

## FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND HEALTH

### Programme Regulations 2016-2017

Programme Title	BSc in Nursing
Programme Code	BNCG, BNGN, BNID, BNPY
Offered on a full-time or part-time basis	Full-time

**Note:** Programme Regulations should be read in conjunction with Marks and Standards which can be found at <http://www.dcu.ie/registry/examinations/index.shtml>

#### 1. Programme Specific Rules and Requirements

##### 1.1 Calculation for the Award Classification

*Applicable to the BSc in General, Intellectual Disability and Psychiatric Nursing:*

The overall degree award is calculated on performance in Years 3 and 4, with each year accounting for 50% of the overall award.

- Practice modules in Years 3 and 4 are graded (marks assigned) and make up 20% of the overall mark for those years.
- Theory modules in Years 3 and 4 are graded (marks assigned) and make up 80% of the overall mark for those years.

Practice modules in Year 1 and 2 are graded as pass or fail (i.e. no mark assigned).

*Applicable to BSc (Hons) Children's and General nursing only:*

The degree classification is based on the final two and a half years of the programme. It is calculated on the basis of the module weightings as contained in the academic structures for Years 3, 4 and 5 (normally reflecting an allocation of 40% to Year 3 (60 credits) and 60% to Year 4/5 (90 credits). Practice modules in Years 3, 4 and 5 make up 20%, and theory 80% overall, over these years.

## 2. Derogations from Marks and Standards

External/Professional Body: Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland

Compensation is not permitted between theory and practice components of practice modules. This is stated as follows in the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland Requirements and standards: "The assessment strategy does not allow compensation between theoretical and clinical practice" (An Bord Altranais<sup>1</sup>, 2005, p43, 3.2.4.7) (M&S 6.2.2).

The "academic session" for this programme is to be extended beyond the conventional 12 month period (M&S 2.2).

Because of the length of the clinical placement modules, it is not possible for students to repeat them in their entirety and, in the event of a repeat opportunity a student will need to carry the passed elements (M&S 7.1.6).

Students must successfully complete the clinical component of the year 4 supernumerary module before permission is granted by a Progression and Award Board to a student to remain registered in the subsequent academic semester for Internship modules within his/her programme of study (M&S 7.1).

## 3. Progression

### 3.1 *Credits for progression*

Students must successfully have completed a minimum of 60 credits in a study period in order to progress to the next study period.

Students on the BNCG programme must successfully complete a minimum of 30 credits in year 5.

### 3.2 *Carrying of modules*

Students will not be permitted to 'carry' modules under any circumstances.

Where a student fails to successfully complete a 4<sup>th</sup> year theory module(s) on the BSc Children's and General Integrated programme at the re-sit opportunity (month 8 on the academic structures), the Progression and Award Board may allow students to complete the remainder of the internship placement modules (NS4523 and NS4524) and progress to Year 5 carrying these failed modules. Students will register to repeat these modules at the next available opportunity.

## 4. Compensation

Compensation is not permitted between practice modules.

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<sup>1</sup> Please note prior to 2012, the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland was known as An Bord Altranais

Compensation is not permitted between theoretical modules and practice modules. This will apply to practice modules on all pathways (BNGN, BNPY, BNID, BNCG) and all years of the BSc (Hons.) Nursing (M&S 7.2.5).

The following is a full list of non-compensatable practice modules. These modules as listed may not be counted for the application of compensation.

<b>Module Code</b>	<b>Module Title</b>
NS154	Practice Module 1b (General)
NS155	Practice Module 1b (Mental Health)
NS156	Practice Module 1b (Intellectual Disability)
NS158	Practice Module 1B
NS251	Practice Module 2a (General)
NS252	Practice Module 2a (Mental Health)
NS253	Practice Module 2a (Intellectual Disability)
NS257	Practice Module 2a(General)
NS266	Practice Module 2b (Medical, Surgical)
NS267	Practice Module 2b (Medical, Surgical or Specialist Placement)
NS268	Practice Module 2b (Medical, Surgical or Specialist Placement)
NS269	Practice Module 2b (Mental Health)
NS364	Practice Module 3b (General)
NS365	Practice Module 3 (Mental Health 08)
NS366	Practice Module 3 (Intellectual Disability)
NS367	Practice Module 3c (General 2008)
NS368	Practice Module 3c (Mental Health 08)
NS369	Practice Module 3c (Intellectual Disability 08)
NS3503	Practice Module 3c (Children/General)
NS3504	Practice Module (Children/General)
NS4512	Practice Module 4a (General)
NS4513	Practice Module 4b (General Internship)
NS4514	Practice Module 4c (General Internship)
NS4515	Practice Module 4a (Intellectual Disability)
NS4516	Practice Module 4b (Intellectual Disability)
NS4517	Practice Module 4c (Intellectual Disability)
NS4518	Practice Module 4a (Mental Health)
NS4519,	Practice Module 4b (Mental Health)Internship
NS4520	Practice Module 4c (Mental Health)Internship
NS4523	Practice Module 5A
NS4524	Practice Module 5B
NS4525	Practice Module

## 5. Resit Categories

The resits offered for the August examinations diet vary depending on the module to be re-taken. The following is an explanation of the resit categories.

**Resit category 1:** A resit is available for all components of the module.

**Resit category 2:** No resit is available where the module is 100% assessed by Continuous Assessment.

**Resit category 3:** No resit is available for the continuous assessment component and the examination must be re-taken.