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The University of Skövde is a young and dynamic university with an international environment. We offer traditional as well as unique, interdisciplinary programmes and courses within a number of different areas. The University of Skövde is situated in the centre of Skövde. The campus area forms a nice unity with a combination of old-time charm and modern design.



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Advanced Nursing Practice in Primary Health Care 120 ECTS Credits

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Study Programme in Advanced Nursing Practice in Primary Health Care 120 ECTS credits. Curriculum 13/12/02

1 Name of the study programme and number of ECTS credits

The Study Programme in Advanced Nursing Practice in Primary Health Care comprises 120 ECTS credits. The programme is offered by the Department of Health Sciences at the University of Skövde.

2 The aim of the study programme

The aim of the study programme is to develop competence and qualification to practice as an advanced nurse practitioner in a specified area in primary health care. In addition to knowledge and proficiency, the programme will provide the ability to independently solve medical and nursing issues as well as evaluate and diagnose health issues, prescribe and perform treatment and nursing care. Furthermore, the education will provide the ability to make critical evaluations and follow-up of knowledge development in the area of intended education. The programme is designed in order to promote connections between education, research and development work. Furthermore, the education will promote the student's personal development and promote comprehension for international relations primarily in the area of education, (The Higher Education Act 1992:1434, chapter 1, Section 9, revised 1998:1832).

Upon completion of the study programme the student will have obtained:

- Increased medical knowledge and skills required to practice as an advanced nurse practitioner in primary health care.
- Advanced knowledge in order to independently observe and evaluate patients in need of complex care and also to work together with physicians and other professional groups.

- Competence in order to independently evaluate and diagnose, prescribe, plan and perform medical treatments and nursing measures required to promote physical, psychiatric and social health and also to prevent the emergence of disease and its complications.

- Advanced knowledge to independently implement treatment plans, be responsible for follow-up and evaluation of treatment and nursing care measures as well as health promoting and preventive measures.

- Competence required to be responsible for health screening and increased vaccination activities.

3 Study programme set up

The study programme for Advanced Nursing Practice in Primary Health Care, 120 ECTS credits, comprises theoretical studies (90 ECTS credits) and studies in clinical practice (30 ECTS credits). The programme is designed in order for a student who devotes necessary time for studying, follows advices and instructions to be able to complete studies according to planned time frame. The course may be conducted completely or partially in English.

4 The contents of the study programme

The study programme for Advanced Nursing Practice in Primary Health Care, 120 ECTS credits, is comprised of the following courses:

- Advanced Nursing Practice in Primary Health Care I, 7.5 ECTS credits, advanced course in nursing (D level).
- Advanced Nursing Practice in Primary Health Care II, 7.5 ECTS credits, advanced course in nursing (D level).
- Clinical Practice in Primary Health Care I, 15 ECTS credits, advanced course in nursing (D level).

- Clinical Practice in Primary Health Care II, 15 ECTS credits, advanced course in Nursing (D level).

- Infectious Diseases – Medical Diagnostics, 15 ECTS credits, advanced course in biomedicine (C level).

- Medical Diagnostics, 15 ECTS credits, advanced course in biomedicine (C level).

- Pharmacology, 15 ECTS credits, advanced course in biomedicine (C level).

- Term paper, 15 ECTS credits, advanced course in nursing (D level).

- Theory and Methods in Nursing Science III, 15 ECTS credits, advanced course in nursing (D level).

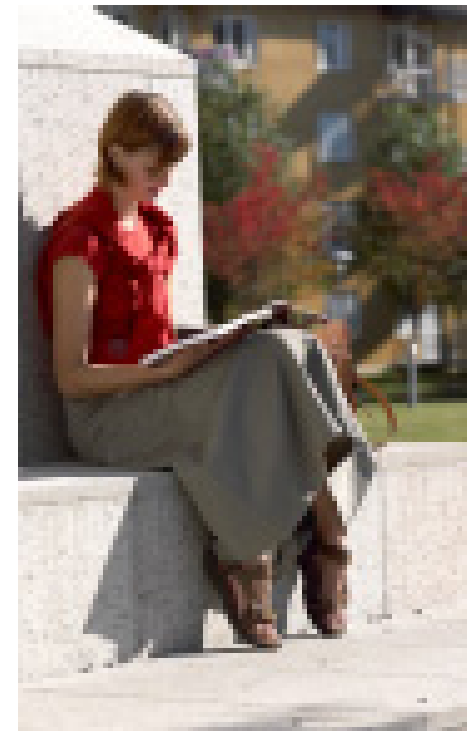
5 Entry requirements for the study programme

Entry requirements for the Advanced Nursing Practice in Primary Health Care study programme, 120 ECTS credits, are as follows: Registered Nurse licensed to practice in Sweden, Diploma in General Nursing, Diploma in District Nursing with certification to prescribe pharmaceuticals (75 ECTS credits) or corresponding and Nursing 90 ECTS credits, with a minimum of 30 ECTS credits on C level. Furthermore, at least two years professional experience as a district nurse in open health care is required.

6 The aim of the study programme

The study programme is designed to lead to a competence as an Advanced Nurse Practitioner in Primary Health Care. The study programme is also designed to lead to a Master's degree in Nursing.

Student may, after completing 90 ECTS credits in the study programme, obtain competence as an Advanced Nurse Practitioner in primary health care. Further advancement of 30 ECTS credits in nursing makes possible a



Master's degree in nursing on the assumption, the Department obtains the right to issue Master's degree in Nursing.

The issuing of diploma is made according to the Higher Education Act 1993:100, Chapter 6, Section 4, 15-17, revised 2001:23.

7 Credits for previous education or other activities

Student who wishes to obtain credits for previous education may apply to the Department of Student Administration at the University of Skövde.

8 Decision on offering the study programme and establishment of curriculum etc.

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