# Postgraduate Diploma in Nursing (Clinical Programmes) – Primary Care 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. Theoretical block periods are presented on campus. Between theoretical block periods, you are placed at clinical facilities that are specifically accredited for the University by the South African Nursing Council.

## **Programme description**

The programme will equip you to collaborate as a specialist practitioner with other team members within the primary care setting, providing comprehensive clinical care. You will be guided to demonstrate an informed and critical understanding of the principles, theories and emerging issues and debates in primary health care, and to apply specialist knowledge and skills in providing advanced clinical care to individuals of all ages as well as to families in a primary care setting.

#### **Programme** content

Principles of Advanced Nursing Practice	711(10), 741(10)
Research Methodology	771(10)
Principles and Processes in Primary HealthCare	773(15)
Health Diagnosis, Treatment and Care	774(25)
Pharmacology	771(20)
Principles of Clinical Primary Health CareNursing Practice	775(30)

#### Assessment and examination

- A variety of formative and summative assessment methods are used. You are assessed individually by means of:
  - o assignments;

- application of research principles and methodology;
- o patient case presentations;
- o clinical rounds;
- o case studies;
- 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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