

Calendar 2001–02



UNIVERSITY  
of  
GLASGOW

## FACULTY OF MEDICINE: NURSING

### DATES OF TERMS

#### 1st Year

*Martinmas:* 4th October 2001 – 14th December 2001

*Candlemas:* 7th January 2002 – 15th March 2002

*Whitsun:* 8th April 2002 – 31st May 2002

*Lammas:* 4th June 2002 – 27th July 2002

#### 2nd Year

*Martinmas:* 10th September 2001 – 14th December 2001

*Candlemas:* 7th January 2002 – 15th March 2002

*Whitsun:* 8th April 2002 – 3rd May 2002

*Lammas:* 7th May 2002 – 26th July 2002

#### 3rd Year

*Martinmas:* 17th September 2001 – 14th December 2001

*Candlemas:* 7th January 2002 – 15th March 2002

*Whitsun:* 8th April 2002 – 14th June 2002

*Lammas:* 17th June 2002 – 26th July 2002

#### 4th Year

*Martinmas:* 10th September 2001 – 14th December 2001

*Candlemas:* 7th January 2002 – 15th March 2002

*Whitsun:* 8th April 2002 – 21st June 2002

*Lammas:* 24th June 2002 – 19th July 2002

#### 4th Year (Honours)

*Martinmas:* 10th September 2001 – 14th December 2001

*Candlemas:* 7th January 2002 – 15th March 2002

*Whitsun:* 8th April 2002 – 21st June 2002

*Lammas:* 24th June 2002 – 19th July 2002

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## **I Appeals by Students**

The Senate is charged by the *Universities (Scotland) Acts* with a duty to superintend the teaching of the University. This is understood to include examining. The Senate has authorised the establishment of Faculty Appeals Committees to hear appeals in the first instance, as specified in the Code of Procedure for Appeals to a Faculty Appeals Committee.

A student may further appeal from the decision of the relevant Faculty Appeals Committee to the Senate.

Any appeal giving all the grounds of that appeal must be despatched in writing to the Clerk of the relevant Faculty, or to the Clerk of Senate, as appropriate, within 14 days of the intimation to the student of the decision against which he or she is appealing.

Students are advised to consult the Clerk of the relevant Faculty before lodging an appeal to the Faculty Appeals Committee and the Head of the Senate Office, before lodging an appeal to the Senate Appeals Committee.

The Code of Procedure for Appeals to a Faculty Appeals Committee and the Code of Procedure for Appeals to the Senate are set out in that section of the *University Calendar* entitled 'University Fees and General Information for Students', which is available either from the Faculty Office or The Registry enquiry office in the University. The address of the Clerk of the Faculty of Medicine is 12 Southpark Terrace, Glasgow G12 8LG.

## II Undergraduate Entry

Before applying for admission to the Faculty of Medicine, all applicants should consult the most recent edition of the University's *Undergraduate Prospectus*. The *Prospectus* sets out the normal qualifications required for admission, describes the application procedure, summarises the degree regulations and courses offered, and gives general information about the University. It is available in most U.K. schools, or it may be obtained from The Registry, University of Glasgow, Glasgow G12 8QQ.

Information regarding the higher degree of Master of Nursing (MN) is given in the 'Graduate Studies' section of the University *Calendar*.

## III DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF NURSING

**A revised curriculum for the Degree of Bachelor of Nursing will be introduced with effect from session 2002–3 in accordance with the new requirements of the United Kingdom Central Council for Nursing (UKCC). Students who commence study in October 2001 under the current regulations shown below and, who, for reasons of illness or other good cause, at any time during their studies are unable to progress directly from one year of study to the next year of study, will be required to transfer to the new curriculum.**

The Degree of Bachelor of Nursing for students commencing their studies in October 1995 is governed by Resolution 437 which took effect on 12th February 1997.

- I. The Degree of Bachelor of Nursing (BN) may be conferred by the University of Glasgow.
- II. The curriculum for both the Degree and the Degree with Honours shall extend over not fewer than four academical years of full-time study.
- III. There shall be three classes of Honours to be called the First, Second and Third classes respectively. The examiners may at their discretion divide the Second Class of Honours into two divisions. The names of the candidates placed in each class or division shall be arranged in alphabetical order.
- IV. Candidates for the Degree and the Degree with Honours will be required to complete satisfactorily the clinical practice and to have passed all examinations and summative assignments detailed under the regulations.
- V. If a candidate for the Degree with Honours having duly completed the work of the final year curriculum, is prevented by illness medically certified or other good cause from attending the Honours examination or, having begun it, from completing it, the examiners may recommend to Senate that the candidate be offered a special diet of the final examinations and if successful, may graduate with Honours.
- VI. If a candidate for the Degree with Honours fails one or more of the professional examinations in the first diet or the dissertation, a resit examination or opportunity to resit the dissertation shall be offered in

order to provide the candidate with the opportunity to complete the requirements for professional accreditation. If the candidate is successful in the examination(s)/dissertation and has completed all other requirements set out in the Regulations he or she may be awarded the Degree of Bachelor of Nursing.

VII. A candidate who has attended courses and passed examinations in another institution of higher education approved by the University Court on the recommendation of the Senate may be allowed to count such attendance as qualifying towards the Degree of Bachelor of Nursing provided that:

- (i) The Senate is satisfied that the content and standard of any course or examination to be recognized is equivalent to a corresponding course or examination prescribed for the Degree.
- (ii) If admission to the Honours curriculum is sought, recognition is limited to the equivalent of such courses as satisfy the normal requirements of the Faculty of Medicine for admission to Honours.

VIII. The regulations for the Degree shall be as stated in the schedule hereto.

IX. The examiners for the Degree shall be Professors, Readers and Lecturers in the University of Glasgow whose subjects are appropriate and such internal and external examiners as may be appointed by the University Court on the recommendation of the Faculty of Medicine.

## **REGULATIONS**

### **Length of Course**

The course of study for the Degree of Bachelor of Nursing with Honours and for the Ordinary Degree shall extend over not less than four academical years of full-time study.

### **Exemptions**

A candidate may be granted such exemption from courses and examinations as may be approved by the Senate on the recommendation of the Faculty of Medicine provided that he or she spends not less than two academic sessions in study at the University.

### **Departmental Instructions**

Students shall be required to comply with such departmental instructions as are prescribed by the Course Director. Such instructions may require students: to attend specified lectures, tutorials, laboratory or practical sessions, field courses, examinations and other events; to provide themselves with such books, equipment and other materials as are necessary for the course; to submit items of work, including essays, dissertations and project reports, by such dates as may be instructed. All such instructions shall be given to the students in writing

at the beginning of the course concerned. Reasonable notice of any alteration to them will also be given. A student who fails to comply with departmental instructions may be refused enrolment in and admission to degree examinations in the subject.

### Award of Credit

Credit will be awarded to candidates upon the satisfactory completion of courses as follows:

<i>Course</i>	<i>Credits</i>
<i>Level 1</i>	120
Nursing I (including clinical practice)	40
Community Nursing I (including clinical practice)	20
Human Biology	30
Moral Philosophy & Ethics in Nursing	15
Behavioural Sciences	15
<i>Level 2</i>	120
Nursing II (including clinical practice)	50
Community Nursing II (including clinical practice)	40
Microbiology and Pathology	15
Human Biomolecular Sciences	15
<i>Level 3</i>	120
Nursing III (including clinical practice)	80
Research Methods	10
Human Disease	30
<i>Level 4 – BN Degree</i>	120
Nursing IV (including clinical practice)	40
Process of Nursing IV (including clinical practice)	35
<i>EITHER</i> Critical Care Nursing Option (including clinical practice)	25
<i>OR</i> Primary Health Care Nursing Option (including clinical practice)	25
Philosophy & Ethics in Nursing Practice	10
Care Study	10
<i>Level 4 – BN(Hons)</i>	120
120 credits has been allocated in total for the Honours year.	

**ORDER OF STUDY AND EXAMINATION****Honours and Ordinary****First Year Courses:**

Nursing I (including Process of Nursing I, History of Nursing, Conceptualisation of Nursing);  
Community Nursing I (including Health Perspectives);  
Human Biology (Anatomy, Physiology);  
Behavioural Sciences;  
Moral Philosophy & Ethics in Nursing; Clinical Experience.

*First Professional Examination*

May/June:   Nursing I  
                  Human Biology  
                  Behavioural Sciences  
                  Moral Philosophy and Ethics in Nursing  
                  Summative Assignment: Community Nursing I Project

August:       Second Diet of Examinations  
                  Resubmission of Summative Assignment

*Note:* Performance in the class examination in Human Biology will contribute 25% to the degree examination in that subject in the first diet.

The grade awarded in the essay in Behavioural Sciences will contribute 25% to the degree examination in that subject in the first diet.

The carry forward elements described above will not contribute to the result of the second diet.

Every student must normally obtain the Certificate of Basic IT Competence in his or her first year of study in order to progress to subsequent years.

**Second Year Courses**

Nursing II (including Process of Nursing II and Clinical Physics);  
Research Methods I;  
Community Nursing II (Health Promotion and Health Education, Nursing and Health Care in the Community);  
Human Biomolecular Sciences;  
Microbiology and Pathology;  
Clinical Experience.

*Second Professional Examination*

May/June:   Nursing II  
                  Human Biomolecular Sciences  
                  Microbiology and Pathology

Summative Assignment: Community Nursing II – Health  
Promotion & Health Education (by essay/project)

August: Second Diet of Examinations  
Resubmission of Summative Assignment

*Note:* Performance in the essay in Human Biomolecular Sciences will contribute 25% to the degree examination in that subject in the first diet.

Performance in the class examination in Microbiology and Pathology will contribute 25% to the degree examination in that subject in the first diet.

The carry forward elements described above will not contribute to the result of the second diet.

### Third Year Courses

Nursing III (including Process of Nursing III);  
Research Methods II;  
Health Care Information Systems;  
Community Health Studies;  
Community Nursing III (Social Policy and Health);  
Human Disease;  
Clinical Experience.

#### *Third Professional Examination*

June: Nursing III  
Human Disease  
Summative Assignment: Research Methods (critique)

August: Second Diet of Examinations.  
Resubmission of Summative Assignment

## IV HONOURS DEGREE

### Selection for the Degree with Honours

At the end of the third year of the course in order to proceed to the Honours degree, candidates must normally have passed each of the third year degree examinations at the first attempt with a minimum of grade 'D' in Nursing III. Candidates who proceed to the final year of the course and who fail one or more of the Honours examinations will be permitted to resit the examination and if successful will graduate BN.

Candidates who fail to be admitted to the BN (Honours) on the criteria stated above will proceed to the BN Degree in Year 4.

**BN DEGREE****Fourth Year Courses**

Nursing IV(including Process of Nursing IV and Nursing IV)  
*EITHER:* Critical Care Nursing *OR* Primary Health Care Nursing.  
Philosophy & Ethics in Nursing Practice  
Clinical Experience

*Fourth Professional Examination*

Nursing IV,  
Process of Nursing IV  
*EITHER:* Critical Care Nursing *OR* Primary Health Care Nursing.

*Summative Assignments:*

Philosophy & Ethics in Nursing Practice (by essay) – this contributes 20% to the Process of Nursing IV degree examination  
Care Study (5,000 words)

To be eligible to graduate with a Degree, a candidate must normally:

- (i) have passed all degree examinations and summative assignments;
- (ii) have submitted a satisfactory Care Study of 5,000 words;
- (iii) have satisfactorily completed clinical practice;
- (iv) have obtained the Certificate of Basic IT Competence.

**DEGREE WITH HONOURS****Fourth Year Courses**

Nursing IV (Honours) (including Process of Nursing IV and Nursing IV)  
*EITHER:* Critical Care Nursing (Honours) *OR* Primary Health Care Nursing (Honours)  
Philosophy & Ethics in Nursing Practice (Honours)  
Clinical Experience

*Fourth Professional Examinations*

Nursing IV (Honours)  
Process of Nursing IV (Honours)  
*EITHER:* Critical Care Nursing (Honours) *OR* Primary Health Care Nursing (Honours)

*Summative Assignments:*

Philosophy & Ethics in Nursing Practice (Honours) (by essay) – this contributes 20% to the Process of Nursing IV (Honours) degree examination  
Dissertation (12,000 words)

For the purposes of the classification of the Honours degree, the Dissertation will be double weighted.



To be eligible to graduate with the Degree of BN Honours a candidate must normally:

- (1) have passed all final year examinations and summative assignments at the first attempt;
- (2) have submitted a satisfactory dissertation of 12,000 words at the first attempt;
- (3) have satisfactorily completed clinical practice;
- (4) have obtained the Certificate of Basic IT Competence.

### **Progress**

A student may not proceed to the next academic year of the curriculum until he or she has completed or has been granted exemption from the courses and examinations and summative assignments of the preceding year.

A student who has not achieved clinical competence appropriate to the year of study will be required to repeat the clinical experience.

## **EXAMINATIONS**

### **Conduct**

Examinations in all subjects shall be conducted in writing and, where appropriate, practical, clinical and oral examinations shall also be held.

### **Class Records**

The work done by a candidate throughout the course of study in any of the subjects may be taken into account by the Examiners.

### **Entry and Re-entry**

A candidate must present himself or herself in all the subjects of the appropriate professional examination and summative assignments on the first possible occasion after completing the prescribed course of study. A candidate who has failed in the examination in any subject of a professional examination or in a summative assignment must present himself or herself for re-examination in that subject on the first occasion for which he or she is eligible. The Faculty of Medicine exceptionally may permit a candidate to postpone entry to all or any of the subjects of a professional examination or a summative assignment.

### **Class Certificate**

No candidate shall be admitted to examination in any subject who has not satisfactorily completed the prescribed course. A candidate who, for this reason, is not permitted to attempt the professional examination or summative assignment will be deemed to have failed both diets of the examination. A class certificate shall normally be valid only during the academic year in which it is

issued but in special circumstances its validity may be extended by the Dean after consultation with the Head of School. Students who are required to obtain a new class certificate shall carry out such further studies and pass such examinations and summative assignments as the Head of School may require.

### **Absence**

A student who is absent from classes due to illness should inform the Nursing & Midwifery School Office as soon as possible. (Students on clinical placements should also inform the clinical area). Absence of more than one week must be supported by a medical certificate.

Absence from a class or a professional examination due to illness requires a medical certificate (class examination) or a medical report (professional examination) to be received by the Nursing & Midwifery School Office within 7 days of the date of the examination, otherwise the candidate will be deemed to have sat and failed the examination and gained no marks on that occasion. Delayed summative assignments should similarly be supported by a medical report.

The Faculty may make further enquiries of the doctor who issued the medical certificate, through the Medical Officer of the University Health Service, who may require the student to attend for medical examination.

### **Absence from Clinical Experience**

Students must complete at least 80% of the clinical experience. Students may be required to repeat clinical placements in order to fulfil this requirement.

### **Referred Study**

A candidate who has failed in an examination in any subject will not be re-admitted to that examination until any conditions of further study which the Faculty of Medicine may prescribe have been fulfilled. A similar arrangement will apply to summative assignments.

## **EXCLUSION OF STUDENTS**

### **Grounds**

A candidate whose conduct or progress is considered not to be satisfactory may be excluded from further instruction and examination for the Degree of Bachelor of Nursing.

A candidate will normally be excluded:

- (a) if he or she fails to pass all subjects of the First Professional Examination after two attempts and the associated summative assignments after two attempts;
- (b) if he or she fails to pass at least two subjects of the Second Professional Examination, or if he or she fails any outstanding subject of the Second

Professional Examination or the summative assignment after a third attempt;

- (c) if he or she is unable, or will be unable to sit the Fourth Professional Examination or complete the required final year summative assignments within five years of commencing the course.

A student whose studies have been so terminated shall have the right of appeal to the Appeals Committee of the Faculty.

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