Postgraduate Diploma in Nursing (Clinical Programmes) – Advanced Midwifery and Neonatal Nursing

Please note:

The following is pending approval by the relevant regulatory bodies:

- the offering of the current postgraduate programme; and
- changes to the name and content of the programme, and the admission requirements for the programme.

Specific admission requirements

- A Bachelor's degree in nursing, a four-year diploma in nursing, or equivalent nursing qualification.
- Registration with the South African Nursing Council as a professional nurse. This requirement only applies to South African students and is only applicable to admission to clinical programmes and not to admission to non-clinical programmes.
- Computer literacy.

Application procedure and closing date

Apply online at www.maties.com by 31 October of the previous year.

Duration of programme

The programme extends over one year.

Programme description

The purpose of the programme is to strengthen and deepen your knowledge and expertise in midwifery. It enables you develop and apply critical reflection by means of systematic engagement with current thinking, practice and research methods in your field or discipline to ultimately enhance women's health. The programme provides a high level of theoretical engagement, sound clinical judgement and intellectual independence, as well as the ability to relate knowledge to a range of contexts while rendering professional and competent midwifery care.

Presentation

Training is presented in three blocks that consist of:

- Placements at clinical facilities that are specifically accredited for the University by the South African Nursing Council.
- Theoretical lectures on campus: one day per week or one week per block.

There are also clinical skills workshops and six days are set aside for telematic broadcasting sessions in the course of the academic year.

Programme content

Principles of Advanced Nursing Practice	711(10), 741(10)
Research Methodology	771(10)
Principles and Processes of AdvancedMidwifery	775(25)
Principles and Processes of AdvancedNeonatal Nursing	776(25)
Clinical Foundations: Advanced Midwiferyand Neonatal Nursing	714(40)

Assessment and examination

- A variety of formative and summative assessment methods are used. You are assessed individually by means of:
 - o assignments;
 - o application of research principles and methodology;
 - o patient case presentations;
 - o clinical rounds;
 - case studies;
 - o clinical assessment;
 - o written tests and examinations; and
 - o assessment of psychomotor skills in your relevant specialist area.
- Each module is assessed separately with a minimum pass mark of 50%.
- The final mark for the programme is calculated on the basis of the relative weight of each module, as indicated by the credit value for each module.

Enquiries

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