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# A Career in Nursing and Midwifery at QUB.

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# WHAT IS A NURSE / MIDWIFE?

- Caregiver - holistic
- Health Promoter – promote health & wellbeing/ prevent deterioration /promote recovery
- Advocate speak for the patient
- Leader / Manager
- Researcher
- Educator



# Skills required of a Nurse/Midwife

- Kind
- Care & compassion
- Knowledge
- Practical skills
- Observational skills
- Communication skills
- Ability to work in team
- Leadership skills
- Organisational skills



# The Basic Facts

- 3 Year BSc (Hons) programmes
- 2 Qualifications
  - i) Degree
  - ii) Registered Nurse/ Midwife
- Fees and Bursary paid by DOH
- QUB offer all 5 disciplines:
  - Adult Nursing
  - Children's Nursing
  - Mental Health Nursing
  - Learning Disability Nursing
  - Midwifery



# THE PROGRAMME

- 50% theory in University
- 50% practice in variety of clinical environments
- Practice placements throughout N.Ireland



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## QUB intakes

- **September/ February**
- Numbers commissioned by DoH
- September: Adult, LD & CYP
- February: Adult, MH & CYP

### *Each a distinct Field of Nursing*

- Midwifery – September
- MSc Midwifery – February (Registered Adult nurses)



# What is a Registered Nurse in Learning Disabilities Nursing (RNLD)?

An RNLD is key in supporting people with learning disabilities to achieve an optimum level of health and well-being.

RNLD's work in partnership with the person with a learning disability and their family/carer to provide specialist and individualised healthcare.

They do this by promoting independence, autonomy and social inclusion in healthcare services.

RNLD's work in a wide range of areas including community teams, specialist teams (complex care, mental health, health promotion, epilepsy, Child and Adolescent Mental Health -CAHMS) hospitals, nursing and residential care, prisons, schools.



# MENTAL HEALTH NURSING

- A Mental Health Nurse promotes and supports a person's mental health, they care for people across the lifespan.
- A Mental Health Nurse cares and treats people in distress by various means, such as the therapeutic relationship and use of different therapies.
- Mental Health Nurses work in a variety of settings, seeing people in their own homes, in primary care settings, as well as general hospitals and mental health facilities.
- Mental Health Nurses are sought across the world so it can be a passport to travel. They can develop specialist skills to work with certain groups of people or use specialist therapies like CBT or EMDR. They can develop in a range of areas such as clinically, education/research, management and policy.

# Adult Nursing: A varied and rewarding career

- Adult nurses care for patients suffering from a wide range of health conditions, from minor injuries to acute and long term conditions
- Adult nurses play a vital role in providing, leading and coordinating care that is compassionate, evidence-based, and person-centred
- Adult nurses work in a wide variety of settings caring for people in their home and in hospitals



# Field of Children & Young People's Nursing

- **Who is a Children's Nurse?**

A children's nurse works as part of a supportive and inspiring team, to provide children, young people and their families with the vital care and compassion they need, encompassing child health nursing.

- **What does a Children's Nurse do?**

Cares and advocates for premature babies through to young people aged 18 and into early adulthood. Promoting health and wellbeing of all children and young people in partnership with the family, to make a difference.

- **Where does a Children's Nurse work?**

In NHS hospitals; community settings; children's hospice; special needs school; GP surgery; as a specialist practitioner; public health; child protection; youth justice system; service manager; higher education and research.

- **Career opportunities for the Children's Nurse .....**

Fantastic employment options in all the above areas, influencing policy and practice. Can be challenging, but a privilege and rewarding for the enthusiastic caring team member, upholding professional standards with endless learning opportunities for career development.

# Support for Nursing & Midwifery student

## **In University**

- Personal Tutor
- Year lead
- Module leaders each module
- Tutorial leaders each class
- Student guidance
- Student health and Well being

## **In Clinical Placement**

- Practice supervisor
- Practice Assessor
- Manger of area
- Link lecturer
- Personal tutor
- Practice lead
- Practice Education Facilitator

# Midwifery

- Care for the mother, baby and family from conception until 10 days post delivery
- Pre-delivery
- During delivery
- Post delivery
- Care of the new-born baby



# SELECTION PROCEDURE

1. Apply via UCAS
2. Academic qualifications
3. Personal statement?
4. Interviews remotely
5. Offers via UCAS
6. Access NI and Occupational Health checks

<https://www.qub.ac.uk/schools/SchoolofNursingandMidwifery/Study/HowToApply/Undergraduate/>



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# INTERVIEWS (QUB/UU)

- Based on 'Attributes of a Nurse/ Midwife'
- Will be held in March /April
- Via an online portal
- Why do you want to be a nurse/ midwife
- 4 – 5 scenarios asked to record your answers
- Can practice using the software
- Once started the interview process have to continue
- Scored



Our Culture of Compassionate Care



1. Care
2. Compassion
3. Competence
4. Communication
5. Courage
6. Commitment



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# Safe learning environment

World class facilities

Inter professional simulation

Nursing simulation



# Career : Where can it take you?

Teacher / Educator  
in

- Hospital
- University

Nurse Researcher



Travel to other countries

Care for patients/  
Clients

In Hospitals  
In Community

**Become a**

- Sister/ Manager
- A Nurse specialist
- A matron
- A senior manager

# Thank you

## Any Questions

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- [www.qub.ac.uk/schools/SchoolofNursingandMidwifery](http://www.qub.ac.uk/schools/SchoolofNursingandMidwifery)

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