursing Education	✓				1	
	Traditional Chinese Medicinal Nursing	✓		✓		~	
	General Elective	1	1		1	1	

Subject to change

Specialty/General elective subjects are being offered in alternate years



## **PROGRAMME UNIQUENESS**

- Being recognised by the Nursing Council of Hong Kong as one of the Voluntary Schemes for achieving Advanced and Specialised Nursing Practice
- Preparing registered nurses to become advanced practising nurses and nurse leaders in the changing healthcare system
- Enabling students to specialise in their chosen clinical areas
- Optional provision of a Postgraduate Diploma as an exit award
- Fostering internationalisation in education by accepting students from local, national and international backgrounds
- Offering flexible mode and pattern of study

## **OVERSEAS PLACEMENT**

The School collaborates with renowned institutions to offer exchange opportunities for students' exposure to overseas clinical learning environment. We have been extending our partnership networks for developing more exchange and internship collaborations.

Examples of our partners:

- The National University of Singapore ^, Singapore
- Phenikaa University, Vietnam
- Griffith University <sup>^'</sup>, Australia

^ The collaboration discussion is currently in progress.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS**

The School offers scholarships to support students attending conferences, undergoing overseas placement or participating in activities that will broaden their horizons and enrich their experience in a professional and international context.

#### **ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS**

- Holders of a bachelor's degree in nursing from The Hong Kong Polytechnic University or the equivalent from a recognised institution
- Currently practising in a specialised field

If you are not a native speaker of English, and your Bachelor's degree or equivalent qualification was awarded by institutions where the medium of instruction is not English, you are expected to provide one of the following proficiency test results (taken in a single sitting within 2 years) for fulfiling the minimum English language requirement for admission purpose:

- A score of 80 or above in the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) Internet-based test; OR
- An Overall Band score of 6.0 or above in the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) Academic module

## **TUITION FEE**

- HK\$5,040 per credit for local students
- HK\$5,835 per credit for non-local students

## **ENQUIRIES**

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