Adult nurses work across the whole spectrum of health care from young adults, to the middle aged, to over 90s and beyond, from those living with long-term illnesses, recovering from illness or living with a disability, to those needing help to stay mentally and physically well. On this innovative and accelerated programme, you will discover all the different aspects of adult nursing and be supported in getting your career off to the best possible start.

**THE COURSE**

- **Integrated theory and practice**: the clinical experience you gain from your placements (from the very start of our course) is backed up by seminars, lectures and small group work, as well as the use of simulation in teaching and virtual learning tools.
- **Leading the way in Nurse Education**: learning in practice is a vital component of student nursing at UEA. Our Collaborative Learning in Practice (CLiP) project is one example of our innovative and supportive coaching philosophy that has been endorsed nationally.
- **Superb teaching and facilities**: our School has award winning facilities and teachers with a reputation for excellence.
- **Supported by Health Education England**: this course has been developed in collaboration with Health Education East of England (HEEoE) and is supported by our local NHS Trusts. It prepares you for registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC).

**KEY ATTRIBUTES**

As an Adult Nurse you’ll need to be a caring and compassionate individual who is determined and committed to supporting the people in your care. You will have exceptional communication skills, a flexible approach and enjoy working in a busy, multidisciplinary team. You will be keen to develop your leadership and research skills, alongside a holistic approach to care.

**YOUR CAREER**

Once you have successfully graduated you could be based in a hospital or in the community, working at the centre of a multi-professional team that includes doctors, physiotherapists, occupational therapists, pharmacists, radiographers and healthcare assistants. You will work with adults of all ages with a range of health conditions and have close contact with patients and their families. Your skills will be in high demand, and could lead you into a career of specialist nursing roles, management, education or research. You may choose to develop your skills even further through professional development opportunities.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT QUALIFICATIONS DO I NEED?
Applicants will be required to have a degree at 2.2 or above in any subject; GCSEs or equivalent (at C or above in Maths and English), and will have had some relevant experience in health and social care or equivalent - please see our website for further details about our admissions policy and what evidence is required for the Accreditation of Prior Learning (APL) before you start the course to ensure that you get the most out of our rigorous training.

If you already are a nurse this course is not suitable and you may wish to consider our other professional nursing courses delivered at Degree and Master’s level.

HOW MUCH WORK EXPERIENCE WILL I NEED?
Applicants are required to make an Accreditation of Prior Learning (APL) application and provide evidence of at least 1225 hours of relevant prior learning and experience via a portfolio. It is anticipated that the evidence of prior learning will be via the applicant’s degree transcript and may be complemented by other relevant education and training activity. This learning will usually have been completed within the last 5 years and will need to be undertaken before the course is due to commence, but not at the point of application. Prior experience will be supported by evidence of recent, relevant health care practice (usually within the last 2 years). Health care experience is essential to meet the APL/NMC requirements for eligibility onto the two year programme. This will require you to identify a suitably qualified person such as a nurse, doctor or physiotherapist who has directly observed your competency in basic care skills in order for them to be signed off to meet the NMC requirements. More information: see our Fact Sheet, or visit www.nhsCareers.nhs.uk/explore-by-who-you-are/teachers-and-careers-advisers/work-experience/ or www.stepintothenns.nhs.uk/work-experience.aspx

WHAT OTHER CHECKS ARE REQUIRED?
All successful applicants will be required to complete a satisfactory Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) check and a satisfactory Occupational Health check.

Once you have been made an offer you will need to visit our Occupational Health website at: http://umsuea.co.uk/occhealth in order to download an Occupational Health Assessment Form. If you decide to accept our offer the DBS Team at UEA will contact you later in the cycle to begin this process. More information: www.uea.ac.uk/disclosure

WHAT IS THE NHS CONSTITUTION?
All students who join our school must be able to identify with the NHS Constitution, which is embedded into all of our programmes. As part of our recruitment process, the values of the NHS Constitution will be explored at interview, alongside the ‘6 C’s’, with successful candidates demonstrating how these are reflected in their own beliefs.

More information: www.nhs.ac.uk/choiceinthenhs5/Rightsandpledges/NHSConstitution

WHAT ARE THE INTERVIEWS LIKE?
All applicants who are invited for interview will be required to undertake a numeracy and literacy test on the interview day. These tests are a requirement of the Strategic Health Authority; they also help the University to plan any numeracy support required by our students and may be considered alongside the overall interview scores. The interview lasts approximately 30 minutes and follows a multi-mini-interview format across four stations. There will also be a 5 minute presentation on how your prior experience can be applied to nursing. The selection process will consist of a numeracy and literacy test, subject talk and interview. We will also check the documents you are asked to bring with you on the day. More information: www.uea.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/visit/interview-days/

ARE THERE ANY USEFUL RESOURCES YOU WOULD RECOMMEND?
The NHS is a valuable source of information when you’re researching what career you would like to follow: www.nhsCareers.nhs.uk
You might also like to look at: Nursing and Midwifery Council: www.nmc.org.uk or journals such as The Nursing Times: www.info.nursingtimes.net

WHO WILL I BE TAUGHT BY?
You will be taught by a group of supportive, dedicated lecturers who are all experts in their chosen area. The university also actively encourages research and excellence, and the school has a great reputation for delivering world class research as well as being a leading educational institution.

HOW IS THE COURSE TAUGHT?
The School of Health Sciences students receive a high level of education drawn from the latest research, theories, practice and clinical skills. In addition, our state of the art, purpose built facilities will provide you with an excellent learning environment. The course uses a blended learning approach which involves lectures, seminars, student-led learning, simulated practice and Enquiry Based Learning (EBL). The majority of learning will take place in small tutorial groups. EBL often explores different real life scenarios in packages of learning. For example, in enquiry based learning packages you will identify issues raised for an individual, gather relevant information to address the issues and agree an action plan to meet any unmet needs.

The course involves approximately 50% theory and 50% practice. During the UEA taught sessions, the timetable involves full time attendance, whilst placement shifts are up to 12 hours in duration. These follow a 24/7 pattern including weekends and nights.

WHAT IS INTERPROFESSIONAL LEARNING?
Interprofessional learning at UEA enables health, medical and social care students to practise and develop the skills required to work as part of an effective interprofessional team by encouraging collaboration on case scenarios, practical tasks and presentations. More information: www.uea.ac.uk/centre-for-interprofessional-practice

WHAT CAN I EXPECT FROM MY PLACEMENTS?
The School is very pleased to be able to give students a broad range of practice experiences, we have been commended by the NMC on ensuring students spend time in different NHS Trusts to which enhances their ability to compare and contrast different care setting and to recognise high quality compassionate care.

ARE THERE ANY OTHER OPTIONS TO STUDY?
Yes. There are many other strands of nursing you may wish to consider. We also run courses on Return to Practice Nursing, or Mental Health, Learning Disabilities and Child Nursing, alongside other health courses such as Midwifery and Paramedic Science. More information: www.uea.ac.uk/hsc

HOW MUCH DOES THE COURSE COST?
For more information about fees and funding visit: www.uea.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/taught-degree/detail/msc-adult-nursing#fees-and-funding A range of scholarships are also available. Details of these can be found at: www.uea.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/taught-degrees/scholarships
In addition, eligible students residing in the UK may receive a small non-means tested NHS Grant, currently £1,000 per annum, or may be eligible for a means tested NHS grant, visit http://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/816.aspx for further details.

HOW DO I APPLY?
Apply online at: www.uea.ac.uk/hsc
If you have any questions about your application please email: admissions@uea.ac.uk or telephone: +44 (0)1603 591515
https://www.uea.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/apply