# Introduction to Nursing



# We're delighted you're thinking about studying at Brunel University London.

Our lecturers have put together the following information to help you prepare for your course. This will give you a snapshot of the materials and reading list you'll be using. You'll get a full breakdown of information before you enrol.

On our website you can also find out more about your modules and chat to a current student.

If you have any more questions, please get in touch.

We look forward to welcoming you to Brunel.

# **Topics covered**

Brunel offers three new undergraduate degrees in Adult, Child Health and Mental Health Nursing (subject to approval by the Nursing and Midwifery Council) that empower you with the specialist skills, knowledge and confidence to start your nursing career.

#### **All degrees**

- Developing Skills for Practice
- · Research Methods
- Health and Wellbeing across the life continuum
- · Human Sciences
- Pharmacology and Prescribing Ready
- Reviewing the literature to Inform Practice.
- Nursing Practice

### **Adult**

- Enhancing Skills for Adult Nursing
- Nursing in Society
- Skills for Registration
- · Transition to registered Nurse

#### **Child Health**

- · Enhancing Skills for Child Nursing
- Nursing in Society (Child)
- Skills for registration (Child)
- Transition to registered Nurse

#### **Mental Health**

- · Enhancing Skills for Mental Health Nursing
- Nursing in Society (Mental Health)
- Skills for registration (Mental Health)
- Transition to registered Nurse

# **Practice questions**

- 1. Describe the structure and organisation of the National Health Service (NHS)?
- 2. What do we mean by inter professional working?
- 3. What is the Nursing and midwifery council?
- 4. What is the NMC Code? Familiarise yourself with it.
- 5. What is the difference between the three fields of nursing offered at Brunel (Adult Child and Mental Health)
- 6. What do you understand about role of the nurse in leading and managing nursing care.
- 7. What do you understand by the term 'safeguarding'?
- 8. What is academic reflection? and why is it important in nursing?

- 9. Describe different communication skills.
- 10. What are therapeutic communication skills?
- 11. How does the human body function?
- 12. How and why do we get sick?
- 13. What illnesses or diseases are classed and long-term conditions in all fields of nursing?
- 14. Identify the core principles of health promotion, protection, improvement, and the prevention of ill health.
- 15. What is evidence-based practice? And why is it important to nursing.

# **Reading list**

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#### **Websites**

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- Department of Health. Acute and Critical Care in Adult Nursing (Transforming Nursing Practice Series). Delivering Care Closer to Home. <a href="https://www.dh.gov.uk">www.dh.gov.uk</a>
- Mental Health Foundation <u>www.mentalhealth.org.uk</u>
- NHS National Institute for Health Research <u>www.nihr.ac.uk/Pages/default.aspx</u>
- Public Health England: www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england
- Nursing and Midwifery council The Nursing and Midwifery Council nmc.org.uk
- NSPCC www.nspcc.org.uk
- National Institute for Health and Care Excellence <u>www.nice.org.uk</u>
- Royal College of Nursing <u>www.rcn.org.uk</u>



