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# Inter disciplinary M.Sc./P.Grad.Dip./P.Grad.Cert. in Clinical Health Science Education



## COURSE OVERVIEW

This course offers suitably qualified Nurses/Midwives and other health sciences practitioners, in the spirit of interdisciplinary learning, the opportunity to develop their skills in teaching, assessment, curriculum design and research. The modules offered are evidenced-based and aim to encourage critical thinking and reflexive practice.

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## Course Overview

This results in teachers who are reflexive, self-critical, evidence-based and prepared for the challenges of teaching within higher education. Nurses and midwives who successfully complete the M.Sc. in Clinical Health Sciences Education will be eligible to apply for registration as a nurse or midwifery tutor (RNT/RMT) with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland (NMBI).

## Structure and delivery

**Year One:** Online Orientation session last week of August. Commences with a full week of classes in September and thereafter one day per week for the remainder of the academic year. CHSE students are required to undertake a minimum of 80 hours classroom teaching and 20 hours clinical teaching during this academic year. This should be at level 8 or level 9 and is organised by the student before commencement of the course.

**Year Two:** Attendance at workshops throughout the academic year

A blended learning approach is utilised in the delivery of theoretical content which includes in-person and online lectures, group discussions and self-directed learning. The assessment process is a combination of written and practical assignments. At the end of Year Two, M.Sc. students are required to submit a dissertation on a subject related to their field of study.

It is the student's responsibility to secure all their teaching hours prior to commencing the course: applicants are required to confirm their teaching arrangements in writing with their application. Students will be required to attend additional teaching and learning sessions at service provider sites.

## M.Sc. in Clinical Health Sciences Education (for nurses and midwives wishing to apply for registration as a nurse tutor)

### Modules Year One

NU7012 The Psychology and Sociology of Education  
NU7003 Theory and Practice of Clinical Health Sciences Education  
NU7800 Facilitating Learning in the Practice Environment  
NU7006 Curriculum Issues in Health Sciences Education  
NU7004 Advancing the Theoretical Foundations for Nursing

Nursing and midwifery students who wish to apply to register as a nurse or midwifery tutor with NMBI should be aware that they are required to have a master's degree. If they have already undertaken and passed NU7004 or equivalent, they can apply for Exemption of Prior Learning (EPL).

## Year Two

NU7013 Theory and Practice of Enquiry Methods for Healthcare  
NU8007 Dissertation

## Entry requirements

Nurses and midwives applying for admission to this course must meet all the following criteria:

- currently registered on the appropriate division of the live register held by the NMBI;
- hold an honours degree in nursing or midwifery;
- have a minimum of three years full-time recent clinical experience practice or equivalent since registration. This experience must be where student nurses or midwives are undertaking placements.
- applicants who hold an M.Sc. in Nursing or M.Sc. in Midwifery may apply to complete the Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Health Sciences Education. These applicants would be required to undertake the Year One modules only.

## M.Sc. in Clinical Health Sciences Education (for other health sciences professionals)

### Year One

NU7012 The Psychology and Sociology of Education  
NU7003 Theory and Practice of Clinical Health Sciences Education  
NU7801 Facilitating Learning in the Practice Environment  
NU7006 Curriculum Issues in Health Sciences Education

### Year Two

NU7013 Theory and Practice of Enquiry Methods for Healthcare  
NU8007 Dissertation

## Entry requirements

Health sciences professionals applying for admission to this course must meet all of the following criteria:

- currently registered with the appropriate professional body;
- currently employed in an area relevant to their profession;
- hold an honours degree in the relevant discipline or equivalent professional and academic qualifications;
- have a minimum of three years' full-time recent clinical experience practice or equivalent since registration. This experience must be where learners are undertaking placements.

Applicants who hold an M.Sc. in a health sciences subject may apply to complete the Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Health Sciences Education. These applicants would be required to undertake the Year One modules only.

## Further details are available from

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