



DIPLOMA IN MEDICAL AND SURGICAL NURSING SCIENCE

(SANC regulation no. 212)

Electives:

- Critical care nursing science
- Emergency nursing science
- Operating theatre nursing science
- Orthopaedic nursing science

The Life College of Learning trains over 1 000 students per year. The multi-learning centre model enables Life Healthcare to offer relational practice-based nursing.

Accredited as a private higher education institution by the Council for Higher Education and by Umalusi as a further education and training institution.

The college is geared to train professional nursing personnel of world-class quality for the extensive Life Healthcare hospital network, as well as for other institutions that are in need of trained nurses.

Standards are maintained and moderated by the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University in Port Elizabeth and the South African Nursing Council.

The college offers the electives in critical care nursing science and operating theatre nursing science only at selected learning centres.

TARGET GROUPS

Registered nurses who want to specialise in a particular field of nursing.

COURSE INFORMATION

Duration

One academic year.

Commencement date

March.

Cost

As per annual fee structure.

Admission requirements

- Current registration with the South African Nursing Council as a nurse.
- At least three months' experience in the particular field of specialisation.
- Proof of current position.
- Letter of recommendation from your manager.

MODULES

Compulsory core modules

- Nursing dynamics.
- Internal medicine and surgery.

Elective modules

- Critical care nursing science.
- Emergency nursing science.
- Operating theatre nursing science.
- Orthopaedic nursing science.

OUTCOMES

On completion of the course you will have acquired the theoretical and practical skills and professional values to practice as a clinical nurse specialist, registered with the South African Nursing Council. This will enable you to practice in this capacity in the South African healthcare system. Your scope of practice will allow you to:

- manage complex clinical problems using critical and creative thinking;
- interpret and implement research findings and other innovations;
- render quality patient care using systematic information, science and technology appropriately;
- develop nursing science through research involvement;
- carry out a cost analysis of areas of the specialist services;
- set clinical standards and measure quality of care;
- define and accept responsibility for independent nursing practice;
- develop and implement operational leadership, managerial and teaching skills;
- improve policy decisions;
- provide cost-effective service;
- improve patient outcomes;
- investigate and solve service care problems;
- act as a resource for health workers;
- assist with the implementation of nursing development and new concepts into practice; and
- teach patients, nurses and other health workers in the specialised field of study.

You can advance your career in nursing by further studies.

APPLICATION

Applications must be submitted by 31 August.

- Online applications on Life Healthcare website (www.lifehealthcare.co.za).
- Proof of non-refundable administration fee, together with the required supporting documentation to be submitted online.
- All applicants will follow the college selection process.

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LEARNING CENTRES

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PO Box 23905, Claremont 7735
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East London Learning Centre

The Hub, Bonza Bay Road, Beacon Bay, East London 5202
Tel: 043 704 3200 Fax: 086 687 0076

East Rand Learning Centre

15 Middlesex Street, Springs 1559
Tel: 011 812 3960 Fax: 011 812 3962

KwaZulu-Natal Learning Centre

36 Essex Terrace, Berea West, Westville 3629
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Port Elizabeth Learning Centre

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Pretoria Learning Centre

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