



School of Health Sciences

Information Brochure

**POST BASIC BSC
NURSING
[BSC NURSING (PB)]**



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INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY

The Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), established by an Act of Parliament in 1985, has continuously striven to build an inclusive knowledge society through inclusive education. It has tried to increase the Gross Enrollment Ratio (GER) by offering high-quality teaching through the Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode.

The University began by offering two academic programmes in 1987, i.e., Diploma in Management and Diploma in Distance Education, with a strength of 4,528 students.

Today, it serves the educational aspirations of over 3 million students in India and other countries through 21 Schools of Studies and a network of 67 regional centres, around 2,667 learner support centres and 29 overseas partner institutions. The University offers about 228 certificate, diploma, degree and doctoral programmes, with a strength of nearly 810 faculty members and 574 academic staff at the headquarters and regional centres and about 33,212 academic counsellors from conventional institutions of higher learning, professional organizations, and industry among others.

SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES

The School of Health Sciences was set up in 1991 with the objective of augmenting educational avenues and providing in-service training to medical, nursing, paramedical and allied personnel through the distance education mode.

The School is pioneer in developing competency-based programmes in various disciplines of Health Sciences. Hands-on training is provided by diversified approaches through a network of medical colleges, nursing colleges, district level hospitals and community health centres and NGO's. The programmes in nursing and health sciences are being developed so as to revolutionize career opportunities available to nursing and medical personnel.

The main functions of the School are as follows:

- Planning, developing and launching of degree, diploma and certificate level programmes/courses for various categories of health professionals.
- Health related awareness courses for the general public.
- Conducting research on health related issues.

POST BASIC BSC NURSING

The preparation and launching of Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing degree programme has been agreed upon by IGNOU, at the request of Indian Nursing Council. The need for this was felt as the current pace of providing higher education to working nurses is very slow due to various administrative and leave problems and institutional policies. As per the New National Policy of Education, the emphasis is on the need for making higher education available within the reach of all. Offering Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing Programme through Open University will meet its objectives. Further, it will also contribute towards the growth of nursing profession and promote Nation's idea of accelerating women's education. The development of this programme has been undertaken with the involvement of nursing

experts, scientists and educators from related disciplines all over the country. The Programme is approved by Indian Nursing Council (INC).

Objectives

The main objectives of the programme are as follows:

- Provide opportunity to a large segment of in-service nurses to upgrade their knowledge and skills to respond to the changing health needs of the society.
- Motivate nurses to maintain clinical competence to provide quality care.
- Develop teaching, administration and research skills.
- Promote personal and professional growth for better opportunities.

Academic Session

January cycle

Eligibility

In-service Nurses i.e. Registered Nurses and Registered Midwives (RNRM) having 10+2 with three years Diploma in General Nursing and Midwifery (GNM) with minimum of two years experience in profession. (For male nurses who have not done midwifery in the GNM programme should have a certificate in any of the Nursing courses of 6-9 months duration prescribed by Indian Nursing Council in lieu of midwifery).

OR

In-service Nurses (RNRM) having 10th class (Matriculation) or its equivalent with three year Diploma in General Nursing and Midwifery (GNM) with minimum of five years experience in the profession. (For males nurses who have not done midwifery in the GNM programme should have a certificate in any of the nursing courses of 6-9 month duration prescribed by the Indian Nursing Council in lieu of midwifery).

Programme Fee : Rs. 20,000/- Cycle (subject to change)

Age of Admission : There is no maximum age limit

Medium of Instruction : English

Admission/Selection Procedure:

Admission for Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing Programme is done on the basis of merit decided through an entrance test and tie break. It is Mandatory to give mail and mobile number in application form. Details of admission are mentioned in Handbook and Prospectus of that session available at www.ignou.ac.in

Duration of Programme :

The minimum duration of the programme is three years. However, the students are given a maximum period of six years to complete the programme from the date of registration.

BROAD PROGRAMME DESIGN

The Post Basic Bachelor of Science in Nursing is a three year Degree programme having two major components: Theory and Practicals. It consists of 21 courses; 11 Theory and 10 Practical courses. Total number of credits are 108.

Year	Courses	Course code	Course title	Credits	Courses	Course code	Course title	Credits
1st year	Theory	BNS-201	Nursing Foundation	4	Practical	BNSL-201	Nursing Foundation	4

		BNS-202	Applied Sciences	4		BNSL-202	Applied Sciences	4
		BNS-203	Maternal Nursing	4		BNSL-203	Maternal Nursing	8
		BNS-204	Communicative English	4				
		BNS-205	Behavioural Sciences	4				
2 nd Year		BNS-206	Medical Surgical Nursing	4		BNSL-206	Medical Surgical Nursing	10
		BNS-207	Paediatric Nursing	4		BNSL-207	Paediatric Nursing	8
		BNS-208	Mental Health Nursing	4		BNSL-208	Mental Health Nursing	8
3 rd year		BNS-209	Community Health Nursing	4		BNSL-209	Community Health Nursing	8
		BNS-210	Nursing Administration	4		BNSL-210	Nursing Administration	6
		BNS-211	Nursing Education and Research	4		BNSL-211	Nursing Education and Research	8
						BNSL-212	Computer in Nursing	2
Total credits				42				66

PROGRAMME DELIVERY

The programme is implemented through a network of Programme Study Centres (PSCs) all over the country. These PSCs are located in Colleges of Nursing recognized by INC and State Nursing Council.

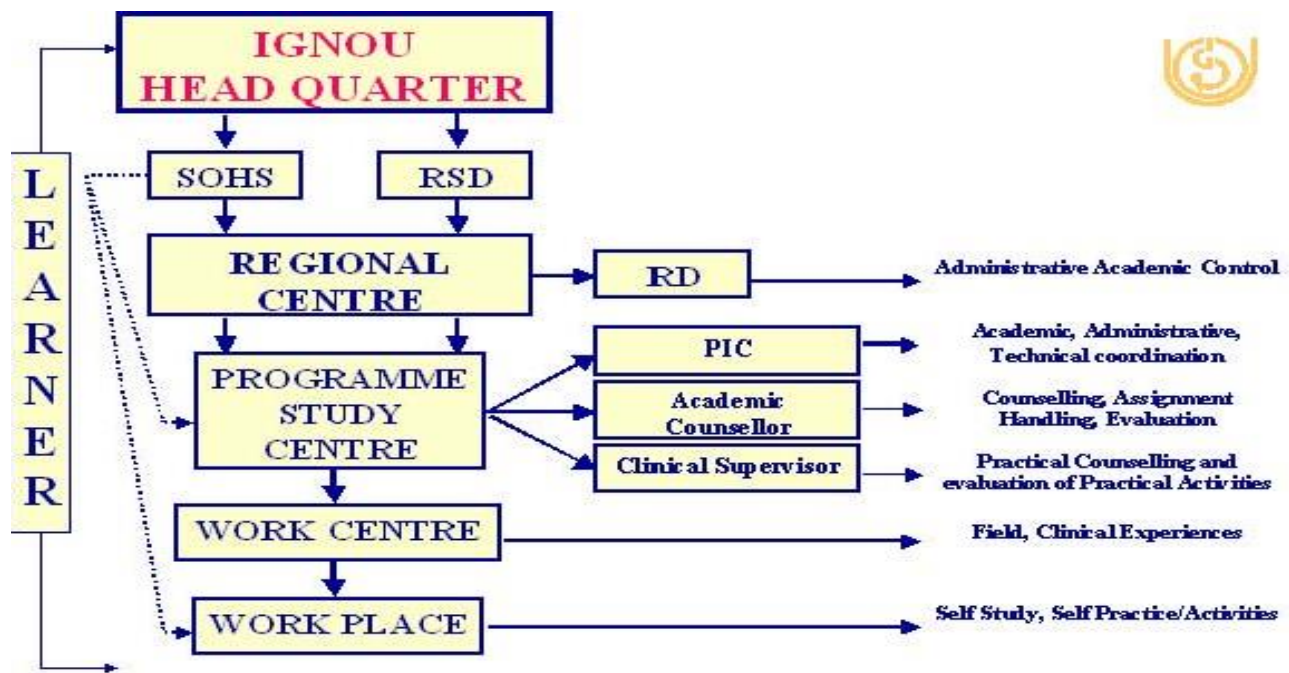
Face-to-face Academic Counselling is conducted at PSC by Academic Counsellors and Practicals are supervised by Academic Counsellors attached to the PSC in the clinical area and community field (Academic Counsellors and Clinical Supervisors are teachers who teach in Colleges of Nursing). In addition to theory, students also carry out self-activities at their workplace and maintain records as given in practical blocks.

For the practical hands on training, the students will be posted in the hospital and community field attached with a Programme Study Centre. A maximum of 30 students will be attached to a programme study centre. The students are required to undergo compulsory contact sessions. Theory Counselling and Practical Sessions are held 8 hours per day. Supervised activities needs to be completed under the supervision of clinical supervisors whereas self activities are carried out at work place of the student.

There are 48 days (384 hours) of theory counselling and practical contact sessions in first year to be conducted at colleges of nursing, hospital and community under supervision. However, for 80 days (636 hours) student is required to do self study/activities as per guidelines and are a part of continuous evaluation.

There are 58 days (464 hours) of theory counselling and practical contact sessions in the second year to be conducted at colleges of nursing, hospitals and community under supervision. However, for 84 days (676 hours) student would be required to do the self study and these self-activities will be as per guidelines and will be a part of continuous evaluation.

There are 55 days (440 hours) of theory counselling and practical contact sessions in the third year to be conducted at colleges of nursing, hospitals and community under supervision. However, for 80 days (640 hours) student would be required to do the self study and these self activities as per guidelines will be part of continuous evaluation.



EVALUATION

There will be continuous and Term End Evaluation for each course. Continuous Evaluation for theory will be through assignments and for practicals through self and supervised activities. There will be a Term End Examination for theory courses and Practical Examination for Practical courses.

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