

Postgraduate Diploma in Nursing (Clinical Programmes) – Advanced Psychiatric 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 programme aims to produce critically thinking, creative and reflective practitioners who are able to provide leadership and specialised mental health care, and to act as a resource for mental health services in South Africa.

It focuses on developing in-depth knowledge of, and therapeutic skills for, the diagnosis, treatment, care and management of individuals with a mental disorder at a primary, secondary and tertiary care level, with specific emphasis on consultation-liaison skills. It also equips you with a contextual understanding of our health service system, its dynamics, and how this affects health service delivery.

Presentation

Relevant modules in psychiatry comprises of teaching blocks on campus, clinical skills days and 30 weeks of placements in a range of psychiatric clinical facilities that are specifically accredited for the University by the South African Nursing Council.

Programme content

Principles of Advanced Nursing Practice	711(10), 741(10)
Research Methodology	771(10)
Principles and Processes in Advanced Psychiatric Nursing	718(50)
Clinical Foundations: Advanced Psychiatric Nursing	719(40)

Assessment and examination

- A variety of formative and summative assessment methods are used. You are assessed individually by means of:
 - assignments;
 - application of research principles and methodology;
 - patient case presentations;
 - clinical rounds;
 - case studies;
 - clinical assessment;
 - written tests and examinations; and
 - 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.

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