

# HIGHER CERTIFICATE IN NURSING (1 year programme)

(SANC Regulation R.169)

## Core Purpose of Programme

- Prepare student with necessary knowledge, skills and attitude to function as a clinically focused, service oriented, independent nurse practitioner, able to render competent nursing care determined by the appropriate scope of practice.
- Provide the student with the necessary scientific knowledge, clinical practice and interpersonal skills.
- Socialise the student into the profession to demonstrate the appropriate attitude, behaviour and image of the profession and uphold the ethical and legal codes that govern professional practice.
- On completion of the South African Nursing Council (SANC) professional registration exam, the student will be able to register with the South African Nursing Council (SANC), as an Auxiliary Nurse and will be able to enroll in further higher education studies in nursing.

## Application Process

- Applications must be submitted to the relevant learning centre between June and August annually.
- Proof of non-refundable administration fee, plus required supporting documentation listed in the application form to be submitted.
- All applicants will follow the college selection process.
- Incomplete applications will not be considered.

## Target Group

Access is open on condition that the admission requirements are met to anyone interested in healthcare / nursing who:

- Show common sense and the ability to solve problems
- Has a genuine desire to work with people who are ill and require assistance
- Has a pleasant, well-mannered disposition, is well groomed and emotionally mature with a positive attitude
- Strong health and stamina levels which meet the physical, emotional, social and spiritual demands of nursing
- Good communication and interpersonal skills

## Minimum Admission Requirements

- Minimum statutory National Senior Certificate (NSC) requirements for entrance into higher education, higher certificate entry level must be met, or
- A recognised qualification deemed to be equivalent by the college senate and professional body
- Language English at NSC achievement rating of 4 (50-59%) or above
- Mathematical literacy at NSC achievement rating of 3 (40 - 49%) or above
- Life Sciences at NSC achievement rating of 3 (40 - 49%) or above
- International applicants should have a South African Qualifications Authority equivalency certificate
- Recommendation: completion of computer literacy course



## Duration

1 year. Full time study.

## Total Credits for the Programme

- HEQSF criteria: Higher Certificate NQF level 5
- Total credits for the programme: 120

## Starting

Annually dependent on date of release of National Senior Certificate Results

## Cost

Available on request

## Learning Centre Contact Details

### NATIONAL OFFICE

Life Healthcare, Oxford Parks  
203 Oxford Road (Corner Eastwood and Oxford Roads)  
Dunkeld, 2196  
Tel: 011 219 9000  
Fax: 011 219 9001  
www.lifehealthcare.co.za

### LEARNING CENTRES

#### East London Learning Centre

The Hub, Bonza Bay Road, Beacon Bay, East London 5202  
Tel: 043 704 3200  
Fax: 086 687 0076  
admin.eastlondon@lifehealthcare.co.za

#### Port Elizabeth Learning Centre

Ground Floor, Oasim North, Havelock Street, Central,  
Port Elizabeth 6001  
PO Box 12051, Centrahil, Port Elizabeth 6006  
Tel: 041 501 1851  
Fax: 041 501 1859  
admin.portelizabeth@lifehealthcare.co.za

#### Pretoria Learning Centre

Room 6, Denneboom Office Park, Cnr Lynnwood & Simon Vermooten  
Roads, Die Wilgers Ext 14, Pretoria 0041  
PO Box 73928, Lynnwood Ridge 0040  
Tel: 012 816 8900  
admin.pretoria@lifehealthcare.co.za

#### West Rand Learning Centre

91 Leader Road, Robertville, Roodepoort 1709  
PO Box 2181, Florida 1710  
Tel: 087 352 2727  
Fax: 086 505 6610  
admin.westrand@lifehealthcare.co.za

#### East Rand Learning Centre

15 Middlesex Street, Springs 1559  
Tel: 011 812 3960  
Fax: 011 812 3962  
admin.eastrand@lifehealthcare.co.za

#### Cape Town Learning Centre

The Park, 1st floor, Park Road, Pinelands, Cape Town 7405  
PO Box 23905, Claremont 7735  
Tel: 021 506 5340  
Fax: 021 506 5351  
admin.capetown@lifehealthcare.co.za