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Degree in Nursing Studies

The B.Sc. degree with Nursing Studies as the main field of study is offered by Bedford College, in association with the Macdonald-Buchanan School of Nursing of the Middlesex Hospital, according to University of London Regulations for First Degrees based on Course-Units. Successful candidates for the degree will also be awarded the professional qualification of State Registered Nurse.

Before entering the Course, candidates for admission must have satisfied the entrance requirements of the University of London. These are set out in the Bedford College Prospectus, which may be obtained from the Registrar.

I REGULATIONS

1. To obtain the degree, a student must have completed a prescribed amount of work in not less than four years. Part of each year will be spent on clinical placements and in associated practical work.
2. The work for the degree is divided into Courses, each of which is assessed and examined separately, either during or at some time after the conclusion of the Course. Each Course has a prescribed unit value and to qualify for the degree, a candidate must complete a minimum of 12 Course-Units and satisfy the examiners in at least 11. A minimum of 6 Course-Units must be in Nursing. Students obtaining a standard above that required for a pass will be awarded Honours classified as First Class, Second Class(Upper Division), Second Class (Lower Division) and Third Class.
3. In accordance with University Regulations, a student may be refused entry to the examination in a Course if, in the view of the teachers of that Course, the student's attendance has been inadequate. In such a case the student will not be considered to have completed the Course.
4. Examinations will always contain some written element. This will usually take the form of written papers but may be in the form of a report or a practical examination. Oral examinations and assessment of practical placements and general performance throughout the Course may also be taken into consideration.

5. At the end of the first or second year a student may choose, or may be required, to proceed to a course of study leading to the award of a degree in another main field and without the professional nursing qualification. Such students will be eligible for the award of a degree after a minimum course of study of three years and on completion of at least 9 Course-Units with passes in 8.

II DEGREE STRUCTURE

In the following, Courses taught at Bedford College are designated (BC) and those at the Middlesex are designated (MX).

First Year

Social Sciences	(BC)	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL THEORY	(1/2 C/U)
	(BC)	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL STRUCTURE	(1/2 C/U)
	(BC)	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL HISTORY	(1/2 C/U)
	(BC)	INTRODUCTION TO RESEARCH METHODS	(1/2 C/U)
	(BC)	INTRODUCTION TO ECONOMICS	(1/2 C/U)
Nursing	(MX)	FOUNDATION COURSE	(1/2 C/U)

(Each Course is examined in June by a two-hour unseen paper.)

Summer Vacation of First Year

Nursing	(MX)	INTRODUCTION TO MEDICAL SCIENCES	(1/2 C/U)
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(Examined at the conclusion of the Course by 2 two-hour unseen papers, one in Anatomy and Physiology and the other in Pathology and Microbiology.)

In order to proceed to Second Year Social Sciences Courses, students must have passed Courses to a value of at least 2 Course-Units from the Social Sciences Courses taken in the First Year. In order to proceed to Second Year Nursing Courses, both Nursing Courses taken in the First Year must have been passed.

Second Year

Social Sciences (BC) SOCIAL POLICY (1 C/U)
(BC) METHODS OF SOCIAL RESEARCH (1 C/U)
(BC) SOCIAL STRUCTURE OF INDUSTRIAL SOCIETIES (1 C/U)

Nursing (BC) ADMINISTRATION OF THE HEALTH SERVICES (1/2 C/U)

(Examined in June, the first 3 Courses by three-hour unseen papers and the last 2 by a two-hour unseen paper.)

Summer Vacation of Second Year

Nursing (MX) GERIATRIC NURSING (1/2 C/U)

(Examined at the end of the Course by a case-study of a maximum of 5000 words. Ward assessment is included in the mark for the Course.)

Third Year

Nursing (BC) GENERAL AND SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY (1/2 C/U)

(Examined in June by a three-hour unseen paper.)

(BC) In addition, students attend a short non-examined Course on COUNSELLING

(MX) ACUTE MEDICAL NURSING (1/2 C/U)

(MX) ACUTE SURGICAL NURSING (1 C/U)

(Both examined at the end of the Course by a written report and a multiple choice question paper.)

(MX) GYNAECOLOGICAL NURSING AND OBSTETRICS (1/2 C/U)

Summer Vacation of Third Year

Nursing (MX) GYNAECOLOGICAL NURSING AND OBSTETRICS (Continued)

(Examined at the end of the Course by a completed work book, a written report and a multiple choice question paper.)

Fourth Year

Nursing (BC) SOCIOLOGY OF HEALTH CARE (1 C/U)

(Examined in June by a three-hour unseen paper and an essay of a maximum of 5000 words to be submitted by 1st June.)

(MX) PAEDIATRIC NURSING (1/2 C/U)

(Examined at the end of the Course by a written report and a multiple choice question paper.)

(MX) PSYCHIATRIC NURSING (1/2 C/U)

(Examined at the end of the Course by a case-study of a maximum of 5000 words and an oral examination.)

There is also a three-hour unseen comprehensive paper on Nursing in June.

In order to qualify for State Registration, there is a final period of Nursing Practice (Long Stay) in the summer vacation of the Fourth Year.