

Psychiatric Nursing: Degree Completion for Registered Psychiatric Nurses

Faculty of Health	kpu.ca/health
Program Type	Undergraduate
Credential Granted	Baccalaureate Degree
Offered At	Langley
Start Date(s)	May
Intake Type	Limited intake
Format	Full-time
Instructional Cycle	Semester-based
Curriculum Effective Date	01-Sep-2017
How to Apply	www.kpu.ca/admission

DESCRIPTION

For general information about the Bachelor of Psychiatric Nursing (BPN), please see the main program page.

Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) may be available for RPNs who have experiences equivalent to course outcomes, or have completed continuing education in various liberal education courses relevant to their nursing practice. The cost of PLA is the responsibility of the student.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates of the program will be prepared to function as team members and leaders of mental health settings including forensic psychiatry, addiction facilities, acute care, intermediate and/or long term care hospitals, clinics, home care services, and various community health care centers.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission is based on seat availability.

In addition to the Faculty's Admission Requirements, which consist of KPU's undergraduate English Proficiency Requirement, the following program admission requirements apply:

- Successful completion of a recognized undergraduate Diploma in Psychiatric Nursing, with a minimum of 90 credits.
- 3 credits of undergraduate English (ENGL)
- Proof of practicing membership (with no conditions) with the College of Registered Psychiatric Nurses of British Columbia (CRPNBC), which must remain current throughout the program.
- Canadian CPR Health Care Provider (Note: CPR certification must remain current throughout the program.)
- An interview and/or letter of reference, if requested.

Note: Current immunization records are required prior to placement in a clinical or practice course. Students are responsible for all costs related to immunization. Failure to have acceptable immunization documentation at the time of placement or clinical practice course may jeopardize completion of the program.

CONTINUANCE REQUIREMENTS

Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.67 with a minimum grade of C+ in all required courses, including electives. Non-adherence to these requirements will result in removal from the program.

CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

The Bachelor of Psychiatric Nursing Degree Completion program requires completion of the following 37 credits with a minimum grade of C+ in each course.

The maximum allowable time students enrolled in KPU's Degree Completion for Registered Psychiatric Nurses program have to complete all program requirements for graduation is 7 years.

All of:

HEAL 1180	Introduction to Health Research	3 credits
HEAL 2110	First Nations Health	3 credits
HEAL 3101	Conceptual Paradigms in Health: A Feminist Perspective	3 credits
HEAL 3120	Evidence Based Practice	6 credits
HEAL 3180	Nursing Science 4: Health Research for Evidence	3 credits
PHIL 3010	Health Care Ethics	3 credits
PSYN 3225	Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing: Leadership and Management	3 credits
PSYN 4145	Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing: Consolidation	7 credits
SOCI 3345	Social Policy in Context	3 credits
And one of:		
PSYN 3210	Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing: Global Health	3 credits
PSYN 4110	Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing: Child and Adolescent	3 credits

CREDENTIAL AWARDED

Upon successful completion of this program, students are eligible to receive a **Bachelor of Psychiatric Nursing (BPN)**.