

Specialist Practitioner (District Nurse) (PgDip)

University of the West of Scotland

Venues

Off campus
Paisley Campus

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The Postgraduate Diploma Specialist Practitioner (District Nurse) course will prepare you for 21st century district nursing. It combines theory and practice and you will develop your knowledge to become a safe, autonomous and competent specialist practitioner district nurse.

The PgDip comprises 50% theory and 50% practice and you will be assessed in practice by a Practice Teacher or an experienced District Nurse who will act as a sign-off mentor. The course will provide you with the new knowledge, understanding and skills needed for contemporary district nursing.

In addition to meeting the NMC (2001) Standards for Specialist Practitioner District Nurse, the PgDip is also mapped against the Queen's Nursing Institute (QNI) and The Queen's Nursing Institute Scotland (QNIS) Voluntary Standards for District Nurse Education and Practice (QNI/QNIS, 2015) for best practice and demonstrates that the programme is preparing you to be equipped to lead and manage current and future district nursing services.

Start Date

September

Qualification

Postgraduate Diploma

Study Method

Part time (day)

Course Length

2 years

Faculty

School of Health and Life Sciences

Department

Health

Entry Requirements

Applicants must be First Level Registered Nurses on a part of the Nursing and Midwifery Council's professional register: Public Health Nursing – Part 1 or 2; Community Nursing in the Home – District Nursing – Part 1 (RN1 and RNA). In addition, candidates must have a minimum of two years' post-registration experience.

In addition to the entry requirements detailed above, applicants must have previously undertaken a course/module including communication skills and a course/module including an introduction to research methods. Applicants who do not meet the standard entry requirements will be considered on an individual basis.

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